# A Romantic Thief.

Grasshoppers in China. We find in an exchange the follow-

ng account of the way in which locusts

in China: "The local authoritics,

-that is, grasshoppers-are dealt with

It will be recollected that a young Frenchman was arrested on board the Allan steamer Polynesian, on her arrival at this side recently, and held for extradition on grave charges of whether civil or military, are held resembezzlement in Paris. We find in our European exchanges the following account of his career :---

The facts of a long continued sysonce surround and destroy the locusts, tem of robbery by a confidential emthe expenses of the maintainance of the ployee have just been brought to light men and compensation for the crops in Paris. A certain Teschemacher, trodden down during the chase being a German by birth, has long enjoyed supplied by the Provincial Treasury. the entire confidence of a great Anglo-Should the local authorities succeed in French firm, Messrs. Poisset, of Bradstamping out the locusts within a lim ford and Paris. Though but twentyited time, their services are fayorably eight years old and boyish of appearreported to the Emperor; but should Teschemacher occupied the ance, they fail, and the locusts spread and do position of chief cashier, and was damage, they are liable to be deprived even trusted with authority to sign for the firm. Just before the war, in of their posts, arrested, and handed over to the proper board for punisha public place, he made the acquaintment. A certain sum per bushel is ance of Marguerite Chauvin, a young paid to peasants bringing in unwinged person of some attractions and supelocusts, and half that sum when the rior education. Led for her sake into large expenses, he began to gamble on the turf, with such luck as to win nearly £4,000 in a very short time. basket carriage and other knicknacks the corn-fields, in which a vigorous fire of the sort, and hired a charming lit-is kept up. The best time to capture the house in the Avenue Bourdon—a locusts is when they are feeding at neighborhood very retired. There he dawn of day, when their bodies being sat up a staff of servants, passing un- heavy with dew and their wings wet, der the name of Baron Alphonse. they are unable to jump or fly." If to the state. Speaking English excellently, he the Western States or any parts of to be a wealthy and eccentric milord, the future as they have been of late ject of gossip. Going out early in to be adopted. Under existing circumclothes of the latest fashion, he passed stances the use of men in large num the day at his desk in a coat almost bers is impracticable, and the ingenuity too ancient for respectability, dined of inventors or scientists is our only for a franc and a half, and returned hope. The prospect, it must be conhome late, fashioned and clad as he fessed, is not very cheering, for the vast had set out. His bachelor chamber, modest beyond what his position au- grounds which effectually defy all atthorized, was known to all in the tempts at extermination.-Christian office at 81 Boulevard Magenta. But Union fortune changed. Cards and horses turned against the cashier. He began to falsify his books. But for three years the double life was led without discovery, though the servants of Baron Alphonse are wonderfully suspicious after the fact. A fortnight since came the warning of a catastrophe inevitable, though so long deferred. M. Poissct arrived from Bradford, and proposed to go over the books. Teschemacher saw his game was up, opened the safe, took out  $\pounds 12,000$  in notes, and caught the night mail for London. Having taken care to balance the book, he still left no suspicion behind, until his nonappearance caused alarm. Before the | 1y wasting away in the nightfall of telegraph overtook him, he had taken ship for Quebec on board the Prussian. His companion even was too late to catch him, having delayed too look back, through the vista of time long over her trunks. She came back to Paris, and was arrested with 22,000 francs upon her. Of course the Atlantic cable had been brought inte requisition, and it is to be hoped that when the runaway lands at Quebec he will find certain persons with arms wide open ready to receive him.-

## Witicisms.

What throat is the best for a singer to reach high notes with ?- A soar throat.

It is said that necessity knows no law. This accounts for people mak ing such a virtue of necessity.

"With all thy faults I love the when she was giving him a curtain

#### Miscellaneous Items.

When does a cow become realestate ?--- When turned into a field.

ponsible for the stamping out of these Caraccas, the capital of Venezuela, insects as soon as their appearance has is mentioned as an excellent winter been reported. They are required to resort for those who desire to flee summon a large body of men, and at from Northern climes. The city is about 3,000 feet above the sea, and the atmosphere mild, dry, and bracing. The days are warm, the nights cool and refreshing; and there is good society, also, at Caraceas.

The recent autumnal rose show at made a mistake. "You see, I'll tell Lyons, France, surpassed the most you how it is," explained the old lady. sanguine hopes of its projectors by "Betsey Jane's young and foolish, its brilliancy and by the interest and she's afraid some one will make The appearance of the wheat is a very which it excited. For many years fun of her if she gets married !" His autumnal roses have not been seen in Honor thought it was rather strange, such perfection. A magnificent yel- and went off, feeling about as blue as low seedling tearose, which is to be the lover felt. Wednesday morning called Perle des Jardins, received one John Quincy entered Justice alley of the highest prizes.

The German government has relaxlocusts are able to fly, while compensation is given for crops trodden down in the chase. The locusts are swept with imprisonment. He is no longer un-Thereupon he bought two ponies, a besome into trenches dug at the sides of der police surveillance. The public besome into trenches dug at the sides of der police surveillance. The public the corn-fields, in which a vigorous fire prosecutor has decided to ask the court to conduct the trial of the accused privately, as it will be neces-sary to read official documents, the

The London Standard says there is was supposed, in the Avenue Bourdon, them are to be visited by the locusts in reason to believe that the recent interview between Bismarck and Gortschawhose ruinous expenses were a sub- years, some system of defence will have koff resulted in the removal of their personal difficulties; also in the adoption of a common policy by Russia which the former will speedily recognize the present government of Spain, uninhabited regions afford breeding personal influence.

> Lord Rector of the University of After a while the Justice put in his Glasgow adds another to the roll of voice, telling the girl that it was the

Forty years once seemed a long and were Burke, Adam Smith, Jeffrey, take two minutes to tie the knot. weary pilgrimage to make. In now Brougham, Mackintosh, Peel, Macau- "Come, Betsey Jane !" called the lay, Lytton, Palmerston, and the present Earl Derby. Lord Macaulay's inaugural address, delivered in 1849, girl !" alded the Justice, raising the seems but a step; and yet along the way are broken shrines where a thousand hopes fade to ashes, footsteps was one of the most brilliant oratori-table-spread and extending his hand. sacred under their drifting dust, green mounds where the grass is cal performances of his life.

fresh with the watering of tears. We will garner the sunshine of these years, and with chastened steps and hope press on toward the twilight where the waters are still and the storms never beat.

Rare Sentiments.

When the summer of youth is slow age, and the shadows of the past years grow deeper and deeper, and life wears to its close, it is pleasant to upon the sorrows and felicities of our earliest years. If we have a home to shelter and a heart to rejoice with us, and firesides, then the rough places of our wayfaring will have worn away in the twilight of life, while the sunny spots we have passed through will grow brighter and more beautiful. Happy indeed, are they whose intercourse with the world has not changed the tone of their holier feeling, or broken the musical chords of

the heart, whose vibrations are so melodious, so tender and touching in the evening of old age.

# Veteran Jokers.

sit."

The Duke of Wellington and Lord Brougham were utterly unlike in say sharp things to each other, hough with perfect courtesy and

# John Quincy Smith's True Love

Monday afternoon a young man

Alps, recently.

again to tell Mr. Potter that he could

come up to the house that evening, ed the rigor of Count Von Arnim's and that there wouldn't be any backing out again. "It's dead sure, is it?" view of this a miller's meeting was asked His Honor. "You can bet on held at Waterloo last week, which it," replied John Quincy; "bet a was attended by the majority of the nundred to one." His Honor was on hand again at the appointed hour, and he found the lover and her mother publicity of which would be injurious looking about as sed as before. The girl herself was concealed behind the

loor, and as soon as Potter entered, the mother pulled the door back so as to expose the hider, and exclaimed : Now, then, Judge, look at herlook at the big booby, and see what a fool she is making of herself!" The el. It was also the opinion of the tion of a common policy by Russia and Germany, in consequence of the centre table, and from thence shouted back : "I hain't any more of a fool than you are, and you know Russia's previous refusal to do so it!" "Then why don't you come out having been owing to Gortschakoff's and get married ?" asked the parent.

The election of Mr. Disraeli as fun of?" Equeaked the daughtor. distinguished men who have enjoyed that honor. Among his predecessors live a happy life and that it wouldn't

The Wanzer F Machine that fastens her hands over her face, "go away its own thread, and sews backwards as and leave me here to die! I can't well as forwards, has now become a bear to think of gittin' jined and leav-general favorite. We notice from the ing mother!" They coaxed and by moisture always contained in the various destinations the cases are pleaded and scolded, but Betsy Jane air to a greater or less degree, and marked for that these machines are was firm, and she was still resting which, when there is enough of it, having that wide-spread circulation under the table when his Honor left. will always form on any cold body they so richly merit. We are not sur- John Quincy put on his hat and exposed to the moist air, in precisely

ous to exchange for the Wanzer F. ed there wouldn't be any marrying suddenly exposed in the shade to the They run very beautifully and smooth, in that house the young man res-The little noise they do make seems to pouded : "That's what I think, and I wouldn't turn my hand over if I this moisture come out of the bottle add character to the machine.

slap for me."

much given to deductions. The coroner is not his father, but he is a lad who was engaged to mind the office, shake up the coal stove and answer inquiries. nizance. This roused the anger of He is a good boy, and he has learned the owner of the dog, who remarked that "the Jestis as can't appreciate to sympathize with reporters. When a animal what's whipped everything there has been an inquest the boy puts wuth whippin' on the coast aint fit to on a cheerful look, and has the whole case so that he can rattle it off from be-

A writer from Berlin thus describes ginning to end. a German military bow: "Imagine still," as the man said to his wife temperament and tastes, and used to an oak plank six feet in height, with porter. "They found the old man a hinge in the middle, draw itself up hanging to a beam in the woodshed, to a perpendicular, and with a quick stiff and cold. Splendid chance for gested the radiation of obscure heat, movement snap the hinge so that the you to say that his wide-open eyes upper part suddenly springs forward | seemed to glare down upon the coroner, and back again, and you will have and that he had one arm stretched out, some idea of the gracefulness of the as if to shake hands with the grim executed movement, and of the shock monster death. You can say that the one has at first, when he fears that body swayed to and fro in the night the performer has been seized with a breeze blowing in through a broken sudden cramp that is about to get the pane, and that an owl sat on a beam better of him at the very moment he over the corpse and uttered his mournis being introduced, and you wish to ful hoo-hoo! play the agreeable.' And then he rubs his hands, his Mr. Moncure D. Conway, in a late smile grows broader, and he continues : letter from London to the Cincinnati "Business has begun to pick up, and Enquirer, says that one of the reports there may be an inquest every day for current as to the object of the visit of a week. Hope so, for I like to see the Prince of Wales to France is in msiness moving and money coming in. reference to a project set on foot by I'm looking every day for a case of the Bonapartists for a marriage bemurder—throat cut from ear to eartween the Princess Beatrice and the blood stains on the wall-blood-stain-

# Red Chaff Spring Wheat.

Millers are beginning to see the named John Quincy Smith, who necessity and advantage to them-Eleven persons perished in the works in a carriage factory, called selves and the country of holding snow on the Great St. Bernard, in the upon Justice Potter and asked His meetings from time to time to dis-Honor to appear at a certain house on cuss the qualities of the different Macomb street at a certain hour that kinds of wheat grown in the counevening and weld two fond hearts to try and how to grind them to the gether. "The Court" said he'd be best advantage so as to make the best on time, and he was, but he found the profits to themselves and thereby enlover looking disconsolate, and the able them to give the highest prices bride's mother flushed and annoyed. to farmers. A few years ago a wheat "Isn't this the place where I was to known as red chaff spring wheat was come to unite two sympathetic souls ?" | introduced into this country, which inquired Mr. Potter in an anxious was found to yield better to the acre voice, thinking that he might have than the old fife wheat, and in consequence of this it was sown to a very large extent in this country, and is

now brought to the market for sale fair sample and was bought by mil lers at the same price as fife wheat. It was however soon discovered that it did not yield near as much flour nor of as good a quality as the fife spring wheat, through which some millers who had bought considerable of it had sustained heavy losses. In millers in the County, to get their opinions as to the real value of the

red chaff wheat compared with the old fife wheat and to establish a fixed difference in the prices. After a short time spent in talking about milling business in general, and the experience each has had in grinding the red chaff wheat, it was decided to make a difference of five cents a bush-

meeting that a greater difference should be made in the price of clean and unclean wheat, that the dirty and inferior wheat is always paid too high in proportion to the better and cleaner samples of wheat. As no rule could be framed for each buyer to follow, it was agreed that each one must exercise his own judgment and all try and make more difference. The meeting had the effect of causing a friendly feeling and a better acquaintance among the milling brotherhood and a desire to hold similar meetings in the future.

Causes of Dew.

# If dew fell it would fail for the

same reasons that rain falls; but dew

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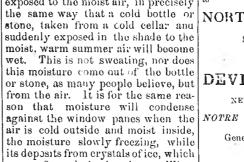
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us a cent's worth, and the holiday sea-

son is no better than any other season.

I wish we had a case for you, and if

anything turns up I'll come down my-

self and give you the points. There's

lots of folks who might as well commit

snicide as not, but they don't seem to

care whether the coroner has one case

a month or not at all. Be patient and

we'll try and turn up something to

Who could help but contract a re-

Desertion in the British Army.

Last year 743 soldiers were senten-

eed for desertion from the British

army. Some of the reasons given for

desertion by the men are curious.

Fifty-seven were annoyed by com-

verence for such a boy ?

ad, and he says to the reporter :

" A wful sad case," he says to the re-

"Oh, go away I" she sobbed, with

prised to learn that many ladies having walked down the street a piece, and the same way that a cold bottle or American makes of machines are anxi- when Potter remarked that he guess- stone, taken from a cold cellar and

# The Coroner's Boy. He is a boy of deep thought, and is

A California Justice was asked to fix the bail in the case of a thief. He wanted to know the value of the property, and the complainant said five hundred dollars. So the bail was put at two thousand. The court afterward learned that the property consisted of a bull dog, whereat he released the prisoner on his own recog-

knew that a buzz-saw was a coming or stone, as many people believe, but

A gentleman who has a scolding wife, in answer to an inquiry after her health, said she was pretty well, only subject at times to a " breaking out in the mouth."

A physician once defended himself from raillery by saying, "I defy any person whom I ever attended to ac cuse me of ignorance or neglect." "That you may do safely," replied an auditor. "for you know, doctor, dead men tell no tales."

The following is a specimen of Hi-did wroite me how it happened an ei yere aloive thin cum out here immadiately or sooner. Im farmin 80 acres o' land an have 2 cows and a horse givin milk. Yer own bruther,

PAT HOULAHAN."

A stranger from the country observing an ordinary ruller rule on the table, took it up, and inquiring its use, was answered that it was a ruler for "counting-houses." Too well bred. as he construed politeness, to ask unnecessary questions, he turned it over and over and up and down repeatedly, and at last in a paroxysm of baffled curiosity inquired, "How in the name of wonder, do you count houses with this ?"

### An Audacious Quack.

One of the most audacious quacks that Great Britain ever produced was knew almost absolutely nothing of the Peel, who was suffering from temporary deafness. He went provided with vanced to a nearly fatal termination, ly and another that made as much noise instance. as a clock. Peel began to question him as to his mode of treatment, but Curtis, giving him a dig with a syringe, told him that if he didn't hold his tongue some injury would befall him. The quack at first applied the weakticking watch to Sir Robert's ear, and of course he couldn't hear anything; bent, imperishable, easily cleaned, read-but after working for some time he ily repaired if damaged by accident, used the other one, and Peel could hear and, unlike paper and paint, would the Zoological Gardens. He scrawls perfectly well! It was a marvelous always be as good as it first. Glass can and blots on a piece of paper for five and did not return; 43 were tired of PRICE, - - \$5.00 cure 1

good nature. Here is a specimen of Lord Brougham, who invented the vehicle now known by his name, was met in the House of Lords by the

Duke of Wellington, who, accosting him with a low bew, said :

"I have always been under the mpression that your lordship would go down to posterity as the great apostle of education, the emancipator of the negro, the restorer of abused charities, the reformer of the law. But no-you will hereafter be known only as the inventor of a carriage." To this Broughan replied by which he had imagined the Duke would be

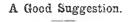
remembered, adding-"But no-your Grace will be Prince Imperial, and that Wales has known as the inventor of a pair of poots.

The duke was defeated and made a strong remark about having forgotten current in London that her Majesty the boots.

Cure for Diptheria.

The ravages of diptheria in Ausralia have been so extensive within the last few years that the govern ment offered a large reward for any certain method of cure, and among other responses to this was one by

bler of water to be administered to a sor Palace waiting the convenience John Harrison Curtis, "aurist." He grown person, and a smaller dose to of the Quoen. To pass the time, he children, at intervals not specified. seized a pen and dashed off two profession that he adopted, but he got The result is said to be a coagulation sketches of little dogs. And what something of a reputation, and was of the dipthertic membrane and its little dogs! Not only as little as life, once summoned to attend Sir Robert ready removal by coughing. It is but full of quietracy humor. One of stated that where the case has not ad- them seated on his haunches, had a two watches, one that ticked very weak | the patient recovers in almost every | a card inscribed with the name 'E.



A writer in the London Builder suggests that thick glass might be easily and cheaply cemented to the walls of

hospitals, etc. It would be non-absorbent, imperishable, easily cleaned, read- him to give her some idea of the hip-

be cut or bent to conform to any re- or ten minutes, and hands to the the army; 18 deserted on account of quired shape. If desired, the plates Queen what he has produced. There A Milwaukce woman's bonnet costs, may be colored to any cheerful tint. are no fewer than four vividly charupon an average, about \$15, but she | The non-absorbent quality is the most | acteristic sketch portraits of the creahas the bill made out for \$30 or \$40, in important for hospitals and prisons, ture, swimming in its bath, standing order to show it to the woman next and, we should think, is worthy the knee-deep in water, or lying becalm-door. In the woman next and, we should think, is worthy the consideration of architects. In the woman next and, we should think is worthy the door.

ed knife on the flocr-marks of a fear gone to see what the P. I.'s chances ful struggle-desperate villain, and so are for the throne. It may also be mentioned as one of the bits of chat forth-It you don't happen to be around I'll send a boy down."

recently offered the hand of her daughter to the son of a very wealthy duke, and that it was politely-declined ! The proud family, it is declared, were

unwilling to see their son, for whom they anticipate a "career," shelved, even on a shelf of purple and gold, after the manner of one who has, in Western vernacular, "been thar."

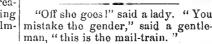
Landseer possessed the gift of mak-Mr. Greathead, who at first kept his ing off-hand sketches with marvelous method a secret, but afterwards com- skill and rapidity. The British Quarmunicated it freely to the public. It terly mentions the following inciis simply the use of sulphuric acid, of dents : "Once Landseer was kept for which four drops are diluted in a tum- a few minutes at some door in Windsuppliant look, and holds in his mouth

Landseer.' The other looks to the door, listening eagerly for some footstep to assure him that he has not

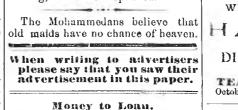
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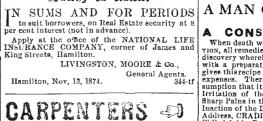
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