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CHAPTER II.

Without the city walls, Midden by the umbrella pines, and back from those secludwalks where young Rome takes its ed walks stood the Villa Salvarino, almost pleasure, almost the shade of the walls, and hard by the gate of San Pancrazio. In the more prosperous days of the Eternal City, it might have been, and indeed was, the resimight have great Roman family dence of some great Roman family; but aristocracies decline and families pass away; and the haughty owners were by no means arerse from making a few English pounds r letting it to any traveller who had the inclination or the mean; to spend a few months there. The present tenant at this bright Easter time, Sir Geoffrey Charteris, Grosvenor Square, London, W., and Haversham Park, in the county of Dorset, Baronet, Deputy-lieutenant, and Justice of the Peace, was a man of long descent. The pale azure fluid in his veins was not the blood of us poor mortals; his life-giving stream had been transmitted through succeeding generations from a long line of gallant warriors and gentle dames; from fearless ancestors who followed their sovereign at the call to arms, marched with Richard of the Lion-heart to the Holy Sepulchre, and maybe crossed swords with the doughty dividend of love and Saladin himself. The title, conferred upon t, lifts the cloud a Charteris by the Black Prince in person after the glorious field of Crecy, had known

no tarnish as it passed down the long line of great and good men, soldiers, statesmen, and divines, to the present worthy representative of all these honors. Not that he had greatly distinguished himself in any field, save as an Under-secretary in a short-lived inglorious Ministry, where he had made a lasting name as the most incompetent individual ever appointed to office, though he dated every subsequent event and prefixed every after dinner story by an allusion to the time when he was in the Earl of Mud dleton's Ministry. The reception rooms of the villa were crowded when our friends arrived. It was

a kind of informal after-dinner reception, attended by most of the English visitors lingering after the Carnival, with some sprinkling of the resident aristocracy; for Sir Geoffrey liked to gather people round him, birth and genius being equally welcome. Sir Geoffrey looked every inch an English gentleman, standing there among his guests. He was apparently about fifty years of age, tall and straight, thoroughbred from his stiff gray hair to the small shapely feet, as yet untroubled by the famigout. His eyes were pale blue, and somewhat weak; his face, clear-cut and refined, with an aquiline nose and a high white ferehead, but the whole marred by a mouth weak and nervous to the last degree. A connoisseur of art, a dabbler in literature, spiritualism.

en for granted. Imagine in your dreams of York. classic features are cold. She smiled bright- Socialist conspiracy?" ly as the new comers entered. It is not giv-

"I really began to think you were going Le Gautier expressed his willingness; and to see you. Do persuade Sir Geoffrey to you get this?" he asked abruptly.

Friday. Do you hear?"

"Anything you say is law, my dear," you.'

somewhat impatiently, leaving the rest similar coin upon my watch-chain." man left; certainly, she was less constrained. his hand. "We shall look forward to Friday with Villa Mattio, that I am expecting to see a you procured yours?" perfect paradise."

he turned aside, taking Salvarini by the want it for. "I do not understand the meaning there," Salvarini remarked as they walked through the rooms. "If Maxwell means"-

"Orange blossoms," Visci interrupted laconically; "and right, too.—Let us get into the music-room. Le Fanu is going to

Maxwell remained by Enid's side, toying with her fan and discoursing in their native anguage in a low voice. From the expres- now." on in his face and the earnest ring in his atraction that chained him there.

he asked, abruptly changing the con-DOW."

"We shall leave in the middle of next ome reasons, for I have been happy here." "I shall probably return with you," Maxbell observed. "I have deferred my deant to leave together."

Then the E. You," Enid put in archly. bidding the others good night and turning bidding the others. Then the Eternal City has no more artis- off in the direction of his apartments. tic knowledge to impart?"

the one lately that I am never likely to forget, Am I presumptuous, Miss Enid?"

"Really, Mr. Maxwell, you are too mysterious. If I could understand you"-"I think you do understand me; I fer-

vently hope you do." For a moment, a little wild-rose bloom up his advantage; some instinct warned to cloy. It is getting dangerous. If Visci him not; and adroitly changing the conver- should find out, it would be a case of twelve sation, he told her of his life in Rome, each paces and hair-triggers; and I cannot sacripassing moment linking his chains the firm- fice myself yet-not even for Genevieve." er. Gradually, as they sat talking, a group of men gathered, round, breaking in upon

their tete-a-tete, laughing and talking after the most approved drawing-room fashion. In a distant corner, Sir Geoffrey had button-holed Le Gautier, and was apparently deep in conversation on some all-absording subject. The Frenchman was a good listener, with that rare faculty of hearing all that was worthy of note and entirely ignoring much of himself, and consequently heard a formation that astute young man had found now, Maxwell thought, as he idly speculated is highly prized in every class in India.

upon his face. got upon his favorite topic, and was talking that year pauperism and crime reached, weighed 103 pounds. with creat volubility. "There are certain not their relative, but their actual maxima, gifted beings who can call spirits from the till at last one person in every eleven was a vasty deep, and, what is more, the spirits pauper, and one in every five hundred was will come. My dear sir, they have been committed for trial.

manifested to me.' "I should not wonder," Le Gautier replied, stifling a yawn in its birth. "I think you are quite right. I am what people call a medium myself, and have assisted

many a seance." "Of course you believe the same as Let unbesievers scoff if they will, I shall always believe the evidence of my eyes."

"Of course," Le Gautier returned politesome means of escape. "I have seen ghosts bear. myself, or thought I have."

"It is no imagination, Le Gautier," Sir Geoffrey continued, with all the prosy earnestness of a man with a hobby. "The strangest coincidence happened to me. My late brother, Sir Ughtred, who has been dead nearly twenty years, manifested himself to me the other night. Surely that implies some coming evil, or some duty I have neglected?"

"Perhaps he charged you with some commission," Le Gautier observed, and pricking ten or printed characters to vulgar purup his ears for any scrap of useful informa-

"Not that I remember; indeed, I did not | in enclosures erected for the purpose. see him for years before he died. He was and last, but not least, a firm believer in an eccentric man, and an extreme politician -in fact he got into serious trouble with the a peculiar mixture of honey and whiskey. Enid Charteris, his only daughter and authorities, and might even have been ar- There was once a terrible wild man of the heiress, a girl about eighteen, must be tak- rested, had he not removed himself to New

girl should be, and you have Enid, with all wondering vaguely where he had heard of known that the slayer of this monster should her charms of manner and person, with that this Ughtred Charteris before. "Was he be rewarded with her hand. At the parperfect expression without which the most connected with any secret society—any ticular desire of the lady a handsome young

religious fervor. He en to every one to be able to disguise their Sir Geoffrey whispered mysteriously. hour in the day the menster was accustomlikings and antipathies, and it did not need "There were certainly some curious things ed to resort to a hollow stone in the forest a practised eye to see her cold greeting for in his effects which were sent to me. I can to drink. This hollow stone one day was Le Gautier, and the instantaneous glance for show you some now, if you would like to filled with whiskey and honey. He drank

> to fail me," she said: "and this is the last the baronet led the way into a small room of our receptions too. I shall always have at the back of the house, half library, half been know by the name of Athole brose. pleasant recollection of my visit to Rome." studio. In one corner was an old ebony "We have been dining with Maxwell, cabinet; and opening the front, he display-Miss Charteris," Visci explained. "Could ed a multitude of curiosities such as a man we forget you, if we tried! And now, be- will gather together in the course of years. fore you are so engaged that you can have In one little drawer was a case of coins. Le no word for poor me, I want to ask you a Gautier turned them over carelessly one by favour. We are going to my country retreat one, till, suddenly starting, he eagerly lifted on Fridey, and my sister Genevieve is dying one and held it to the light. "Where did

Sir Geoffrey took it in his hand. It was "Here he is to answer for himself," she a gold coin, a little larger than an ordinary replied, as the baronet sauntered up to the sovereign, and bearing on the reverse side a group.—"Papa, you must promise to take curious device. "That came with the rest me to see Signor Visci's country-house on of my brother's curiosities.—But why do ceive a salary of \$1,800 a year. ! you ask? You look as if the coin had burnt

tion. "Anything you desire.—Le Gautier, back, his pale face aglow with suppressed wish to speak to you," he whispered quiet- excitement; but as he noticed the baronet's y; "come to me presently.—Salvarini, wondering eyes upon him, he recovered himyou hear? I thought you had forsworn self by a violent effort. "It is nothing'gaieties of all descriptions. Glad to see you with a smile. "It is only the coincidence are thinking better of your misanthropy." | which startled me for a moment. If you Le Gautier turned off with the baronet will look here, you will see that I wear a

together. Salvarini, looking on somewhat | Sir Geoffrey looked down, and, surely thoughtfully, almost fancied there was a enough, on the end of Le Gautier's pendant look of relief in Enid's face as the French- | was the fac simile of the medal he held in

"Bless me, what an extraordinary thing !" great pleasure, then, signor Visci," she said. the startled baronet exclaimed. "So it is !

"It was given to me," Le Gautier replied, | ced to twelve months' hard labor. "With two Eves," Maxwell whispered in with an enigmatic smile. "It could not English. Visci was not a man to misunder- help you, if I told you.—Sir Geoffrey, may stand the meaning of true company, so, with I ask you to lend me this coin for a short a bow and a little complimentary speech, while? I will tell you some time what I

"I do not me dittering crowd. | "Some other time, perhaps,"—Le Gautier threw the coin into its place.—"You see, I awur to the effect that the Ameer of Afghan- Europe. regard it as a valuable curiosity and relic, or perhaps I might part with it. You will Cabul and Candahar are in danger. pardon me.—But I forgot all all about our spiritualistic discourse. As you are a medium, I will ask you"-

"At some future time, with all the pleasure in life," Le Gautier interrupted hastily.

voice, there was no doubting the power of Frenchman was busy with his thoughts. empire. "What a lucky find!" he muttered. "It When do you leave Rome, Miss Charter- is the missing insignia, sure enough, and the ill-fated Ughtred Charteris is mine host's "This is your last reception, I brother. I wonder what I can make out of this? There ought to be something in it, with a feeble-minded man who believes in teck for certain. I shall be very sorry for spiritualism, if my hand has not lost its cun-

ning. Nous verrons." He showed nothing of his thoughts, however, as he parted from Enid with a smile latture too long already. It would be pleas- and neatly turned compliment. It was getting late now; the streets were empty as "After learning everything that Rome the friends turned homeward, Salvarini

"You had better change your mind, and "Yes; I have learned some lessons here," come with us on Friday, Hector, Visci urg-"besides and with a tender inflection, ed Le Gautier. "The baronet and his besides artistic ones. I have been learn- daughter are to be of the party. Throw day, and come." work to the dogs for the day, and come." "My dear Carlo, the thing is impossible.

Do you think I should be chained here this and turn Queen's evidence if guaranteed imovely weather, if stern necessity did not munity from prosecution. compel ? If possiny I the get over later to

the day, I will not fail you." "I am very sorry," Visci replied regretfully, "because this is the last time, in all probability, our friends will meet together for some time."

"I am sorry too, Carlo, but I cannot help it .Good-night." Le Gautier watched his friend along the trembled and flushed on the girl's cheek, moonlit street, a smile upon his face not then she looked down, played with her fan pleasant to see. "Ah. yes,' he murmured nervously. No reason to say she did not un- "it is quite impossible. Genevieve is derstand now. Maxwell did not follow good little girl, but good little girls are apt

(TO BE CONTINUED).

VARIETIES. The experiment of turning cats loose in Australia to destroy the swarms of rabbits is reported to have proved eminently suc-

the superfluous. He was not a man to talk similar to our use of butter, suet, or lard ed but for the dilatoriness of the Colonial for cooking purposes. It is made of boiling | Office. great deal of family history; details and in fresh milk in earthen pots for an hour, and after it has cooled adding curdled milk. valuable on occasions. He was interested | Made pure, it will keep for years fresh, and

more dissimilar in their individualty and er extended in connection with such events, method of living can hardly be imagined, Mr. Cormier headed a subscription and live apparently upon the same food. The the House. hair-seal, white or grey in colour, common usually been associated, the fur-seal and Deceased was born in Montreal in 1792. rection of nightmare, and looking round for than does the raccoon a black or grizzly when the Americans invaded Canada in

> China, it is usual to see in the streets, after | Chrysler's farm in 1814, serving under Col. street preachers, arrayed in full clerical bravery. garb, expounding the teachings of Confucius. They are employed by a benevolent society and the custom is prevalent all over China. Another benevolent society devotes itself to collecting waste paper. The Chinese believe that, as writing was given to them from heaven, to devote paper bearing writposes is desecration; and so all the paper the society collects is burnt outside the city

Mr. J. G. Barbour tells the following queer story as to the origin of Athole brose, woods who was a great nuisance to the lovely heiress of the honours and lands of fair women what a golden-bronzed-haired "New York?" queried Le Gautier, Tullibardine. Accordingly she let it be man in humble life entered the lists; and "Do you know, I really fancy he was," this was how he succeeded. At a certain it, and fell and easy prey to the handsome young man, who won the heiress; and ever since the particular mixture in question has

HOME AND GENERAL NEWS.

Ploughing was commenced on March 15th in Lethbridge and McLeod districts,

vessel off Youghal, County Cork, waiting to master; Georgians, Circassians and Armenland a cargo of dynamite.

Tippoo Tib, appointed Governor of Stanley Falls by Mr. Henry M. Stanley, is to re-

Fifteen to twenty miles of snowsheds will be built by the Canadian Pacific railway Sir Geoffrey answered with comic resigna- 1 For a moment, Le Gautier had started this summer in the vicinity of Donald, B.C. Measures for the development of the black cod fisheries of British Columbia are expected to be adopted by the Government

this summer. to cope with them.

the province the Manitoba Fish and Game it looks upon the Czar as the greatest if not Protection Society is trying to get the ex- the only danger to its possessions in India. port of fish prohibited.

Two Mounted Policemen at McLeod nam-"I have heard you speak so much of the Perhaps you do not mind telling me where ed Johnston and Toomey, who got intoxicated and resisted arrest, have been senten-

It is reported that Lood Balfour of Burleigh and Lord Dunraven are drafting a scheme for Ireland, which will be submitted to the next session of Parliament.

Unfounded reports are circulated at Peshistan is dead, that Kelat has fallen and that

It is expected that the affairs of the insolvent Exchange Bank, of Montreal, which a half, will soon be finally wound up.

M. Barthelmy Saint Hilaire has published "Meanwhile, it is getting late-past eleven a work on British India, in which he advocates the formation of a league in Western As they walked back to the salon, the Europe to check the advance of the Slav-

> The plans and preparations for the new station of the Canadian Pacific railway in the west end of Montreal are completed, and contracts will be let and work commenced forthwith. It is reported that negotiations for the

transfer by the Michigan Central railway of is Alexander III. the entire Canada Southern line to the Canadian Pacific are in progress, and are likely to be soon completed.

rested on suspicion of being implicated in the recent attempt to assassinate the Czar. Joseph Racine, the alleged counterfeiter, real Chief of Police offering to come back when squeezed in the hand.

Light - Croversion Ballion of Culture Con tinues to suffer so greatly from ill-health as to seriously interfere with his performance of public functions. It is reported that he would have resigned some time ago but for the pressing solicitations of Mr. Mercier.

It is rumoured that Mr. Ross, ex-Premier of Quebec, and Mr. Cornwall, ex-Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, will be appointed to the Senate to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Mr. Chapais and the appointment of Mr. Nelson to succeed Mr. Cornwall in British Columbia.

The contract for the masonry work of the Canadian Pacific railway bridge at Sault Ste. Marie has been awarded, and the work is to be completed by November 15th. The contract price is \$260,000, which, with the ironwork, will bring the total cost of the bridge up to \$400,000.

The London Times, commenting on the appeal of the members of the Newfoundland Legislature for compensation for losses sus tained by the disallowance of the Bait bill, says the suffering complained of is real and Ghee is much used in India in a way serious and might have been already remov-

double-headed calt. The heads were per-In 1842 the depression of trade and agri- ate neck which united at the shoulders. refuse from the alleys, vegetables and decay-"Yes," Sir Geoffrey was saying, "I am culture in the United Kingdom was even There was also two backbones, which united ing food thrown out from kitchens. Upon firmly impressed with that belief." He had greater than that of the last few years. In in the centre of the back. At birth the calf this information a change was made, and the

Mr. Cormier, M. PP. for Ottawa County, recently received an intimation that the wife of one of his constituents, Mrs. Luke C. Ryan, of Stagsburn, on the Gatineau The fur seal has been many times con- river, had given birth to triplets, and as it founded with the hair-seal. Two animals is understood the Queen's bounty is no longalthough they belong to the same group and raised \$100 for her among the members of these calves except the best of fresh food be

Mr. John Sanagan, a veteran of the war on every marine shore, has no generic af- of 1812, died at St. Thomas recently, at the finity with those seals with which it has advanced age of 94 years and five months. y, his thoughts wandering feebly in the di- the sea-lion. It no more resembles them He enlisted in the Canadian volunteers 1812, and secured his discharge in 1815. He In Chunking, the capital of Se-Chuen, took part in the battle of Fort Detroit and the shops have been shut, a number of Salisbury, and was awarded a medal for his

Russia.

The Empire of the Czar is so vast in its extent that it bewilders the mind to attempt

to form a picture of it. Sweeping from the White Sea, the Polar Ocean, at the north of Europe, eastward to the Sea of Japan and the waters of America, where she has ceded to the United States a domain in the New World larger than France embracing the vast realm of Siberia; bordering upon China on the south, and touching gravel it is a sign that something that they Afghanistan at the gate of India; flanking need is lacking. A few pieces of coal, or Persia, and hovering like a dark cloud over the whole of the Turkish Empire, while on the extreme, west she faces Germany, Austria and the new Kingdom of Roumania, Russia more in the advanced circle of cattle feeding. presents, in one compact mass a territory All of the big steers, which used to tip the such as no earthly monarch has ever before beams at 1500 to 2000 pounds, were four ruled over.

To the people of the narrowed kingdoms | years past. of Europe, who watch jealously every move ment of Russia, the Empire is grand, mys- water running in drains he has built for terious and fearful. They know its more underdraining land after the first yearthan eighty million people include many His theory is that after the accumulations races, all of whom seem willing to serve of many years have been removed there is their Emperor. He has at his command a but little water running in the drains. standing army of more than six hundred thousand men, and could call under arms two million soldiers.

The vastness and mystery of the Empire make it even more formidable than do the

figures which represent its armed men. The distant camps of the primitive Aryans, who still worship the sacred fire; the Iranians and their ancient enemies, barbarous Tu ranian, at peace at last under the flag of a foreign master; Tartars of every sort, It is reported that there is a suspicious faithful in their allegiance to their white ians; rude Samoyedes, people like Esquima ux in the extreme north; troops upon troops spend keep trying their hands at farming. of Cossacks, the organized "Cowboys" of pean Russians, with the Lapps and Finns, chard and Garden, because they are such a and myraids of Jews; all these diverse compound of adulterations. For instance, peoples belonging, with all their goods and alleged " current jelly" is composed of the Great White Czar-all these make up a red and dried cores and skins of apples, the vague but formidable whole.

It is no wonder that the statesmen of sour and decayed before drying. Europe have Russia seldom out of mind, and Pirates are roaming about Tonquin in that they sometimes attribute to her the powerful bands committing all kinds of out- strangest and darkest purposes, some of rages, and the French troops are too weak | them the most unlikely for her to entertain. The nation whose people are most jealous With a view to protecting the fisheries of of the power of Russia is the English, for ing expedition by some little cur he accepts

> But Russia has another rival in Austria-Hungary, for the interests of the two nations in the countries which have been from time to time sliced off the Turkish Empire,

> are constantly clashing. Toward Germany Russia is friendly, and the German Government seeks to maintain the best of relations with the Czar; but there is jealousy between the two countries, which are, -and because they are, -the two greatest and most commanding powers in

The people of France are most friendly toward Russia, because they see the rivalry with Germany, and they have a proverb "My next-door neighbor is my natural enhave been in liquidation for three years and emy, but my next-door neighbor but one is my natural friend, because he is the enemy of my enemy."

The power of peace or war lies in the hands of Alexander III., Emperor of Russia, but he is not likely to exercise it lightly. Although he is an absolute monarch, he could not govern long against the wish of

His power is not limited by a parliament, but he feels none the less the influence of the thought of the people, and no absolute The export under this head in 1886 was £5,sovereign was probably ever more in sympa- 303,873; the annual output in timber and thy with the inclinations of his people than logs for the same year was 111,633,862 feet

They desire peace, and it is probable | 091 pine and other descriptions of logs. that he also desires it. But he is a warlike monarch, and the Russian people have be-It appears now that Major-General Krock, come used to war, so that it is almost a wind and water upon the physical and men-Russian commander at Warsaw, who was second nature to them. A small event may tal prosperity of the race. There are regusaid to have been murdered, committed precipitate a great conflict.

suicide on learning that his son had been arwho escaped from a Montreal detective re- moulding sand. Use as little clay and water nature. The houses all face to the south, cently, has written from Paris to the Mont- as will just make the sand hold together and wherever the eye rests it meets with a

FARM.

No PUTRID FOOD FOR COWS.

Many people have a vague idea that "milk is milk," no matter what cort of a cow it has come from, or on what food the cow has been kept. This is a great mistake, and sometimes a very serious one, as the Nat onal Live Sto k Journal points out in the following article:

There is no test so delicate as the infant

stomach to settle the question as to whether a cow, or a herd of cows in milk, are being fed unwholesome food. The infant's stomach will within a few hours after partaking of the milk of cows fed upon brewers' grains, rebel against the irritating properties contained, the stomach rejecting it by vomiting, and the bowels getting rid of it in the form of frequent evacuations, offensive, green, and sometimes frothy, in which are lumps of undigested milk. The following case is illustrative, and such occur frequently: An infant was being raised by hand, and special effort was made to procure select milk from a neighboring cow, rather than to depend upon milk shipped into the city and hauled around by milkmen. On the milk of this cow the infant took on a very bad condition from which it would improve upon treat-Recently a cow belonging to Mr. Richard | ment for a day, but immediately relapse, Coad, of South Ekfrid, gave birth to a and after several weeks of this experience, a watch was put upon the woman who ownfect in shape and size, and each had a separ- ed the cow, and she was detected in gathering infant began at once to grow better. It would be as unreasonable to expect good bread from flour made from damaged grain as to expect pure milk from cows that had their rations made up of damaged food, such as had become tainted by age or soured through exposure to heat and moisture. Those who are raising valuable high-bred calves need not look for health and thrift in given to the dams. The putridity contained in decaying food enters and poisons the blood, and it is from the blood that the milk is extracted in the udder. Let no man flatter himself that the digestive organs can separate the putridity, casting it aside, for they cannot do this; but, on the other hand, the damaged material goes wherever the blood goes-to the lungs, liver, kidneys, and udder, and in the latter, enters

NOTES AND SUGGESTIONS.

An eastern farmer says he does not know of anything finer than a good ox team, and that wherever you see one you see good

Should spring open early, and the grass start, do not be tempted to allow the stock to graze on it until it is well under growth. Trampling on young grass does more damage than grazing it closely.

Whenever it is noticed that the hogs eat charcoal, will probably be a cur; while the food should at the same time be varied.

The four-year-old steer is now known no years past, but now they do it at three

Mr. Gregory says he has never seen

Charred wood from the stove, or charcoal in any shape, is excellent for hogs. It is best to keep charcoal in the pens where the hogs can always have free access to it. Rotten wood is also relished by hogs, and they are very fond of burnt bread or other

charred substances. More and more the active, prosperous men of the city are turning to farming, but there are lots of foolish ventures in this line and thousands and tens of thousands of dollars have been wasted after the absurdest fashion, and yet city people with money to

The fruit jellies of commerce are fittingly Russia; and then the great mass of Euro- called Horticultural Oleomargarine by Ortheir very live, to one man, and one only, water, glucose, tartaric acid, gelatine, aniline refuse of evaporating establishments, often

> Well brought up dogs let sheep alone, but a dog's education is not ended before he is two or three years old. Many a valuable puppy if left at large at night, which he never should be, is enticed off on a maraudas a playmate. It is usually perfectly safe to let old dog's have the range of the premises; young ones never, if there are sheep within several miles

> Farmers should not forget, in the hurry of spring work, that a good kitchen garden is 'a handy thing to have" near the house-"especially in the country," as Mr. Sparrowgrass would say. Plan it out now and plan it so as to permit the use of a horse in cultivating as much as possible. Allow plenty of room, run long rows, and allow for a good variety of vegetables. Their use will promote health, give pleasant zest to the daily meals, and lighten the worry of the good wife in providing palatable food for the "men folks" and children.

> In the case of trees which bear in alternate years, judicious thinning will often result in considerable fruit in the off year.

> A breeder of poultry says-"Every spring I procure a quantity of cedar boughs and scatter them plentifully in and around the hen-house, The odour of cedar keeps away vermin. The remedy is simple and effective."

> The forest-products of Canada constitute one of her most important sources of wealth. cubic of different kinds of timber, 48,350,-

A curious belief of the Chinese is what is called the "Fengchui," or the influence of lar authorities in this belief, and without consulting them a Chinaman will not build Plaster of Paris is not suitable for moulds a house or choose a grave. This belief has for brass. Any fine sand, wet with water one great charm, insomuch that everything containing a little clay, can be made a fair in a Chinese city is found to harmonise with pleasing picture.