sthes. The fiery charger-The red-headed hoteh clerk.

The mouse a woman rever fears-A micustache.

Woman was made after man, but the men have been after the wemen ever since. "I vas habby like a pig schoflower mit neider ven de udder fair Sharmen vas avay." That's the way Carl Pretzel

puts it. The old-fashioned two-for a quarter kiss has come in again, with the revived style of wearing the mouth large and open.

"Why is a young man like a kernel of corn ?" asked a young lady. "Because, said another, "he turns white when he popa."

. What secret society is it to which Mr. J. belongs ?" "Well. I really don't know, but from the number of horns he takes I should say the Elka."

"Johnny, where have you been? "Fishing send Did you catch snything? 'Not yet, but I'm gonter, though, cos I've muddled my trousers."

Tay hoop anake, which takes its tail in its mouth, and so trundles over the ground, seems to be a fashicnable critter. His walking suit consists of a swallow-tail.

It is difficult to say what race existed at the beginning of the history of mankind, but it is probable that the people who will be on hand at the end are the Finnish.

Brother Talmage says: "Women like to gosto the society plays to see how the actresses dress, and the men go to the variety plays to see how they don't

What is the difference between the young fellow who is osculating a girl and another who only sees the performance One is kissing a miss and the other is missing a kiss.

It is a fearful thing to have a secret which you are compelled to keep from your wife, but it is Hades with the lid off to suspect that your mother-in-law knows the secret and is holding it over

"Plague take a woman, anyhow; she can't never do anything a body wants it to him, "I was right so far !" done. A man can do anything." "No he can't. I'll tell you what a man can't do." What's that ?" "He can't mind his own business.'

human soul yawns a chasm that seems | Asthe train moved out of the station. howimpassible. One of these ditches con- ever, a man came on to the platform and fronts the young wife when she first opens stood and watched its departure. Leanher eyes to the fac: that she can't cook | ing from the carriage wisdow, she caught like somebody's mother.

It was that he consented to the marriage of his daughter to a Presbyterian. "Weil, my dear friend," he replied, "as far as I have been able to discover, Cupid never and together they drove back to within studied theology."

and is in the habit of punishing his boys out meeting any one on the road. very severely. Not long since he scoided | When they arrived at the house, they any time the way you hits," replied the that they should all know what was about son, reproachfully.

me than about those pet animals of yours. Azor, died." Husband (quietly): "Well, | usual in the room?" I had him atuffed " Wife (exasperated): "You would a blinge gone to that expense was requested. for me - not yet, indeed."

A Tamous Fortress.

The renowned Castle of Chillion stands upon an isolated rock close to the road by the side of the lake, surrounded by deep water, crossed by a covered wooden bridge of most picturesque appearance. It was built in 1238 by Amadeus IV. of Savoy, and is an admirable specimen of the many-towered medieval atructures. It was used a a state prison, unpleasantly but the famous Bonnivard, Prior of St. ing the foot of the bed; on the right was almost in supportable tension of the nerves end. received as Byron's Prisoner of Chillion. It appears that when Byron wrote that famous poem he was describing an imaginary victim and was not acquainted with opened in towards the room. the real story of Bonnivard, though he afterwards connected his name with it in a sonnet. In those days the Pays de Vaud belonged to Savoy, and Bonnivard, having made himself obnoxious to that reigning duke was shut up by him in a dangeon of Chilhon. It was only in 1536 that the Swiss wrested the country from Charles Like of Bavoy. Chillion was the it. It stood open like that on the awful last place to yield, but besieged by a Bernese army on the land side, and attacked by Genevese galleys, from the lake it was compelled to surrender. Bonniyard was delivered, and returned to Geneva, where he avowed his adherance to Paotestantiam, but dissauaded its support. table ; a curtain on a straight pole shut ers from introducing it rashly. During his | all this in at night, leaving a space behind captivity Geneva had become a Protestant sufficient to conceal two cr three watch-Republic instead of being dependent on ers. the Dukes of Savoy. The castle is now used as a magazine for military stores, and | in the curtain, we shall be quite preparthe interior of the building is well pro- ed," remarked Jobson. served. It has become almost a place of pilgrimage for visitors from every part ragged holes at a convenient height from of the world, who, Byron in hand, go to the ground; they would be quite unnostudy every detail connected with the ticeable in the dim light, but any one famous prisoner. After all, to judge by could see distinctly through them what the direful legends of the place, supported by the outward and visible signs shown without loss of life or limb. For here is our position here. to be seen the polence, black with age, by hot irons; and here is the publistica those in the passages." frightful mas a cra schoor which shut out depth of 80 feet upon large knives. But go mad!' Bonnivard lived for 24 years after his experience of Chillon, and was twice mar-Gunranteed.

Measure for Housekeepers. Wheat flour, I pound quals I quart. Corn-meal, I pound equals I quart. Butter, ecfs, I pound equals I quart.

Sugar, become fl priund 2 ounces equals 1 quart. // Ill All IV.

25 drope make I teaspoonful.

8 large tablespoonfuls make 1 gill.

2 gills make 1.2 pint. 2 pints make 1 quart. 4 quarts backe 1 gallon. A common sized tumbler holds 1.2 pint. A common wineglass holds 1-2 gill,

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The Land of the Afternoon.

An o'd man sits in h's garden chair, Watching the sun it western sky; What sees he'is the blue depths there, Where only the sles of memory lie? There are placely towers and castles high. There are garders fairer than human ken, ceed. There are has py children thronging by. Radiant women and stately men Singing with voices of seest attune The sengs of the land of the atternoor.

The old man watches a form of cloud And ne sees a homestead, gray and loved, And a hand that beckens him afar O cheek of roses and hair of gold! O eyes of heaven's devinest blue! Lorg have ve lain in the graveyard mold-But love is infinite, love is true.

He will find her-yes at must be soon: They will meet in the land of the afternoon, The sky has changed, and a wreck of cloud Is driving athwart it - troubled face; The golden mist is a trailing shroud it is cold and bleak in the garden place.

The old man smiles and groops his head.
The thin hair blows from his wrinkled The surset-radiance has spread O'er every wasted feature now : One sigh a xales like a breath in June-He has found the land of the afternoon.

CHAPTER VIII., AND LAST. anxiously looked-for Friday acrived. Richmond came by the first post.

"Dear Mise Starr," it ran-"Your note differently. Give my fondest love to my close on twelve o'clock." poor dear wife, and believe me very truly Stepping noiselessly across the floor, stream of light on the bed; and then, in "EDGAR RICHMOND" your obliged, "Ah," said J bson, when they showed

At five p.m. Lucy was driven to the atation by the coachman, taking with her only a small bag by way of luggage. There was no one in the booking-office when she went for her ticket, and she took her At some point in the career of every seat in the train apparently unobserved.

a glimpse of his face, and drew back A Biptist minister was once asked how shuddering. The face that she had seen was that of a stranger, but it had bright red hair and whiskers. At Meltham she behind the heavy _cains; and, when that had been administered to her, her notwithstanding the unfriendly attitude found Doctor Mrurice waiting for her; half a mile of Fernhurst. Here John left the oppression that was upon her was al- been analysed, it was found that the England. Of the truth of this there can the horse and trap with a farmer he knew Mr. Sampleson is a very irascible man, and they walked the rest of the way, with-

the youngest boy for wearing out his found the inmates in a state of painful exclothes so fast. 'Pa, no pants can last citement. Jobson had thought it right to take place, and, under his directions, "A nice husband you are !" said ma- everything had been prepared during dam, in a passion. "You care less about Lucy's absence for the approaching crisis. "Will you come up-stairs with me now Look what you did when your poodle, Miss Starr, and see that everything is as

Lucy, accompanied by John, did as she

"Yes," she said, looking round with shiver; "everything is in its place." "But was the brandy-decanter there? inquired Doctor Maurice. "Iordered that she was to have no more brandy." "Nor did she while I was with her. replied Lucy, " though I don't think the decanter was moved from its position."

"I'm sure missus must have had some the last night, for the glass that stood by the decenter had been used," interrupted

Mrs. Mitchell. "Ah, then we will leave it as it is !" The room had a large bay-window facsmaller win low, and immediately opposite to the side of the bed, was a wardrobe with a large looking glass door, which

"Ought not that to be shut !" Inquired Jobson, alluding to the door of the wardrobe.

"It will swing open," replied Mrs. Mitchell; "there is something wrong with the spring. Master took the key wit him by mistake, and poor missus did not think it was worth troubling him to send night; I remember it distinctly when we came in in the morning."

"Then by all means leave it so. Now let us draw these curtains, and have everything in readiness."

In the bay-window stood the dressing-

"When I have made two or three slits

He took out his pocket-knife, and cut was taking place.

"Lucy dear," whispered John, when pleted as awful and supernatural a dis- tr the LCCK OF RED HAIR. from which the prisoners were hung ; and the long dragging hours had brought them here is the "temil's hole in the wall" to half-past eleven, "you must leave us through which their bodies were cast into now. Go to Mrs. Mitchell, dear; send "And this is what that poor, susceptible, the lake, 500 feet in depth; here is a tor- | the servants to their rooms, and order ture-chamber, with a wooden pillar scored | them to extinguish all the lights except | at the foot of her bed !

"John." replied Lucy-in her agitation all. He took up the brandy-decanter, and the light, and then a small spiral staircase she did not notice that she called him by appeared to be attentively calculating the of three steps, where the prisoner found his Christian name-"I cannot leave quantity in it. After considering for a no fourth step, and was precipitated to a you-I must share your watch, or I shall moment, he evidently arrived at some con-

should picture what was taking place over | ter and over again, until the suspense and uncertainty would drive me mad!"

that she should be present." "Nevertheless, I am afraid we shall to him. have to let her," answered Jobson, in a This movement on their part had low tone. "She is evidently working up caused a slight sound, and they saw the 16 large tablespoonfuls make 1-2 pint. for an attack of bysterics, and, if she guilty wretch start and tremble in every should have one, she may upset every- limb; great beads of perspiration stood thing. You'd better let her have her own upon his brow, and his wicked mouth way; she'll 'e quiet enough then. I'll worked convulsively as he stood glaring

trying yourself beyond your strength." did not see them, so concentrated appear. noisy brother owed a large bill. "Amen, not. I shall not suffer nearly so severely John's shoulder, she shut out any more give us debt-paying faith, too."

in that awful room with you as I should of the fearful sight. In a minute or two if shut up in ignorance of what was going the deep silence seemed to re-assure the

in the room with the younger servents across the room again, and stood at the yourself, so as to insure perfect quiet- foot of the bed with his back to them. the least sound might be very dangerous.' distance, and all was silent again.

They ascended the stairway softly, with- frightened children.

The three following days passed with- towards the side-window for the sake of fore them, the tongue protruded from an by faith, is at least descended of mosout incident, and then the even ful and air. A small table, on which were the the mouth, and the whole aspect was that lem parents. His name originally was Ali night-light, brandy-decanter and water- of a corpse-like gibbering maniac. As Jobson had predicted, a letter from bott'e, stood by the curtained side of the For a short time he maintained the addition of the Muscovite termination to the attack and fastening them on their the deaths of seven shepherds in the

inexpressibly shocked me. I shall be at Starr; we can't tell how long we may ed forward and peered into the dim light the empire of Russia in central Asia. night rather than slay the 6, some say 4, large number of animals were killed by Fernhurst by 6.30. I am sorry just to have to wait," whispered Jobson, "and the glare of the lantern in his eyes evi- He served under Skobeleff at the taking brave men, surrounded like wild beasts in the storm, which, from the accounts, promiss you; but I find I cannot arrange it let us conceal ourselves at once; it is dently making it difficult for him to see. of Geok Tepe, and possessed the confi-

the back of her chair.

impressively. faintly among the trees and the ticking the police. of the clock on the mantelshelf.

sank lower and lower. sealed. So set and metionless were the powerful brain-irritant. been dead men-so still were they.

"I cannot bear this much longer," thought Lucy; "the beating of my heart!

will beg them to do so." Turning her head with the evident in-

expression of interest in his eyes. the figure of a man in a long black cloak tion whatever; and to the last, even glide into the room. For an instant it after the death-sentence had been passstood, evidently listening, and then clos ed upon him, not a word of contrition ed the door. After taking two or three could be got from him. stealthy sters is stopped again, and looked

narrowly round the room. over were a large slouching black hat.

fully on a chair at the foot of the bed- wretched culprit. and then crept towards the table at the who felt a cold shudder run through them | she regained her cheerful happy nature.

purpose. The eyebrows were bushy, and one, about a year after.

guise as could well be imagined. "The fiend!" thought Doctor Maurice. nervous woman awoke to, to see standing

Richmond's next action puzzled them clusion, for he set the bottle down, care-"My darling, it is impossible!" Your fully withdrew the stopper, and, after nerves are overstrained as it is -you could | again pausing to listen, took out of an inside breast-pocket a small paper packet. "I can bear anything with you by me. The horrified beholders then saw a white should go mad with Mrs. Mitchell ! I powder cautiously poured into the decan-

This was so utterly unexpected by them all that Lucy would have shricked aloud "What are we to do?' John asked, in | had not John caught her in his arms and Sugar, brokens 1 pound rousis I quart. "What are we to do? John saked, in had not John caught her in his arms and Sugar, pulverized, I pound I ounce dire perplexity. "It would not be right placed his hand tightly over her mouth.

in the direction of the sound he had heard. "Lucy, my dearest, I am afraid you are John and Lucy could hardly believe he quiet friend near to him, to whom the "No," declared Lucy firmly, "I am ed his gaze; and, hiding her face on said the quiet friend. "Amen, and

poisoner, and he re-stoppered the bottle, Jobson then sent for Mrs. Mitchell, and put the paper, which had contained and gave her strict directions how to pro- the powder back into the pocket whence "You had better," said! Jobson, "sit | moisture from his face, Richmond stole

The two men-Lucy being by this time That floats where the azure !slands are, Mrs. Mitchell did her best to persuade almost insensible-now saw him take Lucy to accompany her; but her expos- something from his pocket, which he was launched at Pembroke, Wales. This new tulations and pleadings were quite unavail- for a minute or so arranging, and then de- addition to the British navy carries ten deemed very satisfactory. Their losses ing ; and a minute or two afterwards liberately fling back the curtains and stand guns, and will have a crew of 445 men. The they heard her marshalling the servants fully revealed. The next instant they Howe is a twin-screw, steel armor-plated up the long flight of stairs. Little by were almost dezzled by a strong concen- barbette ship of 9,700 tons burden and 7, little their footsteps died away in the trated light which was reflected in the 500 horse-power. looking glass door of the open wardrobe. "Now," said the detective, in a low, In a moment their eyes became accustomawed tone, "it is time. You go up first, ed to it, and in the glass they saw clearly Doctor, with Miss Starr; and I will fol- something that made them, strong men low directly I have turned out the lights." though they were, tremble and gasp like

out speaking aword, Jobson joining them | Richmond held in his hand a dark lanburning when they entered; but Jobson, He had managed that the light should be any within the range of his experience only 6 remained in a dangerous place. after lighting a night-light, put them out. turned full upon his face and head, leav-The curtains of the bed, an old fashion- ing the rest of his figure in obscurity. ed four-poster, were arranged in their But his face-words fail to describe the and one of the most active agents of customary order-closed at the side near- ghastly horror of it! The eyes, showing the Russians during their recent opera- lives, quite out of proportion to the ob- great taste in a vast hall. He estimates est the door, and at the foot, and open the whites distinctly, glared straight be- tions in central Asia, if not a Mohammed-

His next movement was to throw the dence of that officer. their hearts palpitating painfully, they one awful moment, he seemed to realize entered the bay-window, the detective the trap that had been laid for him, for, carefully closing the curtains after them. uttering an Imprecation, he dashed the "And now not a word!" said Jobson pass them; and then, seeing that resistance would be quite useless, sullenly and For half an hour they waited, listening | silently gave in. Lucy had fallen heavily intently, chilled to the very soul by the to the ground directly John relinquished

As the time crept on, y's heart showed that, although the deceased lady Cartis that, in the event of war between was stifling did not absolutely die of the subtle poison | England and Russia, American sympathy, she looked through them into the de- end had been hastened by its means. The of the British government during our civserted room, with its dim wavering light, contents of the brandy-decanter having il war, would largely incline to the side of most more than she could endure. She poison used had been one that would in be no question. The civilization of Russia felt a strong desire to break the horrible time destroy life; and it was evident in is nothing but the reluctant homage of an stillness by speaking; but, when she this case it had been selected from others Asiatic barbarism to modern ideas and looked at her companions, her lips were of greater potency on account of being a progress. The genius of its government

to her that, but for their smothered, anx- soon discovered Evans, the man-servant, liberty. Its ascendancy would doom manious breathing, they might almost have who had been living there as Mr. Rich- kindte adarkness deeperthan the midnight Another half-hour passed in silent himself from punishment as an accomplice, it stands in conflict with those of English the whole atructure of the horrible plot. potabove the rights of a race, and substiis choking me. Would to Heaven I had had never left England, but had been and the protection of the habeas corpus. listened to John and stayed away! staying at a small town some few miles But it is not written in the book of fate Perhaps they would let me go now. I from Fernhurst, disguised and under an that this world should ever be governed

The poison had been administered in tention of speaking, she felt John clutch | the first instance in the effervescing drinks her shoulder convulsively, and, looking and this was the explanation of Lucy's ill- The Romance of Courting by the up, saw Jobson with his finger on his lips ness and Richmond's outburst of temper to enforce silence, and a new and aroused when they were disapproved by Dector Maurica. Evans also admitted that the Then she become aware of a soft shuffl- plot was organized before the marriage of door of the room in which they were con- step on the fearful path that was pursued cealed: and there it stopped. With an with so much fiendish ingenuity to the

Lucy, by a merciful intervention of Providence, was spared the last scenes All this time they had been unable to of this terrible tradgy, for, at the time distinguish the face, as the figure was be, of the trial, she was prostrate on a bed tween them and the dim light, and more of sickness and quite unable to give any evidence. Many times in after-life she Apparently satisfied that all was safe, gave thanks to Heaven that she had not the figure removed its hat, placing it care- been compelled to appear against the

John Maurice devoted himself to her side. As it bent over the table from the and, at the end of many months, was reback, the face was, for the first time, | warded by seeing her completely restored turned towards the concealed witnesses, to health, though it was very long before

as they gazed long and fixedly at the On reading Mrs. Nichmond's will, it fearful, and scarcely human countenance was found that she had left her property which, even through its horrible disfigure- unconditionally to her husband, with the ment, Lucy recognized as that of Edgar exception of an annuity to Mrs. Mitchell; but a codicil, written a few days before The face, which, with the light focused her death, willed one thousand pounds a upon it, stood out in startling contrast year to her dear friend Lucy Starr, and, with its dusky surroundings, was utterly after her, to her children. Richmond's pallid; and the large eyes, looking out of money went to swell the public coffers; cavernous black hollows, with the light but Lucy's enabled her to marry John reflected in them, glittered with a cruel Maurice, whose income was a very small

of the same colour as the ghastly red | They have led a very happy useful life hair, which, parted smoothly from the since then, and are beloved by all who "Now," he said, "we can do no more; white forehead, fell lank and heavy on come into contact with them; but it is daily to strangers. Bonnivard ought to we must go down stairs, and keep as quiet the shoulders. So vivid was the red of doubtful if Lucy will ever again be as have thought himself a very lucky tellow as we can until twelve o'clock; that will the hair that it increased the pallor of light hearted as she was before she knew to have endured his six year' captivity be the time, Doctor, for us to take up the face, and gave it almost a corpse-like poor Mrs. Richmond, and was the means appearance. A small straight beard com- of avenging her death by her discovery job."

A Woman's Wit. A woman's advice is generally worth having; so, if you are in any trouble, tell your mother or your wife or your sister all about it. Be assured that light will flash upon your darkness. Women are too commonly judged verdant in all but purely womanish affairs. No philosophical students of the sex thus judge them. Their intuitions or insight are most subtle. and if they cannot see a cat in the meal there is no cat there. I advise a man to keep none of his affairs from his wife. Many a home has been saved, and many a fortune retrieved by a man's confidence in his wife. Woman is far more a seer and a prophet than a man, if she be given a fair chance. As a general rule the wives confide the minutest of their plans and reciprocate, if but for the pleasure of meeting confidence with confidence? The men who succeed best in life are those who make confidantes of their wives.

A brother was praying with much noise for faith-soul-saving faith, sin-killing faith devil-driving faith. There was a

ENGLAND AND RUSSIA.

Bullet Whistings.

Russia vainly endeavored to secure a it had been taken. Then, wiping the private loan of \$10,000,000 in London the other day. The most tempting offers were made to some of the large discount houses, but even these did not bring cut the money needed.

The steel man-of-war Howe has been

Khan, but he has Russianized it by the brave in the extreme leading on his men fearful distortion, and then an expres- "cff." He is a scheming, intriguing, determined and hard hitting foe; he resovi- Belgaum district from being struck by "Take a chair into the recess for Miss sion of doubt crossed his face, and he lean- bold pioneer of the class that have spread ed when flushed with success to stay the hailstones of the size of cocoanuts. A

pear in the Russian newspapers is care- A weaker minded man than Middleton come extinct by his death lately at St. fully scratinized by agents of the czar, it would have permitted his 300 men to ad- Mary's Isle, Scotland, was son of the is somewhat significant that the Navoe vance to the massacre. The Canadians founder of the Selkirk Settlement in Can-Lucy sat down at once, and John took up lantern to the floor and turned to escape, Vremya, of St. Petersburg, says editor- are fortunate in their General and acknow- ada. Paul Jones once dropped down on his position close by, with his arm on only to be confronted by Doctor Maurice ially that in the event of war "Ruesia ledge it on all sides. and Jobson. He made one wild effort to will settle matters with England, not On his side he is greatly pleased with alone in Afghauistan but in India as well." his soldiers, and has expressed himself in recovered, and the family have it to day. This presumably authorized remark seems strong terms of praise, which he would not to warrant the often-expressed belief of do unless deserved. In the first charge the English papers that Russia's purpose the General had his fur cap shot through solemnity and horror of the situation; his hold of her. Jobson kept guard over in obtaining possession of the gate to -and both his aides-de-camp were but not a sound disturbed the stillness of the murderer that night, and next mornthe night, save the wind that mosned ing he was handed over to the custody of local itself ession of India itself.

At the inquest the medical evidence It is the opinion of Mr. George William is fundamentally repugnant to the Anglopale faces that were indistinctly visible | Detectives being sent to Boulogne, they Saxon conception of political justice and mond, and who, in the hope of saving of the middle ages. The forces for which turned Queen's evidence, and revealed civilization, would exalt the will of a des-As Jobson had conjectured, Richmond | tute the law of absolutism for trial by jury, by the successors of Tamerlane.

Firelight.

along the passages, until it reached the chase of the haunted house was the first people did when he was sparking. "Them grams with "defeats" and "disasters." was great times, boys," he said in reply, This trouble in the Northwest will do Victor, in Geneva, who was immured in the Castle from 1530 1536, is generally door. Against the wall by the side of the would reach for the shovel and the ashes | all must move with it in that country. and cover the bright blazes all up. And sometimes-remember, now, only sometimes-the girl would get up and put ashes on, and then-well, boys, when the bluebirds come in the Spring, and the fishiu' worms crawled out of the ground, and the boys set on the green banks of the little creek waitin' for a bite, and the johnny-jump-ups nestled in the sunny places, there was a weddin' in an old house, and the purty bride wore apple blossoms in her hair, and the awkward young fellow blushed in his store clothes and tight boots; and when the Winter came again they set by their own fire, and the shovel and the ashes was out of a

They Could Repent at Leisure. Recently Miss Mary Shoemaker, of merry laugh and a pretty figure that is the by a strong odor of gas. perfection of grace, came into Mr. Loren "It is me, Paul," she cried. "Stop your formity with natural laws. F. Bishop's bakery to buy some fresh fooling." 'Miss Shoemaker, " said he, "you look shook him soundly. so pretty that I have half a mind to go right with you and get married. " "I never refuse a dare," said the girl. with flushing cheeks and eyes that sparkl-

ed with a roguish light. "Well, shall I go and get my coat and go and get a license ?"

with you, too.'

"Well, I do, but I thought maybe you would give it up. " "If that's all, we'll go," was the reply.

sun set they were married.

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST RIEL.

A Military Cr ticism.

A correspondent of the United States | never better. Army and Navy Journal thus discusses the situation in the North-West :-

The first flight in the Northwest has come off, and considering that volunteers out when he joined the Russian army he for the first time under fire had to charge up to a carefully prepared position and there face an enemy who understands Central Asiatics. perfectly how to skirmish, the result is were, of course, very severe, but they did not flinch; they stuck to their quarry, and, notwithstanding all their disadvantages, were not to be denied. Here is Gen. Komaroff, the commander in Af- the old John Bull pluck and dogged deghanistan, is Russian governor-general of termination all over again. They workthe trans-caspian provinces, and by all ed for several hours without flinching and accounts is a very remarkable man. On fairly wore out their brave and almost archeological subjects he is an authority, equally determined enemy. We are told and is represented as exceedingly ready to first that the fire began to slacken as the converse respecting such topics, or indeed | braves stole away-then it was found that this piece of jungle at the bottom of the Col. Alikhanoff, the governor of Mery, ravine when the General forbade it as it ject to be gained.

General Middleton is very much to be at the rate of £3,000 a year on it. He their lair and driven to despair. All hope duced missiles quite as dangerous as the was gone for those men, their deadly Russian cannon balls. Inasmuch as everything that is to ap fire had laid many a brave volunteer low. The Earl of Selkirk, whose title has be-

wounded and had their horses shot under

The next morning the 6 men had o course left the ravine, which was thoroughly explored. Two dead Indians were found in rifle plts, and traces of blood were found in other rifle pits. The trees in the centre of the ravine were torn as by a tornado by the shrapnel shell from Capt. Peters' two 9 pound rifle guns.

It was here the enemy had fastened their horses to escape. About 55 of these some very valuable animals, were found dead. This shows that artillery, boldly handled and pushed well to the front, will tell even against the most skilful enemy at concealment in the world, the North American Indian. They are mount ed infantry par excellence, and to shoot their horses is to destroy their efficiency. The detachment with Capt. Peters' guns suffered very severely, but not so much as to silence the guns. In the next engagement it is certain more guns will be up in the front, when the enemy will have to take extra care of their horses. After the engagement 10 ponies were brought into camp, and a number of cattle strayed in, showing a certain amount of disorganization among the Indians, and refuting the alarming accounts published in the New Uncle Davey was giving the boys some York Herald. That correspondent's readvice on their love-making affairs, and ports are rendered still more surprising by one of them asked him how the young his employers habit of heading the tele-

"great times. We didn't have no gas, good to Canada, I believe. More attention nor no keerosene, ner no newfangled no- will be given to the country by Eugland. shine and the peach bloosom glow in her sailors available, all bound under the milcheeks. It's mighty soft and purty, too, itia act, but the necessities of the mother and kinder reaches out and melts two country have not yet forced her to take hearts together in a way none of your a step which can now not be long delaygaslights knows anything about. Some- ed, viz., to subsidize Canada heavily with times the fire shined up a little too power- money and gunboats, and ask her to put ful in places, and the young man would forth all her naval strength to co-operate git up, without sayin' anything, and put with England and Australia in the proa shovelful of ashes on it. Then he would | tection of property now eagerly sought cuddle up to the girl in the shadows and and marked down for destruction. The she would cuddle some too, and it really result of a war with Russia would, I bedidn't seem like there was anything lieve, leave the empire much stronger at else in the whole big round earth to be sea than she is now, with the three counwished for. Party soon the fire would tries named bound more closely together git obstreperous again, and the little flames for mutual help and protection. Mr. would twinkle in and out, as if they want- Gladstone and his government are doing ed to see what was goin' on, or had seen | their best to bring about peace; but on and was laughin' and winkin' about it and the other hand the great Russian army havin' some fun too, and the young fellow | seeks employment, and when it moves,

A Bridegroom of the Day.

The New York Herald relates a dram- short account of the land which he visited atic incident in real life which is seldom supposed to be Mexico, was included in exceeded in tragic intensity by writers of the official history of China. There is romance: Paul Loebien and Jennie proof that Hwui Shan actually visited, Loux were married. The following some unknown Eastern region, and the morning after Loeblen had been called traditions of Mexico contain an account to perform work of a more laborious of the arrival of monks. character than usual, he retired to rest. The bride made inquiries concerning mortality among children "brought up on his whereaboars When told he was up-

ed at the door. I nere was no response to intestinal troubles in Paris in 1882, it is her repeated rapping and sne pushed the found by recent investigations that very door in.

no response. She entered the room and was surprised Des Moines, Iowa, a pretty miss with a to find herself in darkness and oppressed

rolls, and she looked at the young baker Still there was no response. The happy in Europe, requiring 290,000,000 feet per in such an irresistible way that he was bride ran over to the bed upon which her annum more than she produces. Inasquite beside himself with admiration. husband lay, and, taking hold of him, much as neither Canada nor the United

"Get up, you lazy fellow," she said, tities, and since no European country playfully turning his face to her. She can now produce much more than is replaced her lips to his cheek, but drew quired for home consumption, while alquickly back with a cry of terror. His most all of them are importers, Great checks were cold as death. The people Britian must ere long depend on her own in the house, alarmed at the wife's cries, resources. There are extensive tracts of ran hastily up-stairs with a light. Loe- land in Ireland and Scotland that might "If you want to, you may, and I'll go blen was found unconscious, but his body be profitably devoted to forest culture. was still warm. A physician was called M. Braun, the photographer, is now The young man's face sobered down a in and restoratives were applied at once engaged in reproducing the important Almost fainting, she remained clinging thoughts to their husbands. Why not little, but he went and got his coat. "Do you still want to go?" he gently the wife's discovery her husband of twen- ace. The most valuable masterpieces are ty-four hours was a dead man. He had those by Jan Steen, Teniers, and A. Van "Why, I thought it was you that died from the effects of gas which had er- Ostade, as delinesters of plebeian charactwanted to go" said the maiden heaitst- caped in quantities from a defective gas- er and life; Terburg, Netscher. and E. Van pipe in the room.

> "A petrified baby was recently discov- life and domestic incident; De Hooghe Loren was caught, and he had the good | ered in Texas." Unmarried men may and Van der Heyden, as imitators of natsense to see it. They went to the County believe this, but those who have seen a ural effects of perspective and light, and Clerk and got a license, and before the baby in motion know it is never still long Hobbema Ruysdael, and Cuyp, as landenough to petrify.

FOREIGN ECHOES.

Population of China- Killed by Halistones -Ellen Terry's Marriage-England's Wood Supply -A Curtous Point

in Law, de., de. The famous old English watering place of Bath has not been so crowded since the days of Jane Austin, fashionable doctors having sgain discovered the virtues of its waters.

At a recent meeting of the Statistical Society, in London, Sir R. Temple read a paper combating the statements as to the number of the population of China, and wilmating it at 297,000,000.

The farmer king of Alabama is Bragg B. Comer of Barbour county. He raised 2,250 bales or cotton last year, besides a large amount of corn. He has from 8,000 to 10,000 scres in cotton and corn this year, and rays crop prospects were Col. Alikhaneff, who figured so conspic-

uously in the Penjdeh affair, is a native of central Asia. His name was Ali Khar, added "off." Russia has been greatly aided in her advances toward India by Thirteen must be a lucky number. John Bennett of West Fairneld, Pa, died of consumption at the age of 60,

leaving a family of thirteen children. All are alive and well to day, the oldest being 87 and the youngest 60. Sickness has never troubled the family. Among the present English Ministers there is only one ex-journalist, Sir Wilflam Harcourt, Mr. Courtney who only

recently retired, was a leading writer on the London Times. Nearly every member of the French Ministry, on the other hand, has been a journalist. One of the most splendid collections of armor is that of Mr. Stittert, an Englishwould have cost the loss of many valuable man, at Florence. It is mounted with that for twenty-seven years he has spent

praised for his conduct in the affair- means to leave it to the city of Florence. The Indian Medical Gazette records

St. Mary's Isle and carried off the family plate while the Earl was away. It was

The average strength of the European troops in India in 1883 was 55,525, among whom the death rate was 10.88 per 1,000. The native army showed an average atrength of 114,830, with a death rate of 14.31. The most fatal diseases for the Indian troops were those (f therespiratory

The present Duke of Bedford, head of the house of Russell, who is held up in a rather unpleasant form just now by the London press, is a confirmed cynic. There is no member of London society who says so many good things, who is the author of so many bitting mots, or who impresses one with a deeper notion of his disbelief in human nature generally.

At the recent sale of the cellars of the late Earl of Wilton, at Egerton Lodge, Melton Mowbray, and Grosvenor square, London, the prices realized may seem rather startling to American eyes. Some Chateau Laffittes brought from \$41 to \$44 a dozen botties, and the Perrier Jouet champagnes of the vantage of 1874 sold up to 410 shillings. This is equivalent to \$102 a dozen, or \$8.50 per bottle.

A London paper points out that the strength of the British army lies largely in voluntary enlistment, which gives fighting men for fighting and leaves the rest for peaceful pursuits. In England it has always be found that a rumor of war brings any number of recruits needed, whereas the United States are full of men who have left their country to avoid the army, many of whom are suited for

nothing but the army. The old notion of "combating" with medicines such diseases as lung inflammation has given place to more enlightened views. The system of the late Dr. Hughes Bonnet is described as "treatment by restoratives directed to further che natural progress of the disease and supporting the vitalstrength." The Lancet states that the Doctor had 105 cases of uncomplicated inflammation of the lungs which he treated on this principle, with out a single death.

The versatile Ellen Terry, the actress, first married Mr. Watts, the artist. That gentleman, having obtained a diverce, was succeeded by Mr. Wardell. Not satisfied with her second choice, Miss Terry divorced him, and, settling her affections upon Charles Kelly, became his wife. Incompatibility soon separated them, and now death, by the removal of Mr. Kelly, has severed all entangling alliances. The London papers are saying that Mr. Irving will marry Miss Terry now that she is free again.

A Mexican historian makes a new attempt to show that America was discovered in the fifth century, A.D., by a party of Buddhist monks from Afghanistan, of whom one, Hwui Shan, returned to Asia after an absence of forty-one years. A

According to the Progres Medical, the the bottle" is frightfully large. Of 4.510 stairs sleeping. ran up gayly and knock- infants under one year who died of gastronearly the whole number were victims o "Paul ! Paul !" she cried, but there was artificial ailimentation, wholly or in part, or had been fed prematurely with solid food. At the dispensary of the Societe Philanthropique not a single case of the disease was found in infants fed in con-

England is the largest importer of wood S:ates can much longer spare large quan-

der Neer, as painters of elegant social life: G. Dow, G. Meizz, and F. Meirls, as the most refined portrayers of common

scape painters.