IN PARLIAMENT. ears Ago Men Did the For Scotland.

of surprise was caused member of parliament ntly observed calmly alog while waiting to m of the house of comresent day the sight of e knitting needles is a h in the remoter parts not at all uncommon. f a century ago, howpart of the stockings ted by the men folk sining their attention spinning.

starting out at the his duties on the hill ave forgotten his binch nd barley bannocks as dles and wool. As he the heather on his rt of his wide scatter. ected from a convenrounding up efforts of lie his tireless fingers

to do farmer as he friend of markets and could ill bear to see sted, and the "click. edles bore witness to

seems strange to the d, but what else had heir minds and time? we know them now. plutely none. Once a equently a small local ulate among the well

these were often lime and "The Pilgrim's games there were but most part these were

OF ESCAPE.

Widow Barstow and acher's Text. t widows," said the togy, "did I ever tell

way and the Widow

in't been a word said nt one of the party reu never did." e man with the stogy.

character, one of those He'd lived alone for was a young man, he sinted in love or somethat time he'd been voman hater-and the of his dislike was the aggressive from her s. The very sight of tay was like the wavto a bull.

o to the same church, new the situation well goodly portion of the n them. Unfortunateay there was a new ning service was well akeway was in a pew own toward the front, aisle came the new ridow tailing along in handed her into Jake-

gave one look as the then he gathered up hat, his bandana and and cleared the back nt with the agility of as he landed on the reacher gave out his

no evil befallen you ion to man but God nptation also make a

gh, that article now

ble Napkin.

st indispensable, the is first used only by is adopted by elder amily about the midnth century. In etian earlier date than sage pieces of advice structions about wipand 'ips with their

e tablecloth was long the floor and served in place of napkins. egin to use napkins, first on the shoulder, arm and finally tied eck.

Compliment.

pliments paid to the v is so large and dazmatter of no small out the brightest following was uninly deserves a place ontenelle when nine ed before Mme. Helceiving her.

lady, "that is your To pass before me ng at me!" at you, madame," re-

"I never could have

e For Him. said the high browed poetry will never at-

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# Man as an Incarnation.

EOPLE of a materialistic frame of range of reasonable discussion. Such the Massachusetts coast. people are advised to attend a meeting will see is thus described:

their own interpretation of things, asserting the most astounding propositions, without turning a hair. To those who are so self-centered as to think that there is something cranky about all who do not see as they do, it is a wholesome awakening to find good, solid, comfortable, and respectable people believing in telepathy as a thing indisputable, and holding that man, as we see him engaged in his various more or less ignoble pursuits, in the city and elsewhere, is but the incarnation of one little bit of himself as he exists in an intangible and ethereal form. At the last meeting of the Psychical Research Society, Dr. Oliver Lodge, F.R.S., said that he did not hold that the whole of any one of us was incarnated in their terrestrial bodies; certainly not in childhood; more, but perhaps not so very much more, in adult life. What was manifest was only a definite portion of a much larger whole. What the rest was doing during the years spent here he did not know. Perhaps it was asleep; but people called mediums. Now to the modern materialist all this is absolute 'rot.' Yet Dr. Lodge is not exactly a man to pooh-pooh. Indeed, may not the immaterialists retort that this is a Christian country and that our very religion teaches us not to weigh and measure too exactly? Again, Roentgen, Tesla, and Marconi have of late been giving many shocks to old ideas. At any rate, this is clear, that we must not too rigidly put outside the bounds of sanity belief in the unthinkable. It is a queer world, and which half of it is sane appears still undecided."

# An English Departure in Insur-

CORRESPONDENT writing from London under date of February 13 says: "One queer phase of the present smallpox scare is the smallpox insurance department opened at Lloyd's. The current rates are 21-2 per cent. if recently vaccinated, and 31-3 if not vaccinated since infancy. The insurance becomes due on the doctor's certificate that the policy-holder has smallpox." He adds: "After jogging along comfortably with smallpox in its midst for six months, London is now beginning to get worried, and a large contributing cause of that worry is that if the plague spreads much more it is going to frighten away the profitable American cousin, who is expected to come over in unprecedented shoals for the coronation season and scatter dollars right and left. Trouble began away back in August, and has been slowly growing, off and on, ever since, until the average lately has been about 50 new cases a day. One day last week it ran up to 82. There were 188 new cases in September, 309 in October, 473 in November, 804 in December and 1,295 in January. Yet, according to previous experience, smallpox reaches its height in London from January to May, Consequently it would be all for readers planning a trip to see King Edward's crown put on to watch the smallpox returns from London for the next four or five weeks. At present the plague can be said to be well under control, but a big sudden increase would tax London's resources

# Onions and Epidemics.

READER of "Marmaduke's" letters in London "Truth" has sent him the following:

"Whilst turning over some old books in my library last week I stumbled upon the following paragraph in the 'Rural World' of 1863. As there is an epidemic of smallpox in London it has occurred to me to send this to you, for some of your medical readers may be either able to prove or disprove the

statements it contains: "'Onions and Epidemics. - In the spring of 1849 I was in charge of one hundred men on shipboard, with the cholera among the men. We had onancer, Etc., Etc., Money to Loan at jons, which a number of the men ate attacked, and nearly all died. As soon as I made this discovery their use was forbidden. After mature deliberation I came to the conclusion that onions should never be eaten during the prevalence of epidemics, for the reason that they absorb the virus, and communicate the disease, and that the proper use for them is sliced and placed in the sick-room, and replaced with fresh ones every few hours. . . . After maintaining the foregoing opinion for eighteen years, I have found the following well attested: Onlons placed in the room where there is smallpox will blister and decompose with great rapidity; not only so, but will prevent the spread of the disease. I think that as a disinfectant they have no equal if properly used. If needed, the foregoing (which I have greatly abbreviated) can

be attested on oath." It is a curious echo of a bygone preventive, and it is given here without much hope that the suggestion can be

# Doubtless he Was.

Mrs. Browne-A d who is the president of your club now, Mrs. Malaprop? Mrs. Malaprop (proudly)-I am the present encumbrance, just now .- Philadelphia "Press."

### Bargains.

Iwo dollar votes will be marked down The "Capital." To \$1.98.

Jay-Yes, sir; when I was in New York a sharper robbed me of fifty dolars. Hay-Why didn't you call a po-

#### Interesting Items

The Gloucester, Mass., fishermen remind, to whom man is but a ma- | gard Kipling as a hoodoo, as every one chine, says an editorial writer in of the twenty fishing-beats belonging the "Hospital," are apt to put on one to their fleet named by him in "Capside all that cannot be weighed and tains Courageous' has gone down at measured as not only inexplicable or sea, the last two of the ill-fated boats unthinkable, but as quite beyond the foundering in the recent big storm off

Only a Hitle while ago a woman was of the Society for Psychical Research arrested and taken to the police sta- the British chess-players competing for "a change of scene." What they tion for smoking on Broadway, New against the American chess-players-"There they will find people, quite as York first-class hotel an engraved card York. In the dining-room of a New convinced as they are of their own is now placed on each of the tables sanity, and quite as content as they each evening bearing this inscription: can possibly be with the correctness of "Gentlemen and ladies wishing to smoke may do so in the gilt room." So the world moves.

For the first time in the history of Paris art exhibitions, photographs have been received as exhibits at the annual Salon. The photographs were submitted by Edward Steichen, a young New Yorker, and are regard as a great triumph. It is said that the decision to admit photographs almost caused a split in the jury. The pictures were, therefore, entered under the title of en-

The experiment is being tried by the New Zealand Telegraph Department of issuing telegrams in typewritten form. The operators have, of course, not only to acquire speed at typewriting, but also to accustom themselves to the clicking of the keys of the typewriter as well as of the telegraph instrument. So far the experiment has worked well -to the receiver of the message it is certainly a great improvement upon manuscript telegrams.

According to the "Pall Mall Gazette," probably, he said, it was not entirely Gandersheim, a German village, has ent's move comes to him by actual asleep with men of genius, nor perhaps recently been en fete. The occasion touch, by telegraph, or by psychic suglaid its thousandth egg. Many of the houses were decorated with flags, while in the evening the proprietor of the hen entertained his friends at a supper at which the principal dish was a gigantic omelet. The function was a splendid success, and the health of the hen was drunk with great enthusiasm.

There seems no limit to the variety of uses to which a man-of-war can be put when past her work. Here is the latest. A syndicate of sporting men is said to be considering a scheme for purchasing the old American ship "Vermont," should the bill for her preservation fail to pass. The idea is to fit her up as a floating boxing-ring, which can be moved out to sea, so that the merry mills of the fancy may be brought off without police interference.-"United

Service Gazette." The "search-light telephone" is announced from Washington. The beam from a powerful light has been employed in lieu of a wire, and talking done to the distance of half a mile. The telegraphic account adds that the inventor has not yet taken out his pat-

magnets of an ordinary telephone. that the good die young. "Seth," it | merchants will be cultivating the arts, says, "lived 912 years. Enos lived 905 | and critics weeping on other people's years, Cain n lived 910 years, Mahala- necks; but the chess-players will be leel lived 895 years, Jared lived 962 years, Methusaleh lived 969 years, and Lemach lived 777 years. Of Enoch, the only good one in the let, the chapter says: 'And Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him, and all the days of E och were 365 years. Being good, Enoch lived a measly little period of only 365 years, while the others, being given to sin, lived to grow up to manhood. It always seemed strange to us that preachers pay so little attention to the facts of the Bible."

Oscar Fish, and his route lies between | it simply grabs it. Eagle and Valdez, a distance of 414 We once saw a remarkable invention miles. He makes two trips a month, of this nature in Sheffield. It consisted and receives nearly \$1,500 a trip, or \$35,- of a small, but powerfully built bed-000 a year. Only 200 pounds are carried stead which had an ingenious clockper trip, and this is usually made up | work arrangement attached, as you of letters, few newspapers. Post-Office | would expect, to the ticking of the Department officials say that the sum | mattress. In the morning a phonopaid to Fish is very reasonable when graph got up from under the bed, it is considered that he makes the trip | walked round to your side, and anby dog-sledge, and that he has the nounced it was seven o'clock. After most dangerous route of any mail-car- giving you two minutes to reply, one rier in the world. He has several times of the hands of the clock reached up been given up for dead by residents of and pulled your ear playfully. These Valdez and Eagle, but so far he has were just preliminaries so to speak. If always managed to reach the end of you didn't move then, the patent bed his journey, although sometimes over- began business. It got up on its bind due, and occasionally very much bat- legs and ran downstairs with you intered up. He has fallen down preci- side it till it got to the garden, where pices, got mixed up in avalanches, and you were shot into a modest little



Spring.

"Ping-Pong."

Dame Nature, too, is cleaning house, For in each cool retreat She puts her verdant carpet down-The one that can't be beat .- "Judge."

"You," sighed the rejected lover, 'would find your name written in imperishable characters in my heart could you but look." "So?" murmured the fair young thing, who was aware of the fact that the swain had been playing Romeo at the seaside for something like twenty years. "So? Then you must have a heart like a ' 'el direc'to v by this time."-Baltimore "American."

### A Ghostly Game of Chess.

"The International Hall of the Cafe Monico is a truly palatial chamber, ever so many feet broad by ever so many more feet long. On the evenings of Friday and Saturday f last week," says London "Outlook," "It was divided by a barrier into two unequal parts. In who were not there. Through the largpublic. . . . Inside the barrier, and next it, sat Mr. James Mason at a chess-board, facing us. We seem to have known Mr. Mason as a fine player these-well, say twenty years. On this occasion he is opposing Mr. J. II. Barry of America-who is not here: Mr. Barry is sitting in a room in Brooklyn three thousand miles away. under the eyes of American spectators. It is easy to say that the two men are been punished for exceeding the legiti- States. This is the school for you !. connected by electric telegraph; but it | mate dictates of military discipline. | and your friends. Write for catalog | 1 is not wise to dispose of the mystery | The elaborate investigations which were and romance of space in so rude a | instituted at Gumbinnen and which were way. . . . But Mr. Mason, in this grand International Hall, seated opposite nothing better than a man with a book of telegraph forms who waits unconcernedly for the move, can he play thus dumbly and in absence against Mr. Barry in Brooklyn and think it chess? It is a very ghostly business, and we wonder Mr. Mason can get through with it at all. But he does. He is as solemn, as rapt in thought, as oblivious of all but the game as if Mr. Barry were opposite to him in the flesh, and not opposed to him only by electric telegraph. Clearly to him the play is everything, whether the opponwas it all completely inactive with was the honoring of a hen which had gestion. But for our part we cannot throw off a dread of the uncanny na- and in that which, lasting ten days ture of the business. We feel in- ended recently the evidence was chiefly clined to look about for some mani- furnished by dragoons of the squadrons festation of Mr. American Barry's who attempted, so far as their somewhat spirit. What better evidence of it hazy memories served, to give an accould we have than the arrangement | count of what they had observed durof these wooden pieces on that ing the half-hours and even the minutes wooden board? There is Mr. Barry- which preceded and followed the crime. most effectually Mr. Barry, for he is | One witness maintained that he had seen causing Mr. Mason to think, and think, and think; to purse his lips in the old familiar way, to fall into immovable silences, wherein you would think he | those of non-commissioned officers near was revolving schemes of a new order of creation or puzzling out the mystery of man's origin and destiny; and Mr. Mason is doing the like to him in far Brooklyn. A strange and fascinating pursuit is chess, strange and unprofitable. Not politics, nor fame, nor wealth, nor love can so engross a man. These objects are usually compassed by flashes of passion, insight, and daring; but this slow, prolonged struggle of brain against brain, through the medium of pieces of fantastically carved wood, is pure devotion to an abstraction. The man who wins, who so hems in the piece of wood called a ents. There are several reasons for king that he may not move, gains this. It was in the same city of Wash- nothing, proves nothing, establishes ington, twenty years ago, that the ex- nothing but-"checkmate." Yet when cellent Dr. Graham Bell made his fa- he accomplishes that he tastes of a mous experiments with what he first satisfaction deeper and more permancalled his photophone. It is curious ent than is accorded to statesman or that this amazing work is so little lover, merchant or gambler. To acknown. Dr. Bell talked over a ray of complish it he deliberately, and for sunlight to a distance of near two very love of the doing of it, undertakes miles. A pair of parabolic reflectors an enormous mental effort, a thing but unsupported by any corroborative served for sender and receiver, and a which mankind in general shuns as if pair of selenium cells answered to the it were Satan himself. Truly a most | nen declared that on the afternoon of mystical business this chess. In Para- January 21 she had heard a shot fired The Kansas City "Journal" alleges dise you will find politicians reading Biblical authority for the declaration poetry, and poets studying morals;

# Dispensing With Early Rising.

Some genius has, according to his own advertisement, invented an apparatus to dispense with getting up so early in winter time to set the kettle boiling. As far as we understand it, you fix the new invention | Court. He said :on your clock, and at the hour required it starts a fire under a kettle of wa-A contract was let last week for car- | cer. As soon as the water boils a bell | heart. To my great grief I have heard rying Uncle Sam's mail in Alaska by rings, and you wake up. This is not dog-sleds. The successful bidder was the sort of thing that takes the cake;

heap under the pump. By a clever arrangement of the process of suction you were drawn up to the mouth and a refreshing stream of cold water crawled down your back. If this didn't wake you, you had to wait for Ga-

briel's trumpet. As a matter of fact, the inventor explained, it did wake most people. But your thoughts into fitting shape, by pressing a little knob in one of the blankets, a second phonograph would grind out a little appropriate profanity to ease your feelings. The invention is patented; and when it is put on the market it will beat all the spring mattresses going, as it does for summer, autumn and winter as well .- "Pick-Me-

### An "Infernal" Dinner.

A tiny girl of seven gave a dinnerparty the other day, for which twelve covers were laid, and that number of small maidens sat down to dine. It was a real little girls' dinner, and the little hostess herself presided, sitting at to do everything as it should be done. "Mamma," she asked, "shall we say grace?" "No," said mamma; "It will be a very informal dinner, and I think you need not do that." That meant one ceremony the less to be gone hrough, and was a relief. But the little lady was anxious to have all her guests understand it. So, as they gathered about the table, she explained: "Mamma says that this is such an infernal dinner that we need not have grace to-day!"

#### A German Court Martial.

A court-martial which has aroused an immense amount of interest in Germany has been brought to an end. For over a year two non-commissioned officers named Marten and Hickel have lain under the charge of having murdered their commanding officer, Captain Von Krosigk. The trial, which has just ended in their acquittal, was the third to which they have been subjected. Late n the afternoon of January 21, 1901. Captain Von Krosigk was shot dead by an unknown hand through an embrasure partly conducted with the aid of a de- W. J. ELLIOTT, -- PRINCIPAL tective from Berlin laid bare the whole domestic economy and the daily life of the barracks. They showed that among those who had suffered most from the excessive harshness of Captain Von Krosigk was the non-commissioned officer Marten, as well as his father, a senior sergeant who had formerly served in Von Krosigk's squadren, but had obtained his transfer to another in order to escape the persecution to which he had been subjected by that officer. Hickel was the brother-in-law of the younger Marten and was involved in the suspicion which fell upon him, as he had been in Marten's company a few minutes before the murder. Both in the former trials Marten near the carbines' stand a few minutes before the murder, while another had seen two persons with still caps like a peep-hole in the door of the riling school. On the other hand, Marten and Hickel, it was proved, had both been in the house of the paren's of the former no later than ten minutes before the fatal shot was fired. At the first trial last June Marten

and Hickel were both acquitted. At the second trial in August Hickel was acquitted, while Marten was condemned to death, an attempt to escape from a military custody which, according to his own account, was almost intolerable, having weighed heavily against him. The Supreme Military Court, however, quashed the second verdict in the case of both of the accused, on the ground of a technical flaw in the proceedings. The final trial brought to light no evidence of importance but sensation excited by the case apparently inspired a number of uneducated people to come forward with stories equally sensational, testimony. Thus a woman in Gumbinin the barracks and had immediately afterwards seen in the moonlight two civilians running out of the gates. It was proved, however, that on that evening the moon did not rise till three hours later than the hour of the murder. A good deal of evidence was adduced regarding previous attacks under cover of night upon the house and the property

outrages to civilians. The close of the final trial was rendered dramatic by a declaration made by Marten on the invitation of the

"I only ask leave to say as a last word | Cat alog Band and Orch. Music and Inst. Free. in my defence what I feel in my inmost the prosecutor propose that punishment should be inflicted upon me. The whole nation must know, and I declare with a DURHAM SCHOOL loud voice—as sure as there is a God in heaven I can swear from the depth of my heart that I am innocent. My words are no mere phrase, they are the very truth. At the close of the investigation the Kriegsgerichtsrath said to me: "If You are condemned you can appeal to the mercy of his Majesty.' If I were guilty I should be ashamed to ask mercy of my Kaiser. I have always been heart and som a soldier, like my father. Now I am only a shadow of what I was, and I have been dragged through the mire before the whole world. I ask the Court to give

me justice." In declaring its verdict the Court admitted that there were strong grounds for the suspicion which had been entertained regarding Marten and Hicket but that, on the other hand, part of the circumstantial evidence was utterly untrustworthy and part of it of doubtful accuracy. Thereawas nothing to show that the enmity of the Marten family against Captain Von Krosigk was of such a deep-scated and permanent charin case you were too sleepy to collect acter as to have driven the younger Marten and Hickel to commit this ter-

### Whitewash in the House,

The e is more virtue in whitewash

for the poultry house than most people are willing to credit. There are two ways to apply whitewash to a poultry house. One is with a brush and the other with a spray pump. These pumps are obtainable almost anywhere now, and are the best implements for putting on whitewash. The sides and ceiling of the poultry house should be given an application of whitewash. The roosts and nest zoxes should not be neglected. The whitewash should the head of the table. She had been be of the consistency of thick cream, very anxious, in looking forward to it, and it will be found a good plan to SHOFS. DON'T FORGET THE put some kerosene in each pailful. Mites can be killed and lice will not survive where a frequent and thorough application of whitewash is given. One can put on some old slip of a garment, an SALADA CEYLON TEA, black or old hat, and with a spray pump can in a few minutes have a good application of whitewash that was make everything sweet and clean. What falls on the floor will make a good floor itself when mixed with the hard dirt or coal ashes. or of whatever material the floor is

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