I the second Monday to January following a presidential election there assembles in every State capital a body of men, equal in number to the number of Senators and Representatives to which the State may be entitled, who will go through the form of voiing by ballot for President and Vice

President. These men constitute the electoral college. Their action is a ratification of an election really decided the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November. On that day the people of the various States selected these presidential electors on party tickets and each elector is tacitly pledged to vote for his party candidate. Hence the electors are in practice agents through whom the popular election is confirmed.

In the early days many of the States intrusted the choice to their legislatures. The practice of choosing the electors by direct popular vote was first adopted in Virginia, Pennsylvania and Maryland. With the development of democratic principles it spread through the other States, until in 1832 South Carolina was the only commonwealth that retained the method of appointment by the Legislature, and she dropped it in 1868. Colorado, the Centennial State, was admitted in 1876, the year of a presidential election, and had not time to provide by law for a popular choice of presidential electors for that year. Accordingly, the choice was for that time left to the State Legislature, but for that time only.

In the presidential election of 1860 Stephen A. Douglas was second to Lincoln in the popular vote. Yet if the election had been thrown into the House of Representatives, as it was in 1800 and 1824, when Jefferson and John Quincy Adams were chosen, Douglas would not have been included in the list of three candidates voted upon by the representatives, because in the electoral coltege three candidates were given more votes than be.

If the vote in the electoral college had been distributed among the candidates according to the number of votes for each at the polls, Lincoln, who had 180 electoral votes, would have received 121, Douglas 98, Breckenridge 53 and Bell 38. As it was, Douglas, who was second to Lincoln in the popular vote, received fewer electoral votes then either Breckenridge or Bell. He controlle! | declared elected.

but twelve votes in the college. Breckinridge had 72 and Bell' 39. As Lincoln, who received less than half of all the votes cast in November, was given 180 of the 303 electoral votes, each electoral vote cast for him represented 10,369 ballots, while the suffrages of 1,375,157 of Douglas' political adherents gave him only twelve votes in the college, each representing, had the popular

ratto been observed, 114,396 votes. With 49 per cent of the popular vote, Hayes, even after the electoral commission had given him every disputed vote, had but 185 out of 369 electoral votes. His majority of one rote was enough to elect him, but it was not enough to raise his percentage of 50 per cent of the electoral votes to 51 per cent. Garfield, with 48 per cent of the popular vote, had 58 per cent of the college

popular vote, he had in the electoral college 54 per cent. In 1892, with only 46 per cent of the popular vote, he carried enough States to give him 62 per cent of the electoral college. Harrison in 1888 had 47 per cent of the popular rote and 58 per cent of the electoral college. in 1896 and 1900 51 per cent of the voters declared for McKinley. In 1900 his electoral college vote showed a gain of 4 per cent over his record of 1896, when he controlled 61 per cent of the presidential electors. Though President Taft was given the largest popular vote ever enst for a presidential candidate, President Roosevelt holds the record of receiving the largest percentage of the popular vote. In 1904 he was the choice of 57 per cent of the voters and in the eeletoral college 71 per cent

The members of the electoral college in each State havvoted for him. ing voted, three lists of their ballots are signed, certified and sealed. One is mailed to the president of the Senate, one is sent to him by special messenger and one is filed to the State capital. On the second Wednesday in February the president of the Senate, in the presence of both houses of Congress, opens one of these lists, the electoral votes are counted and the President is formally

lunch. Sometimes he doesn't come

home he says he can't afford to wait

are all packed and start for the coun-

"I'm so sorry that I can't go.

get the tickets for this afternoon."

weather; you'll die,' we all gasped.

" 'It's pever too but for a good play,

"NOBOUY WAS DISAPPOINTED IN JESSIE'S

LOOKS."

"Margaret sought safety in flight.

"'And you, Sam? asked Margaret.

"'Oh, I'm all right. Of course,

love the old farm and the fishing, but

I really do not need that kind of thing."

"The cook was persuaded to postpone

country. Sam passed four happy days

"'Please come. 1 miss you so much.

aters and shops,"

times a week while I'm here, But'-

try to-morrow."

FOR THIS ONE DAY.

For this one day-Grant us sight to see the road Creep plainly, on our winging way. Grant us strength to bear the load, For this one day.

For this one day-Guide our feet the road along, Let not our weary footsteps stray; Give us to lift a stave of song. For this one day.

For this one day-Let us not see the mud beneath, But know the gold above the gray And smell "the wind upon the keath," For this one day.

For this one day-When bowed at eve for benison, Grant that upon the uphill way Our passing smile has gladdened one, On this one day. -Success Magazine.

Separate Service of the A. Spiritge Separate Service S

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Sam's Pretty Wife

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"We were all crazy to meet our new terfere with your plans in the least. sister-in-law," said the talkative Miss Sam and I will be all right here." would bring her from Texas to spend we are going to close the house—the Sam and he always gives her something August with us we could hardly wait cook is going-and Sam-be-I'm sure really good."

for the poor gir! had so much hot ways happy where I am. And never lected Sam's scanty wardrobe to pack weather at home that we wanted her to be cool and comfortable while she was visiting us. Sam and written, before be was married, with the usual lover's enthusiasm, of Jessie's leauty and other perfections, especially of her remarkable ambability and unselfishness, so we expected that our own failings would be painfully apparent by

"We all went to the station to meet them and nobody was disappointed in Jessie's looks. She was fair, with fuffy hair and a bewitching smile and her little feet, in high-heeled patent mind about the cook. I really don't leather slippers, were most captivating. care for much to eat in summer. And Her figure was slender and her rajah Sam-did you know he had learned to princess gown fitted her perfectly. Al- cook? He just loves to scramble eggs, though the large sailor hat may not or make a Welsh rarebit, or set up any have been the most suitable for travel- little tasty thing at night that I fancy. ing, it was the very latest thing and highly becoming. Her southern accent was charming and her little insistent On her interviewing Sam, while I went drawl demanded everybody's attention. with Jessie to look at hats, he said:

"In fact, we were so taken up with I am sorry, Margaret, but you underher that we scarcely noticed Sam. Nat- stand that I don't like to insist on urally, though, it was quite a shock Jessie's going into the country. You when Sister Margaret, who was always see, we live in a small town and Chihis special chum, said in a shaky voice: cago is such a nice change for her. Don't you think Sam looks rather thin The dear child loves the city and the and-worn?

"'Why, perhaps he does,' said the rest of us. 'It must be the hot weather down there. Thank goodness, we're going to the country Thursday." "'And,' went on Margaret under her

her vacation until September. Marbreath, "isn't he shabby?" garet or I sweltered in the city for a "What! The fastidious Sam! Margaret, you're dreaming!' That's the way we crushed her for making the to pacify a diagruntled household in the

week at a time, while the other tried abourd suggestion. "The light of day proved Margaret in boyhood, but a telegram from Jessie were on the ice fifteen minutes.—New right. Although Sam was pressed and recalled him. He left it in his room Orleans Picayune.

brushed with his usual care, shiny and I was not too honorable to read it. spots on his ciothes were plainly it said: visible.

ish colffure, dainty shoes and silk hose. with Jessie, but the last few days he James J. Hill. is a native of the Do-A diamond sunburst peeped from the quietty rebelled and, giving her a roll minion. real lace at her throat and three large of bills, told her she might go with-

stones blazed on her hand. "I do hope you weren't ill," said secessity of economy.

"Oh, no,' coold Jessie. 'I never get She had bought five already. 'Get the We would all have our rights if so op early. Sam is so sweet. He always white hat and the other little things, many things didn't go wrong.

A candidate three times, Cleveland was never given with bin: a majority of the popular vote, though in 1888, when he was defeated by Harrison, he had a larger vote than his successful rival. In 1884, with 48 per cent of the

brings me my breakfast. He is the and, by the way, dear, would you mind dearest thing. You know, he never sending up that funcy waistcomt I liked winds breakfasting alone, and Dinah yesterday. Then we really must not looks after him so well. And he's get another thing, or we'll not have never cross when I am not ready for enough money to take us home."

"Come in, girls, and see all the pretty things we bought to take back, ness is old enough now to run itself Jessie called the following day in the a couple of hours. I tell him the busi-

while he's away. Of course, I'm al- midst of packing. "The bed and every available chair our little bridge club that morning and were strewn with new gowns, coats, ways up by 10 on Fridays, for we have I'm so interested in it! We give slik shoes, hats and dainty accessories. stockings for prizes and I've won seven half-filled trunks, struggling with a nairs. I'm always fined a quarter for problem that apparently gave his wife delaying the game, but who minds a

small thing like that? Ob, how hot it no concern. "'I'll have to go and buy another as I do this,' mopping her pretty brow, trunk,' he said, 'and I hate-like poison

"'Never mind, dear,' I chirped. 'We to do it.' "'Oh. Sam, don't be so extracagant,' said Jessie. 'Margaret will lend you one for your things, won't you, dear? And, please take all your stuff off the the country and I've got a lot of shop- bed. I don't want to mix it with mine." "Sain removed a leather belt, a ping to do. You have such bargains in whisk broom and a small frame con-Chicago in August. And I want to go tnining the picture of a bull dog-which to the theater. I hope Sam won't forrepresented his entire expenditure.

" Don't forget your fancy walstcoat." Margaret reminded him.

"'You can't go to the theater in this "'Oh, Sam. I know you won't mind, but I didn't get it after all, said Jessie. said Jessie. 'I shall go at least four 'I saw these lovely silver purses, so I with a seraphic smile-'don't let me in- got one for myself and one for Sister Amy, and I'm going to be real unselfish and let you give it to her.' Turning to Menton, "so when Sam wrote flut he "'But but, stammered Margaret, us she added: 'Amy's just devoted to

"Th. Sam is such a dear. He's al- dered?" asked Margaret, who had col-

"'I decided to get one in Texas,' said

" I don't really believe you need a new one, do you. Sam, dear?" asked Jessle sweetly. Then to Margaret she sald: 'You see, Sam is so well known at home everybody just loves himthat it doesn't much matter what he

" Then, pray, why is it necessary for you to have so many new clothes? asked Margaret, no longer able to sup-

press her wrath. "Why, Margaret, I'm really sur prised! Of course, I couldn't go home with my old things. Sam, please tell her. Why, they wouldn't believe we had really been to Chicago! And the girls in our bridge club are so dressy. Oh, did you ever see such lovely sockings as these? They were only \$4.50 souls, and it is far ahead of that of a pair. I picked out a good quality for Michael Angelo or Raphael, for canvas prizes, because I am pretty sure to and marble will waste away. Her chiswto them. Sam, you sweet thing, you'll eling in the softest of wax becomes bave to finish packing for me, for I'm harder than adamant, and she is in just tired to death and must take a her right sphere when she is lifting

"There!" ended the talkative Miss dow, Catholic, New York City. Menton, "Now, what do you think of our new stater-in-law?"--Chicago Daily

Almost Concented.

Phoebe-And you really think

Phyllis-I know it. Didn't he propose on his knees? Phoebe-Oh, that's nothing. Many

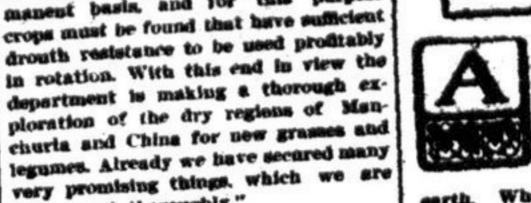
lovers do the same. Phyllis-Yes, but he proposed while with Margaret at the lake he had loved strapping on my skates, and his knees

Exchanged Farers.

It is a curious coincidence that Can-"Jessie did not appear until luncheon I can't button any of my new waists.' ada's greatest rallroad man, Sir Will-"Finally we all returned home in tam Van Horne, is a native of the to their room, and then she was a love order to see something of poor old Sam. United States, and that the greatest ly picture in a pink lingerie gown, styl- He spent most of his time in the shops railroad builder of the United States.

Every man who believes in fortunetelling, believes in every other form

WHY BOYS LEAVE THE GED TARE



"The demand for better grape count largely from the arid regions of the west and south," says Prof. C. V. Piper. chief grass expert of the United States

Department of Agriculture, "and our

work has been largely in these sections. Secretary Wilson is especially anxious

to establish dry land farming on a per-

manent basis, and for this purpose

crops must be found that have sufficient

drouth resistance to be used profitably

in rotation. With this end in view the

department is making a thorough ex-

ploration of the dry regions of Man-

churta and China for new grasses and

legumes. Already we have secured many

Prof. Piper says the greatest success

attended the efforts of the department

with new varieties of alfaifs. Nearly

every corner of the world was searched

during the study of the crop, with the

result that several distinct varieties

were secured which will thrive where

professor, "and it is as certain

"We call it hardy alfalfa," says the

growth in Minnesota and the Dakotas

as ordinary alfalfs in Kansas. The re-

markable Arabian sifaifa found in the

valley of the Euphrates is proving of

enormous value in Arizona and Cali-

fornia, where it has produced twelve

cuttings in one sesson, three more than

have been produced by the ordinary

alfalfa. This result is due to its rapid

growth, and its ability to grow in cool

weather, beginning earlier in spring

"Alfaifa is becoming a very popular

crop in the eastern States. Demon-

strations of the department have al-

ready proved that with proper treat-

to bring about important changes in

SHORT METER SERMONS.

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How Nations Fall.

If our nation ever fails, it will be

through graft, dishonesty and greed.

Through these blood is shed, character

ruined, and homes broken up.-Rev. C.

God's Care. We cannot explain the healing forces

in life, the working of things together

for good, the unsought friends who

have come to us except that God cares.

Forgetting the Past.

Don't worry; don't be depressed over

Lord.-Rev. Byron Holley, Episcopal-

The Mystery of God.

Hyde, Methodist, Omaha, Neb.

No explanation of the mystery of

Church Music,

and songs that go droning along and

put nearly everybody to sleep. - Rev. J.

A. Milburn, Congregationalist, Chicago.

God's Sympathy.

man heart never fails to move the

heart of Christ with sympathy -sympa-

the that reveals itself in action. Need

t say that prayer is the medium

through which you will be in constant

communication with IIIm?-Rev. Na-

than Balley, Baptist, Providence, R. I.

Incomplete Life.

Abbott, Congregationalist, Brooklyn,

Woman and Her Place,

woman in her proper rece. The

mother has the divine work is chiseling

Man Catching.

tar to the divorce court. From the day

Bressed for the Concert.

I'm all ready." Success Magazine.

be is an orator or a bore.

Philadelphia.

The cry for help coming from a bu-

W. Webb, Baptist, Aurora, Ill.

Rochester.

ian, New Orleans.

Lowell, Mass.

the agriculture of these States."

and continuing later in the fail.

ordinary alfaifa will perish.

testing out thoroughly."

BHOICT time ago, when it was announced that a commission had been appointed by the government for the purpose of looking into farm life to ascertain, if possible, what was making it an aversion to so many young persons of both sexes, there was widespread disposition to make merry. "Investigate the farmer?" some people said. "Why, the farmer doesn't need inrestigating. He's the happiest and most independent man on

earth. What do you want to haul him out into the limelight for?" Since that time, however, the seriousness of the movement has grown on the public, until now its place and purpose are recognised and all classes are asking, "What is the matter with the farm?" Perhaps a government investigation was not wholly necessary to answer this question, but it certainly has already been of great value in letting publicity in on methods followed by too many agriculturists. It is true that numerous farmers still cling to ancient methods and difficult ways of living. Let us cite some things the commis-

A great many farmers have sirendy scknowledged their mistake in sion has uncovered: not giving their boys a share in the returns, so that the latter might have at least a small start when reaching the age of 21. This, it seems, is the chief cause of so many boys leaving the farm to the tender mercies of hired men, who, as everybody knows, are not always so considerate of other penple's property as they might be. Too much work for the women folks is another cause, in that it deprives the young people of their care and companionship, leaving nothing for any of them but the dull routine of work and sleep, week in and week out. No amusements is cited as one of the greatest drawbacks farm children have to meet. In a large farming community in Kansas the only diversion was the monthly visit of the circuit preacher. Too much seclusion from the outer world drives many boys and girls to the cities, is the conclusion of investigators both East and West. In this day and age of the telephone, cheap magazines, newspapers and rural free delivery routes, this condition may be classed as almost criminal. No boy or girl wants to grow up knowing as little of the world as a clam; and that is just what this seclusion amounts to. And there's another thing-and that is the love of money that afflicts too many farmers and induces them to sacrifice not only their own health in its pursuit, but that of their families. The class of farmer misers, fortunately, grows smaller and smaller each ment alfalfa can be grown with great year, and it is altogether possible that it will some day disappear. success in nearly every State east of the Mississippi river, and it bids fair

On the other hand, there are thousands of farmers who rejoice in the opportunities they have had the past few years to improve themselves and their families. They are leading the way to a better rural life. They set an example that shows plain'y enough how much more pleasant it is to live reasonably than the other way. Without the commission they would have brought about a great change, but with it they will revolutionize farming methods. Many farm boys and girls will undoubtedly go to the cities, no matter what advantages they may have at house. They must, or there will be no one to run the cities. But to those who remain a new era is opening and a new life coming. The farmer is going to be more than ever the mainstay of America.-Williamsport (Pa.) Grit. 

AN AWPUL THOUGHT.

raise all those hogs?" the stranger war of 1854-6 led many English milliasked Uncle Hiram, who lives way tury and naval officers to adopt this -Rev. P. M. Strayer, Presbyterian, back in the mountains of Lumpkin mode of smoking, then common in County, in Northern Georgia. "Oh, Malta, the Levant, Turkey and Rusthey mon'ly dew fer theirsels," he re sia. what might have been, but let the dead

plied, with a smile. past bury its dead, and look forward designating a huge razorback, "thet the Crimean campaign to the alleviathar 'un's my ole blew snow. Ornery tion of tobacco, took to the cigarette, Puck, to the goal, casting your burdens on the critter, tew! Made me s nice bed fer smoked by their French and Turkish ber las' fambly, 'n' then hanged if she allies. Returning, they brought the wild they kill the 'gator?" "No; they ments. Tuck thet little ole split sugar came fushlonable among clubmen and laftment enought"—Atlanta Constitudidn't go 'nd make her own arrange mode to England, and the cigarette be-God in the form of man can be made to the human mind, and therefore it barr'l out youdah! was not conceived in the human mind.

"Whar's she a-goin' naow? Down long the river to git a drink, Ah reck-

It was born from above. Rev. R. S. Suddenly there was a loud splash which made the old man jump from Some of the music I have heard bas his comfortable position on the porch made me feel like hitting somebody or and run toward the bank. smashing something. I refer to hymns

"She'll be draownded, shore 'nough The blew saow! She's a-driftin'!" he screamed. "Ain't yew-all gwine he'p

me? He'p! he'p!" Uncle Biram plunged into the water after his favorite. By dint of much pulling and hauling, amid quearthly squealing, the animal was finally safe on dry land. But the rescuer was car ried swiftly down-stream. Had it not been for some loggers near by, it is doubtful whether he would have itred to tell the tale. He was dragged A mud-slinging journal is a disgrace ashore, more dead than alive, and reto any community; yet a paper that vived with difficulty. A little later, will honestly set forth the facts in the lafter drying his clothes, besmirched case is a benefactor to its constituents, with sticky, copper-colored mud, on some scrubby black-Jacks, he went back The press should be the leader of the to the cabin to tell his "ole woman." thest in the community, upholding the She listened stupidly to the advenhighest ideals and supporting the noture, closed her snuff-hox, even took blest and best in the civic thought and the gum-brush out of her mouth, and life. Rev. Geo. R. Dean, Episcopatian,

then twgan to cry. "Why, anty, don't yew-all go cry naow. Pap's all right," coaxed the

We play a little game, we do our litwood-cutters. tle work; at night, like children, we "Quit, ole lady. Ah jest got a wetare called to rest, just as a mother tin', 'n' Ab reckon yew'll 'low as Ah calls her reluctant child and puts him needed bit," interposed Uncle Hiram. to quiet sleep for rest, to rise fresher "But If pap had er died," she watted, Other creations of God are completed patting the erstwhile prodigal pig. "If and brighter on another morning. before they die, but no man is complete | pap had or died, Ah never could her et no more bawg!" In this life, for what man ever lives a full and complete life?—Rev. Lyman

COMES FROM SPAIN.

Cignrette Habit Which Has Spread There is nothing more beautiful than years than the extent to which the London News. rigarette has increased in popular use. The modern cigarette scems to have originated in Spain, where, maize or other suitable vegetable envelopes for the tobacco being unobtainable, a thin sheet of paper was substituted. Thus the cigar and cigarette assumed disman up to God himself .- Rev. Mr. Partinct forms. A Spanish proverb declares that "a papelitos (a paper ctgar), a glass of clear water and a kiss The preparation which all too many from a pretty girl will sustain a man parents give their daughters is tat a training calculated to lend in the shortfor a whole day." est time possible from the marriage at

The dainty, unsubstantial, atry ci- sends an invitation.

Latin peoples. Its use in this country dates from only some 40 years ago. in 1845 an English writer noted that "How in the world can you afford to by foreign visitors only. The Crimean

English officers, unable to procure ci-"Thet thar 'un," he continued, laxily gars, and driven by the hardships of came to America.

OLD WAY OF CURING INSANE.

Wheel Which Turned Every Time the Launtic Inside it Moved. The Fool's Tower, Vienna, which is replaced by a more modern building. was remarkable for its extraordinary collection of strange instruments and fetters used in the treatment of lunatics of past ages. In the machine un-



THE LUNATIC CAGE.

were in a state of stupefaction, and so quiet; and the same idea caused the invention of the wheel illustrated. Although, when it was erected in 1794. the Fool's Tower marked a great change for the better in the housing of the insane; its appointments were most primitive compared with those

An Unrefinble Dog.

"Come right on in, Sambo," the farmer called out. "He won't hart you. You know a barking dog never bites." "Sure, boss, ah-knows dat," replied the cautious colored man, "but ah don't know how soon he's going to stop bark. the Pres'dust!-Chicago Tribune. in'."-Success Magazine.

One of the things a man has to

A COMING-OUT RECEPTION.



very prompt paying t

did was colling them not thing He would wait thirty or feety and then have to dig for his an down through the departments.

"I resoived I wouldn't have shalled trouble with them. The first order sold them something was said abo

discount for cash. "'Certainly,' I answered. 'Quarter of 1 per cent off for pay in ten days. "They took it. The first month they sent the check twelve or actors days after the delivery of the goods. We sent it back. After that the check always came before the ten days were up-sometimes the eighth or minth,

but never after the tenth. "They were keen after that little quarter of 1 per cent, all right-and it was that odd fraction that caught them. I hadn't any authority to name any discount, but when they saked me I figured out quick that it wouldn't pay to offer 2 per cent or even 1 per cent. They would think we wanted the money too bad. Bo I made a stab at the 14 per cent and won."



her last six birthdays."-The Goods. Waiter-Be careful of the soup, gentlemen. It is so bot that it has scalded both my thumbs .- Meggendorfer Black

She-The new color is called mason ger boy blue. He Who so? She It's guaranteed not to run. - Brooklyn

Eagle. She-I beard you singing in your room this morning. He Oh, I sing a little to kill time, She-You have a good weapon.—New Orleans Pleayune. She-Don't you think that her playing shows remarkable finish? He (yawning) - Yes; but she was a desced long time in getting to it.—Town Top-

Heleu-Why, he yawned three times while I was talking to him. Myrtle-Perhaps he wasn't yawning. He may have been trying to say something

"The alligator swallowed him." "And

"And another rare combination to man, the scheme, and the coin."-Wash-

ington Herald. "I thought young Puffy was studying to be a surgeon." "He gave it up; he couldn't bear the sight of blood." "But he owns an automobile."-Newark

Evening News. Chappy-Would you marry a woman who had sued another man for breach. of promise? Sappy-It would depend

largely on how much the jury awarded. her.-The Club-Fellow. Dentist (to assistant)-1 think ! heard a patient to the waiting roots. Assistant-Yes, but Teau't bring him

in. He's turned the key on the inside. -Meggendorfer Binetter. (at the musicale) - Miss Schreecher sings with wonderful real-

ism, don't you think so? He-Yes; you can almost see the crack in he voice.-Detroit Saturday Night. He-Your milliner's bill has cost me

last year as much as the salary of my two bookkeepers. That is more than I can afford. She-Well, discharge one of them. Fliegende Blaetter. Criticus-So this is your picture, "The

Battle," is it? DeAauber-Yes. War is a terrible thing. Criticas-Oh, of course—but I don't believe it's as bad as it is painted.—Chicago Daily News. Boss-When you told that new clerk that he'd have to hamp himself if be expected to hold his job, how did he take it? Department Manager—fie got his back up right away.—Chicago Trib-

"Women must consider it a dreadful fate to be old maids," mused Mr. Chagthe social changes of the last few tients occupied 139 cells.—Hustrated water. "They do," Josiah," said Mrs. it."-Stray Stories.

Distracted Mother (opening the door of the playroom) -- What are you boys making all this terrible racket about? Her Youngest-We're playin' Congress. maw. We've just had a message from

Scribble-What is Rhymer doing now? Dribbles-Writing advertise wonder about is how so much company ing jingles for a sausage manufacturer, gets into the house when he so rarely I believe. Scribble—Poor old Rhymer ! doggerel.—The Literary Page.

Returning Husband-Oh, and 1 mg. Laura, before I left town, Mrs. Hugh Wilson gave me three enormous pears for you. I are one in the train, mit on another, and gave the third away. Don't forget to write and thank her les Punch.

Farm Tulk.

"The papers say that makes are farmers' friends," said the man who had just come to town with a load of

"Well, you know hie there's the when a farmer-hie don't want to se his friends bic," said the other s was about to start for house load of rys,-Youkers Sta

Iras."-Newark Keen