who have wheels in their. nefer them to the

Schlatter is now carrying us copper rod. He claims it is m above possessing magic por nd guards it jealously.

forts are being made to arrange for establishment of a direct cattle with Europe, and probably also saing of beef and casning for export will be commenced in Mexico.

an Englishman was killed by light ming last week; owing to the fact that . I yount look out for some felpocket. Even poverty has its recom- lect.

prin babies were born in prison in Monroe county, Mich., recently to Mrs. tos Larkins, who has since been convicted of murder. She is soon to be tenced to the state prison for life, d the state prison authorities have notified the county officials that they will not receive the babies with the mother.

The extreme southern limit of icethe United States hydrographic office. It is just off Capes Charles and Henry, of too 400 feet long and 30 feet high. It a cold day for Great Britain most everywhere just now.

establish headquarters in Chicago and of contract by paying what his brothwill attempt to organizatevery state in | or had expended in getting her to this the Union. He claims to have 1,000 coast. A quarrel followed and the meres under lease in Washington, and guide pinked the brother in the shoulpromises a greater march to Washing- | der with a rifle ball and landed him in ton than last year's attempt ever came | the hospital for three months. The near being.

Japan, according to an estimate by Consul General McIvor, has a population of 45,000,000, allowing 3,000,000 for the newly acquired territory of Formoss. Japan has the records of her popniation going back to the year 610, when the number was 4,988,842. This smort also calls attention to the fact that in point of area Japen, since the Formosa acquisition, takes rank next below Spain, and stands about even with Sweden.

The court office of Gentleman Usher of the Black Bod was recently vacated England by the death of its occupant. English paper edvertises the va-

"The post is arduous; the hours minima drom five to six in the mrse of a week, with no more than months holiday a year; while the pay That exceed £2,000 per annum (\$10,with a free residence, and 'coal candle. Hence, competition may be very keen."

The citizens of Waverly, Iowa, are soking through their dictionaries for words. Recently they hired a hall in which to express their indignation over the recent elepement of Dr. G. A. McCandless and Druggist E. R. Vining with Alice Miller and Nancy Ward a few weeks ago. This resolution was adopted: "The English language does not contain words sufficiently condemnatory of the act committed, and some punishment commensurate to the crime should be meted out,"

A dispatch from Havana under date of December 4 says: Reports current for several days that Antonio Maceo had crossed the military line of La Trocha on November 29, are confirmed. He was accompanied by the bands of Miros, Cebreco and Quintin Banderas. The crossing was effected between the forts of La Sanchez and La Redonda on the line north of Ceigo de Avila, Upon crossing the line a force of the insurgents was detached to make an assault upon La Redonda fort, thus creating a diversion to prevent pursuit, while the nain force pushed on to the borders of note Clara provin e, which it is proed to invade. Maceo's force is closepursued by Gens. Aldave and Aldecon and Gens, Suarez Valdes and Navarro have also been sent to attack him. in important engagement is imminent, the Spanish object being to divert Maseo's advance upon Santa Clara and to vent his junction with the forces of mo Gomes. The munitions and e belonging to Maceo's forces have been carried on schooners from the Manganilla coast to Santa Clara in rder to enable insurgents to go unenered and move more quickly. An stack upon a fort near Santa Clara has made by 800 insurgents. A colof 150 troops was sent to the relief e fort and the insurgents were Lieut. Aguilar, at the head saight guerrillas, was sur

A CURIOUS ANTAGONISM.

"The queerest fend I ever heard of," said M. C. Allen, the well-known sportsman,"is one that I encountered bold county a short time ago. I ville, a big revolver and a knife half as long as his leg. He proceeded along the mountain trails with the greatest caution, and appeared to be on guard continually. I knew there were ne hostile indians in that country, and my curiosity was aroused. Finally, after he had stopped the pack mules for the twentieth time to creep ahead and peer around point of rocks to gaze off across the myon at the opposite nillside, a asked him what the trouble

he had a number of gold coins in his low, he replied, in his Swedish dia-

"'What's the trouble, anyway?' I inquired.

"'Oh, nuttin' much. Maybe a pig man mit a goon watch me pretty close

"'Who is he?" "'Oh, he is my brudder. Las' time I fix him plenty, you bet. He come back now, und maybe he fix me.'

"Inquiry developed the fact that the brothers had settled in Humboldt county some years ago, and our guide, who was married, had left a pretty sisterbergs up to date has been recorded at In-law in Sweden. The brothers talked the matter over, and finally agreed that the married one should send for the the entrance to the Chesapeake, girl, and when she reached this country where a British steamer passed a chunk | he would give his old wife to his brother and take his sister-in-law.

"The girl arrived in due time, but she was so much prettier than the unmarried brother had expected that he Gen. Charles T. Kelly, who led a was loth to accept his brother's cast-off army over the Union Pacific last | wife. Finally he married the girl, and myn the industrial army will soon | then refused to compromise the breach other vowed vengeance, and they do little now but watch the mountain trails, fully prepared to renew hostilities at a second's notice."-San Francisco Post,

> ONCE AN ILLINOIS SENATOR. Street-Car Conductor in Washington Had Had a Remarkable Career.

Washington Star: I learned by accident that one of the street car conductors in Washington was formerly known to me as a member of the state senate of Illinois. I hunted until found him and he begged so hard not to have the matter made known, as it would injure him in his old home, that I promised, and then he told me his experiences, which could be made into a column or more of very interesting reading. He came to Washington soon after the inauguration of President Cleveland in 1893. Supplied with strong letters of indorsement, he first applied for a consulate, believing that he would enjoy foreign travel. Possessed of a little money and a sanguine temperament, he stopped at a first-class hotel and made himself popular, as he believed, with everyone supposed to have political influence. It took several menths for him to realize that he was not going to obtain a consulate, and then he concluded to accept a position in one of the departments. The only one obtainable was that of messenger. But too many of his old friends visited the department, and he resigned, obtaining a position as street car conductor. It took several months to learn how to save anything out of his small wages, but now he has nearly enough to buy a suit of clothes and return to Illinois, when he will resign his conductorship and open a law office at his old home, trying to tell no more to his friends than that he has had a position in Washington without going into particulars.

Why. Ob, Why?

Cholly-I have given heh up. Heh fathaw dislikes me. Friend-Tut! He is probably only bluffing, so as to make you keener to win her. Chelly-It he wath only bluffing why did he weah his heaviest boots the lawst time I called? -Truth.

INCITANTS TO SMILE.

"It is strange that Morgan, who is absolutely rolling in wealth, should be such a miserly skinflint." "I suppose he is the 'Golden Mean' one so often

Boarding-house Keeper-I've brought you your bill for the past month. Flifby Oh, you had better keep it. I am somewhat unsystematic in my habits. and I might mislay it.

A publican has been fined for serving drink to a constable while on his rounds. And yet the magistrates always hold that the public are bound to assist the police in the execution of their duty.

"I asked for proof spirits, but this whisky you sent to me is diluted to a very large extent." "You are in error, sir. What I sent was proof." "If so, it must be water-proof."

He-I've been engaged in a desperate filrtation, but I'm tired of it, and I wish the girl would drop it. She-Then

why don't you propose to her? Young Husband-Didn't I telegraph you not to bring your mother with you? Young Wife-That's what she wants to see you about. She read the dispatch. Two men are in love with the same girl. Good! Now, it seems strange that

## FOR WOMAN ANDHOME.

INTERESTING READING FOR DAMES AND DAMSELS.

Cotton Frecks for Household Work-Some Pretty Besigns for the Street-New Feature in Costumes-Advice to Roung Girls - Fashion Notes.



HEN the trousseau is being prepared very few young girls include a few cotton frocks to be worn when doing the small duties every housewife is sure to be called upon to do. A sensible girl has a cotton frock for morn-

ing wear, preferring them to a silk or worsted because they can so easily be kept fresh and sweet and because her husband, though a club man, admires a woman most when engaged in some of the many little duties about the

One of the prettiest of these frocks, and one in which she will look as sweet as a rose, with her pink cheeks and brown eyes, is made up of pale pink French seersucker, crinkled very like crepon. It is made to come only to the ankles, and makes her look like a young slip of a girl in her teens. It is spotted with black polka dots, just as Frenchy as can be. The skirt is full and gathered at the waist into a narrow belt. The round, full waist is brought into the same belt, so that the frock is really in one piece. There are full bishop sleeves, finished by a ruffle at the waist, drawn together by a rubber band, so that they may be easily turned back to the elbows if desired. There is pointed yoke of fine white linen set in over the shoulders and edged with full frill of the same, finished by narrow heading at the top. A large apron of the linen has broad ties at the back and a dainty frilled pocket. Another pretty seersucker frock is in dull china blue, flecked with black and trimmed with row upon row of white serpentine braid about the skirt, belt, yoke and sleeves.

Work of Vassar Graduates.

Many and varied are the other occupations pursued by Vassar women, each with a small individual following. Librarianship has recently been elevated to the dignity of a profession, and six graduates have adopted it. There are five artists and five farmers. Included in the latter list is Mrs. Francis Fisher-Wood ('74), known in several other ways, who is proprietor of the Kingwood herd of Jerseys, and manufacturer of a choice brand of sterlized milk for the special feeding of infants. There are four chemists, two of whom deserve further mention. Mrs. Swajlow-Richards ('70), besides her advanced scientific investigations, has done practical work which deserves the gratitude of every housekeeper. Her pamphlets on "Home Sanitation," the "Chemistry of Cooking and Cleaning." etc., have been widely circulated. Mrs. Richards is also the founder of that famous pioneer institution, the New England Kitchen of Boston. Miss Welt ('91) has distinguished herself in the universities of Geneva and Paris, and is said to be the only woman chemist in

Some Pretty Designs.

prettiest of these is made of deep huntflares a deep collar of the same fur. It its broad strings. opens across the chest, showing the



front of the dress bodice and a deep pointed girdle of chinchilla. A muff of the fur and glace gloves of white, stitched with black, finish it. A flaring hat of winter velvet has a crown in the Tam O'Shanter shape, and a decoration of jetted quills and crushed pink

Another Field for Trained Girls. While the great question of the employment of women-the problem of providing employment for those not belonging to the laboring class, but reduced from comfort to poverty-is a matter of mere discussion with many persons, one enterprising individual, who believes in the practical application of her theories, is devoting her energies to providing a school where the duties required of an accomplished waitress can be thoroughly taught, and where can be gained a good connection that shall insure profitable, possibly regular, employment, And not merely waiting will be taught, but also the art of arranging table decorations, of properly cleaning silver, and altogether assuming the responsibility of the serving of the dinner. The mistress of a small establishment often finds great difficulty in entertaining her friends because she has not a servant capable of managing the dinner without too much anxiety to herself. But, if a refined, clever waitress could be obtained for a moderate charge, one that thoroughly understands her business, she would be far more attractive than the pretentious hired waiter, and hospitality might oftener reign in the average household.

Moreover, it is predicted that wealthy American families will soon follow the latest fad of many stately English homes, and employ maids in the place

are as lovely as possible, are not a bit of footmen, they have liveries of cr new, and one is almost despairing in the son cloth skirts and Georgian coats with search until some of the smart little square flap pockets, white pique waist-Eton affairs are seen. One of the coats, and muslin and lace stocks, the coats having silver livery buttons. On er's green velvet, with trimmings of their heads they wear little lace caps, chinchilla fur, to be worn with a che- and for large dinner parties they wear viot gown of silvery gray. This espe- powdered hair. Ordinarily, however, cial jacket comes to the waist, and fits the uniform most in favor for maids is beautifully. There are enormous full silver gray alpaca, the wide linen colsleeves, a mass of rich puffs and loose lar and cuffs tied with bows of gray wrinkles below the elbow, and broad ribbon, and there is a great display of revers of chinchilla, and about the face | white lace and muslin in the apron and

> Perched on a High Stool. The new woman is becoming newer and newer as she grows older. This may sound like a paradox, but the new woman knows better than that. The latest stride made by the new woman of New York is to sit up to a lunch counter like a man and eat her pie and drink her coffee in a hurly-burly, as her repudiated lord and master does down town in the middle of the day. There is a large dry goods store where bargains in ginghams, laces, jewelry and gloves are only a preliminary to the bargains in lunch that are offered in the newly fitted up lunchroom in the place. Here the new woman sits astride of her stool, orders her sandwich and "one in the dark" with the aplomb that comes to one sure of her position. The new woman has taken to the lunch counter idea with a great deal of warmth. She was a little doubtful about it when it was first proposed, but now that she has tried it she is more indignant with man than ever for keeping her in ignorance so long about this charmingly uncomfortable way of swallowing a meal. The business and professional man who is compelled to wrestle at a lunch counter every day regards it as a great deal of a bore, but to the new woman it is a glimpse of a gastronomical paradise. The experiment made by this particular store has proved to be so successful that it is certain there will be other lunch counters in big New York dry goods stores .-Chicago Chronicle.

New Feature in Costume. gowning is the harmony between hat



and wrap which is so generally observed. Velvet often composes both garments, with all manner of decorations. of butlers and footmen. It has been A tailor frock of heavy broadcloth, in It is such a difficulty to choose just proved that a trained waitress is just a pale, pearly tan, made over a chamois what will be best for one among so as competent to decide what wines will lining, so as to be worn in the street much that is fascinating in cloaks. The | be required, and to ice or heat them | without an outside wrap, if desired, is smart tan jackets are certain to become to the proper temperature, as an ex- brought into heautiful contrast by the common, simply because they are so perienced butler, and she is much less cape and hat of rich prune-colored velvery pretty; every girl will crave one, likely to have a propensity for sampling vet. The cape is nothing more than a and the darker ones the same. The them. In one aristocratic English frill of velvet, wonderfully stiffened ripple velvet coats, too, though they household where maids take the place and beautifully lined with tan-colored

A novel collarette of stone marten, with its wonderful pearly lights and deep, rich tones, set up smartly about the throat, with, under the ears, two huge heads, and a lot of tails hanging over the breast. The hat is a broadbrim ned affair, covered with prunecolored velvet, piped all about the edge with a narrow satin piping, and massed on top with a lot of leaf-green choux of chiffon, and a cluster of black-winged

Some Fashion Notes.

Leather for dress waists is something unique in the winter fashions. It is tan in color, thin enough to be pliable, and is decorated with applique lace, as if it were satin or velvet.

Accordion-plated chiffon, beaded on the edge of the plaits, makes a lovely | He-Anna, come, the market woman is waist for dressy occasions, and it is here. more difficult to sew on the beads or spangles than it is to thread a needle.

Though a vast majority of skirts are untrimmed, not a few of the newest creations show signs of alteration in this respect. Flounces appear on many smartly made gowns brought from Europe, and it is said that when trimmed skirts again prevail flounces will provide the leading garniture.

Very handsome was a black mohair skirt lined with pale mauve silk, a plaited frill of the same finishing the edge on the inside. A silky surfaced black alpaca skirt was lined with pale rose-colored silk, a glace silk blouse bodice repeating the color, with a blurred design of violets, producing a very stylish effect.

The handkerchief waist delts are greatly in public favor. They are made of silk squares in striped black and white, yellow and black and other tones and the ends pass through a brass buckle of a patent make,

Black satin ribbon, four or five inches wide and elaborately jetted, is used for trimming silk and velvet capes. It is sewn lengthwise at intervals all around and are gathered in the ruche.

Farmer Cateaks's I Jones of Bumpus Collin Rovengo-It Was Only Humorous and Satirical Notes.



ROFESSOR Jones: I s'posed that when when I sent my boy to college He'd make a scholar of himself, an add unto his knowledge; 'An' that, some day, he'd graduate

and gain a lasting name. An' by reason of his intellect go bound; in' into fame. Fer Jim was allers smart, y' know, and

hed the sand and grit, And once he started on a thing, was never known to quit.

He writ us from the college, and it wa'n't to our surprise, That he had gone in trainin' for a little exercise.

His studies, they had kept him close, he wanted recreation. Which wasn't full afforded by the summer's short vacation.

He said the exercise was this-I disremember all-A-kickin' 'round upon the ground a little leather ball.

Well, he's come home to us at last-at least, I guess it's Jim-He looks as if a cannon ball 'd been

sportin' 'round with him. We've tried in every way we could to save his constitution. And filled him full of stitches fer to

hinder dissolution. Why, sir, I fit at Gettysburg, have

marks on every limb. But I'm a reg'lar beauty show compared along with Jim!

A picturesque feature of the winter I don't know what you care to do to call the matter square; They tell me there's no precedent that's

quoted anywhere. He has got a broken finger, and has got a splintered nose,

He's got a leg so swollen that he can't git in his clothes; His head's so badly battered that you

can't no outline trace; He's even lost the freckles off from what was once a face.

The only thing fer you to do, as I am on my mettle.

Is to figure up the damages and send me check to settle. Fer when Jim went to college he was

stylish, pert and trim And wasn't no such image as you've made outen him. So I am in fer damages and expect

goodly sum. As slaughter wasn't mentioned in your

blamed curriculum. -S. H. Gray.

A Careful Wife. A couple of New York ladies were conversing about one thing and another

after the manner of women. "Mrs. Sampleby has not been to sea me in a long time," remarked one of

"She hasn't got time to make calls, She has to take care of and be with her

husband all the time." "I didn't know that he was sick."

"Of course, he isn't sick. On the contrary, he is in the enjoyment of the best of health. If he was sick she wouldn't have to watch him all the

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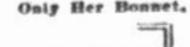
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She-Those are not vegetables, that's my new bonnet.-Fliegende Blaetter.



Policeman-Is that so? A thief stole your best suit of clothes while you we Victim-Yes, and I wish it would for

him!-Truth. "By Jove, I left my pocketbook

VELVET GOWN AND CAPE TO MATCH.