THE estimate for the New Tay Bridge is clos : on \$3,500,000.

A lon h b sket as tem is being tried on tie Boston and Albany Rulroad. Lunchia of varying sorts and pross, but all of good quality, are delivered to next baskets at join a to those who have ordered them of sgents about I the train.

THE splendid chandel ier of rock orystal, in the room where the wedding break(ast of the Prince of Prussis, or rather supper, took place in Berlin the other day, is the identical one under which Luther stood at the Diet of Worms. The late King bought it for. £4,000

An Indianapolis merchant drove into town every morning, lest his horse in a livery stable, attended to business until night, and then drove home. The beast was by no means overworked in this light service, yet it grew thin and ill, as though from hard usage. The owner at length found out that it had been hired out nearly every day by the liveryman. A jury has awarded damages othe amount of the money earn d by the horse.

WHEN it was discovered that the young women who were engaged in the Louisville Female High Scho 1, in the publication of a school paper, were making personal solicitations among business men for advertisements and subscriptions, and were not only offering prizes of jewelry as an inducement for patronage, but were also bestowing kisses where kisses would win a customer, the authorities of the school put their veto upon the project.

THE statement has been made that the use of postal cards has decreased the sale of writing paper in the United States \$12,000,. 000 annually. In the first place, according to figures given by the Springfield Republican, the sale of writing paper has not decreased at all; and in the second place, the amount now manufactured in a year is not worth \$10,000,000, including that used for blank books, envelopes, and other purposes requiring sized paper. Last year the Government sold 293,000,000 postal cards.

That the M saissippi may deservedly be called the "Father of Waters" the follow- She hears the matin songs of happy birds, ing data will show: Quantity of water discharged by that river annually, 14,883,360,-636,880 cubic feet; quantity of sediment discharged annually, 28.188,083 892 cubic feet ; area of the delta of the river, according to Lyell's estimate, 13,000 square miles, and depth of the same, as calculated by Prof. R ddell, 1.056 feet. The delta, consequently, as appears from these figures, contains 400,378 429,440,000 cubic feet, or 2, 720 cubic miles; and it would require for the formation, therefore, of one cubic m'le of delta five years and eighty-one days-for the formation of one square mile, of the depth of 1,056 feet, one year sixteen and one-fifth days, and for the formation of the whole delta 14,208 4.5 years.

MRS. HATCH or Mrs. Reilly (she bore the names alternately) was for six years unable to make a final choice between two husbands in St. Louis. She was remarkably handsome, and the two men were deeply in love with her, while she seems to have been about equally in love with each, and was bound to each by a marriage ceremony. She deserted one and went to the other four times, on every occasion declaring that her decision was final. A few days ago she left Reilly and began proceedings for a divorce preparatory to a new marriage to Hatch. The rival husbands had for years threatened to kill each other. They agreed to meet in the office of a mutual friend, who desired to make peace between them; but each armed himself with a pistol, and on sight they drew the weapons. Reilly was the quickest, and Hatch was shot dead.

GLEANINGS.

THE Czar of Russia has been put out of the favors for their crime?

THE Poers have set their national war-song to the air of "Sally Waters," and are ready for the summer campaign.

ONE of the Rothschild weighs only ninety pounds and he is worth 9,000,000 pounds. THE King of Portugal's translation of Majesty's royalty on the translation has al- lying near by him. Beside the elder of the ingly ready yielded him \$5,000.

day is su e to receive favorable notice.

It is now is maied that the fores's of America will be all us d up at the ent of another thirty years, and a man who wants to go hunting will have to sit on a drawbridge and shoot at sailors.

Plattville, Wis., with their head fastened in the usual way between stanchions. The floor gave way in the night, an . in the morning hey were found hang n ; dead.

ally made in accomplishing the work ass ga- responding to every air-wave that passed she walked beside them on the grass, and with the nurse, when she heard the sound of Cairo, Egypt, testities to the progress gradu- to say, Glorvina was like an Ælian harp, ed to the department. During a tour of over her, whether grave or gay; and just gave Mr. O'Brien no further opportunity of wheels in the avenue; and, thinking that single slave was found of later date than the times were troubled, and she was patriotic some time past in vain. In truth, Glorvina; smooth her hair, disordered in romping with establishment of the department. The re- and reflective, But when she smiled her was more than indifferent to Tim O'Brien; the little ones, and then descended to the port adds, however, that the total abolition face was brightened with a light that made she disliked him instinctively, though he drawing-room, confirmed in her idea by of the trade in Egypt is still far distant.

after the division on Lord Lytton's motion. the Earl of Beaconsfield, returning with a power over men. She was very rich. Both crowd of Peers, abstractedly strolled up to father and mother had died in her infancy, the Ministerial bench, and was about to take and she had been adopted and brought up by the seat of the leader of the House, when her English mother's brother, who had died he recognized Earl Granville already in pos- three years before and left her to the guard-He immediately retired, and, skirting the table, took the seat opposite. This mistake created great merriment. Lord Beaconsfield heartily joined in the her side. The reclining sportsman was

unless one of them died the sas would not ment, with detachments of Marines, and come again to the sea ing grounds on the even of the Guards, had been sent to Ireland British Columb a coast. So the parents car- to endeavour to keep the land tranquil ; for ried the babes into the bush, and began a the Whiteboys were a source of terror, and course of incantation and starvation. In the neither life nor property was safe in the unmidst of the rites, Father Nicolai of the Ro- happy, though beautiful island. man Catholic mission suddenly appeared and The girls had been discussing the subject induced the parents to live t e babes proper of the troubles ; for danger was drawing Eva. courishment. The twins lived, the catch of near their own home. have lost all prestige in the vill ges.

boarding house won the ardent love of two prepare for death, since he could find no boarders. Both desire t to marry her. She better employment than serving the enemies was puzzled to choose between them, and of his country. It was signed 'Captain further complicated the affair by accepting Rock." first one and then the other. The rivals at a knife and decla ed thet he wo ld not sur- soldiers fired at Callinara was, of course, an vive a refusal. The other, not to be outdone, unpar lenable offence in their eyes." placed a pistol at his head and swore that he would blow his brains out in case of disap- papais so good to his tenants and to everypointment. She took the dagger man, how. body! They used to love him with all their sents who had been recently shot. ever, and the pistol man allowed himself to Irish fervour before these disturbances broke be d sarmed, though he vows he will die on out." her wedding day.

THE official executioner of Upper and Lower Austria was visited at his house in Vienns by a decrepit and sorrowful old woman, who begged him to give her a remedy that would cure her son of a propensity to steal. She was evidently possessed of the old superstition that the hangman has peculi r power for , iving reliet in such a case ; and the expiece of the rope with which the murderer of lions that Ireland's wrongs can be righted. Creightown village." banged, and to'd her to conceal it under the a course, " mattress on which her son slept. He also bleed from him with the sword used for bebleed from him with the sword used from him with the sword beeding criminal and the in- "No, I think not," she replied. "It "If it would save him and mother from state of things!" corr gible son was subsequently convicted of would not do to obey the orders of such danger, I think he had better pay it, said sundry crimes, and his old and stricken mo- people ; it would make them a hundred Tim. ther told the Court of her efforts to make a times worse. If one loyal gentleman were "My dear boy, it would be treason to do guardian will soon be home." arraigne : on a char e of charlatanry.

THE awastest thing in caster bouncts will be a pretty face,

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FUGITIVE FANCIES

Moonshine. I think of you mostly When peusive moon ight, Like drapery ghostly, Falls over the night.

Like moonbeams your tresses, False sweetheart of mine ; Your vows and caresses Were merely moonshine.

A Memory.

She passed me like a beam of light Upon the crowded thoroughfare; I caught a faint hint of a smile And just a glimpie of sunny hair.

And ever as I pass the spot, Upon the crowded thoroughfare, I feel the presence of a smile, And muse upon that sunny hair.

For a Distant Love's Sake. hear the melodies of sleeping birds, The weary insects' intermittent hum ;

The sun glides down the crimson-tinted And o'er the land the creeping shadows | place of it."

As down the west the shadows disappear Dear is the day to me, but night more

A Bachelor's Reflection. I lie in my bachelor chamber,

Enveloped in fleecy moonbeams, And dream of you, beautiful woman, Perpetual theme of my dreams. Had you been as loyal and loving

As I've been, fair woman, to you, My cup might have held less of worm-This lonely room might have held

By the Author of "HIDDEN QUICKSANDS, "A RELENTLESS FOE," " MAGGIE O'CON-NOR'S FORTUNES," &c., &c.

CHAPTER I.

The sun was setting over a broad and gleaming Irish lake, which reflected its radiance in a thousand dimpling wavelets that formed a path of light across the water to the west. To the north lofty hills were veiling themselves in the purple mantle of evening, though here and there a bold projection caught a rosy flush from the departing orl. Trees grew down to the lake, and willows dipped their drooping branches in it. In the distance were thickly grouped woods; and scattered hamlets sent up thin way, but will his on show the Nibilists any lines of smoke into the air. Over all this was the glow and richness of early autumn.

Beneath a great Irish oak, the huge roots of which stretched nearly to the lake, were seated a merry party of young people, whose voices and laughter broke pleasantly the stillness of the hour and place. Two ladies occupied the rough wooden seat that surrounded the trunk ; at their feet reclined a Shakspeare has had a very large sale; his young man in shooting costume, his gun young ladies stood another gentleman, a THE war b tween Persia and the Kurds is handsome distinguished looking mar, with simply a mas acre of the weak and helpless. the air of a soldier. Not far off two child-A l'ersian officer who kills three women pr ren were playing-a boy of about nine, a girl Leicester's fine feathers ?" of six. One of the ladies was a brunette, with a warm, glowing complexion, dark large bright hazel eyes, irregular features, and a merry srch expression of face. other-perhaps a year older-was taller, with a complex on of cream and roses, rich auburn hair, and those wonderful dark blue face.

peculiar beauty of her country women ; for Glervina Desmond was an Irish girl. She was undoubtedly as beautiful a woman as artist over strove to depict. In repose THE quarterly report of the Director of the her face had rather a sad expression, for, as back to their companions, and joined them cruelty. it inexpressibly brilliant and bewitching, In the House of Lords the other morning and, had she not been the heiress that she family, and was treated as a son of the hall. anship of a cous n of her father, Mr. Coghlan -the owner of St. Kevin's P. lory. His daughter, her devoted friend Eva, was by young Tim O Brien, a neighbor and an old BECAUSE a native woman had been deliver. friend. The other gentleman was Captain ed of twins, the Indian se rs prophesied that | Leicester, of the -th Hussars, which regi-

on the hall door this morning. It had a A PRETTY servant girl in a Rochester coffin rudely drawn upon it, and told him to

"I expected they would attack him," oblen, thagreed to meet her in a room together and served Tim, " for he has been active in supget ter final decision. When the momentous pressing their meetings; and he being the eccasion came, one tried to influen e her by magistrate who read the Riot Act before the threats."

"But it is shameful," Eva went on; "for

"And these disturbances have been created by vile political agitators," exclaimed Glorvina. "The people are a generous, hotheaded, patriotic race, and wicked men take advantage of their very virtues to lead them into peril, For my part," she added more calmly, "I think they have just cause for complaint. As a nation, we have been for centuries systematically ill-used by England;

"And what will Mr. Coghlan do, Miss "Of course not! There is no fear of promised, if this did not work a cure, to draw Desmond?" asked Captain Le center anxious- O'Brien's paying blackmail to the rebels.

but surely, you ladies-

would do so : would we. Glory ?" "No, indeed," responded Glory no. "My threats."

guardian will take precautions, but we shall

the house. Would Mr. Coghlan permit me | heard in the village closs to you !" to stay there with a few men ?" Leicester ; but I don't think he will accept a minute's notice to go anywhere."

them, Nora exclaiminghim give up my ball ?"

"Eva," exclaimed Teddy, "she gave it to be prudent to accompany him so far.

ne, and now she wants it back again!"

Eva laughed, and said that Nora ought know, if we should be interrupted." me, and now she wants it back again !" not to ask to have a gift back again ; but that, as she was only a little girl and he a smile, "have pistols." big boy, she thought it would be more manly if he returned it. "And I," added Eva, "will buy you a uneasily.

new cricket-ball at the fair next week in

ball to her. "Do you think he will !" As down the west the shadows the castern reply.

And sunshine streams across the castern "Is he going to have a tutor at home," asked Tim.

him-after poor Dan!' -with a sigh. Little another man-a good strong fellow." Dan Coghlan had been killed at school by an accident in the playground. "Papa has en. "Those he has are trustworthy, both of gaged a clergyman to live with us to teach them. A stranger might let in the White-Teddy.

"No ; papa told him the country was dis- of white disappear behind the trees at the turbed ; but, of course, he knew it. He is side of the road. an Irishman from Dublin University. He

will not be afraid." "I should think not!" exclaimed Teddy. know, she means to marry the bravest man she can find; and I want her to wait for

There was a general laugh as Teddy drew human figure." up his little figure with the air of an infant "I really think I will wait for you,

Teddy," said Miss Desmond, holding out a

around her neck and kissed her. "I will silence, make haste to grow up and deserve you !" Glorvina, releasing herself from his em-

said. "We had better return to the house, Eva: it grows chilly now after sunset. Miss Coghlan complied with her request, and they turned homeward, Captain Leices-

little in advance of the others, "you mean | have Glorvina-by Heaven !" only to wed a hero, Miss Glorvina? I'm thinking I would take service under King George, if it would give me a chance of win-

showing if he's one or not! Tell me, day after receiving the warning; the father should I have a chance with you if I wore on business and also to bring back the ex-

theless the impress of a crafty nature. out of doors when the young soldier called her. in the afternoon and walked with the young ladies to the lake.

Rock-confound him !"

"I did not know it till this minute," re- you back with them. seals was uncommonly large, and the seers "Papa," said Eva, "found a paper stuck plied Tim, a dark flush spreading over his in for the same.

asked Mrs. Cogh'an, a little anxiously.

the cause, under the great stone near Miss Desmond?" "And will be do so?" asked Tim, with

ther told the Court of all the remedies she good man of him, and of all the remedies she ed with one of Captain Rock's processes, contempt, the rescale will soon give up their and the country would be left to the White

"Do you think we would leave papa?" in- should be happy to bring some of our men swered her remarks and questions in a conterrupted Eva indignantly. "Not one of us here and remain for a few days till we see if fused manner, and was evidently thoroughly any attempt is made to carry out their uncomfortable.

It is Mrs. Coghlan who has had bolts and | would be an acknowledgment of fear on our at his shyness. Yet the student who moved bars put to doors hitherto ignorant of them. part. Besides, remember how near the bar. his bands so nervously and looked so bash who is connected with one of the great have four slits for air; inside are two small "But, surely," said Captain Leicester, "it racks are to us. Why, you must be able to gentleman. His face was refined and intelwould be well to have some of our fellows at hear our alarum-bell if we rang it; it can be "Then pray 1ing it at the slightest alarm!"

t." Here the children interrupted the con-Then the conversation took another and versation by rushing impetuously up to more lively turn; and, when tea was over, the two young men departed. Captain Lei-"Eva will you speak to Teddy and make cester had to be early in barracks, and Tim O'Brien declared that he thought it would

> "And I," said Leicester, with a quiet As the two young men passed the lodge gates, the young officer glanced back rather lan.

"I dare say he will," was his sister's we left? Any one outside would be able, room. And they have only two men-ser- out any later; so we sent word that he was not have exploded.' vants in the house—that old butler and a to follow us, and at last set out for home !" Supposing the bombs were provided with "Yes : mamma can't bear to part with mere lad. I shall advise Coghlan to bire

"And the Parson is not alarmed by the | "Hillon!" exclaimed the officer, stopping possible danger of his position here ?" asked | short. "What is that in the copse ?" Tim turned and just distinguished a gleam Mr. Cogblan.

> laying his hand on Leicester's arm as he was the drawing-room, followed by the two them strike at my feet; still, the chances la Moskowa. She was sorded to a degree, raising his pistol. "Nothing worse, I as- girls, they gave the tutor a cordial greeting. are that it would not explode.

"I hope you are right," he answered cident. doubtfully; "but I thought it resembled a everybody nowadays has Whiteboys on the would be waylaid?

The young soldier dropped his arm.

There was a tinge of sarcasm in his tone, driver's conduct. small white hand to him; "you are such a and Captain Leicester looked around at him Mrs. Coghlan turned pale and grasped her been to make these harmless under ordinary sharply. But Tim had no sneer on his lip; daughter's hand; the father looked grave shock and fire. Why should the conspir-"Thank you, Glorvina!" cried the boy; on the contrary, he looked grave and even and puzzled.

pany. Captain Leicester did not invite him of 'The Shamrock,' owes me a good turn "The sun is gone quite out of sight," she and young O'Brien, a little disappointed-for hands." he courted the military-walked on, mutter-

"A conceited ass! I wonder if it is the vehemently. heiress he's after ? But of course it is ! Monters by Eva's side, and Tim O'Brien by Miss ey and beauty united must always win the day against mere prettiness and a small por-"And so," he said to her, as they walked tion, such as Eva has! But he shall never

CHAPTER II.

The alarum from St. Kevin's did not call "Being a soldier does not necessarily out the military that night or the following make a man a hero," she replied laugh- one, and the household began to forget their uneasiness. Mr. and Mrs. Coghlan and Eva "But it gives him an opportunity of went into town on the morning of the second pected tutor; the ladies on the plea of shop-"Not any," she replied firmly, though ping, but, in reality, because they both had kindly. "If you had achieved feats worthy an unspoken dread of losing sight of the beof the Round Table I could not love you, Mr. loved husband and father. Glorvina would O'Brien. Please let us not return to this doubtless have gone also, had she not yieldsubject; it is useless, and disagreeable !! | cd to Mrs. Coghlan's entreaty that she A dark frown rested on Tim O Brien's would stay at home and take care of the children. The mother would thus be re-"I never give up anything I have resolv- lieved of one part of her anxiety; for people TEN c ws stood in a row in a stalle at eyes, with long black lashes, which are the edt have," he said, silently. "And, in spite were beginning to dread a repetition of the of yourself, I will win you yet, Glorvina !" atrocities which had disgraced the rebel-Looking greatly annoyed, Miss Desmond lion begun by Lord Edward Fitzgerald and drew up her stately figure, turned suddenly pursued after his death with revolting

Slave Trade Abolition Office, just issued in her young companion seated beside her used with some slight remark about the evening; Glorvina had had the children with her

was, she would still have wielded a mighty house. She had a distrust of him for which Oa throwing open the door she was startlshe could scarcely account, unless it was for | ed to find, not the Coghlans, but a stranger her belief in physiegnomy, which told her standing in the room. He turned as the that Tim's very handsome face bore never- | door epened, and she perceived that he was a slight, pale young nan, wearing spectacles On their return to the house, they found and the dress of a clergyman. He was not tea ready for them, and Mrs. Coghlan seat- more than five feet eight in height, and a ed before the urn. She was a very pretty stoop-caused probably by habitual bending woman, still in the flower of her age. Her over books-rather detracted from his stathusband, who stood near the window, was ure. Glorvina guessed at once that this was many years older, and slightly lame. Tim Teddy's new tutor, and she advanced to O'Brien was cordially greeted by both, and greet the stranger, who looked shy and Captain Leicester by the host, who had been frightened, she thought, as he perceived

"You are Mr. Surridge, I believe?" the said, smiling. "Allow me to introluce my-"I saw your father, Tim, "said Mr. Cogn- | self to you as Glorvina Desmond-Mr. Coghlan, as they sat at their meal, "and I had lan's ward. I suppose you have somehow that he also has had a missive from Captain | missed Mr. Coghlan, since you have arrived here before him. He and Mrs. Coghlan "Oh, Tim, you never told us of it!" cried | went into town to-day, partly with the intention of meeting your coach and bringing

"Mr. Coghlan teld me of his intention to face : "but I suppose all the gentlemen are do so," replied the stranger, with a shy, diffident air, "and I waited for some time-"What is Mr. O'Brien going to do ?" an honr at least-at the inn. Then the landlord told me that possibly, owing to the "He did as I did," replied her husband- state of the country, Mr. Coglan might be exhibited his precious epistle to the Bench | prevented from coming to town; so I thought to-day; and more troops will be sent for; it better to go on. I hired a car, and came but I don't see that they are really requir- here. But "-pausing a little-"a rather ed. I think we make too much of these alarming incident occurred on the way. My driver sang rebel songs-chiefly the 'Shan' "But they have been awfully fulfilled in Van Voght'-the whole way we came, whisthe case of poor Brown and L'Estrange," periog to me once that he did it for protection. said Capain Leices: er gravely, naming two At last we met four men. One, addressing my driver, asked if he had seen Pat Malone "That is true, and it is a disgrace to the in the town that day. He answered, 'No; country. But they were Englishmen and he ain't been, and he's not a-coming to-day, had been extremely severe on the tenants. I hear.' The fellow who had spoken mutter-All who have been threatened have not ac- ed an imprecation and turned away. My tua'ly suffered. Certainly neither O'Brien driver lashed his horse; then, turning to nor I will be scared away from our homes." me, said, 'The Virgin forgive me for that "Was the warning to my father exactly lie! If they find it out it's my life that will like your own !" asked Tim O'Brien, still pay for it! I asked, ' Bid they mean any harm to this Patrick Malone?' His only an-"Not quite !" laughed Mr. Coghlan. "He swer was a whistle. But I am certain those is to be spared and protected if he will de- men were on an evil errand. Do you know posit one hundred pounds 'for the good of of any Patrick Malone in this neighborhood,

Glorvina turned very pale. "My guardian's name is Patrick Malone Coghlan," she said, "and he has recently received a warning from Captain Rock." The young man looked very grave.

my car-driver," he said. "This is an awful

"Then probably he owes his life to-day to

Go vina, accustomed to the bold self-as-"We are very much obliged for your kind sertion and assurance of their young Irish not leave him; indeed he treats the offer, replied Mr. Coghlan; "but we could neighbours, and to the polished ease of the warning with contempt. not think of troubling you. Your presence Hussars, was surprised and a little amused fectual, though not handsome, and his voice plosives. sweet, with the tones of cultivation in it. "You can ask him." replied Glorvina; said the soldier. "We are always on the Would her riotous child-lover Teddy ever of a number of compounds. I read yesterday more decile and productive than any other "and we are obliged for the offer, Captain watch now, kept in barracks, and ready at obey one whose manner was so timid and that it was filled with sulphur and chlorate bees; hence their value. heavier fears were tusy at her heart. The with which every school boy who has underday was fast waning, and the Coghlans had taken the elements of chemistry is familiar.

the sound of wheels, and, going to the win- much more certain and forcible."

"Tiresome fellow !" exclaimed Mr. Cogh- effect ?" "How extraordinary!" exclaimed Glorvina. "He certainly never received any an hour for some tidings of you, and then

Kavanagh was the hotel keeper.

"Bridget Mahoney's white cow," he said, and speak to Mr. Surridge." And, entering may say that I would not like to have one of "Fancy a grown-up man, afraid! What sure you. I have often seen the creature He heard with shy amazement of the meswould Glorvina say to that? Why, do you bere. I saw her as I walked past to-day." sage which he had neither received nor sent, would be if it were filled with the fulminate ably small apartment, damp and dark, in a and no little wonder was excited by the in- of mercury or the fulminate of silver. The

new tutor, "that the landlord had purpose- that had an agent more powerful than nitro. Every evening the daugh ter of the great "Not a bit of it," declared Tim; "only ly delayed Mr. Coghlan, knowing that he glycerine, and it has been known since the banker-Jacques Lafitte-would have up the

and, turning to her, he threw his arms troubled, and his companion turned away in "It might be so," he said slowly; "for agent, effective and certain, and there was no one knows who is really in league with | no need to look for an infernal novelty." At the barracks gate they parted com- the Whiteboys, and Kavanagh, the landlord to go in and spend the evening with him ; certainly. Well, our lives are in Heaven's

for many a long day!" exclaimed his wife

[TO BE CONTINUED.] A Steam Elephant.

JULES VERNE'S LATEST JOURNEY INTO TH REALMS OF THE IMPOSSIBLE.

First, and apparently drawing the caravan, came a gigantic elephant. The monstrous animal, twenty feet in height, and thirty in length, advanced deliberately, steadily, and with a certain mystery of movement which struck the gazer with a thrill of awe. His trunk, curved like a cornucopia, was uplifted high in the air. His gilded tusks, projecting from behind the massive jaws, resembling a pair of huge scythes. On his back was a highly ornamented howdah, which looked gunpowder and the fulminate. like a tower surmounted, in Indian style, by a dome-shaped roof and furnished with

lens-shaped glasses to serve for windows. This elephant drew after him a train conhouses, moving bungalows in fact, each mounted on four wheels. The wheels, which were prodigiously strong, were carved, or rather sculptured in every part. Their lowest portion only could be seen, as they moved inside a sort of case, like a paddlebox, which concealed the enormous locomotive apparatus. A flexible gangway con-

nected the two carriages. How could a single elephant, however strong, manage to drag these two enormous constructions, without any apparent effort? Yet this astonishing animal did so! His huge feet were raised and set down with mechanical regularity, and he changed his pace from a walk to a trot, without either the voice or the hand of a mahout being ap-

The spectators were at first so astonished by all this that they kept a respectable distance; but when they ventured nearer, their surprise gave place to admiration. They could hear a roar, very similar to the cry attered by these giants of the Indian forests. Moreover, at intervals there issued from the trunk a jet of vapor.

And yet it was an elephant The rugged, greeny-black skin evidently covered the bony framework of one that must be called the king of the pachyderms. His eyes were life-like; all his members were endowed with movement !

Ay! But it some inquisitive person had chanced to lay his hand on the animal all would have been explained. It was but a marvelous deception, a gigantic imitation, having as nearly as possible every appear-In fact, this elephant was really encased

in steel, and an actual steam engine was concealed within its sides. The train, or steam house, to give it its most suitable name, was the traveling dwelling promised by the engineer. The first carriage, or rather house, was the

habitation of Col. Monro, Capt. Hood, Banks and myself. In the second lodged Sergt, McNeil and the servants of the expedition. Banks had kept his promise, Col. Munro had kept his; and that was the reason why, on this May morning, we were setting out in this extraordinary vehicle, with the intention of visiting the northern regions of the Indian

But what was the good of this artificial elephant? Why have this fanciful apparatus, so unlike the usual practical inventions of the English? Till then, no one had ever thought of giving to a locomotive destined to travel either over macadam highways or iron rails, the shape and form of a quad-

I must say, the first time we were admitted to view the machine we were all lost in amazement. Questions about the why and wherefore fell thick and fast upon our friend Banks. We knew that this traction-engine under his directions.

pray sit down, Mr. Surridge; I trust my a restaurant meets a lady and salutes her Chambers. with atmost courtesy. "Excase me," she boys."

"I sm not sure that they are mere being discussed, the stranger became even other charming lady, the Countess Fedora ice and avalanches of snow and wake up patched from a port in Spain, the Government of Following and she's so flattered that with shivers fighting for possession of the ment having refused to allow them to embark that a surely, you ladies.

I was saying just now, Mr. Coghlan, that I entrance. He looked away from her, an she immediately enters into conversation.

The Bomb That Killed the Czar. EASY AND CHEAP ENOUGH TO CONCOCT AN

"How was the lomb made which was used for the assassination of the Czar !" This question was asked of a gentleman

INFALLIBLE INFERNAL MACHINE.

diffident? She feared not. But other and of potassa. That is a common combination The mixture, rubbed with a hammer or a She was just beginning to express her stone, will flash readily. I doubt if it was anxiety about them when she heard again this, because there are fulminates which are

dow, saw, with glad thankfulness, her "The explosion is reported to have torn friends safely returned. She ran into the a deep hole in the pavement four feet in arc, man for man, equal and more than equal hall to meet them, and to tell them that the diameter. Mustn't it have required a very powerful agent to accomplish such an

"We have been waiting for him this "Certainly, but not an unfamiliar one. hour! We sent a boy up to the inn to ask | What are known as the detonating powders "I hope we may not hear the alarum-bell him if he would come to us at Doctor De- have been familiar for at least fifty years, to-night," he said. "I can't get over an laney's. He sent back word that he would and nothing could have been selected that contempt for our infantry, but fear our cav-"I hope my tutor will play cricket with uncomfortable foreboding about the family. be with us as soon as he had found his lug- would have been more certain in its result. alry and artillery." "said the boy, as he gave back Nora's Coghlan is too confident. Did you notice gage, which he had lost, if we would be good Simple chlorate of potash and sulphur make that the shutters were not even closed when enough to wait for him. We waited till we a terrific explosive. If it had been dynamite language in Hungary and Bohemia displays were weary, but he never came. I did not that had been contained in the glass bombs itself in public and private, in society and with the lights inside, to see all over the think it right for Eva and her mother to be it is probable that on being thrown it would business. A manufacturing house of Vienna

percussion caps?"

"Better not," replied Tim curtly. message. He told me that he had waited thrown securately. A shell thrown from a familiar with French, English, and Italian, gun strikes accurately point on, so that the but have never had occasion to use the Kavanagh persuaded him to go on in a car." cap is exploded, but glass balls thrown by services of one who understands B hemian. hand would not surely retain any given The order was thereupon sent to them again "But the boy told me that it was Kavan- position, and a cap at any one point would written in French, and that is now the lanagh who gave him the message !" declared not necessarily be touched or exploded. The guage in which all correspondence between whole mass would have to be highly explosive the parties is conducted "It is some blunder," said his wife, curi- for the certain success of such a process. It ous to see their new inmate. "Come in the balls were filled with nitro-glycerine I

fulminate of mercury constitutes the percus-"Could it be," diffidently suggested the | sion in ordinary caps. The assassins having beginning of the century. Dynamite, nitro-And then he repeated the story of the car- glycerine, glucodine, and gun cotton are all forms of the same thing, and the effort has ators have used those? They had a known "What fulminates are common, and what

would have been their effect?'

done. An ounce of it exploded on this desk portant discovery has been made which at "But you shall not drive into town again | would tear a hole through it. It costs only last solves this difficulty. The process, \$3.50 a pound. A glass ball, such as those which is of French origin, has yet to be tried the marksmen shoot at, about the size of a on a large scale ; but up to this time the exhen's egg, if filled with fulminate of mercury periments that have been made are said to and exploded as the bombs were exploded which killed the Czar, would rend the ground quarters of an ounce of gold from each ton asunder and produce effects identical with of pyrites treated. This discovery is excitthose which have been reported. The effect | ing very great interest in the pyrites trade. of the fulminates is the same as that of dy- One well-known concern have secured the namite. Dynamite is only a weaker, a less | right to the patent, and are now erecting the susceptible form of them. They operate in apparatus necessary for working the process. stantaneously. Gunpowder works gradually and moves the bullet from a gun. Fulminate of mercury exploded in a gun would act instantly, and before the inertia of the bullet was overcome the gun would be shattered. If you put your shoulder to a wagon move and you would hurt your shoulder.

"There is no reason why the assassins shouldn't have been contented with the fulminate of mercury. It is cheap and combombs could have been got from a number and one whiting .- The Saturday Review. of ordinary percussion caps or cartridges. The bigger the bomb the more disastrous the explosion, of course ; but a ball the size native robbers often contrive to evade purof a hen's egg, as I have said, would have suers by posturing as trees. An officer, with contained enough of this substance to pro- a party of horses, was chasing a small body duce the effect reported. Fulminate of of Bheel robbers, and was fast overtaking silver might have been used. It is more them. Suddenly the robbers ran behind a highly explosive than the fulminate of mercury. Fulminate of gold is more explosive for a moment, and when the soldiers came

they could not have handled it.' Value of Sawdust.

We should hardly credit so large a story from a less reliable source than the N. W. Lumberman, but we presume the editor has the ground. The clump of scorched trees the statistics at hand to confirm his asser- suddenly became metamorphosed into men,

"In New York there are about 500 veninvested, and doing a business amounting to them the officers helmet by way of trophy. more than \$2,000,000 annually. Forty years ago the mills were glad to have rawdust carted away; twenty-five years ago it could be bought for 50 cents a load, but the price has increased, and now it brings \$3.50 a load at the mills. It is used at the hotels, eating houses, groceries, and other business places. It is wet and spread over floors in order to make the sweeping cleaner work. Plumbers use a great deal about pipes and buildings to deaden walls and floors. Soda-water men and packers of glass and small articles of every kind use it, and dolls and some living creatures are more or less stuffed with it. Yellow pine makes the best sawdust, as it is the least dusty, and has a pungent, healthy smell. But any white wood dust will de. Black walnut sawdust will not sell and is burned.

A Reporting Machine.

An interesting trial of a stenographic machine was made in the Chamber of Deputies, Paris, February 18, in the presence of M. Gambetta and a number of other officials and members. The mechanism, which is an Italian invention, is worked by a kind of THE incapacity of the French for emigrakey board similar to that of a small piano, tion and their lack of the qualities which go and the stenographic signs, not unlike those to make up good colonists have received auused in the ordinary French short-hand, are other illustration in the failure of the attempt automatically printed on a continuous ribbon | to establish a settlement at Port Breton, an of paper. The signs registered, of course, island in the archipelago which lies off the represent sounds, irrespective of spelling, coast of New Caledonia. The Chandernagor and the machine can be used by a person was despatched, after many difficulties, from unacquainted with the language spoken. Finshing at the end of 1879 by the Marquis de The daughter of the inventor worked the Rays, "Governor General" of the Colony, machine successfully, taking down a speech | with eighty-four Parisian emigrants who had read, at average speed, in Italian, and one been enticed into the enterprise by flaming read in French by M. Gambetta, she being accounts. On landing, they found themselves ignorant of the latter language. A com- beset with difficulties, in a wretched country, had been constructed from his plans and parison between the speed of the machine and surrounded by a cannibal native popuand that of the short-hand writers of the lation: The vessel which had brought them Chamber proved favourable to the former. soon deserted them, and in seven months Purther experiments will be made with a and ten days after their arrival their num-THE Pigero announces a new way of mak- view to a possible adoption of the apparatus, bers were reduced to twenty. Hearing of "It is indeed," agreed Glorvins. "But ing an acquaintance. A snob about to enter which is already in use in the Italian their deplorable condition, the English ad-

Glorvina seated herself, and then came a says, "I believe I have not the pleasure Ir the time thrown away by girls in Dieppe. In the meantime the agents of the singular pause. The moment the subject ___." "A thousand pardons, lady," says archery was used in piecing bed quilts Marquis de Rays have collected eighty-two which had interested and excited him ceased the snob. "I misundertook you for an people would not dream so often of caves of more colonists in Paris, who were to be des-

FACTS.

A bal de papier is to be given by the Spanish colon in Paris, at which all the ladies will wear paper dresses,

THE first pi no in Durange, Col., had a hard time g tting there. It was transported 200 miles ac oes the mountains in a wargen. hawn by mules. At o e point it was tumble i down a precipice, smashing the box, but not injuring the instrument, which required taning, however, at the end of the journey.

A young German who was witnessing the shoeing of a horse was struck by a small particle of iron, which penetrated the pupil of his eye and buried itself deep in the body of that organ. In an eye hospital at Wiesbaden the extraordinary operation of withdrawing the iron by means of a magnet was recently performed with entire success.

THE culture of bees in North Italy has given rise to an icdustry which appears likely to increase in importance, namely, the supplying queen bees and swarms to various countries in Europe, and to America. The queen bees travel in wooden boxes, accompanied by 200 working bees. The boxes cording to the distance they are sent. The "It might have been filled with any one Italian bees have the reputation of being

"ONE les:on unmistakably taught by the fight with the Boers at Mount Prospect. when Sir George Colley was killed," says the war correspondent of the London Standard, "is that it is worse than useless to attempt to fight the Boers with numerically inferior forces. In such warfare as this they to our own. They are as courageous, are intinitely better shots, and are marvellously skilled in taking advantage of coves. Their coolness under fire is perfect, and while fighting individually, all work in consort and in obedience to orders. They express

received an order written in Bohemian, which no one in the establishment could decipher. They returned it to the writer with the ex-"Then the bombs would have to be planation that they have correspondents

A MEAN PRINCESS .- I have learned some more particulars concerning the Princesse do and money-grubbing was a maria carried to "How much more effective such a ball its deepest intensity. She lived in a miserlittle building in the courtyard, of the Hotel Lafitte. The house itself she let off, but only to tenants who would pay by the week. concierge or some servant to play, by the light of a half fed lamp the exciting game of besique at one halfpenny the rubber. Any unlucky opponent who won from her two evenings running was invariably discharged.

Though the presence of gold in pyrites has long been known, says the Pall Mall Gazette, the cost of extracting the precious metal has until lately rendered the opera-"The fulminate of mercury would have tion unprofitable. It is stated that an imshow a return of between one-half and three-

THE ANGLER .-- A hidcons fish called the angler, or fisher-frog, is happily rare on our coasts. His stomach holds a bucket of sawdust. The creature fishes for other and more natural members of the flock of Amphitrite and applied force gradually you would move with two short night-lines, which he wears in the wagon. It your ran your shoulder full the top of his head. He opens his mouth and tilt against a wagon the wagon would not hangs out his bait; other fish make a rush at it, and he sucks them down into the stomach That is the difference in the operations of that ho'ds a bucket of sawdust. It must have taken the angler-fish some time to evolve this "aisy stratagem," as Captain Costigan might bave called it. Mr Buckland examined the "creel "of one fisher-frog, and found that the mon. When it is wet it can be transported animal had made a very mixed basket. It had with impunity, and when it is dry it can be taken two mary-soler, one common sole, one exploded by slight concussion, and its effects | piked dog-fish, (1 foot 6 inches long,) three are disastrous. A supply for those glass moderate sized crabs, fourteen five-fingers,

In his work on India, Dr. Woods gives a curious account of the manner in which rock, or some such obstacle, which hid them still. Probably they did not use that; it is up the men had mysteriously disappeared. too dangerous, too fickle. The chloride of After an unavailing search the officer ordernitrogen is another facile high explosive; ed his men to dismount beside a clump of scorched and withered trees, and the day being very hot, he took off his helmet and hung it on a branch near which he was standing. The branch turned out to be the body of a Bheel, who burst into a scream of laughter and flung the astonished officer to and the whole party dispersed in different directions before the Englishmen could reders of sawdust, having a capital of \$200,000 | cover from their surprise, carrying with

> MR. LABOUCHERE in Truth, has a spicy paragraph on the late Rev. Lord John Thynne, who was one of the last of the old foundation canons, of whom there still remains one at Westminister-Archdeacon Jennings. Lord J hn has held his stall for fifty years, and when Dean Wilberforce was nominated to the see of Oxford, Sir Robert Peel offered him the deanery, his refusal of which seemed to excite surprise in some quarters; but by accepting it he would have sustained considerable loss of income (his stall averaging £3000 a year), and would have exchanged the easiest berth in the Church for a post of considerable responsibility. Lord John was collated early in life to the sinecure rectory of Backnell, in the diocese of Bath and Wells, from which he drew some £300 a year. He never once entered the church of this parish, except when he went there to " read himself He also held a vicarage in Wilts for over thirty years. Lord John Thynne possessed considerable property in Cornwall, and some years ago he inherited the extensive Cartaret estates in Bedfordshire

miralty sent a cruiser to their relief, and ten of the ex-colonists have now been landed in