Sham battle flags, tattered and torn to represent the real article, are the latest product of French ingenuity, and are said to have deceived large numbers of curiosity hunters and patriots.

The naws of the result of the late English Derby was telegraphed from Eogland to Aus ralia in one hour and four minutes, which is believed to be the fastest time ever made between those points.

In London dressmakers and others are fined heavily for allowing their girls to work overhours in the shop. Jay, thegreat mourn ing storeman, was recently up in the polics court on a da arge of this sort.

The atmosphere on the English Channel was recently rarefied to such a degree that objects between thirty and forty miles from Dover and Folkestone could clearly be distinguished with the naked eye.

Pao, a relative of the Chines: General of the same name, has just been decapitated for trading in forged decorations. The engraver who did the work received 100 lashes and was banished for three years.

An Eulishman recently lost a purse containing \$3,500 at a London carriage sale. It was found by an employee of the stables, who, upon returning it was rewarded with the thanks of the man and the amount of his cab fare, 2s. 6d.

completed the survey of a prorosed canal him, and he was given that of a serf. Then his across Italy from near Castro on the Tyrr- wife and children were driven out of the henian Sea to Fano on the Adriatic. It will palace to herd with beggars. On the last be 180 miles long if it is ever built and will day," says the record, "Paul Veritz!n, in

Pacific, made the best time on record between departed to the dark and icy north. He After the striving and after the very ling and after the very ling. New York and Portland recently, going to was seen of men no more." attend the annual meeting of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company. He completed the trip in eighty-four hours. He had to run sixty miles an hour part of the time to do it.

. A woman in Walton county, Ga., claims to have performed laparotomy upon the craw of a sick hen, taking out the organ, cleaning and washing it, and restoring it to its place, the stiches being afterward sewed up and the hen set free. The bird is said to have recovered and to be now the mother of a promising brood of chicks.

Bertha Belton of Memphis arrived in Chatt- erson saw the man, and the marks of the anooga on the 10 o'clock train a few days lien's teeth on his arm. ago, and at 2 o'clock they were married. It was the first time they had met since twenty years before, when they were lovers at Con- at one of the forts on the Western plains.

English bettors are being asked to make from the fort. their wagers for the Derby of 1898 on the basis of the coincidence alleged to have been loon, and the prisoner begged the privilege worked out by a well known turfman, that of going in and getting a "drink." The the winner of the Derby in a year that ends sergeant consented, and they went in towith eight always has eight letters, in his gether and stood before the bar, on which name. In 1888 Ayrshire, with eight letters whoes dam was Portland, eight letters, ridden by F. Berrett' eight letters was the the perforated lid, threw a handful of the winner.

eight yea- old boy who has never been awake though suffering intensely, retained his selfsince the hour of his birth. He was the possession. He drew his revolver, fired in child of a paralytic mother, and has delicate | the direction of the retreating tootsteps, and features and a high, white forehead, with long, black curls. His arm is not larger than an ordinary mans thumb. He lies on his bed year after year, taking no note of anything that passes. Twice a day he is aroused enough to take a little nourishment, and then relapses into sleep.

France is surprised at the operation ef its new divorce law. The first year such a thing as a divorce was recognized by the law there were 1800 granted, the second year 4,000, and the third year 4,500. Sixty women demand divorce for every forty men, and in more than half the cases that come before the courts there are no children. There are four divorces for every thousand majriages in France now, and in Paris the rate is forty seven for every thousand mar-

A watch dial now being made at the Waltham works has, it is said, instead of the twelve Roman numerals on the dial, twelve small silhouette figures. One o'clock is represented by a young woman with a baby in her arms. At 2 o'clock the child is larger, at three it is in short clothes, and so goes on until at 8 o clock the baby is a schoolboy, and the woman disappears. At 9 he wears a college gown and mortar board, and at ten he is parting from the woman at her death bed. At 11 he is a middle aged man, and at 12 he is old and decrepit.

Tom Walker and William Tucker, Alalana farmers, were walking along the railroad track near Birmingham when a thunder storm came up. Walker wanted to leave the track and take to the woods. Tucker said that if the lightning was going to strike him, t companies recognizing this fact have decided he has failed to whip. It seems a pity that track as upon it. Walker left the track and had hardly gone ten steps when a flash with all. It will be opened on the 11th of lightning struck Tucker, apparently kill-ing him, and knocked Walker unconscious. Sept. by Lord Stanley, the new Governor-General. Walker recovered just in time to see an express train come along and strike Tocker, severing his bead from his body. Every bone in Tucker's body was broken.

Pleade Guilty.

The opinion is said to be common among sailors that the Finns are skilled in magic. If the following story, which is told by a seaman, is true, then these people are more than a match for the Pied Piper of Hamelin in dealing with rats.

He was once shipmate with a Russian Fign who had all the horn buttons eaten off his oilskip clothing by the rats. So on the next dog-watch after he found it out, the Finlander went to the fore hatch, and, sticking his sheath knife upright in the deck, called upon all the rats in the ship to appear before him.

Up came all the rats, one after the other, and crawled before him in solemn procession, rat after rat, every rat in the ship, until hundreds of rats had passed close by his feet. Then there was a delay, and the Russian Finn called in a louder tone the same words he had called at first.

draggled rat, with all its hairs turned the tent of the law for so doing. The boy is 16 wrong way, limped out of the hatchway, years old, 5 feet 4 inches high; weighs at 91

A Russim Prince's Sad Fate.

In the "life of Prince Paul Veritzin, a Russian Noble under Catherine the Great," a dramatic account is given of his fall from his high position. The Veritzins were Beyars of enormous wealth and power. Paul held s high office in court. One night, glittering with jewels and orders, the young Prisce, who was one of the handsomest men in Russia, danced in a quadrille opposite to

the Empress. As she passed him in the dance she fancied that his eyes scanned her gross figure with covert amusement. After the quadrille she beckened to him, and, with a smile, handed him her tiny ivory tablets, containing seven pages, one for each day in the week. On the first was written. 'The imperial ball-room, St Petersburg. "On the last, The mines, Siberia" H; read it, his face gray as that of a corpse bowed low, kissed her hand and withdrew, "taking,' says the old chronicle, his wife, the beautiful Princess of Novgorod, with Can you hear them in the distance, through the him." He was heard to say, as he left the ball room. "My minutes are numbered; let us not lose ore." Flight or resistance was impossible. The hold of Catherine on her victims was inexorable as death. Prince Veri zin was forced to remain passive in his galaco, while each day the power, the wealth | Can you hear them? Nay, but rather let my doubtand the happiness that life had given him were stripped from him. First, he was degraded from all his offices at court ; next, his estates were confiscated by the crown ; his friends were forbidden to ho'd any communication with him : his very name, Victor Brocca, an Italian engineer, has one of the coblest in Russia, was taken from rags and bare foot, chained to a convict, President Elijan Smith, of the Northern bade an eternal farewell to his home and Dowe not reach like a child for more learning,

Novel Escape.

While Mr. Anderson was leisurely travell ing through South Africa, in a wagon drawn by sixteen oxen, he heard from the Bashmen many stories of their remarkable escapes from lions. One Bushman, having been seized by the arm by a lion, had the presence of mind to use his free arm to take up a handful of sand, and throw it in the lion's eyes. The beast, rowing with pain, and blinded, let go the man, who ran away before A. F. Sims of Conyers, Ga., and Mrs. the lion could recover his sight. Mr. And-

That lion was not as cool as a sergeant in the United States Army, who was stationed yers, but they had a misunderstanding, be. A soldier, having deserted, was captured by came estranged, and married other persons. | the sergeant in a mining camp fifty miles

While returning, they were passing a sa

was a pepper-box filled with cayenne pepper. The soldier took the box up, unscrewed red pepper into the sergeant's eyes, and There is in a Southern insane asylum an started for the door. The blinded man, shot the deserter through the heart.

A Bushman, on being seized by a lion, who grasped the man's left arm with his teeth, used his free arm to take hold of one of the beast's hind-legs. This he equeezed and pinched so hard that the lion gave a rear, and sprang away.

Canada's Great Fair.

Since its inception in 1879, the Toronto Industrial Exhibition has proved a continued series of successes, and the one for issued early in August, and will be sent free | can kill the bravest soldier. There is no to any one desiring them. Prize Lists can longer a chance for glorious feats of arms also be secured by intending exhibitors on and "since guns are the fashion we must Secretary, at Toronto. All entries have to clubs and assegais was doubtless all the be made before the 18th of August. The more impressed with the degeneracy of the people of Ontario seem to have set down the times from the fact that he was suffering time of the Toronto Fair as the occasion of from two bullet wounds inflicted by the their annual holiday outing, and the railway Wayoro, whom for the first time in his life on giving cheaper fares than ever before for all savages do not harbor old-fashioned prethis great exhibition, which is so popular judices against firearms.

Rheumatic Pains

Require no description, since, with rare exception, all at some time have experienced their twinges. Rheumatism is not easily in England in an amateur charity peformance dislodged, only the most powerfully penetrating remedies reach to its very founda tions. The most successful treatment knowr, and it is now frequently resorted to by medical men, is the application of that now famous remely for pain-Polson's Nerviline. It is safe to say that nothing yet discovered has three words, and vanished, and the audience afforded equal satisfaction to the suffering. A trial can be made at a small cost, as sample bottles of Nerviline can be had at the drug stores for 10 cents, large bottles 25 cents.

This is not from a paper of a century ago, but from one published in New York city last week : "One Hundred Dollars Reward. -The boy --- , having left my employ without cause, and being bound to me until he is 21 years old by law, I will give the All Drug late, 50 cents. above reward to any one giving information that will lead to his recovery. And I also heaven, but he can have a thundering good Instantly a poor little perspiring, be. him, as I will prosecute any one to the ex and went up to the upright sheath knife, pounds can ride at 86 pounds; has light blue eyes, light hair, and of an Irish cust of countenance; had on when he left a bluish-look. The strawberry man who goes through ing suit of clothes, congress shoes, and a yel the streets shouting "Ears rash rawbres ten low soft felt hat. He has a deep scar on the sen i qort" proposes to give elocu ion lessons top of his head frem a hurt. He is tall for send your address and 10 cents in stamps for Lubon's to church choirs after the fruit season is his age, and in walking is round shouldered. - - . Rece Track Saratoge."

The Children's Voices.

BY C E C. WARNER.

Can you hear them in the twilight, the children at their play Through the leafy Summer garden, where the long night-shadows stray, Where all day long the song-birds and the heartless cuckoo cried But to-night the children's voices are ringing far and

When the long day, bathed in sunlight, lay golden in And the roses and the lilies made the quiet garden

When in the cool green bushes the birds lay hushed Then the merry childre.'s voices died from every

When the silver-spangled heaven spread her gray mysterious veil. And the night ingate awoke with song the echoes

down the dale. When the heavy air was plaintive with the sounds of Summer night. Across my saddened mem'ry came the childern's voice bright.

long long veil of years, The little children's voices grown sad with griefe and

When Life's parting and Life's sorrows have broken on their youth. And their golden dreams have vanished in the ruthless light of tru h?

ing heart be still. For a sudden ray of moonlight has touched the dis-And in that golden ladder as a mirror I can read, "If chil -like rusting hearts endure, Life's cares are

What do We Know.

BY T. C HARBAUGH. What do we know with the lore of the ages, Opened to us by the sages of old?

light indeed ."

What do we know with the mystical pages Or Korans, Zand Vestas befire us unrou'd? After the striving and after the yearning For Faturity's secret, what do we know?

Years we have spent at the shrine of the mystic, Fathomed the depths of the rivers of Thought, Theories, i ms and priests Brahministic, Tho' skilled in the wonderful leave us untaught, Who has come back from the shadowland lying Over the stream with the mystical flow? Who has returned with the truth after dying To answer the question of What do we know?

Aye, who holds the key that shall open the portals, Silent in shadow, which hide the unknowa? When shall the hand of ephemeral mortals Lift from the ages their burial stone? Prophets and kings from the dust of radition No light on the secret we're seeking best.w? Year follows year in enlightened transition,

Leaving no answer to What do we know? Lips by death sealed never mutter before us, No warmtb flutters back to the hands that are cold; Whether the future lies under or o'er us, Remains an enigma forever untold. Etill the philosopher-weak in his learning-Rea hes the mountain-top toiling and slow,

Above it to find in the blaze of its burning, The torturing question, What do we know? Patience, O mortals! the flush of the morning That surely will follow the footsteps of night, Comes out of the beautiful sunlight adorning The paradice portals now hidden from sight,

Then will the mists of the valley be lifted, The river be robbed of its mystical flow : Then shall the clouds that surround us be rifted, And light will be sifted on "What do we know?"

Lethe.

BY MORLEY ROBERTS. Lo! like a water spirit in her ear, Even as Undine or the Lorelei We float in a dim river, you and I, Seeing but f dntly sun or moon or star; And we shall never pierce its wind-vexed bar Into the open glory of the sky, But tho' eo near, shall never be more nigh

Till pas: all wondering where or what we are. For this stream is called Lethe, and when we Break from the crystal bondage of our shell Whose bubble strength and beauty's miracle Save for our frailiy now would set us free, The Past and Future are Oblivion's fee For loosing us from Life's unquiet spell,

Prejudice Against Firearms.

Prof. Drum nond, the African traveller, the present year, to be held from the 10th to says he has often wished he could get inthe 22nd of September, promises to again side an African for an afternoon and just see surpass in every respect these that have how he looks at things. It is certain his passed. Already applications for space in views of the world are very different from all departments are more numerous than ours. The General in Chief of the King ever before. A liberal Prize List and a long of Uganda's a my recently expressed scm3 programme of first class and novel special novel ideas on the introduction of firearms attractions is what the Toronto Fair offers, in native warfare. He told the King hewas and success is always the result. Special sorry gunpowder had ever reached the great exhibits will be sent from Manitoba, British lakes. In the good old times the Wagan-Columbia and many other sections of the da warriors were invincible. Those were Dominion. The special attractions already the days of hand to hand combats, when contracted for are the best that money can victory rewarded the bravest and strongest, secure, and there will be plenty to see, both and skill in handling the lance and shield to instruct and amuse, every day of the Fair. | decided the fortunes of war. But now, Programmes containing full details will be a clumsy coward safely hid in the grass their dropping a post card to Mr. Hill, the flight with guns." This stickler for war

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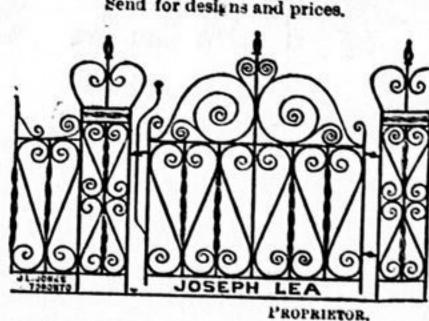
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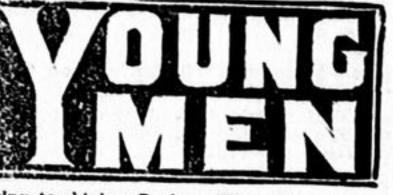


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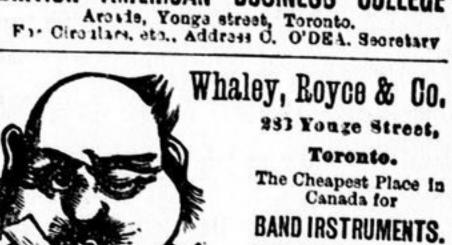
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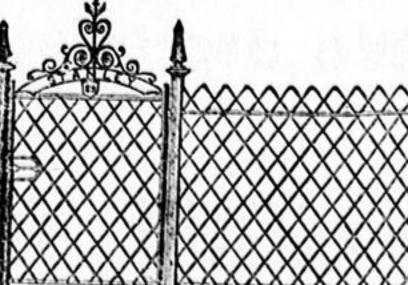
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