of Distance Differ Greatly in Several Localities.

Among the English-speaking peoples of the earth there are four different miles-the ordinary mile of 5,280 feet and the geographical mile of 6,085 feet, making a difference between the two of about one-seventh; then there are the Scotch mile of 5,928 feet and the Irish mile of 6,720 feet-four various miles. every one of which is still in use. Then almost every country has its standard mile. The German mile today is 24,318 as long as ours. The Dutch, Danish addition. and Prussian mile is 18,499 feet, three and a half times as long as ours, and the Swiss get more exercise in walking one of their miles than we get in walking five of ours, for their mile is 9,153

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Endler, Vanburen, Ind.. Feb. 10, 1900.

New Zealand Dairy Business.

The dairy business is increasing rapidly in New Zealand, and the govern ment is doing all in its power to boost

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Bobrikoff Gets Sensitive.

Governor General Bobriakoff has commanded the Finnish local government to make extensive preparations for the Northern Scientific congress, as it would be most regrettable if anything should occur to give the foreign visitors an unfavorable impression of the conditions in Finland. The local government is quite willing, however, that the visitors should realize fully what Bobrikoff has done for Finland.

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"What is a vacuum, ma?" "That part of your father that is directly under his hair."

Raising Eagles.

Nils Dvag, a farmer living some miles from Rorvik, earns some extra moeny by capturing eagles. He knows where the nests are and scales the high cliffs and takes the young, which he sells to learn that Mr. Lestrade and Mr for good prices in Christiania. He has Gregson, of Scotland Yard, are both had many fights with the parents, but never harms or kills them, as by their death his source of revenue would be

His Occupation.

"Haven't you any occupation?" asked the woman at the kitchen door, after listening to his tale of woe.

"I am a hunter." "A hunter? Of what?" "Grub, ma'am."

Agree to Norway's Demands.

The Swedish-Norwegian commission proposes separate services for the two its of the deceased. kingdoms. This was generally expected would have acceptable.e bee

Mothers will find Mrs. Vinslow's Sooth-ing Syrup the best remedy to use for their shildren during the teething period.

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"I suppose that work in sixty volumes is an encyclopedia?"

"No; it is called 'The Love Letters of a Mormon Elder.'"

Dolly-I believe Julia Gibbs is a

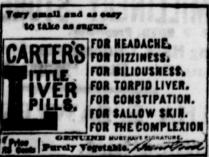
Polly-Why? Dolly-I went to sell her a ticket to our piacnica nd she sold me one.

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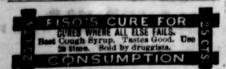
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A STUDY IN SCARLET

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BY A. CONAN DOYLE.

The papers next day were full of the "Brixton Mystery," as they termed it. feet, more than four and a half times fair, and some had leaders upon it in

There was some information in them which was new to me. I still retain in my scrap book numerous clppings and extracts bearing upon the case Here is a condensation of a few

The Daily Telegraph remarked that in the history of crime there had sel-dom been a tragedy which presented

stranger features. The German name of the victim, the absence of all motive and the sinister inscription on the wall all pointed to its perpetration by political

refugees and revolutionists. The Socialists had many branches in America, and the deceased had, no doubt, infringed their unwritten laws

and been tracked down by them. After alluding airily to the Vehmgericht, aqua tofano, Carbonari, the Marchioness de Brinvilliers, the Darwinian theory, the principles of Mal-thus and the Ratcliff Highway mur ders, the article concluded by admon ishing the government and advocating a closer watch over foreigners in Eng-

The Standard commented upon the fact that lawless outrages of the sort usually occurred under a Liberal administration,

They arose from the unsettling of the minds of the masses and the consequent weakening of all authority. The deceased was an American gentleman who had been residing for some weeks in the metropolis. He hda tayed at the boarding-house off Mme. Charpentier, in Torquay Terrace, Camberwell.

He was accompanied in his travels by his private secretary, Mr. Joseph Stangerson. The two bid adieu to their landlady upon Tuesday, the 4th inst. and departed to Euston station with the avowed intention of catching the Liverpool express. They were after-ward seen together on the platform. Nothing more is known of them until Mr. Drebber's body was, as recorded, discovered in an empty house in the Brixton road, many miles from

How he came there, or how he met his fate, are questions which are still

involved in mystery. Nothing is known of the where abouts of Stangerson. We are glad engaged upon the case, and it is confidently anticipated that these well known officers will speedily throw upon the matter.

The Daily News observed that there was no doubt as to the crime being a political one. The despotism and hatred of Liberalism which animated the Continental governments had had effect of driving to our shores a "Yes, ma'am," said Tuffold Knutt, number of men who might have made excellent citizens were they not soured by the recollection of all they had undergone.

Among these men there was a stringent code of honor any infringe-ment of which was punished by death. Every effort should be made to to draft a plan for the revision of the find the secretary, Stangerson, and to

A great step had been gained by the in both cos, and in untieNorway no discovery of the address of the house leave your house for the train?" I other soluti the difficuion olt question at which he had boarded, a result asked.

which was entirely due to the acute "'At 8 o'clock,' she said, gulping which was entirely due to the acute-

> and they appeared to afford him considerable amusement "I told you that, whatever happened,

Lestrade and Gregson would be sure to score."

escapes, it will be in spite of ...eir ex-eruons. It's heads I win, talls you followers. A fool always finds a big-ger fool to admire him." calm, clear voice. "'No good can

What on earth is this?" I cried, for at this moment there came the patter-ing of many steps in the hall and on the stairs, accompanied by audible ex-

"It's the Baker-street division of the detective police force," said my companion, gravely; and as he spoke there rushed into the room half a doz- firmly. en of the dirtiest and most ragged "'You had best tell me all about it stre arabs that ever I clapped eyes now,' I said. 'Half confidences are

come back with a better report next all forbid it"

rats, and we heard their shrill voices he will be none the worse." next moment in the street.

one of those little beggars than out of daughter withdrew. 'Now, sir,' ic organization.

"Is it on this Brixton case that you are employing them?" I asked.

"Yes; there is a point which I wish to ascertain. It is merely a matter of time. Halloo! we are going to hear news now with a vengeance! Here is Gregson coming down the with beatitude written upon every feature of his face. Bound for us, I know. Yes, he is stopping. There he

There was a violent peal at the bell, and in a few seconds the fair-haired detective came up the stairs three steps at a time, and burst into our

"My dear fellow," he cried, wringing Holmes' unresponsive hand, "congratulate me! I have made the whole thing as clear as day." A shade of anxiety seemed to me to

right track?" he asked the man under lock and key!'

"And his name is?"

Sherlock Holmer gave a sigh of re-

lef and relaxed into a smile. "Take a seat and try one of these cigars," he said. "We are anxious to know how you managed it. Will you

have some whisky and water?" "I don't mine if I do," the detective answered. "The tremendous exertions which I have gone through during the last day or two have worn me out. Not so much bodily exertion, you understand, as the strain upon the mind. You will appreciate that, Mr. Sherlock Holmes, for we are both brain

"You do me too much honor," said Holmes, gravely. "Let us hear how you arrived at this most gratifying result.

armchair and puffed complacently at his cigar. Then suddenly he slapped his thigh in a paroxysm of amuse-"The fun of it is," he cried, "that

that fool Lestrade, who thinks himself so smart, has gone off upon the wrong track altogether. He is after he secretary, Stangerson, who had no more to do with the crime than the babe unborn. I have no doubt that he has caught him by this time." The idea tickled Gregson so much that he laughted until he choked.

"And how did you get your clue?"
"Ah, I'll tell you all about it. Of course, Dr. Watson. this is strictly beween ourselves. The first difficulty which we had to contend with was the finding of this American's anteced-Some people would have waited until their advertisements were answered or until parties came forward and volunteered information. That is not Tobias Gregson's way of going to work. You remember the hat be-

side the dead man?"
"Yes," said Holmes, "by John Underwood & Sons, 129 Camberwell Gregson looked quite crestfallen

that," he said, "Have you been there?" "Ha!" cried Gregson, in a relieved "you should never neglect a

"I had no idea that you noticed

chance, however small it may seem. "To a great mind nothing is little," emarked Holmes, sententiously "Well, I went to Underwood and asked him if he had sold a hat of that size and description. He looked over his books and came on it at once. He had sent the hat to a Mr. Drebber, re-

siding at Charpentier's boarding es-

tablishment, Torquay Terrace. Thus got at his address.

"Smart - very smart," murmured Sherlock Holmes. "I next called upon Madame Charpentier," continued the detective. found her very pale and distressed. Her daughter was in the room, tooan uncommonly fine girl she is too; she was looking red about the eyes, and her lips trembled as I spoke to her. That didn't escape my notice. I began to smell a rat. You know the feeling, Mr Sherlock Holmes, when you once come upon the right scent—a kind of thrill in your nerves. 'Have you heard of the mysterious death of your late brother, Mr. Enoch J. Dreb-ber, of Cleveland?" I asked.

The mother nodded. She didn't seem to get out a word. The daughter burst into tears. I felt more than ever consular system of Sweden and Norway, ascertain some particulars of the hab- that these people knew something of the matter.
"'At what o'clock did Mr. Drebber tion.—Tillotson.

ness and energy of Mr. Gregson, of in her throat to keep down her agita- Henry Harrison's defeat of his savage 'His secretary, Mr. Stangerson, Sherlock Holmes and I read these said that there were two trains one notices over together at breakfast, at 9:15 and one at 11. He was to catch the first.' "'And was that the last which you

saw of him? "A terrible change came over the woman's face as I asked the question. "That depends on how it turns out." Her features turned perfectly livid, it "Oh, bless you, it doesn a matter in was some seconds before she could the least. If the man is caught, it will get out the single word 'Yes,' and

be on account of their exertions; if he when it did come it was in a husky, unnatural tone. "There was silence for a moment.

lose. Whatever they do, they will have and then the daughter spoke in a "'No good can ever come of false hood, mother,' she said. 'Let us be

frank with the gentleman. We did see Mr. Drebber again.'
"'God forgive you!' cried Madame presions of disgust on the part of our Charpentier, throwing up her hands and sinking back in her chair.

have murdered your brother! "'Arthur would rather that spoke the truth,' the girl answered.

on.
"'Tention!" cried Holmes, in a know how much we know of it.'
"'On your head be it, Alice!' cried worse than none. Besides, you do not

stood in a line like so many dis- ber mother; and then, turning to me, reputable statuettes. "In future you I will tell you all, sir. Do not imagine shall send up Wiggins alone to report, that my agitation on behalf of my son and the rest of you must wait in the prises from any fear lest he should street. Have you found it, wiggins?" have had a hand in this terrible affair. "No, sir, we hain't," said one of the He is utterly innocent of it. My dread is, however, that in your eyes and in "I hardly expected that you would. The eyes of others he may appear to be compromised. That, however, is are your wages." He handed each of them a shilling, "Now, off you go, and his profession, his antecedents would

Your best way is to make a clean He waved his hand, and they scam- breast of the facts," I answered. 'Depered away downstairs like so many pend upon it, if your son is innocent

"There's more work to be got out of leave us together,' she said, and her a dozen of the force," Holmes re- continued, 'I had no intention of tellmarked. "The mere sight of an official ing you all this, but since my poor looking person seals men's lips. These daughter has disclosed it I have no youngsters, however, go everywhere alternative. Having once decided to and hear everything. They are as speak, I will tell you all without omit ting any particular.'

The invitation to this government was given directly to the state department ting any particular.'

'It is your wisest course,' said I. "Mr. Drebber has been with us from Berlin. It is proposed to hold the international conference some time retary, Mr. Stangerson, had been traversely. eling on the Continent. I noticed a next spring. their last stopping place. Stangerson was a quiet, reserved man, but his omployer, I am sorry to say, was far ctherwise. He was coarse in his habits and brutish in his ways. The very night of his arrival he became very much the worse for drink, and, inwere disgustingly free and familiar. Worst of all, he speedily assumed the same manner toward my daughter, Alice, and spoke to her more than once in a way which, fortunately, she cross my companion's expressive face. is too innocent to understand. On one "Do you mean that you are on the occasion he actually seized her in his arms and embraced her—an outrage

"'But why do you stand all this?' I "Arthur Charpentier, sub-lieutenant in her majesty's navy," cried Gregson, pompously, rubbing his fat hands and "Mrs. Charpentier blushed at my scien ertinent question.
"'Would to God that I had given

him notice on the very day he came; she said. But it was a sore tempta . They were paying a pound a day each-14 pounds a week, and this is a slack season. I am a widow, and my boy in the navy has cost me much. I grudged to lose the money, I acted for best. This last was too much, leave on account of it. That was the eason of his going.' " 'Well?"

"'My heart grew light when I saw him drive away. My son is on leave just now, but I did not tell him anything of this, for his temper is violent and he is passionately fond of his sister. When I closed the door behind them a load seeme. to be lifted from my mind. Aas! in less than an hour there was a ring at the bell, and I learned that Mr. Drebber had returned. He was much excited and evidently the worse for drink. He forced his way into the room where I was sitting with my daughter and made some incoherent remark about having missed his train. He then turned to Alice, and, before my very face, proposed to her that she should fly with him. "You are of age," he aid, "and there is no law to stop you. I have money enough, and to spare. Never mind the old girl here, but along with me now straight way. You shall live like a princess. Poor Alice was so frightened that she hrank away from him, but he caught her by the wrist and endeavored to to draw her toward the door. I creamed, and at that moment my son rthur came into the room. appened then I do not know. heard oaths and confused sounds of a scuffle. I was too terrified to raise my bead. When a did look up I saw Arthur standing in the doorway laughing, with a stick in his hand. "I don't think that fine fellow will trouble us again," he said. "I will just go after him and see what he does with him-

The next morning we heard of Mr. Drebber's mysterious death. "This statement came from Mrs. Charpentier's lips with many gasps ing Davis, then a reporter in Philadeland pauses. At times she spoke so low that I could hardly catch the words. I made shorthand notes of all that she said, however, so that there who said he had been sent with his could be no possibility of a mistake."
"It's quite exciting," said Sherlock Holmes, with a yawn. "What hap-

self." With these words he took his

hat and started off down the street.

pened next?" "When Mrs, Charpentier paused," the detective continued, "I saw that the whole case hung on one point. Fixing her with my eye in a way which I always found effective with

son returned. do not know,' she answered.

"'Not know?' "'No: he has a latch key and let imself in.

"After you went to bed?" " 'Yes.' "'When did you go to bed?"

" 'About eleven. "'So your son was gone at least two

"Yes. " 'Possibly four or five?"

"'What was he doing during that "'I do not know,' she answered turning white to her very lips.

(To be continued.)

Things That May Interest You. DAMES AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE P

In mtaters of great concern, and which must be done, there is no surer argument of a weak mind than irresolu-

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Herr Most, the anarchist, who has enjoyed an international experience of prisons, sums it up in the epigram: The freer the country the worse the "I was first imprisoned in Ausjail." tria," he says. "There I was reated like a gentleman. In Germany they set me to work at book binding. That was easy. In London they made me pick oakum. That was very hard. The first time I was imprisoned in America I had to fire a furnace. That was

TO STUDY EARTHQUAKES.

Leading Nations of the World Invited by

Kalser to Meet in Conference. An international investigation of earthquakes will probably be the next great inquiry jointly taken up by the leading nations of the world. Emperor William is taking the lead in this movement, doubtless not desiring to have the czar of Russia suggest all the propositions having a tendency to bring the civilized peoples closer to-

gether. Germany has invited the United States, all the European countries. Mexico, Japan, Brazil, Argentine, and Chili, to participate in a conference fer the study of seismological problems. by Count Von Quadt, German charge d'affaires. He acted under instructions

"Copenhagen" label upon each of their All the countries invited to participate trunks, showing that that had been are expected to send delegates. They will naturally be scientists of high standing and especially those whose duties bring them in contact with the general topic of earthquakes and disturbances of the earth's crust. No action looking to the calling of the con vention will be taken until a considerdeed, after 12 o'clock in the day he could hardly ever be said to be sober. able number of the nations requested His manners toward the maid servants to send delegates has replied to the in-

vitation sent by Germany. Officials here are much interested in the proposition advanced by the German government. Its importance is materially enhanced by reaction of the recent eruption on the Islands of Martinique and St. Vincent. It is expected "The right track! Why. sir, we have which caused his own secretary to reproach limit for his unmanly conduct."

which caused his own secretary to reproach limit for his unmanly conduct. tion, although no definite decision will be reached until the return of Secretary

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"There is Mr. Cleveland's new three "Three-story?" asked Mr. Davis.

'I see but one." "Well," said the native, "there's the story you see, the story underneath, women, I asked her at what hour her and the story Dave Kronk's allus telliin' about it."

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