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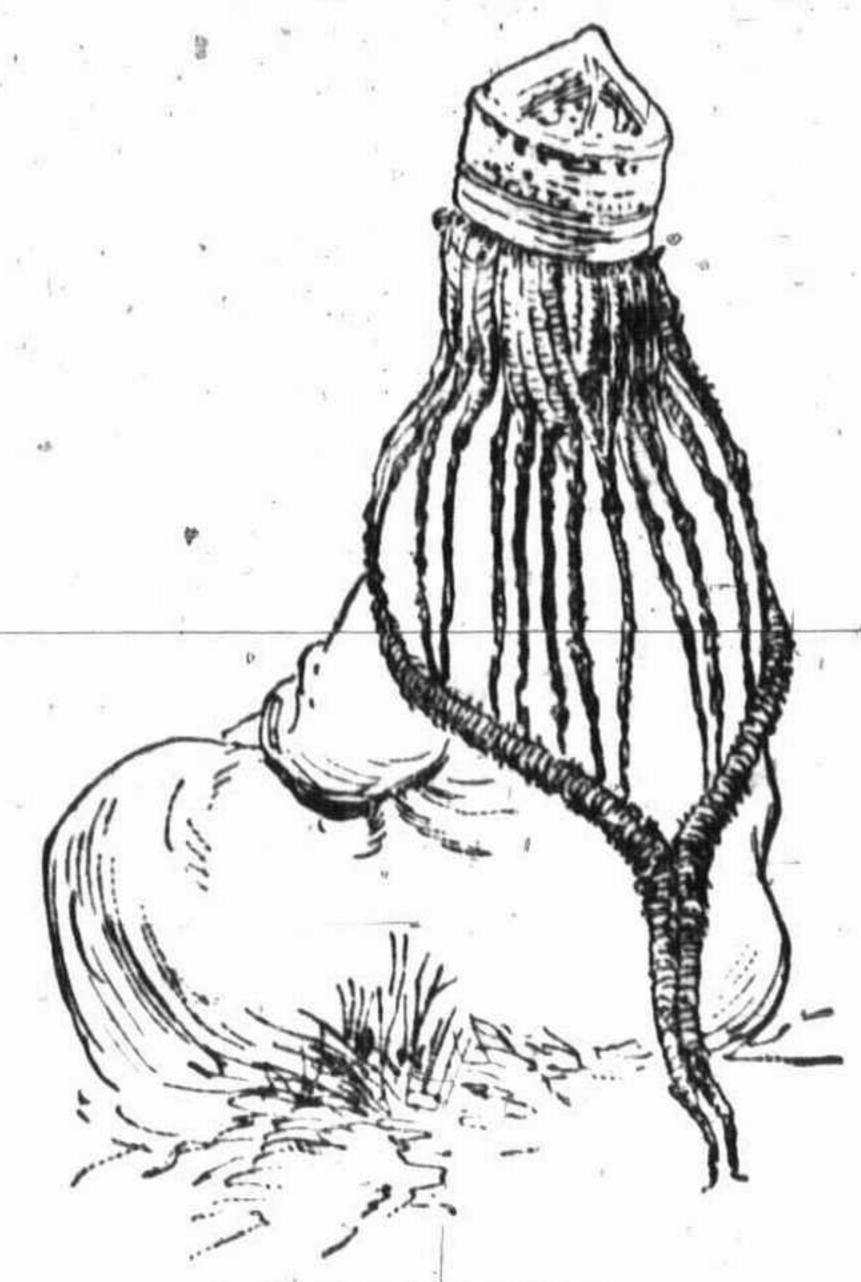
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In the cut here reproduced for our readers from "Little Men and Women" is illustrated the way the girls and women who live in the Vale of Cashmere dress their hair,



A GIRL OF CASHMERE.

This Vale of Cashmere is in India, and is the place from which the pretty Cashmere shawls come. Very pretty silver jewelry is made there, too.

But the girls are too poor to wear either the pretty shawls or pretty jewelry, so they take this way of adorning themselves. They braid their hair in long plaits. If they have not enough hair to make the plaits long, they piece them out with bits of braided tow or strings and sometimes with false hair.

Origin of the Phrase "Blue Blood."

The phrase "blue blood" used in the sense of aristocracy, or of old family, is familiar to all. A correspondent in Boston Transcript claims that the following explains its origin: "After the black Moors were driven out of Spain-or such of them as were too high spirited to become Christians on compulsionthe aristocracy of Spain was held to consist of those who traced their lineage back to the time before the Moorish conquest. These people were whiter than those who had been mixed with Moorish blood; the veins upon their white hands were blue, while the blood of the masses, contaminated by the Moorish infusion, showed black upon their hands and faces. So the white Spaniards of old race came to declare that their blood was "blue," while that of the common people was black. The phrase passed to France, where it had no such significance, and was, in fact, quite an arbitrary term, and so on to England and America."

Hints for Some People.

Posted up in many business offices, either m big script or conspicuous capitals, is the following clipping from Dr. O. W. Holmes: "Don't you know how hard it is for some people to get out of a room after their visit is really over? One would think they had

been built in your parlor or office and were waiting to be launched." The present czar employed a more direct hint still. His favorite dog, a big Siberian, named Malyutcha, always was seated in the cabinet during working hours, and when visitors prolonged their stay beyond the imperial convenience Malvutcha would get up and twitch their coat tails. It is said the ezar had (we say "had," for Malyutcha was killed in the recent Caucasus railway accident) a peculiar signal which he used to make to the

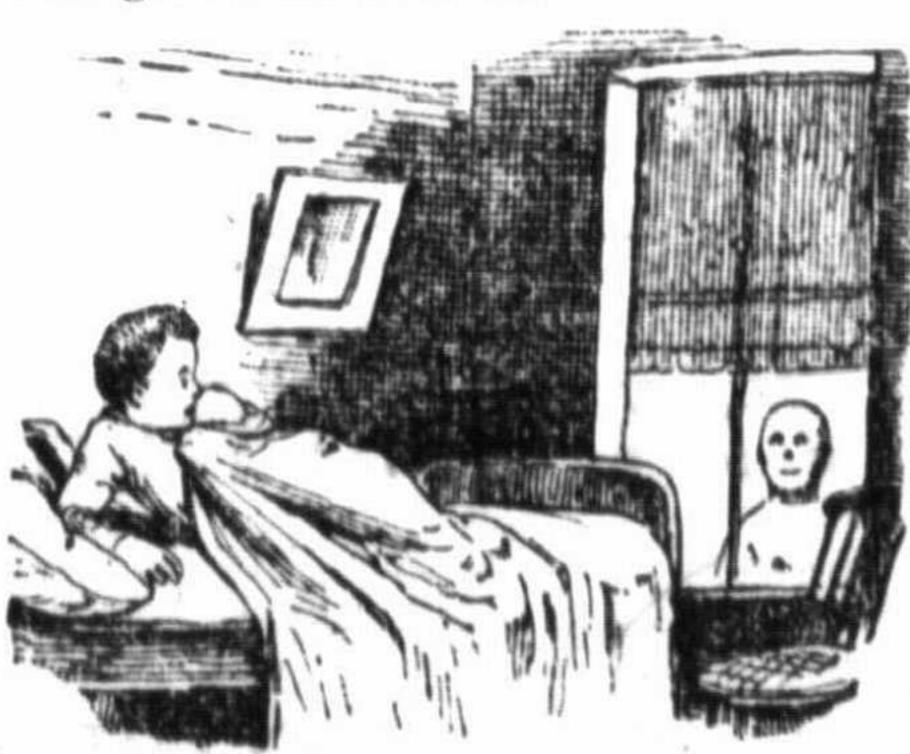
How Franklin Mastered Italian.

dog when he wanted a visitor to leave. - Wide

Probably no young person ever learned a modern language in a more ingenious way than Benjamin Franklin. He tells us, in his autobiography, that after mastering French he undertook Italian. An acquaintance, who was also learning it, used often to tempt Franklin to play chess with him. Finding that this took up too much of the little spare time they had for study, the future philosopher hit upon the happy plan of allowing the victor in any game the right to impose some task in connection with their study of the language. This task, to be performed upon honor before their next meeting, was either parts of the grammar to be learned by heart, or an exercise in translation. As they played chess about equally well, they fairly beat one another into a knowledge of Italian. Was not that a sensible use of a game?

Bobbie's Adventure with a Ghost.

The following from Golden Days will doubtless amuse those of our readers who are not afraid of ghosts, and we trust will prove to the timid how foolish a thing it is to allow one's imagination to get the better of their good common sense.



HE DID NOT THINK IT A SNOW MAN-OH, NO! It was quite dark when Bobbie arrived at his aunt's. After she had tucked him in bed that night she said: "Now I'll raise the curtain, and when the sun peeps in to-morrow morning you will know it is time to get up." And then she left him, forgetting to say anything about the snow man which her boys had erected in the back yard. When the moon rose Bobbie awoke and discovered it. But he did not think it a snow man-oh, no!

Mother Morey in a New Dress.

I will tell you a story. And like "Old Mother Morey." My tale of a boy is soon done: In it good to his mother. Father, sister and brother: I wonder if you are the one?

-Rev. P. D. Strong in Golden Days.

Audubon's Monument. Subscriptions are coming in but slowly for Audubon's monument that is to be greeted in Trinity cemetery, New York city. The committee in charge have decided to distribute to each subscriber to the funds a copy of a portrait of Audubon which was painted by Cruikshank and engraved by Turnurc. As this engraving is a copy of a very valuable and rare one, the committee hope that this

will be an inducement to persons to subscribe.

THE CURIOSITY SHOP.

Volunteers for the Late Civil War-State

The total number of Union volunteers in the civil war was 2,678,967, divided as follows: Maine, 72,114; New Hampshire, 36,629; Vermont, 35,262; Rhode Island, 23,699; Conginia, 32,068; District of Columbia, 16,872; Ohio, 319,659; Indiana, 167,147; Illinois, 259,-147; Michigan, 89,372; Wisconsin, 96,424; Minnesota, 25,052; Iowa, 76,309; Missouri. 109, 111; Kentucky, 79,025; Kansas, 20,151; Tennessee, 31,092; Arkansas, 8,289; North Carolina, 3,156; California, 15,725; Nevada, 1,080; Oregon, 1,610; Washington territory, 964; Nebraska territory, 3,157; Colorado territory, 4,903; Dakota territory; 206; New Mexico territory, 6,561, Alabama, 2,576; Florida, 1,200; Louisiana, 8.221, Mississippi, 545; Texas, 1,965, and the Imilian nation, 35,600. The troops furnished by the southern states were, without except. a of those of Louisiana, nearly all white. Florida furnished two regiments of cavalry; Alabama one white regiment: Mississippi one battalion, and North Carolina two regiments of cavalry.

Bill of Attainder.

The word "attainder" is from the French word teindre, meaning to stain. According to the old English law, when a person was condemned to death for treason or felony, or had been outlawed for any crime, he was deprived of all his civil rights, and all his estates were forfeited to the government. This was called attainder, and the person thus punished was said to be "attainted." Parliament might also thus deprive an offender of rights, and the act was called a bill of "attainder." Not only did those convicted of high treason forfeit all their possessions, both real and personal, and all their individual rights as citizens of the state, but the offense also worked "corruption of blood," that is, the descendants of the offender could not inherit any of his property, nor any civil right that had been his. The disabilities created by the corruption of blood could only be removed by act of parliament. The bill of attainder, as passed by the English parliament, was a legislative conviction with judgment of death. Sometimes evidence was heard on the case. but not often, for the object of the act was to secure conviction without waiting for legal proof of guilt. The first recorded use of the bill of attainder by purliament was in 1321, when pantirment without to rid the country of the unpopular favorites, the Despensers. Its lest use was in 1.97, when Sir John Fenwick was attainted and executed for participation in the assassination plot. In the 270 years intervening the plan had been used very often to dispose of persons obnoxious to

A Southern War Poem. The powen "Luth Allen" is by Elizabeth J. Hereford, and appeared in her volume,

parliament

"Rebel Rhymes:" Pretty Ruth Allen, from morn to eve, As fast as her slender fire its could weave, Ereddered a banner of sellen Lars. And a blue field glattering with salver stars. In the twill; ht's beauty, at early dawn, Pretty Ruth Allen wover and on. While her vei a trilled out in glad one rhyme A gallant deed of the old a time.

Pretty Ruth Allen, from a mito sun, Labored until the work to sclone, Then said, "Tis a la Liver out the brave, And this is the only be orleady, That when my own here "all this to his rest, His comrades shall fold it over his breast, And the stars that earlich it, like those up above, Shall burn on his bosom the stars of my love."

Under the banners of southern moss, Rinth Allen si's weaving a southern cross, There, in the light of a dying day, Weaving a cross of symbolic gray. Her cheeks are pale, and her eyes are dim, And she sings no more, but weeps for him: And her heart, now belon with sorrow and care, Goes back to that day of death and despair, When a lover was bet, when a field was won, And her lift joy went down like a setting sun.

New York's Great Fire. The "Great Fire" of New York broke out

at 9 p. m., Dec. 16, 1855, in a five story building in Merchant street, formerly and again Hanover str t. ner the Merchants' Exchange, the plasmit custom house. It spread east to the East river, west, through the middle of the block on the south side of Wall street, almost to Browd street, and south almost to Coenties slip. The fire lasted sixteen bours, and was finally stopped by blowing up the buildings in its path. The Merchants' exchange, the Dutch Reformed church in Exchange place, and the Franklin market in Old slip were destroyed, as well as 645 other buildings. The loss was about \$20,000,000.

The Moonstone.

The mos astone is a translucent variety of feld-par worked by lapudaries. It gives a reflected light of a pearly play of color, not unlike that of the moon, and not unlike the color of the opal. It occurs massive and also in crystals, in theures of graphite, gneiss, etc., and the first specimens come from Ceylon. The poetic significance of the moonstone ring is simply good luck. The pansysis from the French "pensee," signifying "remembrance." Shakespeare said: "There is pansies, that's for thoughts.'

Wool Growing States.

The northern states grow very nearly fourfifths of the wool raised in the United States. Ohio leads all the states with nearly 28,000,-000 pounds annually. California ranks next with about 17,000,000. Missouri and Texas are the principal wool growing states of the grows 1,000,000 pounds.

Hayti.

Hayti has an area of about 28,000 square miles, and a population of about 800,000, ninetenths of whom are negroes and the remaining tenth chiefly mulattoes. The language in use is French and the state religion Roman Catholic. The legislative power is in an assembly, and the president is chosen for four years. The island is at present in the throes of a civil war.

Gold Discovered.

The date of the discovery of gold in California is usually set down as 1848. The title "forty-niners" is probably meant for those settlers who were in at the framing of the state constitution in 1849. The rufflanly ment was crushed out in 1855. That was the year of the vigilance committee.

Candlemas Day.

Candlemas Day, the 2d of February, is kept in the church in memory of the purification of the Virgin, who presented the infant Jesus in the temple. From the number of candles lit this festival was called Candlemas. Its origin is ascribed by Bede to Pope Gelasius in the Fifth century.

No Religious Test Now. The constitution of New Hampshire formerly provided that all state officers should be of the Protestant religion. This provision was abolished in 1877, and there is now no religious test for office in any of the New England states.



necticut, 57,379; New York, 467,047; New Jersey, 81,010; Pennsylvania, 366,107; Dela-Jersey, 81,010; Pennsylvania, 366,107; Dela-Ware 13 670; Maryland, 50,316; West Vir.

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