HOW IT ALL ENDED.

Katy Marsh! and Flora Harwood were out on the ocean sailing-and bound directly for Paris! To be sure their steamer was only a wheelbarrow-and their ocean, the back yard! But what of that? And what is the use of little girls having an imagination if they're always going to adapt themselves to circumstances ?-I'd like to know.

and Flora, and as the steamer rocked again and again in the most alarming way, the little girls clung to the side of the vessel, hungry. and said "Whatever in this world shall we do, if we're drowned!" And, as no one could answer that question, they prepared themselves for the worst! But just then the sun came out from behind a cloud, and Katy said, "The storm is over and we are sav-

must sing-don't you know, Katy? Ship- singing the pretty lullaby, she started the feet wide, are placed constituting a four-rail wrecked crews always sing something."

ing their clothes."

would be lovely to sing just as we are entering port."

ed up the dollies, pinned the silk handker-

"Speed My Bark," "O'er Waters Blue," fur. "The Breaking Waves Dashed High" and "Dublin Bay" followed each other in quick succession.

"Katy, do you know 'My Father's at the

"No! Is he? I didn't want to play when any one was around.' "O, Katy Marsh! You'll be the death of

me some day. I mean the poem; it's perfectly lovely.

"Is it? But what is a hellum?" "Helm, Katy, don't ever say hellum. A helm's-a helm! It's a something that always goes with a ship : I don't know as I can explain it; a sort of ornament, like a flag-staff, I guess. Any way, it isn't very important -I know !- But the poem is elegant, and makes me want to cry.

"Oh-h," said Katy, "I don't believe I'd like it then. Don't sing it, Flora, please it's ever so much nicer without fathers and helms, I think. You know if papa was out here, he'd say, 'Katy, you'd better go in the house now and help mamma.' That would be horrible; we don't want to even think of such things."

"Oh, no indeed! let's sing ---" "Katy, Katy Marsh; where are you?"

"Oh dear, Flora! That's mamma after all. It's that old dress to try on, I know.' "Here I am, mamma," and through a hole in the fence came Katy carrying in her arm the little gray-and-white kitten. "You don't want me now, do you, mamma ?"

But Mrs. Marsh did want her, she had been wanting her some time. Then, too, she despised cats, and had said to Katy again and again : "Never bring one near the house !" So putting it altogether, Mrs. Marsh was not in a gentle frame of mind; and what do you suppose she said ? "Put down that cat, and come in this minute!"

Oh, it was dreadful! And little Flora Harwood, who was half way through the sing?" fence, went back in an instant to tell her mother all about it!

Poor Katy! It was bad enough to have mamma act so, right before Flora Harwood but to hear her dear, beautiful kitten called a cat was enough to break her heart, and hers, she knew, was "breaking all to pieces."

There was Paris just in sight, and everything so lovely; and here was mamma with a frown, the kitten gone, and a dress to try on! Was there ever a little girl so tried "I shall never get over it-never" thought | shook it the teningly at Katy. Katy: but the worst was to come. As her mother finished trying on the dress, baby Ned, who had a faculty for waking up at the wrong time on a busy day, began to cry girl, begin.'

lustily. her; there was no going out now till "that while she heard: child" was amused in some way, or put to sleep again, and it was worse than useless to expect mamma to take him; so with a most unhappy heart Katy went into the little bedroom to quiet her baby brother.

What if at all other times, he was "just too sweet to live, and the most beautiful as he stroked his whiskers and with a satisbaby in the world?" He was not sweet when fied smile bowed to Katy. he cried, and not the least bit beautiful; besides it wasn't very nice to look after a baby when one would rather look after a kit-

What if she had called mamma only the day before, when she promised to make the you are what you said in your song-'a good dress like Flora's-puffs on the sleeves and little girl. all—"too perfectly lovely." She was far from lovely now! And Katy wished someher work and pity her poor little girl!

of last Spring came to her; how, when she was "so sick with that fever, mamma had altogether; and there she was in the little been so good and patient all that weary, long time." Even Katy's papa, at the last, said his cradle playing with his rattle! "Katy was getting cross," but mamma ought to be willing to help mamma when she and what will mamma say! I must have slept angry thoughts had all gone, and Katy was listened, forgot to cry and settled himself her darling little kitten! down to finish his nap.

Now mamma, out in the other room, heard the sweet voice singing, and then mamma began to think.

to leave your play, even to try on a new frock; and though you came in unwillingly, I cannot blame you so very much. It was hard [Ladies' Home Journal. I know, to give up Flora and the fun in that sudden way. I ought not to have been so hasty. But, dear me! I was so tired waiting, Began to Look as Though They Couldn't and then-that cat! I never could endure a cat. They're always in the way."

"Meow, meow," went something right beside Mrs. Marsh, and looking down, she saw white on the top of its head. "Meow, meow," went pussy-and looking up at Mrs. Marsh said as plainly as one could wish-"I'm not a cat, I'm a kitten !"

"you're the very thing Katy had in her arms; where did you come from?"

"Meow," answered kitty. "Now what can I tell by your meows? I must say, for a cat, you're pretty."

"Meow, meow." "Well really now, I believe you know you're cute and pretty," and Mrs. Marsh took from her work-basket a ball of knitting-cot- Spain, have long been celebrated for their ton, and threw it on the floor, for the kitten to play with, and actually stopped her sew- the manufacture of steel, but great trouble ing to watch a cat! Think of it. Once, at has heretofore been experienced in the shipa very funny little jump and tumble, she ment of the mineral on account or the diffilaughed out loud !

However, it all seemed very real to Katy heard me? Say I'd lost my senses, I guess. for this product. The coast adjacent to these But this is such a dear little thing, I could mines is high and rocky, exposed to the full almost like it myself. I wonder if it's force of the sea, there being no harbors

"Meow." kitchen, and down the cellar-steps went markable railway we are about to describe that very sensible woman to get some milk has been constructed. for a cat!

playing; and then driver, chariot and all the shore. vanished, and Katy was walking through

size and color.

with fluffy balls; some swinging in the is conveyed part way down the cliff through golden swings; some sleeping on velvet a chute, the end of which projects beyond cushions scattered all around, while the the cliff, and when the empty tower is drawn most beautiful sight of all was a throne of to shore by the cars before mentioned it red and gold upon which sat Prince automatically opens an end gate in the Grimalkin

dle"; at his left, three cats were singing, "Sing, sing, what shall we sing. The cat's the counterbalancing weight or weighted run away with the pudding-bag string!"

little kittens" who once "lost their mittens," gravity, begins to move down the inclined but who now wore them fastened around railway, and the gate of the chute autotheir necks with tiny golden chains—oh, it matically closes. The tower continues to was all so beautiful Katy gave a great "ah- glide down the inclined way through the h-h" right out! Whereupon all the cats water until it reaches the side of the ship, began to purr, and all the kittens to mew at | which is anchored fore and aft, and then by once! Then for the first the Prince espied the throw of a lever, the platform of tower

what is your name?"

"Katy," was the trembling answer "Katrina, you mean."

At that all the cats stopped purring and all the kittens mewing to look at the little girl with a cat's name!

"Katrina, can you purr?" "No," said Katy. "Can you mew?"

"Oh, no indeed!"

Prince Grimalkin. "Please, sir, I don't know."

"I should say not. Well, well, can you

"Oh yes, I love to sing."

"Cats and kittens, do you hear that? This little girl can sing-shall we listen ?" All the cats bowed and all the kittens nodded.

"Very well, you may sing, Katrina, but remember to choose something appropriate, for if you fail to please us after coming to Catland without an invitation, you shall receive a whipping for this." And the Prince drew forth a whip of cat-o'-nine-tails, and

"Purr, p , purr," went the cats "Mew, mew, mew," said all the kittens. "Silence!" said Prince Grimalkin. "Little

Oh, what a funny, faint little voice! Katy Katy well knew what that cry meant for | did not feel it was her own, and yet all the

"I love little pussy, her coat is so warm, And if I don't hurt her she'll do me no

I'll sit by the fire and give her some food, And pussy will love me, because I am

"Fine, fine, very fine," said the Prince.

"You have shown excellent taste, and your voice is very sweet. Had you chosen a song about the 'little doggie,' or some such thing, we would all have come to the part of one dress was white satin embroidscratch and punished you. As it is, we feel

And now, if you will promise never to come here again, you may take this with you, and thing would happen to make mamma put up | go."-And as he descended the throne with the most beautiful kitten of all in his arms, Just then remembarance of the long days | Katy felt herself, sinking, sinking, and the music growing fainter, fainter, until it ceased

bedroom, and baby Ned was sitting up in "Oh, dear me!" said Katy, as she rubbed hadn't thought so. Surely her little girl her eyes, "it was only a dream, after all, could. So almost before she knew it the an hour!" And Katy went out to see if glory, must have resembled a preliminary

mamma was getting supper, when, there in edition of "The History of, Animated Nasinging a lullaby to baby Ned, who, as he the kitchen, licking an empty saucer, was ture." "O mamma! you're just like other mam-

mas after all, and it was a true dream!" "Humph!" said her mother, "why am I different? And what was the dream?" Then in a series of visitation addresses on the pre "Poor little girlie! It was too bad to have Katy told her all, and though Mrs. Marsh said when she finished "It's perfect nonsense from beginning to end,"-the kitten-staid. | tion and elevation of women :

Tom Dabbs and Mort Spillers, two colored gentlemen, formed a copartnership to do a the dearest, little kitten in the world! All general plastering business. One morning, gray but the two fore paws, and a spot of the second day after articles of agreement had been drawn up, Dabbs seized an ax-handle and knocked Spillers down and beat him Your clothes are all torn and your face is all unmercifully. Spillers got up, rubbed his scarred up. head and, turning to a white man that stood Sam Johnsing Nuffin', boss, nuffin' wuff near, said: "Mercy me!" exclaimed Katy's mamma, near, said:
"Dis proves one thing, sho'. Ef it keeps on fust and only lub, what I met for de fust dis way me an' dis man kain't agree.'

### A SUBMERGED RAILWAY.

The Ingenious Scheme for Loading Ships Near a Rocky Spanish Coast.

The mines of Onton, near Bilbao, north richness in the yield of iron ores suitable for culty of placing it on board of the ships. Eng-"Oh my! what would Katy say if she land and the Continent are the great markets the immediate vicinity. At the foot of the Come cat, do you want something to eat? rocks there is a sloping shore which extends out to a considerable distance, with an even "Well meow it is." And out into the grade. It is upon this incline that the re-

The roadbed of the railway has a length But where was Katy all this time? Ah! of about 650 feet and a width of 20 feet, upon "Yes," answered Flora, "and now we this is what happened to Katy; after which two sets of parallel tracks, each 31 baby's favorite "Bye O Baby Bunting," railway. The grade is five feet to the hun-"Do they? I should think they'd be dry- and coming to the line about the rabbit's dred. The car which traverses this railway, skin she changed the word rabbit to kitten, upon which the ore is conveyed from the O, Katy Marsh! you're so queer. But! and began to wonder if a kitten's skin was cliffs to the ships, consists of a high metallic then ours wasn't areal shipwreck, you know; as soft as a rabbit's skin, and if any one had tower made in the form of a pyramid having we only came near it; any way I think it ever tried it, and if it would hold a baby a wide triangular base. The tower is mountany way-and, oh, lots of things! As she ed on wheels, which run upon the quadruple wondered she kept singing over and over railway track before mentioned. The plat-"All right, Flora, go ahead." And Katy, "A kitten's skin to wrap our Baby Bunting, form of the tower upon which the load of who generally gave in to Flora, straighten- in, a kitten's skin to wrap, to wrap our baby, mineral is placed is about 70 feet high from wrap our baby-ba-by-Bunting-ba-by the track, a hight which is sufficient to rise chief again on the kitten (for during the Bun-ting-in." And Katy Marsh was lost above the decks of ordinary vessels when storm everybody and everything had been | to all around her, and travelling far away. | the tower is run alongside thereof; and from more or less disturbed), then said, " I'm | Over a ground all covered with softest fur the platform the discharge of ore is made her chariot sped swiftly on without a sound. | directly into the hold of the vessels. This Oh, it was just lovely! Even the kitten | Two beautiful white cats, with yellow tails | great rolling tower is operated automatically. Oh, it was just lovely! Even the kitten Two beautiful white cats, with yellow talls great forming tower is operated to the shore by means of a enjoyed it, for she purred delightfully as were before the chariot (an immense shell it is connected to the shore by means of a and declared I held such a proposal to be a Food and water for five days were had a proposal to be a shell in two beats which pages over pulleys bed arrow. I think I know the French and in two beats which occasion. "A Life On the ocean Wave," the driver had on an elegant coat of tortoise fastened to the rocks. At the land end of the cable there are attached some weighted On, on they went, almost seeming to fly cars that move up and down upon an incline. until they stopped at the edge of a lovely These form a counterbalancing weight for grove, where the softest, sweetest music was pulling the tower when empty in toward

The mineral to be loaded upon the vessels is brought from the mines, which are not far All around were cats and kittens of every distant from the coast, upon rope railways mounted upon posts. From the mineral Some were climbing trees; some playing dumps upon the rocky heights the mineral chute and allows the mineral to drop upon At his right stood the "cat with the fid- the platform in a continuous stream until a weight of ore sufficient to overcome that of cars has fallen upon the platform, and when At the foot of the throne, were the "three this takes place, the tower, by its own being inclined, the whole load upon the "Little girl, why came you hither, and platform is almost instantly deposited upon the ship, going down through suitable slides into the hold thereof. As soon as the discharge of the load takes place, the counterbalancing cars begin to draw the tower inward again toward the shore, and thus the operation of moving the tower back and forth automatically, and automatically loading and discharging itself, is carried on with the greatest success.

It is said this railway operates even when "Then what are you doing here?" growled the sea is extremely rough. It certainly is a bold undertaking, and reflects the greatest credit upon its constructor, Mr. D. M. Alberto de Palacio. The platform carries for its load 100 tons of ore. It is said that 5,000 tons of ore per day can be put on shipboard by means of this apparatus, the total cost \$18,-

# The Wardrobe of Queen Bess.

An inventory taken in the year 1600 of the wardrobe of Queen Elizabeth enables us to estimate the sumptuous attire with which the Virgin Queen at once delighted and astonished her subjects. She had at the date named, 99 robes, 126 kirtles, 269 gowns (round, loose and French), 136 foreparts, 125 petticoats, 27 fans, 96 cloaks, 83 saveguards, 85 doublets and 18 lap mantles.

Her gowns were of the richest and costliest materials—purple, gold tissue, crimson, satin, cloth of gold, cloth of silver, white velvet, cloth and satins of dove color, drake color, horse-flesh color and a very popular color known in those old times as "lady blush." Some of the queen's dresses are worthy of special note, says the London Lady. A frock of silver cloth, checkered with red silk like birds' eyes, with demisleeves, a cut of crimson velvet twisted on with silver and lined with crimson velvet. A French kirtle of white satin, cut all over, embroidered with loops, flowers and clouds of Venice gold, silver and silk. The foreered very fine with border of the sun, moon and other signs and planets of Venice gold silver and silk of sundry colors, with a border of beasts beneath, likewise embroidered.

Other gowns were adorned with bees, flies, spiders, worms, trunks of trees, pansies, oak leaves and mulberries; while some were resplendent with rainbows, suns, clouds, fountains and flames of fire. Her buttons were of fantastic device, some being in the shape of flowers and butter-flies, and those on one gorgeous dress were in the similitude of birds of paradise. Altogether, the Virgin Queen, when arrayed in all her

# Elevation of Women.

Edward White, Archbishop of Canterbury sent social aspect of Christian life and work, thus alludes to organizations for the protec-

"Not one step taken thus far in woman's education and advance can be said to have led to one evil or done one mischief. Her dignity has risen steadily with her power for good. No scandal, folly, luxury, extravagance can be pointed to as results."

They Met by Chance.

Col. Yerger-What's the matter with you?

time since I married Swayback Lucy.

MARSHAL MACMAHON'S STORY.

It is About the Late Emperer Frederick, and is Curious. Some time ago Col. Stoffel, an authority in the military affairs of France and Germany, published in Paris a pamphlet concerning the possibility of a Franco-German allianceagainst Russian pan-slavism and Russian barbarism generally. The sine qua non sian barbarism generally. The said, was miles northeast of Bahama Islands for such an alliance, Col. Stoffel said, was left the vessel in two boats. of such an alliance, Col. Standard left the vessel in two boats, and the that Germany should return to France her left the vessel in two boats, and the has not since been reported in the control of the standard left the vessel in two boats, and the has not since been reported in the standard left the vessel in two boats, and the has not since been reported in the standard left the vessel in two boats, and the has not since been reported in the standard left the vessel in two boats, and the has not since been reported in the standard left the vessel in two boats, and the has not since been reported in the standard left the vessel in two boats, and the has not since been reported in the standard left the vessel in two boats, and the standard left the vessel in two boat lost provinces. The general discussion of Col. has not since been reported. The reported by of the crew were nicked there Stoffel's novel ideas was interrupted by of the crew were picked up after be Stoffel's novel ideas was into Berlin and been in an open boat thirty sir boat the been in an open boat thirty sir boat the bear revived by some rather they arrived here vestored. Paris, but it has been revived by some rather they arrived here yesterday on the Paris, but it has been revived by some learning that the setterday on sensational comments on it by the venerable Pearl, Capt. Knapp, from Ponce Chief Officer Harman Ponce Marshal MacMahon. Since the accession of Chief Officer Herman Kruse, who have command of the rescreet have Marshal MacManon. Since the throne, command of the rescued boat's the present German Emperor to the throne, that the Western Chief let The throne, Marshal MacMahon thinks, there is no hope that the Western Chief left Hank that France may get back her provinces New York with a general cargo on land took the southern with a peaceably in the near future. Had young and took the southern passage for Williams's father, however, lived to execute westerly gales prevailed steadily for the Williams's father, however, he will be the foreign policy he had in his mind, France eight days, and during the greater be the foreign policy he had in his mind, France of this time the hard greater be

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erick called on me. I could not receive him leak suddenly increased. In the more on account of my wounds, but d'Abzac, my soundings showed that there were fire Adjutant, saw him, and talked with him and of water in the vessel. Capt. Rohling. on the following day related the conversa- Officer Kruse held a consultation and the staff that as the least on the least tion to me. The Prussian general staff that as the bark was liable to fill said expected the war to end very soon, and and sink at any moment it would be at had no idea that Paris could offer much able to abandon her. They were in resistance. The Crown Prince Frederick track of vessels bound to and from the W said: 'Herr von Moltke is, in my opinion, Indies. The weather was fine, and the about to make a grave mistake. He wishes was a good chance of the crew being put to compel you to cede to us part of your up. At the worst, the Bahamas were a territory; I gave my views on the matter, 360 miles distant. that they could forgive everything except Rohling decided to take charge of the just such a crippling of their country. As boat, and selected for his crew the sen soon as they regained their strength after officer, four seamen, and a boy. To thus losing territory, they would try to get chief officer was assigned the care of the back all they had lost. They would, there- penter, cook, four seamen, and a boy. fore, always, be threatening the peace and latter was Alois Boecher, the son safety of Prussia.' These words of the wealthy German, who had been sent to Crown Prince, reported to me by d'Abzac, for his health. Before getting into impressed me deeply. I have never forgot- boats the crew set fire to the sinking la ten them. I am sure that Frederick, as thinking that by so doing they might Emperor, would not have altered his views trace some passing vessel. The two he but would have been true to his former con- left Western Chief about 8 o'clock in mination of his m viction that the annexation of Alsace and morning, and remained near her all it rock lay betw Loraine was a permanent obstacle to my At 10 o'clock in the evening the bark se mooined wealth, reconciliation of France and Germany. Half an hour later Officer Kruse brough the first of Under him Stoffel's proposal for a Franco- sight of the long boat. He has hopes A syndicate was German alliance could have been considered Capt. Rohling and his men were pickei seriously. Now it is out of the question."

All the German dailies which are not en- amas. At day break next morning (to hass of porphyry tirely occupied with the recent develop- Kruse saw the spars of the Pearl, built aken all the me ments of Imperial politics at Berlin are try- evident that the boat could not be seen in the seen in t ing to prove that the old French soldier is her decks. The Pearl, however was ver found, and attempting to manufacture history and that ceeding slowly. The distressed sailors bermanently about Unser Fritz never made any such utterances as those attributed to him by d'Abzac.

### Women Professionally Athletic.

The Republic of France is at war with the begin to show above the horizon. I landy Bowers can King of Dahomey, and a French newspaper would come a puff of wind in which the bout 1860. He published the information the other day would heel over in a dangerous man reighters, and his that a battle had been fought in which eight while the brig would rush on until only old fortunes. combatants were killed and many wounded. spars remained above the horizon. Interpreted dream Later on the Dahomians, who had succeeded | Three men struggled desperately at With some of the in capturing a number of Frenchmen, and oars until long past noon, gaining got her husband too other Europeans, made another attack, but only to lose it again. At length, about money, and for the were finally repulsed with a loss of 400 killed. | clock in the afternoon, the wind shifted good for

The interesting tact in the dispatch lay in the northward. The brig was no longer literate and no the last lines: "Among the dead were found to head her course and stood to the east prospered. He l some of the female warriors of the King of The shipwrecked men now strained a the Territory, a

Dahomey." Who are these Amazons?

Dahomey, now for the fifth time at war at length, to their joy, they saw her be erent kind of a n with a Europeon nation, is a kingdom of to. Chief Officer Christiansen of the Pearl gambled, but was with a Europeon nation, is a kingdom of to. Chief Omcer Christiansen of the boat just as his vessel was able to be be the boat just as his vessel was able to be be the boat just as his vessel was able to be be be been the boat just as his vessel was able to be been the beautiful was ab inexactly defined, but with an estimated go upon the other tack. When the area of four thousand square miles. The came up to the Pearl they were almost ever, he was shree Dahomians are Pagans, and the tiger is their hausted from the effects of their to his luck was pl principal fetish. They are bloodthirsty, but hours' struggle at the oars. A solo ouched turned in hospitable and courageous. Once a year the was now seen at some distance to whatever Bowers monarch (whose people approach him by ward, and appeared ready to offer her customers, crawling with their faces in the dust) sprin- vices, but these, fortunately, were not white's dealings, kles his ancestor's graves with human blood. | er needed. The shipwrecked men to be an honest n There is an annual festival which takes treated with great kindness on board what he did with place about October and lasts severa' weeks. | the Pearl. During the Saturnalia many human victims are put to death with great barbarity.

At one stage of these "customs" the unfortunate wretches, chiefly captives taken in war, are dressed in long shirts and long white nightcaps and tied on baskets. They of Sciences M. Aime Girard gave some but it was part of are then taken to the top of a high platform; teresting information respecting the and paraded on the heads of Amazons, peror, or Richter's Imperator, potato together with an alligator, a cat and a hawk stated that, after testing it on a small in similar baskets. After the King has for some years, he grew it largely in law made a speech, the victims are hurled down 1889, and also gave out tubers for en into the midst of a surging crowd of natives, ment to forty growers in different personal transfer of the midst of a surging crowd of natives, ment to forty growers in different personal transfer of the midst of a surging crowd of natives, ment to forty growers in different personal transfer of the midst of the mids and meet with a horrible death. The skulls France. It appeared that while theare are used to adorn the palace walls, and the yield of tubers in France does not en King's sleeping chamber is paved with the 7,500 kilogrammes (say 147 hundredre heads of his enemies. The skulls of the to the hectare, a hectare being 24 acres conquered kings are converted into royal variety known as the Imperator may, drinking cups.

About one-fourth of the females are said to 40,000 kilogrammes per hectare of the be married to the fetish, many even before, with more than 20 per cent. of dry sta their birth, and the remainder are entirely These figures were quite borne out at the disposal of the king. The most Girard's own experience, his crop of favored are selected as his own wives, or yielding 39,000 kilogrammes of tubers enlisted into the regiments of the Amazons, hectare, with 20.4 per cent. of starch, 6 and then the chief men are liberally sup- to 7,956 kilogrammes of dry starch, and rejust

with its distinctive uniform and badges, and out the country the general result was at they take the post of honor on the flanks of ranging from 32,000 to 44,000 kilogram the battle line. Their number has been per hectare, with a proportion of 20.4 to variously estimated at from 1,000 to 6,000. 2 per cent. of dry starch, the average ! Their weapons are blunderbusses, flint mus- being 36,000 kilogrammes per hectare kets and bows and arrows. They are in part 7,900 kilogrammes of dry starch. recruited in a remarkable manner. If a woman in Dahomey is found to be unfaithful to her husband she is at once sent to military headquarters and enrolled among the Amazons. If she has an acrid temper or fails to bear children, or if her husband wants to get rid of her, he honors himself by presenting her to the King, who, if she has the requisite physical qualifications, turns her over to his army officers to be drilled as an Amazon. The garrison of Aghome, the King's Capi-

tal, is composed almost exclusively of Amazons. A recent visitor to the Capital says there were only thirty male soldiers in the garrison. The Amazons are so trained to fill the peaceful role of ballot girls. One of the big sights of Dahomeyis to ee the Amazons on gala days frantically brandishing their weapons, uttering their warcries and going through their dances before the King.

attack and murder each other, and remain in an uproar until order is restored by the ew sovereign.

Musician—"Beg pardon, sir, but around collecting subscriptions to buy the lage band new instruments. The old one nearly needed."

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PERILS OF THE ATLANT

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would have recovered Alsace and Loraine of this time the bark was hove to would have recovered Alsaco the spilling pitched and strained in a violent was hove to and finally sprang a deand finally sprang a dangerous leak a drop of blood.
"On the day after the battle of Sedan," pumps were manned and were ken says the Marshal, in explanation of his constantly, but the water in the hold says the Marshai, in Capanal Prince Fred steadily. During the night of March in the hold and unique opinions, "the Crown Prince Fred steadily. During the night of March in the hold and unique opinions, "Toronto not receive him leak suddenly increased in the hold and the hold an

> or that they succeeded in reaching the 25,000 in three on their oars and drove the boat in mack followed him direction of the brig. The latter was be bought a home in ing to the northward before a south money wind which blew in puffs. The beat w gain upon the brig until her hull we some of the roma

> muscle in a last struggle to come upto with him. brig. They gained steadily upon her His partner, Lo

# An Able New Potato.

At the last meeting of the Paris Acads certain coditions yield as much as 35,000 is more than the general average weight The Amazons form the flower of the army. tubers themselves in France. They are marshaled into regiments, each three out of forty experimental cases through was an

> A Forcible Illustration. "What do you do when and bore you?" a warm personal friend

to a merchant. "When they stay too long, theon who is very bright and knows just whe interfere, tells me that a gentleman is in counting-house waiting to see me on imp ant business."

"Ha, ha! That's a capital way Just then the boy opened the and sang out,-

"Gent in the countin'-house, sir, to see you on important business.

A Liberal Citizen.

Suburban Resident—" Is it the ments that's the matter with that hand