#### LATEST FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER.

nteresting Items About Our Own Country, Great Britain, the United States, and All Parts of the Globe, Condensed and Assorted for Easy Reading.

#### CANADA.

Manitoba farmers are shipping large quantities of stock to the Yukon.

The Spring Hill Coal Company, of Nova Scotia will operate the Souris coal-fields, where they have secured tracts of land.

An agent of the Dominion Government is at Copenhagen securing Laplanders and reindeer for the Yukon.

The Marquis of Lorne has accepted the position of Honorary Colonel of the 15th Battalion, Argyle Light Infantry. The Department of Inland Revenue

effected 215 seizures during the past year, a large number being illicit whiskey stills.

Her Majesty's ship Phaeton, and torpedo destroyer Sparrowhawk are at Esquimalt, B.C. There are now seven warships in that harbor.

Owing to the heavy drafts made on the Mounted Police for service in the Yukon, the remaining force find it difficult to attend to the calls made on them.

The City Hall at London, the scene of the recent accident, is being repaired, but there is an agitation in the city for the erection of a new hall farther north.

The investigating governors of the Royal Canadian Humane Association have awarded the silver medal to Albert J. Cummer of Hamilton for saving Miss Amelia Hall from drowning.

Since the beginning of the year thirty-nine families from the United States have taken up their abode in Toronto, being of the opinion that the future of that city is brighter than the outlook in the United States cities.

#### GREAT BRITAIN.

Countess Russell, widow of Lord John Russell, is dead at London.

Great Britain has again declined to reopen the sealing question in answer to a request of the United States.

It is said in London that the Government will ask Parliament to sanction an increase of the army by 15,000 men.

Alarming rumors regarding Mr. Gladstone's health are again current in London, but reports from Cannes state that there is little foundation for them.

The very Rev. Henry George Liddell, the former dean of Christ church, Oxford, is dead. He was born in 1811, and was at one time chaplain to the Prince Consort.

Events in the far east are forcing again into prominence the Pacific cable question. The influential journals al point out the urgent need of an all British cable.

The suit against Lady Sykes in London, by Jay, a money-lender, has failed, the jury finding that the signatures to the notes were forged. This puts her Ladyship in a rather worse position than before.

The knnual commemoration of the death of Prince Helpry of Battenberg took place on Wednesday at Whippingham church, where his remains are resting. The ceremony was attended by Queen Victoria, Princess Henry of Battenberg, Princess Christian, and the Marchioness of Lorne.

# UNITED STATES.

The city clerk's office and post-office at Black, Vermont, have been destroyed by fire.

Eight men were killed and four seriously wounded at Sandy Forks, Ky. in a fight which arose over a game of cards. All were colored.

There is a big strike among the cot-Uton operations at New Bedford, Mass., and other New England towns, over the reduction in wages.

At the annual meeting of the Boston Chamber of Commerce the resolutions favoring reciprocity with Canada were unanimously adopted.

built in 1885, at a cost of \$60,000, was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. It sia to India. The fire is fed five times had a seating capacity of seven thousand.

ex-President Cleveland, at Buzzard's in the village of Oodwada, near Bulsar, Bay, has been visited by burglars, who is visited by Parsees in large numbers ransacked the house from attic to cellar | during the months allotted to the preand made good their escape without siding genius of fire. leaving the slightest clue to their identity.

The proposition now before the New York State Legislature to legalize Sunday theatricals in New York city has theatrical profession, who dislike the idea of losing their one day of rest. They will ask the clergy to assist them in a crusade against the proposal.

# GENERAL.

Yellow fever has disappeared from

Jamaica. Disastrous floods are reported from Perpiginan, on the Spanish frontier of France.

three wounded during vespers in a Catholic church, at Corfu, Island of thus receive. Corfu, Greece.

Messrs. Hickie and Prunty, who escaped the massacre of the British survey party which was attacked by natives at Mekran, on January 12, have reached Ormara, on the Arabian Sea.

There was a severe earthquake shock on Monday at Argenta, Italy, eighteen miles south-east of Ferrara. A church and several buildings were wrecked, and some persons were injured.

During the past week the deaths from the bubonic plague at Bombay of it isn't fitted up with footnumbered 851. From all causes lights.

there were 1,540 deaths. The exodus is increasing, and business is stag-

Considerable surprise has been caused at Berlin, by a despatch, from St. Petersburg, to the Cologne Gazette announcing that Russia has formed a new army corps on the German and Austrian frontiers at Vilna and Kieff.

#### MR. GENTLEBY CHACRINED.

le Realizes in His Own Experience Some thing That He Had Often Read About in Books.

money for a purpose that to me seemed a luxury we could not afford and

ed by Mrs. Gentleby's continuous dis- old building kept the ice nearly as cussion and by my own desire to please well as the new, and I mention it to

"' Well,' said Mrs. Gentleby, 'I think they ought to put you up on that pole!' and she pointed to a flagpole on a buildwhich there was once a weather vane, which we often consulted, but which has now been removed.

years! I had read in novels, and everywhere else, about how women like strong men, that above all other qualities they admire courage, and that ed it until now. But I realized it now with a vengeance. By this one act of down from my pedestal.

"Hereafter when I kick I kick to the

#### AN IDEA FROM BELGIUM.

#### Rallway Hospital Car to Carry Wounded to the Nearest City.

railway accident occurs the car may may be picked up and carried to the nearest large city for treatment, inof surgeons.

Again, the car can be used to transport large companies of invalids from place to place at certain seasons of the year. The interior of the car is dividat the end.

to hold all objects required.

there is even a small chapel for religious worship.

carry invalids from Belgium to the miraculous cure at Lourdes, France

# THE SACRED FIRES OF INDIA.

The sacred fires of India have not all been extinguished. The most ancient which still exists was consecrated twelve centuries ago, in commem-The Cleveland Music Hall, which was oration of the voyage made by the Parsees when they emigrated from Perevery twenty-four hours with sandal wool and other fragrant materials, com-"Gray Gables," the summer home of bined with very dry fuel. This fire,

# TREE IRREGULARITY.

A naturalist pointed out the reason for trees growing in their irregular gale is blowing the branches will be seen to sway in all directions, and their movements tend to balance the tree. Were they to sway in the same direction the tree would be uprooted or broken off.

# THE LAZIEST PEOPLE.

earth. Nature gives them enough to One Catholic priest was shot and eat without any considerable labor, and they seem contented with what they

# FROZEN BUTTERFLIES.

Mountain climbers frequently find butterflies frozen on, the snow and so brittle that they break unless careterflies recover and fly away.

# SIDE LIGHTS.

A wise woman never looks a bargain gift book on the price mark.

THE FARMERS' ICE CROP.

Perhaps there is no building the cost of which can be so well adapted to the scratching sheds where a quart of mixfarmer's means as the ice house. For ed grains had been spaded in. a few dollars invested in cheap lumber, says a writer, and two or three days' work, he can have an ice house that a length of poultry netting, also cabwill answer his purpose nearly as well bages suspended, were other diversions. as a more expensive one, or he can hire a carpenter to build the house, use good els wheat, two bushels corn, one-half virtues of English character. material, paint and shingle it at a cost | bushel buckwheat, one-half bushel oats, "When there arose in the household of from \$50 to \$100; but one will keep cost over one cent per pound. Somea question as to the expenditure of ice about as well as the other. The first ice house I built was a cheap one. clover chaff, one barrel of waste beets or America, or anywhere. The power It was twelve should not indulge in," said Mr. Gen- feet, I think, but large enough for our cabbage, table scraps that were not tleby, "I opposed it vigorously. I am purpose. A few old boards I had on not so sure but what some of my vigor hand, some two by four scantling for arose from the fact that the money to the frame, and a few nails were all the be spent would come out of my own material used, and a day's work for mypocket; but I was right about it, any- self and hired man, built it. The sawway. It would have been an unwise dust was obtained at a sawmill near and unreasonable expenditure for us by, and the ice from the mill-pond, costto make, and I knew it, and I resisted ing nothing except our own work. For it to the extent of refusing to make it. several years we were supplied with ice "And then I made a great mistake. with little or no outlay in cash. The After I had got it all settled for good old ice house was not very ornamental reasons, and finally and distinctly had to the place, and we tore it down and refused to spend the money, then, mov- erected a more costly building; but the her, I said all right, we'd spend the show the small cost for which ice may b eput up so that no farmer who has the time to attend to it need be wihout ice. Five to ten two-horse loads of than for more land. ing within sight of our domicile, upon ice are generally sufficient for both loads of sawdust will pack it. If any | ed. "Well! I haven't been so shocked in one wishes to invest about \$50 in an holds about twenty tons-it can be built ness, cleanliness and uniformity. as follows: Use two by six studding they glorify the resolute and despise and cut them about ten feet long. On the vacillating, but I had never realiz- the outside use good, planed siding and paint it. The inside of the studding weakness, prompted by kindness can be boarded up with rough, cheap to avoid "carrying empty." They though it was, I had knocked myself lumber. When boarding up fill in the make their profit by hauling good loads well tamped down. On a building of "hauling empty." this kind I would shingle the roof and stone. A location should be chosen with very fickle about soil. In Belgium they have what is known good drainage to carry off the water as the hospital car, and when a serious from the melting ice, for the water should not settle and stand under the be run to the spot, where the wounded building. When filling the house with ice, flax straw is about the best material to put in the bottom, but only a few stead of waiting hours for the arrival farmers will have it and most must use other straw or sawdust. Sawdust alone on the bottom does not make a complete drainage; so it is a good plan first to put some coarser material on the bottom and spread a few inches of sawdust over it. Large blocks of ice ed into a main compartment, a corri- squarely cut, of uniform size, pack and dor on one side and two small rooms keep the best, and there will be less waste from melting, if ice can be ob-The hospital proper is in the larger tained from fifteen to twenty inches compartment; it contains twenty-four | thick. After putting in a layer, go ovisolated beds of steel tubes hung from er it and fill in the crevices with broken powerful springs. Each patient lies in ice, then level the surface with an adz front of two little windows which may before putting in the next layer. Leave be opened or closed at will. Each bed a space of a foot or more around the is provided with a little movable table outside of the ice to be filled in with On the outside of the hospital cham- eighteen inches of sawdust. Close the ter time to apply manure than when which there is a huge cupboard used should not keep well. If several farmfor drugs, surgical instruments and a ers in a neighborhood will combine in strength of the manure is not carried folding bed. Various trap doors in the purchasing an ice plow, the cost to each floor open into receptacles for ice, a would be but small, and with it the provision cellar, etc. Arrangements are labor ofd cutting the ice is much less. made for an operating chamber and With suitable ice tongs the ice is quickly loaded from a chute laid from the pond to the loading place. I like to The car will be used principally to draw the ice on sleighs, and with a man to help me load and pack the ice; a day's work will put in all that I need, and then half a day's work puts in the sawdust. There are many luxuries and conveniences possible to the farmer with a supply of ice for family use. During the hot weather none can make ice cream as cheaply as the farmer, for he has all the materials, if he has ice and an inexpensive freezer. A refrigerator placed in the pantry is a great convenience for the housekeeper for preserving meat, fruit, etc., in summer. Passing over many other uses for ice, I will only say that one accustomed to having a supply of ice does not want to do without it.

# HOW TO GET EGGS IN WINTER.

This is always an interesting subject much easier to write about than to bring about. Our experience leads us to beshapes. Their irregularity serves a lieve that nothing but warm quarters, evoked a storm of protests from the most important purpose. When a variety of feed, plenty of meat and many pullets will bring many winter eggs. W. T. Wittman gives this advice: To start with the house was built for comfort, cost about \$1.50 per runcatch every bit of winter sunshine. The natives of the Sandwich Islands | Roof and drainage were given especial are said to be the laziest people on attention. The ventilation was mixed with common sense, plenty on warm, sunny days and none at all on cold give to him." nights, no draughts anywhere. Doors were made tight with woolen strips; staurant-"This beefsteak must be at the worse for that. no air could enter except at ventilat- least three weeks old, isn't it?" Waitors at bottom of sashes. Scratching sheds were filled with fresh garden fully handled. When thawed the but- loam, which was dry all winter. Pullets were April and May hatch, all Brown Leghorns bred in line for quality and eggs. They were raised on free range, wheat, barley, oats and clean

in the morning two quarts of warm mash, composed of two bushels oats, one bushel corn, ground very fine, fifty pounds middlings, one hundred pounds bran, mixed, cost less that one cent per pound. They were fed at daylight, regularly, then a rush was made for the sailor of the British navy, revently noon on cold days another quart went in and they would be at work all day. Lawn clippings, dried, tightly rolled in that rich men were able to buy their Just before dark all the mixed grains they would eat were fed. Two bushtimes they were given parched whole corn. Ten bags of lawn clippings and by fourteen and turnips, one hundred head waste of money will always be misused by salty or fat were fed and not charged for. Neither was all the charcoal sharp grit and oyster shells they would eat charged. Green ground bone and beef livers were fed daily in small quantities. This and the absence of male birds made the hens very tame—an essential. Eggs were all sold to private families at two cents per dozen above store price, or four to six cents more than would have been realized by selling to middlemen. In five winter months housed in this building, and fed as I have described the forty hens yield ed me a profit of \$60.40.

#### FARM NOTES.

Poorly farmed land is capital only half invested.

Work for better cultivation rather

A small farm well tilled will pay dairy and family use, and two or three much better that a large one half farm- knows what is going on in the world of

The cardinal virtues in preparing all ice house eight by twelve feet-which kinds of produce for market are neat-

ery acre of land you own. Better not

place between the boards with sawdust both ways. Many farmers do too much

The only way to prove the best variput a ventillator in it. I would also put eties of fruit is to carefully test new a good wall under the building, and varieties before planting extensively for level the bottom by filling in with small field culture, for many of our fruits are

The sale of fruits in our markets is dependent upon. 1, the character of fruit | otherwise obtained. offered, 2, the kind of package used, 3, proper grading in packing, 4, the condition in which it is received.

Limbs of trees broken by snow and ice should be sawed off neatly and the wound covered with thick spaint or grafting wax. Trees gnawed by rabclay may live, if not girdled.

The aggregate sum yearly paid to railroads and steamships for carrying farm products which on arrival prove to be unsalable no one can estimate, but it must foot up enormously, to say nothing of the freight charges paid on goods sold far below market rates because put up carelessly or in unsuitable

or unpopular packages. Stable manure, fresh from the stalls of domestic animals, may be hauled and spread over the roots of trees, shrubs, canes and vines, of perennial plants and upon ground designed to be plowed and sawdust; then cover the top with about planted in the spring. There is no betthe land is not so rolling that the off by the spring rains.

# WINTER WRINKLES.

Miss Trill—"I love to hear the birds sing." Jack Downright, warmly-"So do I. They never attempt as piece beyond their ability."

ident of the Astronomical Society, and she's exasperatingly clever." She -'Yes, but how consolingly ugly." Hatching a Conspiracy.—Uncle Ned

- How do you like your new steam engine? Johnny- "Isn't it a dandy? I wonder if we could burst the boiler? Instruction.—Johnny—"And does the

gas-meter measure the quantity of gas you use?" Papa-"No, my son; the quantity you have to pay for." Real Grief.—"Dreadful about Mrs.

Bixby's sudden death." "What! Is she dead? I was just going over to sell her a ticket to our charity bazaar." Financial Methods .- "What would

you do if you had only ten cents in the world, Kitty?" "I would buy caramels with it, to raise my spirits." Bacon-"And he's kind-hearted, is

word, even to an alarm-clock."

between sobs," "are like pie-crust-" Bagley-"Bent is a very generous man." Brace-"In what respect?" Bag-

he doesn't borrow a dime from me to Not an Authority.-Customer, in reer-"Don't know, sah; I'se only been

heah two weeks, sah." Wickwire-"I like Timmins's stories. He has such a light touch." Simmins than two or three dollars."

ameter poetically describes Edna, and lice, without male birds and were fed | Edna has the thought."

"SMARTNESS."

Lord Charles Beresford Sounds a Warning Note Against the Corrupt Use of Money.

Lord Charles Beresford, a gallant startled a London audience by making an earnest protest against the sordid tendencies of social life. He declared way into the highest social and political positions, and that the money power was eating away like a canker the

Wherever there are great masses of wealth, there will be those to make a vicious use of it, whether in England, many rich men in any country; just as there are invariably millionaires who have a proper sense of their responsibilities as the possessors of great fortunes, and make good use of their wealth by founding colleges and art galleries and endowing hospitals and public charities.

What Lord Charles Beresford's audience could not understand was the motive which had inspired so eminent and public-spirited a man in his sudden outbreak against the sordid and demoralizing influences of money. If the speech had been made two years ago, when the South African millionaires organized their raid against the Transvaal, they would not have needed any explanation. The abuses of money power were then a public scandal. But there seemed to be nothing in recent affairs to justify his solemn warning against the corrupting influences of

Lord Charles Beresford, is, however, a man of rank and social prestige, who English fashion. He was not firing a gun aimlessly in the air.

There is a word which is constantly used by ambitious people in England, whether they have much or little The assessor will not fail to find ev- money. That word is "smart." There is no magnet so strong in London society, as what is known as "a smart own more than you can pay taxes on. set," who know the right people, dress The railroads are continually trying handsomely, and set the fashions of the day, and whose names are constantly appearing in "society journals."

There are rich people who desire admission into these "smart" circles, and are eager to buy the privileges at high cost by entertaining extravagantly and lending money to spendthrifts. There are company-promoters and stockspeculators who are willing to put the leaders of such sets in the way of making money easily, and their services are accepted only too often in payment for social introductions which could not be

Lord Charles Beresford probably had the follies, lax morality and selfishness, of this fast, "smart" society in mind when he sounded his warning against the corrupt use of money in the fashionable world.

The moral, however, is good for evbits or mice plastered with a poultice of ery age and country. It is not a high ambition to aspire to belong to "smart" sets, which make a great show in the world, and by the very conditions under which they live are led daily to be supremely considerate of themselves and wholly indifferent to the needs of humanity about them.

# TORPEDO BOATS.

#### Fifteen to Eighteen for the Price of a Battle Ship.

Yarrow & Thornycroit, of London, have widened their repute and their influence, if that were possible, writes ber the corridor leads us to the linen door and open the ventillator in the it is made, and no better way than a correspondent. The great developcloset and the doctor's department, in roof, and there is no reason why the ice upon the surface in winter. Provided ment in torpedo tactics is traceable to them. The flash of the "Lightning" upon the scene startled European Powers to the full possibilities. Since then almost every year has been marked with a forward movement, until now high authorities like Admiral Colomb. seriously discuss whether or not the whole game of sea warfare has not been radically changed, and the battleship made as useless as the old galleys of the Roman Empire. There is much in it, too. For the price of a battleship He-"That is Mrs. Pendennis, Pres- 15 or 18 of these 30-knot destroyers can be built, and they can be manned by the crew of one battleship. Such a force attacking a ship, even in broad day light, would make things lively. I have not recorded on the map the facility for constructing these craft. Twelve yards have laid themselves out for the work of building them, and it must be remembered that, while in all other cases the admiralty submit drawings for hulls, the builders are them selves responsible for design and speeof these craft. Immense difficultieare involved, if there is not some experience to draw upon. Nearly 100 of these vessels have been, or are being, constructed, and, a large number could be built within a year should the occasion arise. Had this work of building a new type of craft been demanded in any other country, speed premiums would have been almost neche?" Egbert-"Kind-hearted! Why, I essary, but these are unknown in Bridon't believe he ever said an unkind tain. In the United States, on the other hand, much has been earned in this "Men's promises," the young wife said way. I have taken 17 vessels at random, and find that the power and speed "That's tough," said the young hus- premiums equaled 7.85 per cent. of the ning foot, and was so situated as to band, and then she got angry enough to total cost; in one case it was 25 per cent., in others from 10 to 12 per cent. It is all the other way in England; firms compete keenly for Government work, for it carries a prestige. The lev-"He never passes a beggar that approval of the admiralty experts creates a standard which other Governments are ready to accept, and the foreign warship built in Britain is none

# MOSQUITO'S TOOL BOX,

The beak of the mosquito is simply a tool box wherein the mosquito keeps -"Yes, that's one thing in Timmins's six miniature surgical instruments in favor. He rarely strikes one for more perfect working order. Two of these instruments are exact counterparts of Not Shared,-Margaret-"Mr. Pent- the surgeon's lance. One is a spear with a double-barbed head; the fourth All the world's a stage, but most water. After October 1st were kept in Tom Shallow as two souls with but a is a needle of exquisite fineness, a saw moderate confinement, were free from single thought." Jack Blunt- "Yes, and a pump going to make up the complement