And the low chant, "out of mourning,"

Heralds fresh'ning spring:
'Neath the rugged March wind's warning
Gleams her emerald ring;
Silver crown with sapphire eyelets,
Cestus rich with pearls;
April's feet, dew-washed, the violets
Wipe upon their curls.

Out of mourning! From their weaving,
Bisters of the cloud,
O'er bald deserts, wild storms cleaving,
Bring the rainbow's shroud—
Violet, deep blue, azure, golden,
Orange, burning red—
Shroud that light and life have holden
For the darkness, dead.

Out of mourning! Life-long vernal Love's "blue flower" gleams On the border of th' eternal Garment "without seams;"
And forever "out of mourning "
Sackeloth, ashes, earth,
Drop at threshold of the dawning,
And celestial birth.

My soul is sad to-day, I know not why;
Against my will, the brown leaves swirling
round Carry my eyes down with them to the ground; I cannot see the blue, unclouded sky.

Against my will, before my vision waves The hazy drapery of the golden air, In semblance of such veils as mourners wear Going with measured pace about new graves

Sad cadences in mighty billows surge Around me like the billows of a sea Of melody; but still the melody Taketh the solemn beauty of a dirge.

I call on memory, and would fain go back
With her to the glad scason of my youth:
But stumbling progress do we make, in sooth
Because of graves that lie across the track.

Wall, it is well if sometimes we be led To sit in spirit by some grassy mound,
Or strew some tender thoughts, for flowers The quiet resting-places of our dead.

If I, in truth, might lay my tired head Down softly on the grave I love the best, As if it were upon my mother's breast, I know my sad senl would be comforted.

What is Love?

(Translated from the German by S. Gale.) Of thy deep feelings, oh! my heart!
I fain would question thee.
Know'st thou this secret? What is love?
Ah! then reveal it me.
"It is two souls fast united,
Bound by a magic spell—
It is two hearts only beating
Each thought, each wish to tell."

Then when is love the purest? Say, is that moment known?
"Yes when it quite forgets itself,
And loves for love alone!" Canst tell whon 'tis the deepest?
Is't when both hearts are glad?
"No; when they're still and silent,
And others think them sad."

Once more—when is't the richest?
When on bright hopes it lives?
"No; when it offers everything—
"Its richest when it gives!"
When does it fade?—for all things fade!
When the smell is spant and good? When does it fade?—for all things fade!
When the spell is snapt and gone?
"Never, indeed! though hearts may break,
Love fades not—but loves on!"

FAST LONDON LADIES.

Habits of the Princess of Wales Princess Louise.

(London Correspondent 'Frisco Argonaut.) A fast woman in England is a totally different creature from her sister in What is understood by the word in England when it is employed to a woman is an independent manner and self-posses-sion not only beyond the bounds of affected prudery and straight-lacedness (as some claim), but give her a mannish style in all she says and does, of which horseishness and slang are the usual accompaniments. It does not follow, nor is it necessary, that she should be a flirt (though, of course, she may be, being a woman), for her fastness, as such, does not lie in the direction of affection for the opposite sex. On the contrary, should there be any love exhibited by her one would expect it to be for another woman, instead of a man. In short, though she may be rough and loud, and do things that shock one by their lack of feminine softness and refinement, she is never immoral—that is to say, so far as her fastness is concerned. At all events, if she is, we should not describe her chastity by the term forward, masculine woman is, I take it, as distasteful to all men as must a bashful and effeminate man be to a woman. My object only is to point out the distinction that exists in both countries as to the meaning and application of the term

Without these few remarks, as an explanatory preface, it would not be believed when I say that in her own quiet way the Princess of Wales is fast. That is to say, she has a good time of her own, and pieks but all the good lacking faller. out all the good looking fellows to dance with at a ball. Of course, I know she is very dignified and cold, and all that sort of thing-in public. She can't well be otherwith the eyes of Europe upon her. But in private, when staying at a country house with a jolly party, it is safe to say she is as larky as the rest of them. There is another thing, too, that people seem to forget when they hold her up as such an icy paragon: and that is that she weers her gowns as decollete as an opera bouffe actress. I know she set her face against the sleeveless garments, and why? Noone would wait long enough for an answer who saw her arms. The Princess Louise is decidedly tast. She talks unblushingly with men on subjects which are usually supposed to come exclusively within the masculine province of discussion, and can appreciate the point of a joke whose re-cital would have delighted Dean Swift, or would make some other women's hair stand on ends. She has a jolly, hearty laugh.

Why do Women Laugh

A divorce case in which an elderly foreigner sought to tear himself away from a young and pretty wife, who had proved to be more of a torment than a blessing, calls above question. He wanted to be forever rid of her because she laughed at him. Her "silvery peals" of "ringing laughter" made life a burden to him, until he finally told her to "glear owut," and went straightway and filed a petition for a divorce. She beamed with smiles in the court-room, and when the judge asked her why she laughed at her husband in open court she laughed and said: "I like to laugh; I was born to be merry," and laughed again. Are all women "born that way?" asks the Boston (I) and the court in the ton Globe. They certainly laugh a great deal more than men do. It was a mistake to call them "the sad sisterhood." They are the laughing sex. Notice them in conversation either with their own or the other sex. Their faces are invariably wreathed with smiles, and they laugh incessantly. Is it habit, or is it the result of a more highly organized nervous system-what superior scientists contemptuously call an "hysterical organization"—or is it the woman's inborn desire to please finding expression by seeming interested and amused, or is it that a woman really is more easily amused than a man? Perhaps it is a combination of all four. At any rate, it forms as distinctive a line between the sexes as any of the common peculiarities which are supposed to characterize one sex or the other.

Horses hard at work need water much more frequently than the morning, noon, or night plan. If not allowed to drink between morning and noon they become extremely thirsty, and will overload their stomach with water, so that their food will not

CURRENT TOPICS.

An unpublished letter from Blucher, written immediately after Waterloo, comes to light in Berlin. The marshal writes: "My child, the finest battle has been fought, the most glorious victory gained. Details will follow. I think the Bonaparte affair is now again about finished. La Belle Alliance, the 19th early. I can write no more, for I tremble in all The exertion was too great."

In a long communication to the French Academy of Sciences, M. Paul Bert, a high authority, testifies to the excellence of 8 grammes of chloroform vaporized in 100 litres of air as an ansesthetic. His experiments were made on human beings of both sexes from 17 months upwards. The mixture is not disagreeable. Some rather like it. Insensibility resulted in 6 or 8 minutes, and in one case was maintained 14 hours. There was no nausea.

In a letter dealing with Land Law Reform, Mr. John Bright expresses the belief that opinion has so far advanced on this question that the British Parliament will before long consent to changes which a few years ago men thought almost impossible. He feels satisfied that in the main the owners of the soil will profit by those changes not less than other classes of our population. "Some," he adds, "may be timid, some may doubt, but future years will prove the wisdom of the changes we have suggested, and which cannot now be

FROM a recent decision of the German Reichsgericht it appears that snuff is to be considered an article of food. A taker of snuff discovered that his nose was colored blue by the use of a certain article, and chemical examination proved that the tobacco had been colored with ultramarine. Testimony was brought forward to show that this was in accordance with longestablished usage, but the judge regarded the manipulation as an adulteration and imposed a fine upon the manufacturer under the law prohibiting the adulteration

LESSEPS, the Suez and Panama Canal proprietor, has a running account with sleep, taking twenty-four hours at a timeand at another none for five or six nights. In travelling he gets into the first compartment at hand, and sits anywhere; if he finds an agreeable companion he talks, if not he folds his arms and goes to sleep, never waking until he reacnes his destina-When he went down the other day to Chesnay, near Bordeaux, he requested the guard to wake him lest he should go beyond. On a voyage from Marseilles to Alexandria he slept 107 hours out of the 130 of the voyage, and then not for some

An English judge, the late Mr. Justice Byles, always took his notes of evidence in shorthand, and he was therefore enabled to get through cases with most exceptional rapidity. At Bristol Assizes, a few years before his retirement, he was once quite floored by his own hieroglyphics and after a delay of some minutes he turned for aid to the reporters' box. "Can you gentlemen kindly assist me with a word here? I have not put in the vowels, and what I have got in my book looks as if the witness had said: 'Go and call the baby.'" The witness had been referring to a policeman, which the judge had rendered "bobby."

In 1842 there stood, and there is every reason to believe, still stands, at Vostiza, on the Gulf of Depanto, Greece, an Oriental plane tree, whose girth was, in 1842, at five feet from the ground, 37 feet. This tree, situated in the middle of the village, on a gradual slope, standing on a raised platform of flat stones, evidently for protection to the roots, is a striking object on entering the village, and especially noteworthy as existing in the days of Pausanias, the Greek historian, who, living in the second century, makes mention of it in his travels; and the tree must have been of considerable size and age at that time to have made it worthy of remark, its age, probably dating considerably before the Christian era, making it more than 2,000 years old. It was in full vigor in 1842. The villagers hold it in high respect.

FROM a rough draft of Prince Bismarck's Bill for insuring men against accidents and death, it appears that all the various employers will be required to establish insurance companies, and to pay the whole of the premiums on the lives and limbs of their workmen, in proportion to the wages earned by the latter, and to the danger tariff. Thus one element in the previous Bill, which formed such a bone of contention, had been dropped—namely, part payment by the State of the accident assurance premiums, with which the labor givers pitalists are now to be exclusively Should, however, any of the ourdened. companies (Genossenschaften) prove un-equal to their liabilities they may be aided, or even taken over by the State.

TECHNICAL newspapers in Germany have for some time been discussing the relative value of clover grown in this country. The opinion lately expressed by a farmer in an agricultural association in Elbing, East Prussia, on the subject will be of interest. Herr Schwann said that he had used American cloverseed for more than ten ears, and never noticed that it suffered in winter: that he had previously used German clover, which suffered considerably, and once the crop entirely failed. He has too noticed that, though American cloves has a thinner stem, it grows fuller and yields more. So, notwithstanding he cautions of the papers, he intended to continue sowing American clover. He considered the Canadian the best, and recommended applicants to be careful to procure fresh seed.

THE words "sewerage" and "sewage" are so often confounded that even our best dictionaries have been compelled to give each of them the same pair of meanings Yet it was just to avoid the embarrassment and make a useful distinction that they were invented. They were coined by Mr. James Pilbrow, an eminent English civil engineer, and were first used by him in a report in 1850. They soon came into general use, but as they were not then in any distionary, he was on one occasion summoned before the Lord Chancellor of England to state their exact meaning. He then explained "sewerage" as meaning 'the complete system of sewer-pipes and drains of any city or district," and "sewage" as denoting "the refuse which passes through such pipes or the soil." This dis-tinction is plain and should always be observed.

THE absurdity of the existing English marriage law is well illustrated, says the Pall Mall Gazette, by a piece of persecution about which a question was asked in the House of Commons a few days ago. A parishioner at Epping and his wife were refused the Holy Communion by the vicar on the ground that the woman was the man's deceased wife's sister. The hus-band was 82 years old, and the wife 77, and they had been married 50 years; but Dr. Claughton, the Bishop of the diocese, apparently held that they both came within the definition of "notorious evil livers," and sustained the vicar in his action. The Attorney-General, however, has now appearance.

pointed out that the marriage, having been ontracted before Lord Lyndhurst's Act. is

vised by the Bishop that the two parishioners "cannot legally be repelled from the Holy Communion." "Had this view of the law been present to my mind," adds Dr. Claughtonin a letter to the parishioners, "I should have been spared the pain—no less to myself than to yourselves—of ordering the said repulse.'

No FAMILY in Britain probably has such strong reasons for desiring the accession of the Tory party to power as that of the Duke of Abercorn, whose sons are the bitterest personal assailants of members of the present Government. The Duke is a poor man for his position, and the action of the Land Commission has by no means raised his income, which is chiefly derived from Iroaddition to domestic expenses four have incurred those of elections. The eldest receives a salary as a lord in waiting to the Prince of Wales, the second ekes out his income by being Vice Chairman of a rail-road and Director of about a dozen companies. The ablest, Lord George Hamilton, married a lady with some \$5,000 a year, which his brothers did not. It may easily be imagined that to men so situated exclu sion from office year after year is a serious mortification. The Duke has now to find money to pay the election bills of his son who has just been defeated at Paisley.

TITLES OF POPULAR NOVELS. The Way in Which the Authors Came to

Elit Upon Them. Shortly after marrying his first wife he stole stealthily across the kitchen floor in his stocking feet he thought to himself that the best half of a cold fried chicken would be about as acceptable a nightcap as he could wear to bed. But when he man, "this blawsted cupboard presents as brighter. blank an aspect as the rest of the establishment. It's a demnition bleak house;" and Mr. C. Dickens was so struck with the happy significance of his last remark that he immediately forgot his hunger, and, rushing up stairs to his study, wrote on the title-page of his last half-completed novel: "Bleak House, by Charles Dickens."

A noted Frenchman of an alleged cientific turn of mind ran away to sea in his early youth. Failing to gain either fame or fortune in the sea-faring business, he became despondent, and finally, resolving to learn what the next world held in store for him, plunged one day from the mast-head into the sea. Several seconds before he came to the surface he had come to the conclusion that he was hardly prepared to die, and wondered how many ship, the water pumped out of him, and lived long enough to embody his submar-Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the

Messrs. Gilbert & Sullivan had always belonged to that despised class of human time. At last, to save their shirt-fronts from utter ruin, both these gentlemen were compelled to resort to an arrangement usually applied to very young children under similar circumstances. And "Pinafore" was the name they naturally chose for the opera they subsequently produced in commemoration of that remarkable

voyage. "Put Yourself in His Place" is a title which is supposed to have suggested itself to Charles Reade on observing the hopelessly henpecked condition of the unfortunate man who married his former sweet-

heart. "All that glitters is not gold," moaned a certain song writer when he discovered too late that the coins he had received in late that the coins he nau received a change for a crisp new greenback were counterfeit. He immediately set to work and wrote a song about it.

One night Wilkie Collins awoke suddenly the bridal dress of her Princess Victoria, of Hesse.

out of a deep sleep, oppressed with a sense of horror for which he could not account, but which almost deprived him of the power to move or breathe. After several which seemed to him superhuman efforts he managed to raise himself up on one elbow, but fell quickly back with a smothered shrick, and covered his eyes to shut out the unnatural shape which stalked mysteriously about in the moonlight of the room. The familiar voice of Mrs. Wilkie telling him that the baby had the colic, and the pare-goric was out, brought him to Before Mr. Collins had returned from the drug store he had already blocked out that thrilling story, "The Woman in White."

How Pashions Change. A lady of prominence in society on a larger low of gold-control like sewed almost start as a fashion any freak that round the centre, which is studded with may occur to her. If it is in dress it will puss. The whole is the size of a large real be surely copied. Women, as a rule, are like so many sheep and must be led. Mrs. Ogden Goelet was the first lady to wear a jewelled pin at the back of her bodice, where the lacing meets at the top. The pin was handsome and contained some very precious stones; it was first seen in its new position at one of the Delmonico balls this winter. At the next ball two or three ladies appeared with handsome pins attached to this part of the dress, and it was only a few weeks later that the number of ladies who were valuable pins on this peculiar spot had considerably increased. And so it is with almost everything that appertains to dress .- N. Y. Mail and Ex-

Other People. From the lowest to the highest all of us in our way spend money, and dress and eat and drink, and generally order our lives, on a scale we should not think of adopting, if it were not for "other people." The great bulk of our money troubles, and nearly all the cheating and lying and nearly all the cheating and lying and wickedness in the world connected with money, which has been described as the troot of all evil" may be traced to the money, which has been described as the core of all evil," may be traced to the series of standing well in the estimation of "other people," of being the core of t estimation of "other people, of being thought richer than we are, and of being composite corvette, of 1,420 tons, with credited with the possession of property or engines of 950 horse power; three credited with the possession of property or resources which do not, as a matter of twin screw steel armor-plated barbette fact, belong to us.

A WEASEL'S SINGULAR FATE.—A Biddeford a similar vessel, but of less tonnagebeet in the morning, and the animal, in attempting to secure a piece of the meat which adhered to the blade, had singularly met his death.—Boston Journal.

Osman Digna's martial robes consist of a forces made use of captive balloons for sheet and a straw hat. He does not depend upon the set of his clothes for his Dignified ponton trains and other scientific re-

THE LADIES' COLUMN.

Decorations that will Make the

House More Beautiful.

THE LATEST RECIPES.

Bny Window Decoration. A novel decoration is a wheelbarrow, ordinary gardener's size. Fill it with flower-pots containing flowers, hiding the pots with green moss. Round the edges inside fix a wooden trough, and in this and all along plant hanging creepers and lycopodium; also some ivy, and let this latter fall over the wheel. After the flowers are arranged, gild the barrow on the outside It is best to get the dry gilding powder, two packages of bronze and four of the yelland. His daughters have married men low gilt packages, with a liquid that comes who have no need of money with their wives, but he has five sons, three married and with children, all of whom mainly determined the results of the packages, with a liquid that comes for mixing with it. Use a flat camel's hair brush an inch wide. When the gilt is and with children, all of whom mainly determined the results of the packages of bronze and four of the yell-land. His daughters have married for mixing with it. Use a flat camel's hair brush an inch wide. When the gilt is pend upon their father's purse, while in white varnish and it will retain its brightness. Stand on a bright red rug or mat. Arrangement of Curtoins.

A tasteful way to arrange the narrow curtains at each side of a hall door is to make them of muslin or of lace, gather them at the top and bottom, have the muslin full. About midway between the top and bottom tie a ribbon around the muslin, make a pretty bow and let it come next to the glass. Tie the ribbon so close that the muslin will be drawn in at the centre, let the muslin hang loosely and gracefully, not in stiff folds. If there are no other windows in the hall, plenty of light will be admitted by this arrangement. Dotted muslin is preferred to plain. Fancy Basket.

Shallow open basket of wicker-work cov-e lwith a clear ecru-colored satin, tufted. Ine flower pattern is worked on the ground as follows: The centre flower with coral Shortly after marrying his break wite, though a most sweet and charming who, though a most sweet and charming as follows: The centre flower with coral results (see "David Copperfield"), wasn't silk of three shades, in satin stitch, and yery much of a housekeeper, Charles Dickens name home from the lodge one morning in the wee, sma' hours, and as rate point russe and chain stitches with red silk, and the calyx with reseda wool. was unusually hungry even for him, and as he stole stealchily across the kitchen floor overcast stitch. The vine leaves, tendrils and arabesques with, several shades of in satin stitch with crimson silk. scollops at the lower edge are worked with brown crewels. The basket is finished with got there the cupboard was bare.

brown crewels. The basket is finished with From the top shelf to the bottom and from one end to the other of all of them. The edge is decorated with long tassels. there was not to be discovered so much as a made of bright-colored worsteds and silk. pickle. It is said that upon this occasion Charles Dickens uttered his first, last, and only oath. "By gad, sir!" swore the great only oath. "By gad, sir!" swore the great basket can be gilded, and looks much

Original Recipes.

To canvas hams.-When the hams are smoked ready for canvasing roll them in stiff paper. Cut your brown muslin to fit them, and sew it on with a large needle and twine. Then make a starch of flour and vellow ochre, and with a small white wash brush cover them well with it. Hang them up to dry.

Snow-Flake Cake.-Three eggs, one cup and a half sugar, half-cup butter, half-cup milk, half-teaspoonful sods, one teaspoonful cream tartar, two cups flour, whites of two eggs, half-cup of sugar beaten together Bake in jellycake tins, frost each layer and

Delicious Hot Cake for Tea.-Beat two miles it was up to daylight and air. He eggs to a froth, add to them half a cupful was at last discovered, hauled on board the of sugar. Into one cupful of sour cream beat half a teaspoonful of soda dissolved in boiling water. Stir it into the eggs and ine experience in a voluminous lie entitled sugar. Add a pinch of salt and flour enough to make it a thick batter for griddle cakes Bake in "gem pans" or shallow biscuit pans, and serve piping hot.

Pudding made of cracked wheat is very beings to that despised class of human beings known as land-lubbers until a few years ago, when they accomplished a short voyage aboard one of Her Majesty's menorwar. As might be expected, neither of water than the strength of the strengt them proved good sailors, and the weather several times. If you choose to do so you throughout the entire voyage being une san add raisins and cinnamon for flavoring, usually tempestuous, they encountered no little difficulty in keeping anything on their stomachs more than an hour or two at a is rice, both warm and cold.

Domestic and Useful

Never neglect a cold. The attack may not seem severe, but a cold is a cold, and therefore an enemy to be looked after with the greatest watchfulness.

To ensure the cracking of pork being crisp and eating short, just before the pork is done maistea the skin all over with a little butter, dredge it with flour, and place it near the fire to brown.

It may not be known to some housewives hat if flour is kept in a closet with onions or cabbage it will absorb unpleasant odors from them; you may not notice this until the flour is cooked, but then you will. Irish poplin is likely to be once more

fashionable, and her interest in its manufac-ture is again instanced by the action of the Queen, who has selected this material for to serve as a cuirass to protect fair Eurothe bridal dress of her granddaughter. peans from rude men, or was it worn as a To Whiten Linen that has Turned Yel-

ow.—Take a pound of fine white soap, out it up into a gallon of milk, and hang it over the fire in a wash kettle. When the soap has quite melted put in the linen, and boil for half an hour. Now take it out, having already a lather of soap and warm water; wash the linen in it. and then rinse it through two cold waters, with a very little blue in the last.

Pincushions.-Pretty round pincushions can be made in semblance of a sunflower. Make the petals of yellow cloth, each one curled and fastened together like a small paper bag with the top opened and pointed, and arranged around a stuffed circular cushion of brown velvet or velveteen, with A lady of prominence in society can a frayed row of gold-colored silk sewed

Eugland's Necessity.

France is reconstructing her navy; Germany is reorganizing her's; Russia is fast strengthening her's; and Italy is develop-ing a very powerful fleet. All Europe is, in fact, recognizing the necessity of having heavily armored ships, fitted with modern ordnance and carrying trained crews. The British Admiralty are not unconscious of this significant fact, and the constructive programme which is arranged for this financial year will show that Lord Northbrook and his colleagues are also alive to the importance of increased expenditure, rather than retrenchment, in the building of line-of-battle ships. During 1883, four-teen vessels were launched for Her Majesty's navy, twelve vessels were ordered to be con structed and in most cases were commenced. and at the present time there are, in addition to the number just mentioned, seven others on the stocks, which were under construction prior to the commencesorew corvette, built of steel and iron, cased with wood, 2,770 tons and 3,000 ships, each of 9,600 tons and engines of 7,500 horse power, to carry ten guns each gentleman found in his woodshed a dead namely, 7,390 tons, but with engines of weasel with his tongue frozen to an axe greater horse power—namely, 8,000, and a The axe has been used in cutting the morning, and the animal, in atof 5,000 horse power.

> In the attack on Bacninh the French sources.

TOO BEAVY DRESSES.

The Troubles Which Pashion Heaps on the Fair Sex.

The chief particular in which the dress

of our day errs against common sense is the excessive weight that characterizes it,

owing to the quantity of material now used for dresses. "Silk is sold by the acre now, is it not?" asked a gentleman in the days of round crinoline and distended skirts, referring to the quantity needed for a gown, and the satire is applicable now, though even the duodecimo edition of crinoline known as the cripolette is no longer known. The stuff is absorbed in occasion ally incoherent trimmings and too often irrelevant draperies. It needs skill—and skill is too costly to be at the command of any but the wealthy—to produce a cosrately trimmed, and yet be light enough to wear without inconvenience during a brisk walk. It has been within the expe-rience of thousands of Englishwomen during the last few years, to have chosen a fabric, selected the style of making, and decided upon the trimming, with the result of a gown delightful to lock upon, but impossible to wear. Thus arose the demand for woolen materials, combining warmth and lightness, a demand which was promptly responded to, with the occasional result of disgusting old-fashioned shoppers, who test a fabric by its weight, as well as by a peculiarly horrible way of trying to scrape a hole in it with the thumb-nail Minds open to more enlightened impres sions were soon, however, convinced of the value of these viougnas, serges, tweeds, and other cloths; but, unfortunately, they have had the effect of encouraging rather than discouraging, elaborate trim mings. Thus, the fact remains that for the million unduly heavy dresses are the rule. It seems absurd that fourteen or fifteen yards are needed to make a gown for a woman, while about five yards are suffi cient to make a great coat for a man. It is tortunate, in view of this fact, that trained dresses are worn only at dinner and in the form of tea gowns. The added weight and inconvenience of a train, which must be held in the hand, would render a walk a penance instead of a pleasure. It may be hoped that fashion will never reintroduce the long skirt for out-door work. It has nothing to recommend it, even from the point of view of the dressmaker, who has now found it possible to crowd all bearable trimmings upon the limited surface of the short dress. When trains first went out, leaving the feet plainly visible, coquetry brought them more prominently into evidence by the introduction of the high-heeled boot. This, in its turn, has now almost entirely disappeared from the walking gear of the fashionably dressed; and there is even a gleam of hope that high heels may vanish from the ball-room before long; and, with them, their peculiar influence on the dances of the day. The jerky valse, now in so much vogue, would soon be consigned to oblivion, together with the sharp little "tap tap" of the narrow elongated heel of the fashionable shoe; and those who realize that even ball-room dancing might be softly poetic and dreamily graceful would cease to be irritated by the sudden swing and the violent onslaught of couples engaged in the arduous trois temps. Let such as these hope for the abolition of the high-heeled dancing-shoe, even though it be followed by the mournful elegies of those deficient in stature though not in the ambition of preferring a tall partner. London Standard.

WOMAN'S CURROSITY.

What Excited It in Japan-Corsets Not in Favor.

In the country bouse of a ruined daimio, where we obtained lodging and entertain-ment, writes an English lady travelling in Japan, I was a cause of much amusement A number of ladies were invited to meet me at afternoon nice (the name for dinner) They sation their heels around the little table which I used as a chair. My fact were stretched out before me. The hostess with, as I took it, many apologies, began to inspect my boots. As her curiosity was keen, I drew them off. All the ladies pounced upon them, and some of them asked leave to fit them on. Before doing this, they caused bowls of hot water to b fetched, washed their feet carefully and dried them by fanning them, which made the wet evaporate quickly. As they all had children's feet, my boots were awkwardly big and more ridiculous than I can say The ladies next handled my skirt and corsage, and, to oblige them, I took them off. The petticoats had their turn, then my stockings, which they did not laugh at after them my buckled elastic garters, and last my stays. Japanese politeness here broke down. Every one shook and cried with laughter in looking at the stays. One of the ladies had picked up some French at Osaka (a treaty port), and ex-plained to me that the others wished to know whether the stays had been invented penitential garment to expiate sins? said: "No, but to beautify the figure." This answer convulsed them. A staved up woman affected their impressionable and well-educated eyes as something monstrougly ugly and absurd. Japanese dress is beautiful, and so easy. There was yet another question to be answered. There are so far as I know, neither cows nor goats i Japan. Children are not, therefore, weaned until they are nearly big enough to go to school. I had noticed that poor little Miss Mite was an object of general commiseration. I did not know why. The reason came out when my stays were being ex amined. They were a barrier between the mother and the child, which was cut off by them from its lacteal rights. I told them that we delegated the nursing to poor women and cows. I am afraid I was imporfectly translated, for I saw that I was for a moment an object of horror.

Ten Million Car Wheels.

"There are more than 10,000,000 iron car wheels in use on American railroads, said the master mechanic of one of the trunk lines, "and it requires about 525 pounds of pig iron to make one wheel. About 1,250,000 wheels are worn out every year, and the same number of new ones. must be made to take their places. The iron men are called upon for only a small proportion of the 312,500 tons of material required for these new wheels, however for nearly 290,000 tons are supplied by the worn out wheels themselves. Formerly the life of a car wheel was estimated at eight years, but the reduction of the railroads generally to the standard railroads generally to the standard gauge, and the improvements in loading nd unloading facilities, have materially decreased the length of service that a whee may be depended on to perform. The uniformity in gauge keeps cars in more continuous use, while the decrease in time of loading and unloading enables them to be put to more active service even where they are run only on short local routes. These figures do not include the wheels on palace coaches and the better class of passenger coaches. The wheels on that grade rolling stock are now made almost exclusively of paper. They are as serviceable as iron, and combine lightness with strength, a great desideratum where speed and economy in motive power are of paramount importance."

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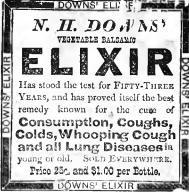
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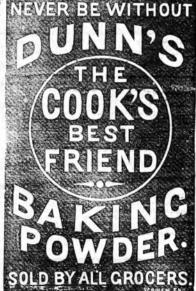
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