CULIAR PERQUISITES.

Mayor of London Receives as Well as Gives Them.

ilection for perquisites is com-Il men, from a duke to a dustd from a poet-laureate to a ays London Tit-Bits. Even exalted dignitary as the speaknot affect to despise them. ar the plumpest buck and doe yal forests are sent to grace ; a grateful country supplies two hogsheads of unimpeache, and allows him £100 a year is stationery bill; while the kers' Co. sends him, yearly, broadcloth to equip a com-Quakers.

rd Mayor of London receives as gives perquisites. Ever days of William the Conhe royal forests have contriar bucks to the chief magisthe city. Each sheriff reree bucks, and the recorder, ion sergeant, the chamberlain city officials obtain one each. the most costly and inter-Mansion House perquisites form of gorgeous liveries ome the property of the state and footmen at the end of of office. These liveries, ake five footmen and two gorgeous on the 9th of each cost many hundreds of nd are such as even

ON MIGHT HAVE ENVIED. ear's service they are sold by rers, and drift from one deanother, until they may ulbe seen in a booth at a counthe back of an African chief. ate coats are of costly velgold epaulettes and embroid are richly decorated with evices. The waistcoats are of amere elaborately laced with even the garters are of gold heavy tassels of gold. owever, in palaces that the op of perquisites is reaped, this source alone many royperial flunkeys add hundreds

heir salaries. e than one European court inwritten law that nothing ar twice on the royal tables; ng ever returns to the pals or kitchens. It is little nder such a lavish dispent every day bottles of almost ine, some opened, others unre appropriated by the sertly fruits, flowers and dishes ind swell the list of per isevery day wines, cigars and h £20 or £30 are literally y at such a court as that of

erial chef estimates that of spent annually on the palfrom £20,000 to £25,000 is wasted; and on the occasion panquet the perquisites may

DREDS OF POUNDS.

as wine and foods find a ket outside the palace walls; gh they are sold at a small their cost, they still are to swell the purses of the

ourts of Italy, German and lavish allowance of perquisen much curtailed in recent ed, the King of Italy, some gave strict orders that even or a half-empty bottle of make its appearance a sec-

nan Emperor has devised a le plan which avoids all ex-His chef is under conapply the tables for state t 20 marks a head; and he ees that what is left in his

Chancellor clings tenaperquisite which has been the holder of the great nturies. The large square stly velvet and embroidered val arms, in which the great becomes his own property of his term of office, and is eirleom in his family.

NFIRM BEASTS.

Hindoos Establish Comfort e Homes for Them.

he Hindoos have establishasylums for aged and inand birds. One of these, depur Station, and about m Calcutta, is under the manager, with a staff of and an experienced veteron. In this place at preare 979 animal paupers-129 ows, 171 calves, 72 horses, ffaloes, 69 sheep, 15 goats 44 cocks and hens, 4 cats nd 5 dogs. The asylum is being systematically and hanaged. The cows have good time of it, inasmuch occasions natives go from to decorate and worship of the established sights of Bombay is the Pinjrawhither wornout or disres are sent by benevolent ens, and are maintained come restored to health or

DEPTH OF THE SEA. est sea depth known to he South Atlantic Ocean veen the Island of Tristar the mouth of the Rio de bottom being here reachh of 40,336 feet, or eight

narter miles.

HORRIBLE PRACTICE.

saffe Duels Carry Off an Appreciable Sumber of Spaniards Annually.

The frequency of knife duels in the sities of Southern Spain is appalling to foreigners. Among the lower classes every man carries a murderous mile, the blade of which is usually 12 or 14 inches long and of razor-like sharpness. It is called a faca. The entire man and boy population carry whistles. These are for the purpose of announcing that a street fight with knives is about to begin. Everybody within hearing when a whistle blows rushes to the scene and is sure to witness the serious maining if not the killing, of one or both combatants. Statistics indicate that for every 100,maintaints there is an average of one death per day resulting from these knife duels. These duels seldom end before at least one of the combatants is dead, as they are always tied to each other, either leg to leg or left arm to left arm. The onlooking crowd gets furiously excited as the fight goes on, and often small fortunes are won and lost on the success or failure of the fighters. The law does not inter-

PROOF OF THE GERM THEORY.

fensumptives Tarned a Healthful Community Into Weaklings.

Forty years ago the inhabitants of Mentone and neighborhood were a sique, to whom consumption was absolutely unknown.

their farms and their healthy lives to wait on the invalids. Farmers' wives and daughters became washerwomen, constantly handling clothing impregnated with the germs of consumption. Thousands of consumptives died there. impregnating the soil and the water with the germs of their disease.

As the result, the earth, air and water of Mentone are infested with the tubercle bacillus, and the once healthy peasantry are consumptives almost to a man and a woman. No more complete or startling proof of the truth of the once derided germ theory of disease could well be imagined than

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

All railway tourists are personally conductored.

Fools never rush in where theatrical angels fear to tread.

The cyclone can raise anything on a farm except the mortgage. A diamond of the first water is one

that has never been in "soak." Nothing goes as far with a woman as a little masculine remorse.

It's a poor poultry yard that doesn't contain more than three feet. some men have such happy disposi-

tions that they never amount to it's a poor baseball player that doesn't make a change of base occas-

Advice is about the only thing you can offer some people that they won't there is anything wrong?

woman is a pretty good example of a in the dirt.

About the only difference between a doctor and a physician is in the size of their bilis.

Dinner in a prison is usually servin three courses-coarse bread, tse meat and coarse vegetables. the wise man seeks a woman with in independent fortune rather than a fortune with an independent woman

PINCHING FLOWERS.

from Brazil has lately been introduced in the south of England, where it grows freely in the open air. Its flowers are provided with flat, horny plates situated above the nectar cups in the centre oft he blossom, and which are 13 huts. called "pinching-bodies." When an insect thrusts its proboscis into the nectar, the plates pinch it fast, and M its departure the insect must either erry oif the pollen masses of the flower, or leave its proboscis behind. [1] by the former case, the pollen is likely to reach and fertilize another flower; in the latter, the unfortunate inet, deprived of its proboscis, dies. Sometimes the legs, as well as the boses, of insects are found sticking in the flowers. Only the bumblebee appears to be strong enough always to escape amputation.

ADVICE.

to say--

know what you are going to tell ne, said the high-browed youth who Wore a uniform; you are going to ad-The me to learn to say no. Not at all. I was about to advise jou to learn to say nothing.

PUNISHING A TRAITOR.

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demure young thing. What is delightful? he demanded in time. surprise.

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ing little Rover! It would break my heart to lose him. Why do you think Mr. B.-After I had washed him, this! Two men trying to entertain one morning, he didn't run out and roll

A VENGEFUL THOUGHT.

In some future year, said the citizen with a powerful imagination, "the human race will find the sun extinct. That once glowing orb will cease to shed its rays upon our world. Then what'll we do.

What will we do? echoed the morose man, who was grinning for the first time in weeks. That isn't the question. What'll ... ice man do?

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ECONOMICAL.

The long lace ties that are so popu-Young man, said the veteran, learn lar are very neat and airy for summer, The careless, graceful how-knots at the ends are easily put on, and making the ties oneself considerably reduces the expense.

HARD ON HIM

Something must be done with those boys of mine at college, exclaimed a staid old citizen. They're wilder than March hares and in hot water all the

Oh, well, they're young yet, and you Make allowances, man? That's what's keeping me poor.

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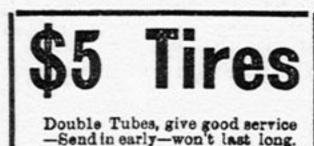
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