The Ideal Husband to His Wife. We've lived for forty years, dear wife, And walked together side by side, And you to-day are just as dear As when you were my bride. I've tried to make life glad for you,

ne long sweet honeymoon of joy, A dream of marital content Without the least alloy. I've smoothed all bowlders from our

That we in peace might toil along, By always hastening to admit That I was right and you were wrong.

No mad diversity of creed Has ever sundered me from thee, For I permit you evermore To borrow your ideas of me. And thus it is, through weal or woe Our love for evermore endures, For I permit that you should take My views and creeds and make them

And thus I let you have my way, And thus in peace we toil along, For I am willing to admit That I am right and you are wrong.

And when our matrimonial skiff Strikes snags in love's meandering stream

I lift our shallop from the rocks
And float as in a placid dream. And well I know our marriage bliss While life shall last will never cease,

For I shall always let thee do,
In generous love, just what I please; Peace comes and discord flies away, Love's bright day follows hatred's

For I am ready to admit That you are wrong and I am right.

Dear wife, when discord reared its head And love's sweet light forgot to

shine, Twas then I freely would permit That thy will should'st conform to

In all things, whether great or small, In all life's path we've wandered through,

I've graciously let you perform Tust what I wanted you to do. No altercation could destroy The love that held us sure and

strong, For evermore would I admit That I was right and you were

Sweet wedded love! O life of bliss! Our years in peace have flown along, For you admit that I was right, And I admit that you were wrong. No dogged stubbornness of soul

Has ever wrenched my heart from thine. For thy will ever was my own-Because thy will was always mine.

So sweet forgiveness crowns our years And sheds on us its tender light; For I admit that you are wrong, And you admit that I am right. -Sam Walter Foss.

## The English Girl.

A wonderful joy our eyes to bless, In her magnificent comeliness, Is an English girl of eleven stone two, And five foot ten in her dancing shoe She follows the hounds, and on she pounds.

The "field" tails off and the muffs diminish Over the hedges and brooks she

bounds Straight as a crow from find to At cricket her kin will lose or win-

She and her maids, on grass and clover, Eleven maids out-eleven maids

And perhaps an "maiden over"! Go search the world and search the sea,

Then come you home and sing with me There's no such gold and no such pearl As a bright and beautiful English girl!

Her soul is sweet as the ocean air, For prudery knows no haven there; To find mock modesty, please apply To the conscious blush and the down-

Rich in the things contentment brings,

In every pure enjoyment wealthy, Blithe as a beautiful bird she sings, For body and mind are hale and healthy.

Her eyes they thrill with right good Her heart is light as a floating

As pure and bright as the mountain That leaps and laughs in the High-

--- W. S. Gilbert in "Utopia."

## White Violets.

land heather !

I send you violets, violets dim and Fragrance and brilliant hues they cannot claim, Yet keep they of their scented sisters

The semblance and the same.

Such is the love that lingers sad and Within the heart, though conquered

by the will; Love that by kiss and smile tells not

Yet ever love, love still !

Some of Stead's Sayings.

The Radical Editor Tells the People Toronto Some Plain Truths

"Nearly all of you joined in repeat ing the Lord's Prayer just before I rose to address you," said W. T. Stead to the large audience at the Metropolitan "Is the will of God done in Church. Toronto as it is in heaven? If it isn't there's precious little use of praying the Lord's Prayer until you set to work to answer your own prayer by reforming civic and other abuses. There's much and mixed with water, is used, too little realization of political duties mixture is painted on the metal by Christians."

"You have got to organize for the Kint dom of God as energetically, as tached, the other pole being connected with a plate. Not only pure metal, but political rings organize for the triumph all sorts of alloys can be used. of their own candidate."

"It is putting too much on God Alnighty to pray that the best men may be elected to office if those who pray do not go out and seek to influence and guide the electors in their choice."

"You might as well call upon the Creator to make wheat grow in your ields and neglect to plow or sow the "The same common sense and busi-

ness principles have to be used in rid-ding communities of sin and vice and crime as are used in connection with ordinary, every-day affairs of life."

"In the spiritual and moral realm, seeing that it is only souls that are lost, we all think we can play tricks with God and fool him into the belief that we are doing our best to better the lot of suffering humanity. But we only fool ourselves, and when the reckoning day comes to some of us a dictionary will not supply words enough for us to square ourselves with him."

"Is it not perfectly true that while we have done good to those who are amenab e to church influences, we have neglected the uncouth and vicious? If is, then we ought to make a survey of what we have to do."

"The first thing you have to do is to ascertain what you want to get rid of. Have you what may be called the indispensable minimum of evils? I trow not. There are plenty of abuses to rectify. Have you all the libraries you need? Are there places of recreation within five minutes' walk of every man's home?"

"Jesus Christ will not be the least bit displeased if you cut short some of your prayers to provide play-grounds for the children."

"Instead of being the mild, sympathetic, loving friends whose sole idea is to confine people within four walls on Sunday to sing a few hymns and tell God lots of things I fancy he has heard before, you should go out into the highways and byways and seek out the suffering and distressed. The curse and shame of misery is that it is permitted to exist. Let shibboleths go and buckle down to the work of correcting evils."

any officers, or mayor or council. In a vague kind of a way we all know that there are evils in the city. Also in a vague kind of way we are all more or ess enlisted against them. But there is no concerted plan of campaign, no central intelligence department, and there is no real head of the church of Toronto. There are heads of sectional churches, but there is no one who is bishop of the whole city, unless it be your chief of police, who may be said to be in a kind of way a bishop, although his province is limited dealing with vice and sin when they have reached their comparatively su-

"When bad men conspire good men must combine, and if Toronto is to be made the model city of Canada it seems to me that the good people must join hands all along the line and agree first and foremost to common sense in the prosecution of the immense work they

"Every community gets pretty much the kind of government it chooses. Some may thank God they are not aldermen, yet they may be much worse in that they are not striving to see to the proper conduct of the affairs of the inicipality."

"Milleniums do not come, even in Toronto, with a hop, step and jump. Seeing that they don't, the most imortant thing to do is to bring into extence as speedily as possible an oranization which would represent all he better elements of the city, churches, labor organizations, philanthropical and other movements, and which would seat the government of the city upon a more solid foundation than that of the saloon."

"Such a representative board, which you might call a progressive council or any other name that pleased you, would, if founded on non-party lines and devoted to secure the amelioration of the condition of the people and the elimination of all elements of evil which abound, would make Toronto the model city of Canada. A council, voluntarily elected, representing the best men and women in the city, would see to it that the whole moral affairs of the community are thrown in the way of good government and against

Don't say things. What you are stands over you all the while and thunders so that I cannot hear what you say to the contrary. - Emerson

Latest Discoveries.

Electrolytic Painting.

A remarkable illustration of the progress of electrical appliances is electrolytic painting. Hitherto, copper or other metal were be deposited electrically, a bath solution was necessary. Now this is changed, and a technical journal says a

ship's hull can be plated as easily as a spoon or teapot. Instead of a bath, insoluble salts, ground to a fine powder mixture is painted on the metal to be plated by a fine wire brush, to which one pole of a dynamo conductor is at-

To Color Leather.

In place of the ordinary method which has been pursued in the coloring of leather, namely, first to tan the skins and then to dye them, a new process has been brought forward by a German inventor, by which, it is claimed, both time and labor are economized; that is, briefly, instead of first tanning the skins, as commonly practiced, this new syscem consists in placing them in the color bath, and, after remaining there some 24 hours, they are treated in the ordinary way with alum and salt. The preference claimed for this plan over that which is at present in vogue is that it saves the washing, treating with acid, and the various methods resorted to for restoring to the skin the suppleness it loses by the washing.

New Talking Apparatus.

According to the claims of an English nventor, he has produced a talking apparatus which will entirely supersede anything yet produced by Bell or Edi-His machine talks right out, so that the receiver of a message through it will not have to be continually shouting: "What's that? I don't hear you. Stand a little further from the tele-phone, please. That's better," and other like interruptions to the easy flow of conversation. The new talking apparatus says all that it has to say in a tone loud enough for all in the room to hear, and without the aid of any earreceiver. All the recipient of a message will have to do will be to sit at his desk and listen, while the holds in his hand a transmitter into which he speaks his replies to the person at the other end of the wire who is conversing with

Important to Railway Men.

him.

Successful use appears to be made of the novel automatic device lately introduced on some of the German railways for ascertaining and definitely indicating defects existing in the track. The principle of the apparatus, as explained, is based on the fact that every low point, or other similar defect, on the line of the track causes a shock of "You can no more drive the devn out of Toronto on the hittie-missie, higgledy-pigledy, go-as-you-please plan which prevails among the churches and other associations than you can and other associations than you can bight before of intensity, a squirting device is brought into operation, and from thich either a red or a blue liquid is sprayed over the roadbed, making stripes from one foot to seven feet long and about two inches wide-the trac sections requiring any attention being thus very plainly marked. Such an apparatus, it is said, locates defects not ordinarily detected by a track walker, and affords early and timely evidence of imperfections in the roadbed.

Smoke-Consuming Apparatus.

One of the most interesting series of experiments lately made in regard to the best methods and principles to be observed in the construction of Sennett, the well-known naval engineer. His conclusions are that, first of ding. I was a priest of the Church ways be injected above the fuel; that the gases from the coal and the introduced air must be thoroughly agitated; the gases from the coal, after admix-ture with the air, should be depressed and distributed in contact with the in candescent mass of fuel; contact be ween the gas from the coal and the boiler plates should be prevented as much as possible until after admixture with the injected air, adequate space being also provided for the expansion of the gases; when average coal is used. of the fuel should be equal to at leas one-half of the volume admitted through the bars; and, finally, considerrbly more steam should be present in the furnace than can be obtained from the hydrogen of the coal. carry out these requisitions an ar paratus has been contrived, according to which steam from the boiler is first uperheated and then passes to an in ector; from the latter the steam and air pass to a deflecting plate just inside the fire door, and in this way the current is completely distributed over the surface of the fuel.

Belts of Faper.

Paper belting for the purpose of transmitting power is the next thing which is going to astonish the manufacturing fraternity. The inventor was five years assistant to the superintendent of power of one of the great fac made of paper could be made to do and I can rest in peace. better work than either leather rubber. At the close of this remarkable

or cotton. He argued that as a thick piece of pasteboard can be made to take on a firm, smooth and durable surface by holding the same against another moving surface for several minute, a larger piece of paper made in the form of a belt and permitted to run upon the surface of a pulley day after day would soon create upon its surface a firm, hard, shining coating that would last a long time. In making the belt links made from paper nuln are used. As soon as a belt is put into working order a hard, shining coating appears upon the surface next the pulleys, and this becomes harder and harder and harder as the months slip by. It becomes so hard finally that only the cold chisel can cut into Such a surface works well on the

#### The Bishop and the Chost.

The following remarkable incident of the life of the late Samuel Wilber orce, bishop of Oxford and afterward in Winchester, is related as absolutely authentic, and the good bishop himsel is said to have many times rehearsed the story to his friends. Bishop Wilberforce was most prominent among his contemporaries of the English clergy, and was once a leader of the High Church party. He, however, frequently found time to devote to the social side of life, and was sometimes

styled the "bishop of society."

On a certain occasion the worthy pishop had accepted an invitation to stay at a country house not far from London. Entering the drawing-room previous to dinner, on the evening of nis arrival, he noticed a priest-evidently of the Roman communionsitting by the open fire and taking no part in the general conversation. The bishop was somewhat surprised at not being presented to the priest, and his astonishment was great when, a few moments later, dinner being announced, the guests retired, leaving the priest at his place by the fire. The hostess having assigned Bishop Wilberforce the seat of honor at her right hand, as soon as an opportunity offered he respected.

"I beg your pardon, madame, but may I inquire who was the priest we eft sitting apart in the drawing-room?" "Ah, you have seen him then," replied the lady. "It is not every one who has that privilege. I cannot tell you who he is or from whence he comes. For many years this spectre has haunted the house and grounds— it has, in fact, been a tradition in the He seems to do no harm, and amily. although he appears only occasionally, we have become quite accustomed to our friendly ghost."

"How very singular," remarked his Lordship. "But have you never addressed your priestly spectre!" "Indeed, I have no opportunity,

nor the desire, for that matter," responded the hostess, growing pale.
"May I take the liberty now?" inquired the dignitary.

"With all my heart, your Lordship," replied the lady. The bishop arose and, returning to the drawing-room, found the priest where he had left him a few minutes before. Having no fear, the bishop said kindly:

"Who are you, my friend, and why are you here?"

The spectre seemed to sigh deeply and say, as though to itself, "At last!"
Then, in a hollow voice, addressing the bishop, it continued: "I am the spirit of a priest who left this world some 80 years ago, and I am here to impart to anyone who will receive it a secret which died with me. I could not rest in my grave while a great wrong was being done which it was in my power to right. I have been returning all these years in the hope someone would address me, for it was smoke-consuming or smoke-preventing arrangements has been made by Mr. All men have shunned me until now, all, an adequate volume of air must all of Rome, and was called to this house So years ago to receive the confession of a dying man. He was the sole possessor of a secret, the knowledge of which would alter materially the entail of this vast estate, and in his death this man wished to repair the terrible

wrong he had brought upon his kin.
"At his request I wrote down the confession, word for word, as he gay it to me, and when he had finished had barely time to administer the sacra ment of the church before he expired in my arms. It was very important that I should return to London that night, and in passing through the library to leave the house I concluded it would be safer not to carry the paper on which was written the confession away with me, but to place it in some secure inseen spot, where I could obtain it the following day and deliver the documen to the person for whom it was intended. Mounting the steps to the book-shelves, I took out a copy of Young's 'Night Thoughts,' which was the first book upon the uppermost shelf nearest the last window, and inserting the paper carefully between its leaves, I replaced the book and departed. A horse was awaiting me at the door, but ere we reached the entrance of the grounds he took fright; I was thrown and instantly killed. Thus died the secret of my confessor with me. No one has dis turbed that book in all these years, and no one has had the courage to address this messenger fromt he unknown. The tories in Lowell, Mass. It was while paper will be found as I have stated, in this position, in which he had much and now remains for you to correct the and now remains for you to correct the to do with lacing and tightening belts, injustice which has so long been upon that he conceived the idea that belting this noble family. My mission is over

speech the spectre faded gradually from sight, and the bishop was left gazing Recovering from his into space. astonishment, Bishop Wilberforce went at once to the library and found the book exactly as indicated by the pectre. In its secluded corner, upon the top shelf, thick with the dust of ages, evidently the book had remained unmolested many years. There was the document just as described, but now faded and yellow. The secret of the confession never became known to the world. The good bishop regarded it as a confidence from the spiritual world, and always ended the story with the assurance that the priestly spectre was never again seen. It is a fact, however, that about the time of this extraordinary occurrence the magnificent estate in question passed into ssion of a remote member of the family, who, until then, had lived in

### Gems of Thought.

Much wealth is not much wisdom. No man can make another's religion. Love teaches us the pleasure of pain. A woman's smile can make a burden

Not so much comes to us that we wait for, as that we go after.

A man wants to be that which he doesn't want to make himself be. No man is so high that some hand

does not reach up to pull him down. When a man begins to make money, he begins to learn how money makes a man. The merest tyro can break what the

most accomplished expert has taken years to make.

Men are naturally tempted by the devil, but an idle man positively tempts the devil.—[Spanish proverb.

#### Heart Poems.

There are some poems that possess the subtle, undefined quality that touches the tenderest chords of our being, and wakes "the better soul that slumbers" to a sense of the ineffable nathos of life.

Some one has said, "our sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thoughts." Yet it is not the sadness only that produces the effect upon us, for there are many poems describing the direst miseries, disappointments, and sorrows of life, that lack the peculiar quality that cannot be defined -that flies before the touch of

It is the very soul of the poet in communion with our own. Tennyson wrote many lines that are heart-poems. What touches us more than his 'Break, Break, Break?' The waves breaking on the "cold, gray stones; the shouts of happy children in contrast with the "voice that is still," and the safe return of the ships-the hopeless absence of the "vanished hand."

How vivid are they all! "Break, break, break,
At the feet of thy crags, O sea!
But the tender grace of a day that Will never come back to me !"

How we are thrilled with certain passages of Locksley Hall! "Oh, my cousin, shallow-hearted!
O, my Amy—mine no more!
O, the dreary, dreary moorland!"
O, the barren, barren shore!"

The words are few and simple, yet we seem to feel for a moment the desolation of a hopeless love—the despair that comes "in the dead, unhappy night, when the rain is on the roof."

Did the great master ever write anything more beautiful than "Crossing the Bar," written a short time before his death?

"Sunset and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark.
For the from out our bourne of time and

place
The flood may bear me far,
hope to see my pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar."

Long Some of our own Longfellow's tanzas find an echo in every heart:

"How often, oh, how often,
I have wished that the ebbing tide I have wished that the obbing tide Would bear me away on its bosom O'er the ocean wild and wide; For my heart was hot and restless, And my life was full of care, And the burden laid upon me Seemed greater than I could bear."

Have we not all known such noments? I think we have, and often without reason. Who has not read with quivering oice Miss Mulock's "Too Late?"

Stretch out your arms to me, Douglas, Douglas,
Drop forgiveness from heaven like dew,
As I lay my heart to your dead heart,
Douglas,
Douglas, tender and true!"

How clearly we see the one face hite in death, and the other pale with

a futile anguish!
In reading N. P. Willis' "Absalom" we realize the depths of parental love: 'Oh! when the heart is full-when bitter thoughts

come crowding thickly up for utterance,
And the poor common words of courtesy
Are such a mockery—how much
The bursting heart may pour itself in
prayer!" James Russell Lowell wrote nothing

weeter than "The First Snowfall": "Then with eyes that saw not, I kissed her; And she, kissing back, could not know That my kiss was given to her sister, Folded close under deepening snow."

m my scrap book I class as "heartpoems," are: "In the Firelight" and "Exiled," by Eugene Field; "The Valley of Silence," by Father Ryan; "The Aftertime," by Frank L. Stanton; "No One Comes Home to Me." by Frank L. Stanton; "No One Comes Home to Me." by Father Ryan; "The Aftertime," by Frank L. Stanton; "No One Comes Home to Me." by Tather high seasoning of cayenne, mushroom powder, mixed herb parsley, with a pinch of salt; then set the butter in a cold place, and when quite firm stamp it out in tiny shapes

Josie Frazee Cappleman, and James Whitcomb Riley's little poem, "Just Be Glad."

There are grander poems, replete with the wisdom of great minds and glowing with sublime pictures of nature, but can they touch these human hearts of ours as do these simple, sweetly melodious songs? Truly

"Such songs have power to quiet The restless pulse of care, And come like the benediction That follows after prayer," -Albert Henry. Marshall, Mich.

# In the Kitchen,

"Use boiled water to mix bread," ays an expert on sanitary cooking,

A DISH OF SNOW.—Grate a cocoa. nut, leaving out the brown part. Heap it up in the center of a handsome dish, and ornament with fine green leaves, such as peach or honeysuckle. Serve it up with snow cream made in this way: Beat the whites of five eggs to a stiff froth, add two large spoonfuls of fine white sugar, a large spoonful of rosewater or pineapple. Beat the whole well together, and add a pint of thick cream. Put several spoonfuls over each dish of cocoanut.

OMELET SOUFFLE.—Beat separately and very thoroughly the yolks and whites of three eggs. Add gradually to the yolks three tablespoons of powdered sugar. Beat until the mixture is thick and smooth. The whites should be beaten until they are stiff enough to cut with a knite. Add the juice of half a lemon to the yolks and a little grated lemon peel. Stir the yolks and whites lightly together, pour into a warmed and well-buttered dish and bake in a quick oven for a few minutes.

A KITCHEN REMINDER.—A wooden marketing card to hang on the kitchen wall is a great convenience. It consists of a light frame and a number of dark slips, each one labeled "tea." "sugar," or some other storeroom supply. These slips are set in slots and are not in sight each day, but when any supply is nearly out the wooden slip is pushed into place and "tea," "coffee" or "mustard" confronts the house keeper when giving her grocery orders. In this way nothing is ever forgotten.

BOSTON CHIPS.—These are easily made. Pare the potatoes, throw them into cold water for an hour, then cut them into thin slices the long way of the potato. Do not wet them after the slicing. Have a kettle of fat at moderate temperature. Put the chips into a basket, dip down into the fat, let them stay for a moment, lift, put down again, lift again, and allow them to fry until golden brown, turn into a colander, dust with salt, stand in the oven for a moment, and they are ready

TO TEST AN OVEN'S HEAT .-- TO udge of an oven's heat there are no better rules than Gouffe's. "Try the oven every ten minutes with a piece of white paper. If too hot, the paper will blaze up or blacken; when the paper becomes dark brown (rather darker than ordinary meat pie crust), the oven is fit for small pastry. light brown (the color of really nice light brown (the color of really ince pastry), it is ready for vol au vent tarts, etc. When the paper turns dark yel-low, you can bake bread, large meat pies or large pound cakes; while if it is ust tinged, the oven is just fit for sponge cake, meringues, etc.

ROAST WILD DUCK. (An Old Virginia Recipe.) - Mince the livers of a pair of wild ducks with a table-spoonful of scraped bacon; mix with an ounce of butter a slice of onion chopped fine, a little salt and cayenne; fill the bodies of the ducks with the mixture, lay them in a baking-pan, cover with thin slices of fat bacon, oven. When the ducks are brown, take up, garnish with slices of orange, ver sauce made by addir the juice of an orange, two mino shallots, with a teaspoonful of butter, a pinch of cayenne, and a little salt to the gravy in the pan.

FISH CROQUETTES .- They may be made very much like a meat croquette, from almost any cold fish. Fry half an onion, minced fine, in a tablespoonful brown. of butter until it is a good brown. Moisten the whole with a cup of strong white stock, adding a seasoning of salt and pepper, and if you like, a dash of cayenne. Put in a pint of cold fish, minced fine, add two eggs and stir all for two minutes over the fire. Let this mixture become cold; then shape it with your hands in the form of cylinders or pears as you choose. Roll these croquettes in yolk of egg and then in fine breadcrumbs. Fry them in hot fat for two or three minutes till they are a delicate brown.

GRILLED SIRLOIN STEAK. - Cut a steak an inch thick from the sirloin. Brush it over on both sides with warmed butter, season with salt and pepper and grill from fifteen to twenty When sufficiently cooked, lay the steak on a very hot dish, place under and over it some dainty little pats of epicurean butter, surround it with a border of smeking-hot potato croquettes and serve at once. To make the epicurean butter, put about two ounces of perfectly fresh butter on a plate, and work into it thoroughly and patiently, with the point of a knife, a rather high seasoning of cayenne