with severe penalties. A similar law is to Government in that tongue. be passed in Ecuador.

Senor Mota, a moral reformer who is Mayor of Mosquera, a town in the United States of Colombia, has decreed that women arrested for disorderly conduct in his bailiwick shall have their heads shaven before they are set at liberty again.

The official figures for the French vintage show 30,000,000 hectolitres, nearly 3,000,000 more than in 1890. The cider crop was 2, 000,000 less than in 1890.

The gold medal given to Virchow on his seventieth birthday is the largest ever made. It weighs nearly six pounds, and the metal alone is worth \$1,750.

Frederick I. had one, but Napoleon took it two small chairs of small value.

facturers announce that they will prohibit all their employees from going to the races during the coming spring season.

The high priests of Persia who forbade smoking in order to break up the tobacco monopoly, have triumphed. The monopoly has been officially abolished. In the scholastic year 1890-91 St. Peters-

burg had 259 primary schools, with 12,760 pupils. This year the number of schools is in bondage or have voluntarily taken up their of the Heir Apparent to the Russian throne. 267 and the number of attending pupils 13,042. This includes 120 female schools, with an attendance of 5,703.

The conductors of all the street cars, omnibuses, and other vehicles for public accommodation in Warsaw, in that part of the city between Novaya Praga and the suburb of Brudno are women, and fulfil their duties more accurately and to the better satisfaction of the public than men.

Vienna suddenly expanded from an acre of 55 square kilometres to 178 square kilomtres, that they might be presented this Christmas. or half the size of London and three times When they arrived at Santiago with about as large as Berlin, with a population of \$500 in freight and tariff charges due on 1,3000,000.

stag to afford them the protection in the sents to his family and refused to pay the United States now enjoyed by French, bill. The manufacturer will sue for \$1,400. British, Belgian, and Swiss authors. The petitioners urge the Government to make at once the declaration, required by the Copyright law, that hereafter Amercan authors will enjoy the same rights in Germany as German authors.

great progress in Sweden. The number of women students in the universities there is declined for him by the Regent is untrue. now large and is constantly increasing. The controversy over this affair will scarce-There are eighteen women students in the ly encourage the Kaiser to offer the two Upsala University, thirteen in Lund, and susceptible Bavarians anything. The coneight women are studying medicine in the ditions he might have to impose would only Carolinake.

London is rather slow in adoping improvements. It is only recently that extensive are more favorably situated than those of use has been made of the telephone. The the other cities of Russia. While in the City Council is now considering the introknown in great Canadian and American two or in three classes of various degrees of gether in a body. cities, and there is a good prospect that this summary method of removing drunken and disorderly persons will be adopted.

Scholarship, in the Moscow schools every degree has its own teacher. The develoption, London, than any other station in The perfect peace they brought our hearts no and disorderly persons will be adopted.

denies the rumor that a conference is to be of the city, and many pupils have to be re- in every fifty-four seconds. held here with a view to negotiating a com- fused admission into the schools for want of mercial treaty with Russia. It declares accomodation. Every school has three that no de legates have arrived, and that no grades. On the average, 69 per cent. of the project of the kind has been put forth from number of pupils attending graduate in the any responsible quarter.

ional f ir is in favor. The committee on are established, only about 50 per cent. of our Chief Land Commissioner, at 180,000 cordingly resolved that the exhibition shall | education. be international in scope, if possible, and be held probably in 1896.

anachronism" of church-bell ringing is talked of in San Francisco. The report of that city contends that the theatres have as good a right to use steam whistles, as the riotously without disguise. Demand has ed with tourists, the receipts exceeded £4,churches have to use bells, more especially as the theatres would not, in announcing authorities of Nancy professes to know daylight in the morning.

A Methodist church has been closed in Vienna because one of the articles of its belief denounces masses as "blasphemous fables and dangerous deceits." These words constitute an insult to "one of the religions recognized by the state." These words, however, come from the articles of the Church of England.

Giuseppina Robbia, considered to be the most beautiful ballet dancers in Italy, fell unconscious during her appearance at the Theatro Savigliano in Turin about two weeks ago. Two doctors in the audience hurried to her aid, but she died in the glare of the footlights. In the confusion nobody thought to lower the curtain, so the whole house

witnessed the scene. Odessa is overflooded this year with Chinese tea. The reason thereof is that the Russian tea merchants will no longer buy permanent good. It believes that the motheir ware through the English firms in China, and import it directly. The English merchants on the other hand, losing the Russian trade, have centered their activity in Ceylon teas, which are not used in Russia. The greater part of the Chinese tea crop now invested in grain will seek activity this year, therefore, is accumulated in elsewhere, perhaps in foreign trade; and

A bottle filled with whiskey by a New York liquor dealer and carried to sea by a New Yorker bound for Europe has reached the liquor dealer again after many months and through a strange channel. A friend of the traveller affirms that the bottle, emptied of its contents, was thrown overboard while the ship was still far from shore, but the liquor dealer is equally positive that the bottle came back to him in a case of rum imported from the West Indies.

in New Mexico this winter have been Her' Company, and in the last act there is a gave a sealed envelope to the clergyman who the nutrition was absorbed by contact. ed their two names, with the result that No. unprecedented. Many ponds in Grant lynching scene." County have been frozen over, something which has not happened certainly in nine or Gets strung up in the last act." ten years. Many fat antelope have been "That's it. Poor Fellow! He played it killed near Maxwell City, the animals being so well that one night in a Western town, unable to get away on account of the deep | the audience got so excited that when the snow. Heavy snow storms have been general lynching scene came on they jumped up in

Mountains, on the regular roads, snow has drifted to a depth of thirty-five feet and more. Snowslides, with loss of life, have been numerous.

The Minister of the Interior has detailed a special Tchinovnik to enquire into the affairs of the Mohammedan confession mitted to witness the whipping at 25 cents among the Tatars of the Crimea. He proposes to enforce there the same law by which the Mohammedans of Orenburg are governed, according to which every mulla, kadi, A law is to be passed in Costa Rica making | katin and other dignitary of the Mohammethe sale to foreigners of Indian antiquities | dan profession must be a scholar of the Ruscollected in the republic a crime punishable | sian language and make his reports to the

Berlin is to have shortly a crematory erected at the city's cost in the Friedrichsfeld Cemetery, where bodies of the poor and unknown and of the subjects of anatomical investigation at clinics and hospitals will be reduced to ashes. The bodies from the anatomists, tables alone number about 1,000 annually. To further this practice the Berlin Society for Cremation has petitioned the Parliamentary Commission on Civil Code that the choice between burial and burning granted hereafter to every German citizen.

A late census of the city of Lima, Peru, shows it to have a population of 103,956, of which 49,350 are males and 54,106 are females; 70,961 of the inhabitants can read There is to be a new Prussian throne. and 32,995 can neither read nor write. A singular reversal of the relative proportion off and melted it, and there are only now in numbers of the sexes is shown by compari- journal existed. son with previous enumerations. In 1866 Several large Vienna bankers and manu- the census showed the city to have 4,422 more males than females while the present census shows that the females outnumber the males by 4,756.

A missionary, who has arrived on the coast from the interior of Africa, says that all who are found manufacturing forged one of the Europeans who took part in the stamps. disastrous battle between the Zarewsky expedition and the Wahehe natives, is now a prisoner in the hands of the Wahehe. Scattered through Africa are while men who are part of Africa.

Paris courts are likely soon to hear the On Dec. 21 at midnight, by a new law, have a solid gold handle, and was to cost his interment. \$300. All three were shipped in August, Germanauthors have petitioned the Reich- his three friends decided to make no pre- tag to afford them the protection in the sents to his family and referred to make no pre- servants." them, Balmaceda's star had faded, so that

The newspaper war between Bavaria and and Prussia is not without cause, and looks ominous for the empire. It is very bitter, and shows how much jealousy and discontent is rankling in the second largest Federal State. It is now declared that the re-The higher education of women is making port that the Inspector-Generalship of the army was offered to a Bavarian Prince and arouse the dormant passions of 1866.

The primary public schools of Moscow other cities, and especially in the villages, ment of the Moscow school, however, is not the world. Between 7 a. m. and 10 p. m. The North German Gazette semi-officially adequate to the increase of the population | fully 1,000 trains pass-an average of one third grade; the others quit school before brimming cup. The project for a vast national exhibition | they attain it. Taking into consideration to be held in Berlin is not approved by the the entire number of children of the lower provinces, where nothing but an internat- classes of society for whom these schools the subject, with one opposing vote, has ac. | them enjoy the advantages of a primary

A private belonging to the garrison of Morchingen, Germany, near the French been made for his extradition, but the 000. man War Department is furious over the affair, fearing that the example will have a demoralizing effect on frontier garrisons. It is thought here, in view of the apathy of the French Government in the business, that France is strongly confident in her own strength or in Germany's worship of

Dnevnik of Saratov says that the Government will requisition all the stores of grain | 102,000. withheld from the market produced a salutary effect upon the price of grain. The big firms are auxious to sell out their stores of grain, and will not buy any new parties from the middlemen. The activity of the latter is consequently checked, and the landowners having grain in store must bring it directly to the market. But Dnevnik doubts whether this will be productive of mentary relief which the "sequestration" rumor afford to the grain market will be fraught with evil consequences. The middlemen, loosing their trade, will be added to the millions of the starving; the capital on the whole, the money that is now saved by the cheapening of grain will be lost because a large proportion of the stores of farmers who know not how or have not the means to bring their wares into the market must get spoilt and wasted.

Danger of Realism.

Critic-"I have not seen Strutstage this

Actor-" My goodness! Haven't you relate the same news by word of mouth. heard? Poor Strutstage! You know he The cold weather and heavy snow storms | went out with the 'Villain Still Pursued

"Yes, Strutstage played the villain.

in the West In some parts of the Rocky their seats and shot him full of holes."

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

It is said that four-fifths of all the hailstorms occur in the day-time.

of an inch in thickness.

Consumption is more prevalent in Ireland than in either England or Wales. The thinnest tissue paper measures 1-1200

The provinces contain twenty-one properly-qualified lady doctors.

The British horses were famous when Julius Cæsar invaded this country, and some of them were carried by him as trophies to

Monday is the day of the week upon which most letters are delivered in London. The reason for this is because there is no Sunday delivery in London.

The average amount of each life insurance policy in the United Kingdom is £460. Nearly forty thousand men desert from

the German army every twelve months. "Llan" is the prefix to the names of upwards of four hundred and fifty places in Wales.

There are 3,064 languages in the world and its inhabitants profess more than 1,000 religions.

Japan has now two thousand newspapers, where twenty-five years ago not a single

Edward I., who was the father of seven sons and eleven daughters, had more children than any other of our sovereigns.

Collectors of postage stamps will be glad | And thou art dead! Thou, too, hast passed to learn that orders have been issued throughout Prussia for the prosecution of

The prettiest royal girl in Eastern Europe is said to be the Princess Helene of Montenegro, who, it is reported, is the chosen bride

Soudan, and at last accounts he was living that the increase of the earth's weight annear lake Tchad, the only white man in that | nually from meteoric sources is about 90,000 | Two oceans roll between us now, the sea

An autograph letter from the Queen, echo of the recent conflict in Chili. Last written to the late Prince Louis Lucien February three admirers of Balmaceda Bonaparte, on the occasion of her jubilee, ordered in Paris three umbrellas for him was, in accordance with the Prince's wish, and his family. Each umbrella was to placed in the breast pocket of his coat before

The custom of keeping birthdays is many years old. It is recorded in the 40th chapter of Genesis, 20th verse: "And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's

In prosecuting a case recently, in which a man was charged with riding without a ticket, it was stated that in the course of a year nearly 30,000 people are detected attempting to defraud the Great Northern Railway Company.

A few drops of oil dropped into the water will, it is claimed, prevent the evaporation of water from fire buckets by forming a sufficient coating on the water to overcome the difficulty.

men seventy are English, twenty Irish, eight Scotch, and two Colonial. The Parliamentary cry of "Who goes home?" originated in the days when link

boys lighted the members home, and those duction of police patrol wagon, so well one teacher has sometimes to instruct in living in the same neighborhood went to-

> The Czar is one of the few living banqueters, it is said, who can "drink a toast" according to the old style, swallowing the

> toasted apple, liquor and all, from the The number of landowners in the United Kingdom is estimated by Sir James Caird, whole of the agricultural land from ten acres

upwards. The Eiffel Tower is evidently a financial A movement to abolish the "annoying frontier, recently stole the treasury of his success. Over £50,000 has been paid for regiment and escaped with it to Nancy. admission to it by visitors since March 22 There he made an open and profuse last, when this year's season commenced: display of his ill-gotten gains, and lived During August, when Paris is always crowd-

A Leipsic scientist has demonstrated by One day his dog came by my house, I called the their performances, awake people before nothing of the fugitive, and refuses to facil- facts and figures, what most people have itate the extradition proceeding. The German War Department is furious over the caught by those who wrap themselves up caught by those who wrap themselves up and avoid the severity of weather than by those who dare to brave the elements.

400 hairs of average thickness would cover an inch of surface. The blonde belle has But. oh, that sermon! I would love to hear i about 140,000 filaments to comb and brush. while the red-haired beauty has to be satisfied with 88,000; the brown-haired damsel may have 109,000; the black-haired but

A great many people are of the opinion that battles are generally followed by rain. It may surprise them, therefore, to be told that a distinguished writer in "Science" proves that out of the 2,200 battles of the American Civil War, only 158 were followed by any rain at all, and that, often, was little more than a shower.

change of character till the fury of the con- Syracuse for six weeks in June and July, W. Dilke. vulsion broke forth. But not till a few seconds | but little could be done for her, and she was before the earth began to quake did human | sent home. Her peculiar condition has been beings hear any sounds, while it is extreme- coming on for two years, when she had the ly probable that the horses heard the sub- | grip. During all the time she was in Syraterranean noises for two or three days pre-

It is generally admitted that women are better letter writers than men. Writing a letter is thought to cost them very little trouble; they are supposed to drop into a chair before a desk, dip a pen in the inkstand, and scribble off any number of bright, chatty pages almost as readily as they could

An impecunious Benedict in Scotland couple had departed, the clergyman was curious to ascertain the amount of his fee, and he found in the envelope, instead of the expected bank-note, an apology from the groom, regretting the writer's inability to reward the divine, but promising to remember him when fortune smiled upon him.

The Land of Fancy.

BY WM. GREIG. Nor human wish nor passion Is ever breathed abroad In the happy Land where Fancy Extends her regal rod, For the dreams of the airy soul Are gentle as Zephyr's eyes When he steals in his cloak of azure To hearken a lover's sighs.

Ah, could I live with Fancy For ever and for aye, In the golden Land of Beauty,
How should I weave the lay!
Not a dream of the dusky world Should ever annoy my sight.

And the sound of a song supernal
Would banish the shades of night.

Where the Day Begins.

Where does the day begin? where may it be? Not on the mountain tops, not on the sea! Somewhere beyond them, somewhere before Shines the sweet light, ere the morning breaks o'er them. Peak that is highest, island that liest Farthest away in the purple-rimmed sea.

Where does the day begin ? where may it be?

Out of the bosom of God comes the day, Flood of his tenderness, nothing can stay! Love that, cut-springing, sets the world sing-Steeples ablaze, and the silver bells ringing! Infinite motion of infinite ocean-

Light but the symbol that broadens for aye. Out of the bosom of God comes the day. -[Youth's Companion.

Ellen

After-Thoughts.

Into the night that borders on our day; The noisy world that shall be still at last, Has left thee silent in the silent past.

How can I grieve? So little thou and I Saw of each other in the time gone by, I scarcely miss thee; yet I wish, somehow. That I loved thee then, and missed thee now

I know I never loved thee as I ought: residence there. Dr. Nachtigal's servant is an example. He deserted his master in the in many places. A recent calculation shows

> Known and unknown; the last sun set for thee There in New England; Time, for thee, was And a world ended, and a world begun,

Here-here at home was sure, slow death; but Over the seas, life smiled with promise fair, And, fleeing from the Shadow that men fear, Thou didst but meet there what thou fled'st

There, at the last, no heart that loved thee fil-With anguish, no familiar accents thrilled With thought of home thy spirit's dark eclipse; No kiss of loving lips was on thy lips.

Strange Watched thy wan features change—till the last Fixed them in one long look of quiet blest; And strange hands bore thee to thy lonely rest.

Out through the night, across the pathless My spirit passes to thy place of sleep, And sad with thought of things that may not Yearns for a voice that might awaken thee.

The average age of English soldiers is twenty-seven years; their death-rate is nine per thousand; and of every hundred My grief is only that I did not love thee! A. St. J. ADCOCK.

The Elder's Sermon.

Our elder told us yesterday we had not learned Until we learned how blessed 'tis to pardon and forgive;

human words can tell.

"So, love your neighbor as yourself," he then began again, Bud Silas Fitz, across the aisle, he shouted out "Amen!" persons, who possess between them the What right had he to yell Amen. the low-toned, Who took my cow, my new milch cow, and locked her in the pound!

> The low-down, raw-boned, homely crank, lunkhead and a lout, To sit there in the sanctuary and holler out

> He just crawled off and died right then: Says

About forgiveness, charity, and love of fellow of the previous year. I should have felt as if I basked in Heaven's especial smile If that blamed villain, Silas Fitz, hadn't sat across the aisle. S. W. Foss.

An Enigma to Physicians.

Food in any form would remain on her hoppers. stomach an instant only. Then the physi- | The editor framed his answers upon the her alive.

QUEER THINGS IN HORNS.

As Different from Cows' and Other Ordinary Herns as from the Fabled Unicorn.

"There are a good many queer things to be told about horns," says Osteologist Lucas "Take the horn of the rhinoceros, for example. It is nothing more than a protuberance composed of agglutinated hair. You cut it in two, and, examining its structure under the microscope, and, examining its structure, you find it is made up entirely of little tubes resembling hair tubes. Of course these are not themselves hairs, but the structure is the same. The horns of the African rhinoceros sometimes grow to the length of four feet. From them the Dutch Boers make ramrods and other articles. You may remember that the handle of the ax used by Umslopogaas in 'Allen Quatermain 'was a rhinoceros horn. In old times rhinoceros horns were employed for drinking cups by royal personages, the notion being that poison put into them would show itself by bubbling. There may have been some truth in the idea, inasmuch as many of the ancient poisons were acids and they would decompose the horny material very quickly.

"Several species of rhinoceroses, now extinct and only found in a fossil state, used to exist which had no horns at all. The name meaning as it does 'horned nose,' is rather a misnomer in their case. Several kinds of rhinoceros in Africa have two horns, one behind the other, but the extinct rhinoceros, known as the dyceratherium, had a pair of horns on its nose side by side. Many of the giant reptiles of long ago had enormous horns. The great lizard known as the triceratops had a big horn over each eye and a little one on its nose. The dinoceras and the tinoceras, gigantic mammots of the tertiary epoch, had three pairs of prominences on their heads which are believed to have supported horns. However, the material of which horn is composed of quickly decays, being largely composed of gelatine and other animal matter, so that these appendages are apt to be found absent when the fossal bones of beasts which had them are found.

"Some fishes have horns, which are actually outgrowths of bone on their heads. The box-fish, which inhabits the warm waters of the globe-a little fellow 6 or 8 inches long-has horns an inchin length. Birds have horns also sometimes. The horned screamer (which is related to the duck) has a single horn attached to its skull, springing from a cartilaginous base and curving upward. It is really a modified feather, though a true

"Plenty of reptiles have horns. Lizards are very commonly provided with them. There are chameleons with three horns like Strange voices spoke to thee, and eyes as the ancient triceratops. Horned toads have a sort of crest of four horns on the back of their heads. There is a small African snake which has two horns. No horned tortoise now exists, but a fossil specimen was found a while ago on Lord How's Island, in the Southern Pacific, which had four horns on its crest, and resembles a cross between a horned toad and a snapping turtle. Doubtless you have often heard of human beings with horns. Such appendages in their case are abnormal developments of bone."

French Generals and Soldiers Fare Alike.

Having accompanied German forces, as well as French, during the war of 1870, I know that, as a rule, Prussian officers of distinction keep up some sort of comfort. Food is sometimes short, as it must be with all ranks in war, but the forms of military civilization are observed. The French Generals of armies, Generals of the special arms attached to the Generals of armics, and Generals of army corps, with their staffs, do not "Love brings millenial peace." he said; and attempt to live in even that semi-luxury though my lips were dumb, which is possible by the expenditure of which is possible by the expenditure of I still kept shouting in my soul, "Amen, and let it come!"
"When men forgive all other men, the year of staff officers on such occasions. The hospitality with which I met was great, because tality with which I met was great, because Will dawn upon the world," he said: and I, where there is courtesy and kindness and "So let it be." forethought it is impossible not to see the fullest hospitality, though the fare be

In peace manœuvres, even under difficult circumstances, English officers expect their comforts, and would be somewhat disconcerted if quartered in peasants' houses where vermin was not unknown, and where the floors were often composed of mud, and mud plentifully larded with the fat and onions Whose love and grace and heart and soul have of the canteens of the advanced troops or of the enemy of the previous night. English officers in peace would be somewhat inclined If I could choke the rascal once he'd never many of them, to expect at the General's dinner or at the mess the presence of many servants and of good wine and food, whereas the French Generals of armies with their drink the roughest country wine or the common brandy made by the peasants from the No long legged simpleton like him can get the skins and stalks of the grapes in places where as is general in Champagne, water is scarce and bad and content themselves with the mutton of the previous week and the beant

The example for the private soldier is perhaps the better, and there is much democratic wisdom about the attitude of the French Generals toward their men. A commander of armies, when a private soldier with a letter from an army corps commander comes to him during dinner, pours out wine for him with his own hand, and some-May Cross, the sixteen-year-old daughter | times, I have heard, in his own glass; and of Edward Cross, a carpenter in Jordan, a the reservist from the towns (perhaps a village seventeen miles from Syracuse, N. hotel keeper, a lawyer, or journalist,) who Y., is an enigma to physicians. She has is serving in the ranks, and who, while re-It is well known that horses hear deep lived sixty-seven days without apparent taining the gold-rimmed eyeglass of civil sounds which we cannot. For days pre- nourishment, and yet she weighs about 110 life, is paddling about with bare feet and vious to the earthquake in the Riviera, the pounds and was strong enough to sing at bare back in a courtyard full of filth, feels horses there showed every symptom of ab- her grandfather's funeral three weeks ago. less aggrieved if he knows that the brillians ject fear, which continued without any She was under Dr. Van Duyn's care in General is not much better off .- [Sir Charles

A Slight Mistake:

The editor of a weekly journal lately lost cuse her mother says she had only a teacup two of his subscribers through accidentally of nourishment. She began her long fast | departing from the beaten track in his ansimmediately upon her return home. She wers to correspondents. Two of his subwas unconscious much of the time, and had scribers wrote to ask him his remedy for hysterics toward the end of the sixty-seven | their respective troubles. No. 1, a happy days. She suddenly regained consciousness | father of twins, wrote to inquire the best and some strength. At that time the doc- | way to get them carefully over their teethtor tried to give her milk, but it curdled in | ing, and No 2 wanted to know how to proher mouth before it could be swallowed. | tect his orchard from the myriads of grazs-

cians moistened cloths on her stomach, and orthodox lines, but unfortunately transposhad just married him. When the happy Another peculiar phase of the case is that 1, who was blessed with the twins, read, in she does not sleep, with the exception of an | reply to his query : "Cover them carefully hour in the morning. Opiates and chorals with straw and set fire to them, and the are used only as stimulants. She talks with little pests after jumping about in the flames her mother about dying, but she has gener- a few minutes will speedily be settled." ally a happy temperament. Her physicians | Whilst No. 2 plagued with grasshoppers. and friends are anxious to know what keeps | was told to "Give a little castor oil and rub their gums gently with a bone ring."