CANADIAN.

A Swiss colony is to be formed on Lulu yard, but the offer has been declined. Island, at the mouth of the Fraser river, B.

Hon. J. M. Gibson has been elected president of the Dominion Rifle Association.

The report is current in Ottawa that Mr. J. J. Foy, Q. C., of Toronto, will be appointed Deputy Minister of Justice. The Commercial Cable Company proposes

to lay a third cable from Canso, N. S., to Waterville, Ireland.

The Toronto branch of the Irish National League passed a resolution endorsing Mr. Gladstone's home rule bill.

A branch of the Imperial Federation League has been formed in Woodstock, comprising the leading men of the town.

Ten farmers of Oxford county have within a month past left wealth valued in the line. aggregate at \$122,000.

A Canadian Club was organized at Langford Evans as president. A test case of the Manitoba school

question is being prepared in the Department of Justice for submission to the Supreme Court. Among the rumours current in Ottawa is

one to the effect that Mr. Frank Smith will be among the Canadians who will receive the New England Dressed Beef Company, knighthood next spring.

Lunatic Asylum, was drowned in a pond, while working in a quarry near the asylum | States consul at Edinburgh, has been electgrounds.

be landed at Quebec instead of Montreal. of Glasgow. This decision has been arrived at owing to the want of accommodation at Montreal.

ing the franchise to women, and the ladies of the reserve. on the negative side presented some very strong arguments in opposition to the proposed privilege. The members of the Local Legislature supposed them to be in earnest, and now they are anxious to tell the statesmen that they were only speaking for argument's sake.

The British warship Hyacinthe is coaling | inauguration of Mr. Cleveland. at Victoria, B. C., and taking on a full supply of stores. It is said she is to sail with sealed orders, and it is supposed she is going Rochester, was derailed about a mile east to Honolulu.

A motion to further restrict Chinese immigranion to British Columbia by increasing the poll tax from \$50 to \$500, was defeated in the British Columbia Legislature on Friday by only one vote.

A young man named Thomas Easterbrook was kicked in the face by a runaway horse which he was driving at Tweed, Ont., on Saturday, and had his jaw bone broken in two places, besides being otherwise injured.

left his team untied at Geary's creamery on to plant trees along their tracks, from Saturday, and while he was inside the which they can supply their own wants. horses started off. Mr. Fallon ran after them for a mile, when he threw up his hands, fell down and died.

A whim on the part of a prisoner in the gaol in Napanee, Ont., who sought to relieve the tediousness of his leisure moments by singing hymns, is said to have created a inmates of the prison.

At a meeting of the Quetec branch of the Dominion Alliance, held in Montreal, it was stated that in 1891 the number of licensed places in Montreal exceeded by 157 the total number of licensed places in the eleven cities of Ontario.

Mrs. W. C. Mackay, of London, Ont .. died on Sunday morning from an overdose of chloral administered by herself. She character of the drug she was taking.

Premier Greenway, of Manitoba, thinks the money received from the sale of Manitoba school lands should be used for educational purposes in that province instead of which declines to advance to the Provincial Normal school building.

BRITISH.

England will send two delegates to the cholera congress at Dresden.

The strike of cotton spinners in Lancashire has been settled by a compromise. Right Hon. A. J. Balfour, the Opposition from influenza.

Ireland sends annually 40,000 tons of eggs-some 640,000,000 in round numbersto England alone. A bill has been introduced into the New

South Wales Legislature to restrict the admission of Syrian peddlers, on the ground

adopted a resolution declaring that Home my dinner and a bottle of port." Rule for Scotland is a necessary condition to granting Home Rule to Ireland.

slands to the United States. United Ireland, the Parnellite organ pub-

lished in Dublin, expresses the opinion that the new Home Rule bill is interior to the regard as a complete settlement.

vivendi is 1391.

The Land, shipbuilders at Birkenhead, prophet and bard that he was."

THE WEEK'S NEWS who are furnishing the World's Fair with models of Atlantic steamers since they were first run between New York and Liverpool, have offered a model of the rebel cruiser Alabama, which was built at their

UNITED STATES. President Harrison has gone duck shoot-

The Walker failure at Youngstown, Ohio, is said to have ruined Governor McKinley. There has been sleighing for 60 consecugo well yet.

The United States Senate Committee or Foreign Relations has favorably reported the Hawaiian treaty of annexation.

One thousand depositors in Rockafellow's broken bank at Wilkesbarre, Pa., will only get 5 cents on the dollar.

that Mrs. Cleveland will not have her inaugural gowns made to be worn with crino-

It is announced that the Chicago and North-Western railway will elevate all its Hamilton on Wednesday night, with Mr. | tracks within the limits of Chicago, at an expense of \$24,000,000. President Harrison shot a rabbit on

Saturday and violated the game law. The sheriff took no action, but simply laughed when told of it. Mrs. Griggs, a native of Nova Scotia, and

wife of Mr. Henry J. Griggs, manager of committed suicide in Buffalo Ly stabbing Robert Best, a patient at the Hamilton herself in the neck with a pair of scissors.

Wallace Bruce, of Poughkeepsie, United ed to succeed the late John Greenleaf The Department of the Interior has issued | Whittier as life corresponding member of an order that in future all immigrants must | the Scottish Society of Literature and Art

A Special from Washington states that the financial situation has = ot improved, troduced as a sort of recreative variety. All The members of the Women's Christian and that the United States Government this has been gradually but surely undergo-Temperance Union of Winnipeg recently may be forced to the expedient of putting ing change, and in many instances has been debated in that city the question of grant- bonds on the market to retain the integrity | transformed altogether. Interchange of

> Rome has decided that Mgr. Satolli shall make his official residence in Washington. It is reported from Washington that the Hawaiian treaty is not likely to be ratified by the present Congress, as the Senate has all the work it can do between this and the

A passenger train on the West Shore railway, running between New York and of Palmyra, N. Y., at ten o'clock the other morning, and fell down an embarkment eighteen feet high. One of the two engines and the coaches were badly smashed, and three passengers were killed and fifteen in- names of men incarcerated for terms of the institution, were visited and the inspec-

Mr. J. Sterling Morton, who will be Secretary of Agriculture in President Cleveland's Cabinet, says there are only 40,000,-000 acres of timber left in the United States, and this supply is being used up at the rate of 25,000 acres a day. He will Mr. Robert Fallon, of London township, suggest legislation compelling railways to

GENERAL.

Mild spring weather has prevailed in Germany lately. Already fields are becoming green and shrubs are budding.

Baron Bleichroeder, the richest banker in Berlin, and one of the richest men in Gergenuine religious revival among many other | many, is dead. He leaves a fortune of 1,00-000,000 marks.

corresponding month last year.

reported to be doing a great deal of damage | a favourite volume, and to property. A special cablegram says the

losses will amount to millions of marks. had obtained a prescription from a family | Signor Grimaldi, Italian Minister of Fi- passed by those who take advantage of it, their way to dinner, and was struck with medicine book, and did not understand the nance, says the Monetary Conference will and where religious services are also conprobably not reassemble next May, as the ducted when occasion requires. Further them all. nothing will come of it.

Two old women in a remote district of Russia were detectd in the act of stealing a being held by the Dominion Government, child, and subsequently confessed to having killed and eaten a number of children whom Government from the fund the sixty thou- they had kidnapped. The two female cansand dollars required for the erection of a nibals were burned to death by a mob of

Tennyson's Vision.

Here is the poet's own account to Mr. James Knowles, editor of the Nineteenth Century, of how he was offered and accepted the laureateship: "The night before I was asked to take the laureateship, which was leader in the British Commons, is suffering offered to me through Prince Albert's liking for my 'In Memoriam,' I dreamed that he came to me and kissed me on the cheek. said, in my dream, 'Very kind, but very German.' In the morning the letter about the laureateship was brought to me and laid upon my bed. I thought about it through | with good wholesome bread baked by them- | merely human assembly. the day, but could not make up my mind selves, was the midday repast in process of Just a word about this Charrington Miswhether to take it or refuse it, and at last preparation on the day of the visit. The sion, which is a feature of the East End. that these destitute aliens are becoming a I wrote two letters, one accepting and one menu is changed daily, but is always plenti- Frederick Charrington belongs to a wealthy declining, and threw them on the table, and ful and of excellent quality. Hundreds of family of brewers. About seventeen years The Midlothian Liberal Association has settled to decide which I would send after deserving men, women and children in this ago he began to do a sort of street mission-

'work' than inspiration. 'I can always day. It is probable that England will order a write,' he said, 'when I see my subject, To the south of the cooking premises is though not a full share, in the business. naval demonstration to take place shortly in | though sometimes I spend three-quarters of | the first of the many comfortable steam | Once, on being taunted on the street with the neighborhood of Honolulu as a protest a year without putting pen to paper.' When heated shops wherein the convict labours | wearing the blue ribbon-" What does it against the annexation of the Hawaiian he did 'see' it his mind dwelt on it at all easily for stated hours each day. Croquet cost you to wear that blue ribbion?"-he times and seasons, possessing him until he sets to be played with by innocent lads and was able to reply, "\$100,000." He sold out possessed and perfected it. Sparkles and lasses later on were here being put together his interest in the brewery to his brothers, gleams might flash out at any moment from | and painted by the silent prisoner. Chil- and built in Mile End Road-the prolongthe anvil where his genius was beating his dren's waggons for summer and sleds for ation of Whitechapel-the Great Assembly measure of 1886, which Mr. Parnell did not subject into shape, but the main creative winter were receiving their gay coats from Hall, which had been projected, but never process, where the vision was condensed deft fingers, while rocking horses of dappl- began, by Keith-Falconer. Every Sunday into art, went on when he had shut himself ed grey were being saddled with a neatness | night 3,000 or more people gather at the The London Standard calls the Home up in his room with his pipe. He would do and despatch that would shame the average evangelistic service of the mission, and its Rule bill a "colossal monument of ingenious this two or three times a day-his most groom. futility," and ridicules especially the valuable hour, as he often told me, being financial proposals. It says the unity of the hour after dinner-and then; with his displayed at this work, Mr. Massie said : centuring at the Great Assembly Hall, the country would rest on a basis of whiskey pipe in his mouth and over the fire, he "They soon adapt themselves to it, and if make it a power for good in a district which W. H. Harris, of this town, has just returned would weave into music what things 'came | they do not, we remove them to something | contains a number of powers for evil. | from the Sultana mine, near Rat Portage, Hon. Arthur Stanley's condition contin- to him,' for he never accounted for his more suited to their tastes. Although the Charrington himself is a tall, finely built where he had been summened to fix up the nes to improve. Lady Stanley is now with poetry in any other way than that 'it work is easy it requires a neat hand and man whose rich, drawling tones convey stamps in the Sultana mill, which had got came. 'Many thousands fine lines go up light touch. The labour-saving machines somehow the impression of an intense en- out of order. As a test to find out if they The Imperial supplementary Civil Service | the chimney, he said to me, and indeed the of modern times give us the opportunity to thusiasm and a certain lack of judgment. | were in a satisfactory condition, the stamps estimates contain an item of £20,600 for the mechanical toil of writing them down, made take up employment of this kind. We re- The Mile End Road, however, not to speak were started up and worked steadily for compensation of Behring Sea sealers for heavier by his short sight, was so great ceive all those things in the rough, and put of other streets in London, is not overload- thirty six consecutive hours. The result was losses due to the delay in arranging a modas that it was easy to believe in the sublime them together and paint them here. Some ed with fanaticsof his type. waste-the characteristic profuseness of of the convicts become very expert at it, Emigation circles in Great Britain are genius. When he came out from his room but you can understand that it is never- The new treaty which has been made be- upon by only ten heads had yielded the exmuch perturbed by the action of the Cana- at such seasons he would often have a sort ending instruction here. The average de- tween Venezuela and Colombia is the first traordinary amount of seventy-two ounces of dian steamship lines in raising emigrant of dazed and far-off dreamy look about him, tention is not twelve months, a good deal step toward a triple alliance, which is to in- gold amalgan, while a similar amount coverrates twenty-five per cent. at a time when as if seeing 'beyond this ignorant present,' less, in fact, so that we are always teach- clude Ecuador. The alliance is to be formed ed the mortar. The concentrates are worth there are indications of an unusually large and such as Millais alone has caught in his ing, and always hoping that our teaching is for offensive and defensive purposes, but \$200 per ton. The rock stamped was just great portrait, where he looks like the nct in vain."

HOW CRIME IS PUNISHED.

Within Grim Prison Walls.

Stroll Through the Central at Toronto-Modern Methods Compared With Old-The Hard Labor of To-day-What Convict Life is.

ment but as a cure for crime.

IN THE DAYS OF LONG AGO

one of those martinets whose serse of buildings. justice was blunted in the blind determinacare were put to the meanest as well as the It is understood that the Propaganda in | to replace the slave driver with the humane disciplinarian. Instead of keeping to the surface the coarser nature of the criminal it is now the aim to bring out the germ of good that it is claimed is possessed by every man and to utilize it to his cwn and

THE GENERAL BENEFIT. To any one who has not inspected the institution on Strachan avenue, which, when to face the world with. visited the other day by a newspaper representative, had on its roll exactly 365 and measuring room, necessary adjuncts to from three months to five years. A walk | tion proved very interesting, but if there is through the buildings under the patient anything around the premises in which the guidance of Warden Massie proved a tour warden takes a pardonable pride it is his of more than passing interest.

to the prison proper. The first observation | wall of difficulty raised up when the estabof the prison cell is here made. They num- lishment of a greenhouse was mooted, but the intrusion of their friends! As we have per four, and are tenanted by prisoners from a very small beginning Mr. Massie sucnewly arrived. When these late comers ceeded in accomplishing his desire, and the have gone through a course of bathing and g im institution now possesses something barbering and have been costumed in clean wi hin its forbidding walls that the visitprison garb, they are alloted an apartment or would least expect to find there. If the fore. By this course of preparation and the prison and see the display, some of which precaution perfect cleanliness is secured. is destined for the Chicago Exhibition, they

The returns of the French Board of Trade | the fire of a few years ago and in redesigning | but would gratify the Warden exceedingly. | of the dead would care for remembrance show that during January the imports de- it Mr. Massie displayed excellent judgment. His great difficulty is to secure the right thus perpetuated, associated with sombre creased 105,205,000f. and the exports in- Here is the library, judiciously, if not plenti- kind of men to assist the chief gardener. imagery? And must it be written that creased 3,571,000f., as compared with the fully, furnished and in which the studious Convicts as a rule do not exhibit the taste spectacled countenance of the convict in which is the requisite qualification in the it has been worn beyond even the fashion-The floods in Germany and Austria are charge was observed benignly feasting over florist.

THE SCHOOL ROOM European Governments are convinced that on are the tiers of galleries round which "We have comparatively little sickness throughout the silent hours the many little | not worth speaking off. Regular habits and cells and their locked-in slumbering occu- healthy surroundings soon tell their own pants until relieved at cockcrow, when with story. There are worse places in the world the precision of clockwork a fresh relay of you'll admit, than the inside of a prison." officers assume duty. The convicts having | Yes, thought the visitor, but it greatly but by the officers. Prompt punishment anywhere else. follows disobedience and so rigid is the discipline in this respect that it is seldom that an infraction is reported.

are the cookhouse, kitchen and officers' dinin perfect order and scrupulously clean.

PORK AND BEANS fair city would rejoice if they could have sat ary work in East London, near his father's "His way of working was much less like down to such a meal on that raw winter brewery. His father threatened to disin-

COMMENTING ON THE SKILL

The broom shop, a great room two hun- the Panama canal question.

dred feet long by sixty wide presented a busy scene. About a hundred convicts are employed. Here as in the binder twine factory, the machines do most of the work, the men merely attending on them. Nevertheless great care has to be exercised and a quick eye and steady hand is as necessary as at some

MORE INTRICATE EMPLOYMENT. Among the many industries for which the It is a satisfaction to reflect that most | Central Prison is now famous and which persons are acquainted with the outside of a | with the others is to be attributed to Mr. prison only. The gloomy exterior perhaps Massie's genius and enterprise, is the manutive days in Utica, N. Y., and the runners | calls to mind tales they have read or heard | facture of iron bedsteads and wire matressof sufferings endured by innocent and guilty es. Commencing with a design for a prison alike, the endless task and pitiless task- cot which would do away with the matmaster, the unpremeditated offence and tress hitherto in use, and which offered a speedy punishment, the dungeon and the convenient hiding place for implements, the lash, and it is with a shudder that they persevering warden has gone on until now pass on, grateful that they know nothing the demand is beyond his capacity. Some further, but with an expression of pity for of his designs adopted for the provincial the unfortunates who do. In some respects, asylums, hospitals, etc., are most ingenious The important announcement is made perhaps, this universal impression has had while the healthful as well as permanent a beneficial effect, and to the weak and err- nature of the structures commend them to ing may have possessed deterrent qualities, notice without any preliminary explanation. but in this advanced and advancing age it is | The wire weaving process, which, of course, just as well to know that old time methods, is incidental to the matress making is even in respect to the prisons, have given most interesting feature of this department. place to broader and more humane ideas, | Contiguous to this building are the shops of and that a sinning fellow creature is not the blacksmiths and tinsmiths, and it was now subjected to the harsh and brutal treat- difficult to conceive that the lusty dust-bement considered then, not only as a punish- grimed fellows who wielded the anvil ham-Loved to see the flaming forge and hear the

a governor of a prison was generally selected were convicts, jealously watched by Argusbecause of unyielding disciplinary qualifica- eyed guards. Near by are the engine and tions displayed as an army officer or in some | boiler rooms, where three huge furnaces and | there may be two sides to the question, but other capacity where men were controlled a big Corliss engine are kept merrily moving the brighter side would suggest its being by and subject to him. Too often he was to furnish the power and warmth to the

THE WEAVING SHOP tion to exact the most passive and abject is probably one of Mr. Massie's greatest obedience. The unfortunates given to his triumphs. He found great difficulty in starting it, from the fact that none would believe most laborious of occupations, such as stone | that he could make it a success, and for a breaking, oakum picking, etc., while the long time the encouragement he sought was ignominious and useless treadmill was in- denied him. With characteristic perseverance, however, he continued to urge the feasibility of his scheme and finally was given permission to make a small beginning. The development and complete success of ideas has accomplised wonders in serving the undertaking has been his best vindication. Here are manufactured not only the clothing the prisoners wear here, but the blankets and clothing for all the institutions in the province. Some of the checks and tweeds turned out of this room would do credit to many a factory of skilled weav-

Excellent work too, is turned out of the workings of one of these sad necessities for, | tailors'and shoemakers' shops, where were obsay, fifteen years, the change will appear | served a number of lads apprenticed to those little short of marvellous. This can truly trades and who by the time their periods of be said of the Central Prison, the provincial durance have expired, will have something

THE PHOTOGRAPH GALLERY greenhouse. This comprises a succession of From the office in the left centre of the compartments in which ferns, roses, tropical main building, and over which presides Mr. plants, flowers and foliage of rare quality R. M. Persse, the courteous and omniscient and beauty are gathered in gorgeous proclerk, a heavily barred open gate in charge | fusion. This, too, is an illustration of sucof an atheletic uniformed Cerberus admits | cessful perseverance. There was a very in the galleries so frequently described be- ladies of Toronto would but drive out to This part of the building suffered most by would not only be repaid for the trouble of the dead? Possibly, to some; but who

A HE'LTHY CROWD.

Returning to the office, the visitor enadjacent, where profitable evenings are countered the processions of prisoners on

vigilant guards patrol at night watching here," said Mr. Massie. "So little that it's

arranged their cells with silent alacrity, fall | depends on the establishment and how it is into procession at the word of command, managed. It isn't every prison that's a litthere are no laggards, and proceed with the world's fair, botanic garden and reformameasured step to ablutions and thence to tory combined. If bad men cannot be made early morning labour. No word is spoken good here there is little chance for them

A Noted London Mission.

The other Sunday night at the Charring-Across the yard from the main building | ton Mission, which is held in a long, narrow room double galleried all around, the ing room. The appliances for preparing the | coughing (from the fog) was more like meals are of the latest designs and are kept | Fourth of Ju'y with conglomerate firecrackers, church bells and cannonading, than one would conceive as possible issuing from a

> herit him, but finally left him a share, fellowship society, with the constant religious, educational and entertainment work

will not have any direct connection with the ordinary vein rock, taken as blasted out

The Shelfishness of Mourning.

The March Lippincott's has a sensible

article on the subject of putting on mourn-

ing for deceased friends. The writer characterizes this display of the emblems of woe as "the selfishness of mourning." It would seem, the article says, as if death were omnipresent enough to need no such frequent reminders as the display of crape and the unrelieved monotony of black in the dress of those bereaved. Because we have a private and sacred griet, why should we tell it to everybody as far as the eye can see? Why should we inflict the often-painful thoughts of death on the merchant m his business, on the children in the street, on our friends to whom we really wish no sad thoughts. If it be answered that the dress of "mourning" is so common a sight in city streets as to excite no interest, then, though the answer is wrong, it could yet be proved by it that the garb of grief i in this respect at least useless. On the contrary, however, many sensitive or nervous people and invalids are given an unpleasant and unwholesome shock by the awful black attire; and to pass it, or sit next to a voluminous mass of stifling crape, is to receive a chill like the damp of the grave. It seems, therefore, only Christian that we should spare others the infliction of a gloom which, in the presence of a greater gloom, or through the hardenment of habitual use, we who wear the weeds of woe do not feel. When we come to consider "mourning" as a way of giving vent to our own feelings, done away with to a great extent, if not altogether. Shall we delegate our grief to our clothes? If there is "that within that passeth outward show," do not "the trapn pings and the suits of woe" seem a making light of the real grief by the very inadequacy of the expression? One will say that it relieves one from the intrusion of worldly pleasures or social enjoyment, from the temptation to forget our sorrow. What a sad admission! A real sorrow is life-long. A sorrow of the heart grows with our growth as we learn to appreciate our loss, and rightly viewed becomes one of our strongest and best of angels. Let us, then, not fear the forgetting of a real sorrow by the one

who experiences it.

A sorrow, then, being life-long, should

not be restricted in its expression to a period of six months, a year, or two years, as fashion dictates in the various degrees of bereavement. The very idea of fashion in the realm of grief should make fashionable manifestations of its presence most distasteful to all same and refined people. Fashion in sorrow must ultimately lead us to the insane, where feeling is unknown. To a certain extent there is at least a plausible excuse in the adoption of mourning emblems by those of extended social connections and duties. But the excuse limps in that it acknowledges that the hundreds of "friends" on the visiting list are, after all, not intimate enough with us to be able to remember our afflictions and exercise the proper for bearance. So the advocates of "mourning" would confess, first, that they mourn through the medium of their clothes; second, that they have to adopt mourning as a defence from seen, the infliction of gloomy apparel on the public-whom we do not know, and who do not know us-is a violation of the Golden Rule. Fashin mourning stationery, in mourning head-gear, in mourning liverywhat a hollow sound they have! Does "mourning" help to keep alive the memory "mourning becomes" some people, and that able period for that reason? What sense of grief, or the sacredness of sorrow, or the solemnity of death, is conveyed when a rosy cheeked person enveloped in crape comes into a street-car laughing and chattering One cannot hope that the aged, accustomed to the usage, will abandon it at once ; if it eases their grief to so display it, who would forbid them, who have lost so many of their life-friends? In the very old there is, if anywhere, an approach to appropriateness in the wearing of at least partial black. But the discarding of excessive mourning display may well be begun by the young and middle-aged. Especially let us not have children, spirits of joy and hope, masquerading in the hues of death. Why cloud their lives more than nature clouds them? In all but the very aged it seems as if some appropriate observance in neck-dress, the wearing of grays and browns, etc., rather than any gay colors, were as far as we could safely go without inflicting our grief on others. And if we are any more tempted to forget our grief or join in the dance, can we not safely leave these things to the heart? What conduct is above reproach that does not emanate therefrom? Away with hypocrisy in grief, as in anything else! If our friends rally around us sooner and beguile us more quickly from the temporary, natural shock of death, from a lonely vigil with death to which we have boud ro unselves, will it not be better? The lesson of death has been often preached,—to be also ready. And to that end let the sorrowstricken work yet more diligently while it is day. There is no truer balm for grief than self-sacrificing work for others. A relic of barbarism, perpetuating the spirit of the days when the mourner shaved his scalp, tortured his flesh, put ashes on his head, starved, made night hideous with wailing and beating of drums,-let us gently divest ourselves of this custom of wearing entire black for the dead, and see if the world will not be brighter in spirit as well as

A Great Gold Yield.

brighter to the eye.

electrifying. When the stamps were stopped, it was found that the rock operated of the twenty-foot vein.

HOUSEHOL

Her Exalted Station I used to think it an casy thing. As easy as any one asks. To keep a family neat and prim, And manage the household task

It seemed to me in my foolish pris That the heft of a woman's toil Was simply to sit by the door insi And wait for the dinner to boil.

While out in the summer's score h We men were sweating away, With aching shoulders and jaded From dawn to the close of day.

My notions of housework have all And this is the way it was done My wife saggested a day's exchar As she dropped a kiss on my bro "Tis hard," she said, "holding or And riding the sulky plow.

But, sir, I would have you be assi

That thoroughly, one by one.

"You better stay in the house, my And wash a few of the things. And churn and sweep where it no And read till the dinner-bell rin "The horses are gentle, and prett

I'll try and turn a furrow or two. For the season is getting late." So off she rode on the sulky plous With her jaunty hat and blouse While I was inwardly vowing a v

How I would manage a house.

I guess I can drive them straigh

But somehow, I found the morning Were not in my usual line. Like those I had finished out of d At least for a thousandth time.

And blistered them stinging sor In trying to scrub the clothes a bi I scrubbed my nuckles the more The churning acted 'specially me The butter would almost come.

And then go back to frothy crean

Against the stove my fingers I hi

As if I had just begun. The fire went out, as a fire will de When the wood is not put in: And, as I thought of a meal for tv 1 did not know where to begin.

Not fit for a dog to cat, My wife returned from her forence As fresh as a rose, and as sweet With a mortified air I quit the ro And betook me to the shed.

But while I was fixing potatoes a

While she got a dinner exactly at As good as ever was spread. We sat at the table opposite-wise As always we did before. When she asked with a smile in h

If I would exchange some more Then, sir, I confessed my faults ar "My dear, you're as good as a qu The woman who keeps the family Is running a big machine."

That Baby.

It was a wee mite of a thing white, delicate as a newborn buried within a world of softes that rose up around its tiny face of a frozen sea caught in a grou was, to tell the truth, a funny l creature-this little baby, with hair lying in fluffy patches over head and its fat little cheek a with pristine dimples that as acquainted with the expanding of a baby laugh. Its little eye and wondering, and the lilip seemed made only to pucker up ful wail every time some mistal would try to spread a demonstr

over the little face. Father and mother gazed up newcomer into their househo that pride and joy that can co fount save that of the love born He would take the petite bund itesimal baby and innumerable a gingerly, awkward sort of a w at it for a moment, and then he down gently upon the soft pille if he feared it would break if i

any chance be jostled against

tangible even as a strong curren Then, when all the rest ha mother in whose eyes now dwe light hitherto unknown within t would gather up with a confider little thing that was all in all to and would insist upon calling t attention, for the four hundred time, to the many and fast beauties of the little creature then be highly indignant if he peat twenty times in succession sion that he was confident that most beautiful and wonderful bal had ever produced. She would infant up to her bosom and ki face until it scarcely had a fai breathe, and then she would I again and, moving slightly away eyes upon the litt'e one's var when shrouded in the heighten-

ment borrowed from distance. It was a common enough sor after all, out then it was their they thought there had never bee the world that could boast of charms that were embodied in the of humanity they called their of might be many babies who con beam of the grocer's scales a po more than theirs, and there thousand parents who though babies more beautiful than this il but this mother and father w ready to admit the possibility proximate correctness, even, of of reasoning. This was their on'y baby, and it was therefor baby on earth for them and, bes -their Valentine.

A Tale of Bricks. Five clean, new, perfectly pl

lay on the floor, and the girl brought them in surveyed the "I suppose," said the scoffer going to wind them with ribbo

them on the parlor table." "Not exacty, but come are from to-day and see those bricks, wish you had them. They are useful, and some of them oranar Seven days later the scoffer wa ed to a group of articles which

to recognize.

"Brick No. 1," said the s proudly, " is a paperweight. I more satisfactory one." The l faces of the brick were painted one of them forming a backgr spray of delicate white flowers. were left the orginal color, and was covered with a coat of t paulint the which the blue