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How He Told Who Had Last Used the Telephone.

"The last man who used this phone," said a New Orleans Sherlock Holmes, preparing to wrestle with the instrument in an up town public station, "was a short, little fellow in a deuce of a hurry, smoking a cigarette. He asked for the Illinois Central freight office, was told they were busy, and repeated his request five times, getting madder at each call. Meanwhile, his bigarette went out, and after vainly searching for a match"—
"Hold on there!" exclaimed a friend who had accompanied him to the booth. "What kind of a fairy story are you giving me, fairy story are you giving me. had accompanied nim to the social man kind of a fairy story are you giving me,

"No fairy story at all," replied the ama-leur sleuth blandly. "I was merely stating a few facts."
"But how the dickens did you ascertain

"Plain as A B C, my boy. To begin with, the adjustable mouthpiece of the in-strument is pulled down, as you see, to its fullest extent, indicating clearly that the last user was very much undersized. the last user ""
Isn't that evident?"
"Ye-e-e-s, I guess so; but how about

"Well, look at that ledge and you will spots and an equal y were recently deposited, and they are all, proving plainly that the intervals calling were brief. My logical conclu-a was that the phone he wanted happened to be busy, and I looked instinctively for a memorandum of its number, which most men make under such circumstances. I found it, as I anticipated, on top of the box, scrawled in peneil, and recognized the number of the freight office. Such memoranda are almost always rubbed out by the sleeve of the next customer, and as this one is still fresh and bright it is fair to presume it was made by the last man in the booth—otherwise the short chap with the cigarette. Morever, a freight office phone is usually busy at this—hour, so—the clews interlock and custain one another: Not so, my dear boy? "But the matches?" d to be busy, and I looked instinctive

Oh, I deduce the match incident from esh toothpicks on the floor. Where a man in a hurry searches for a match he invariably finds quantities of toothpicks.

'Are you through with that phone?" "Are you through with that phones asked a short, stout stranger appearing suddenly at the door and vigorously puffing a cigarette, "because if you are \( \frac{1}{2} \)" "Certainly, sir," said the analyst, smiling. "I think you will find the freight office disengaged at present." "Well, I'll be hanged!" said the friend.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Greatest of Gluttons The Greatest of Gluttons.

Apicius, the greatest of all gluttons, wrote a long and elaborate work on cultary science, which is filled with descriptions of extraordinary dishes and sauces. His sole ambition in life was to discover noveltes in food, and to this pursuit he devoted all his energy and most of his wealth. Shrimps were at one time his hobby, and, because the marshes of Minturne produced shrimps of an enormous size, he set up a magnificent establishment in that seaport and made himself happy with his favorite luxury until he heard by chance that still larger shellish of the same sort could be found in Africa.

same sort could be found in Africa.

Instantly he bought a ship and set sail for the blissful region. He was nearly drowned on the voyage, but that did not worry him. His single thought was of the delicious monsters awaiting him, but the delicious monsvers awarding initial, one when the fishermen he employed could show him nothing bigger than he had eatant to home he flew into a rage and straightway started across the Mediterranean again, declaring that the whole continent of Africa was worthless compared with his private shrimp bed at Minturnes.

Well, Apicius spent so much of his forwell, Apicius spent so much of his for-tune on feasting that one day, on looking over his accounts, he found he had only a few millions left. Then the strange idea came into his head that he was going to die of starvation. And what do you think he did?"

he did?"
"Cut down his expenses."
"Turned miser perhaps."
"He committed suicide. Just hanged himself out of sheer terror lest the time should come when he could not get enough to eat, though, in fact, he was rolling in wealth."—E. H. House in St. Nicholas.

The American Fishing Industry. The American Fishing Industry.

The American fishing industry is centered along the Massachusetts coast, Gloucester being the seaport mainly dependent upon it. The fishing fleet consists of about 400 sail, of which 800 engage in the branches of the industry which require balt as an essential. The year's operations begin in January, when a fleet of 80 or 100 vessels goes to Placentia bay, in Newfoundland and loads with frozen harring for use as an article of food in the ng, for use as an article of food in the New England states and as bait in the halibut fishery on the Georga's banks, the scene of Kipling's novel, "Captains

These herring are taken in seines by the These herring are taken in seines by the Newfoundland fisherfolk and exposed to the orisp, cold air of the winter days on scaffolds or platforms of sticks, which allows them to become thoroughly frozen. They are purchased by the American vessels at \$1 a barrel usually, and about 100,000 barrels are annually taken to the United States, besides half as many more which go to Canada in schooners belonging to that country.—P. T. McGrath in North America Relvew.

## Liver and Bacon.

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Table Talk tells how to prepare a favorite breakfast dish: Have the liver out in thin slices, cover with boiling water for a minute and then drain. Cover the bottom of the frying pan with thin slices of fat bacon and set at the side of the fir, where the fat will slowly try out, pouring it of ence or twice; then draw the pan forward over the fire till the bacon is a light golden brown; transfer to a hot dish. Dusteach slice of liver with salt, pepper and flour, put the frying pan over the hot fire, put the liver into the hot fat and cook quickly. Serve on the same dish with the nickly. Serve on the same dish with the bason. If grave is wanted, sift into the hot fat fleur enough to absorb it, str till brown, then turn in sufficient boiling wa-ter to make it the proper consistency.

Her Argument "I have been told, "said the footoes player to his flance, "that you have been engaged before; that I am not the first."
The intensity of his passion made her shudder, but she quickly recovered herself.
"And is is not proper," she demanded, "before playing a match game to try a few practice games with scrub teams."—

## JOSEPH'S 2:37 HORSE.

AN EQUINE GOLD BRICK THAT MADE A GREAT RECORD.

The Interesting History of a Slight Mistake That Caused the Price Asked For the Ancient Nag to Take an Awful and Sudden Tumble. "I never could miss a horse deal," said

tenberg race track with a chuckle of satisfaction, "but my last venture was a jim
dandy. I was driving along the pike
about five miles from my country home in
New Jersey when an old farmer I know
poked his whiskers over his fence and asked if I didn't want to buy an ancient plug
which he held by a halter to keep from
falling down. I stopped, of course, and
examined the steed. There were about \$8
worth of meat on him, \$5 worth of vitality and 2 cents' worth of speed. I didn's
exactly see what I could do with such a
monumental wresk, but the horse trading
passion grew strong within me, and I
said:

"How much for the equine gold brick?
"Thirty dollars,' returned the farmer.
"For how many? I asked politely.
"This is selected stock; comes one in a box,' was his retort.
"'I'll give you \$10,' said I, 'and no questions asked.'

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"'Let's divide the pot,' he said. 'Call
it \$20, and this beautiful Hambletonian it \$20, and this beautiful Hambletonian is yourn.

"Well, I liked the farmer, and I liked his sporty talk, and as I had spent some previous time in dalliance at the road-house money had ceased to look as lovely as usual. So I gave him the \$20 and led the four legged graveyard home. I kept him on grass for a week or two and neticed that he began to pick up a little form. This also attracted the attention of a coal black gentleman whom I employ on my place as valet to the cows and lesser stock. One bright, dewy morning he shuffled up and sald:

"Boss, what yo 'taak fo' de new hoss'
"Does songe benevolent association."

shuffied up and said:

"Boss, what yo' taak fo' de new hoes?

"Does some benevolent association want to buy hin?" I asked. The black gentleman grinned till his teeth looked like a menument builder's exhibit at a rld's fair.

'No, sah,' said he. 'Ah's lookin fo'

"No, sah, said ne "An's tookin to hossfiesh fo' m'self."

"But this is a very valuable animal, Joseph,' said I reflectively, 'and his possibilities in speed are unlimited. The only thing that worries me is his impossibilities. I should think \$100'—

"Ah'll give yo' \$50, boss,' broke in Joseph. 'Cawn't spare no more'n dat.'

"A kind heart and a generous, noble nature have always been against me in matters of commerce, so I sold the nag to the black gentleman fog his half century and dismissed the transaction from my mind as unworthy of regret. But a few days after he came around to discuss his purchase.

Boss, said he, 'Ah's pow'ful sorry What's the matter with me?' I asked.

fo' yo'

What's the matter with me?' I asked

Am I sick again?

"Yo' done will be w'en yo' heahs de
news, he answered. 'Boss, dat \$50 hoss
yo' done sole me goes in 2:37!

"Don't, Joseph,' said I, pained beyond
expression at this evidence of defadence.
Remember Ananias and what one puny
little effort did for him.

"'Fact, boss; 'deed hit is,' he insisted.
Then he called a runt of an African who
had recently appeared in the neighborhood to come and back up his assertion.

"Two-thuty-seven's his time, sah,
sid the runt, pulling out a handsome
stop watch, which he explained in some
confusion had been presented to him by a
lady friend for being good. 'Me ah Joe
done had him down to the track an trotted
him round in yo' ole sulky in dat time,
suh, cordin to de watch.

"If that is the case, Joseph,' said I, 'I
am willing to buy the animal back at a
comfortable advance. Looking at the
horse now in a charitable light, I perceive
that his days are numbered and will soon
be tabulated on a cold, cold stone. You
may touch me for \$60 and I'll take the
animal off your hands.

"But the low down African grinned.

'Bid him up, boss,' said he. 'Ah's
used to auctions.'

"Joseph,' said I, you grieve me deeply Would you for the mare greed of filthy
gold restrain the hand of benevolence? I'll
give you \$55.

zive vou \$65 ney'll have t' talk louder'n dat oss, said the perverse one. 'Once

if yo' please.

"Seventy dollars, then, if you're good.

"Inat's A B C, boss. Sling some good.

Id diction'ry langwidge wid free figah old diction'ry langwidge wid free figahs in hit

"Well, before I got through with Joseph he ran me up to \$125. Then I started over to the track with him, his runt rivend with the stop watch, and the bony old glue pot filler of a horse to witness a performance before paying my cash. The track in question is an abandoned bleyele course which I overhauled as a sprinting place for my own horses and the horses of my friends. When we arrived, the two black gentlemen hustled the nag into an old sulky. Joseph mounted, and the funeral procession moved up the course. The runt pulled his stop watch and I co

The runt pulled his stop watch and I consulted mine. Joseph piled the whip and let his record breaker out for all he was worth, which appeared to be about as much as a goat hitched to a canalboat.

"By and by, as the sun went down and the moon came up, Joseph and his horse came under the wire.

"What's de time? he asked his sable friend expectantly. A smile of triumph. what's de timer he asked his sable friend expectantly. A smile of triumph split the runt's face in half. "He done hit in two-thurty-six an er half,' he answered, and I laid my weary head between my hands and laughed till it hurt me.

" 'Wha' fo' yo' laugh, boss?" asked Jo-"Wha' fo' yo' laugh, boss?" asked 30-seph, coming up to receive the expected \$125. 'Am yo' glad t' git him so cheap? "Joseph,' I said when I caught my breath, 'I'll not deprive you of your thor-oughbred unless you insist, and in that event I must alter my figures. Instead of \$125 I have not the heart to offer you more

than \$1.25.

"Fo' de Lawd's sake, boss! What's de
mattah wid yo? gasped Joseph, pop eyed
with astonishment. 'Didn't he go round de track in two-thuty-six an er half?'
"He did for a fact, Joseph; he did,

"Nothing, Joseph, absolutely nothing, I sanswered; only this happens to be a half mile track."
"And both black gentlemen fell down in the dust."—New York Sun.

His First Step In Crime. "No, your honor," answered the prison-

PATHETIC, YET LUDICROUS. A Deaf and Dumb Father's Punish-ment of a Bad Boy.

A Deaf and Dumb Father's Punishment of a Bad Boy.

"I witnessed something the other day that made me feel bad and at the same time there was a laughable phase to the affair," remarked a Denver resident.

"Something in politics of course," ventured a friend, who thought there could be no many sided affair in Colorado unless it partook of a political nature.

"No, nothing like that. Out a few doors from where I live a deaf and dumb couple have been living for several years and seem to get along with their neighbors better than any of us. The husband has good employment, and the wife is a frugal and prudent woman. So, taking everything into consideration, they have got quite a nice little home for themselves and some money ahead. But they have one thing that is not a credit to them, and that thing is in the shape of a great hig, overgrown boy that is one of the meanest evidences of humanity on earth. Some day, if he is not checked, the hangman will get him; but that has nothing to do with the story.

"I was passing by the house yesterday morning and I noticed that the old man was angry at the boy. Now, the latter can talk and hear as well as anybody and rather seems to enjoy getting a crowd of boys together and then oursing the old the outside the testing the old the outside the

can talk and hear as well as anybody and rather seems to enjoy getting a crowd of boys together and then cursing the old man, just so the other boys will laugh. This time, however, the old man was mad and did not propose to allow his wayward boy to have his own way. Just as I was passing he motioned me to stop, and then, pulling his hand from behind him, brought to light what shone out in grand style as a newly purchased rawhide. Then I knew

walked inside the yard. Well, sir, he just grabbed that boy, nearly as large as he was, jerked him into a half unright posi-tion and then began laying on the leather. The boy began to swear and use language that would shock any neighborhood, but of course, the father did not hear a word of it. Rabbi Gustav Gottheil is one of the best reek scholars in New York. Richard Croker, at 59, possesses the objected strength of a trained wreather.

Joseph H. Choate took part in \$4 public lebates while at Harvard and won them

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"The father quit a second and then coming over to where I was standing took out his pencil and paper and asked me in a line or two to tell him what the son said. I wrote out the brutal swear words just as I heard them. He read the words as I wrote them down, and then, fairly shaking with rage, returned to the boy and began anew the work. It was fully ten minutes before that boy was conquered, but when he did give in he was the most penitent fellow you over any. Before the eigh man had finished, that of the neighborhood was present and congratulated him on taking the boy in hand. Here is what he wrote on a slip of paper when they suggested thanks to him:

"I know he is a had boy, but the Lord has made me without hearing so I cannot has made me without hearing so I cannot know these things like you can. I got a letter easying that he said bad words about his mother. That is what I punished him for, Please tell me when you hear him say bad words and help me to make a man of him." "—Denver Times.

Original Parrets.

An enterprising London bird fander once advertised his parrots, which he claimed were the most original in the world. A man called to examine and purchase one of these remarkable birds and was shown one which looked neither beautiful nor accomplished—indeed, \$\overline{n}\$ looked ugly and commonplace. He ne sooner opened his mouth, however, than his genius discovered itself.

"What do you want for its?" asked the possible purchaser.

"Effer remarks." Original Parrets.

"What do you consilled purchaser.
"Fifty pounds."
"Make it guineas!" exclaimed the parrot. The delighted customer bought him

rot. The delighted customer bought him at once.

Time passed, and the bird said never a word, not even "Pretty Poll." The massent for the dealer and thus frankly addressed him: "I have been taken in. This infernal bird is dumb."

"He only professes to make original observations," lamely argued the dealer.
"Nonsense! You have your money. At least tell me how he contrived to say, "Make it guineas! is to appropriate a moment. I'll forgive you if you tell the truth."

"Very good, sir. My parrets all make original observations, but only in my presence. I am a ventriloquist."

The outcomer then shook hands with the dealer and gave him a list of his personal friends who were also parret fanoi-

sonal friends who were also parrot fanci-ers and who also in due time were taken in,

Practical Wives. The wives of men of sentiment often possess a vein of strong common sense and a matter of fact nature which may as times serve to bring their postical husbands down from their flights of fancy

bands down from their nights of landy rather rudely.

Jean Paul represents Siebenkas as read-ing one of his beautiful fancies to his wife, who listened with eyes cast down, appar-ently absorbed in his words. As he fin-ished and waited for her appreciation to express itself she said quickly: "Don't put on those stockings tomor-row, dear. I must mend that hole in the left one."

left one."
One day, when Sir Walter and Lady
Scott were roaming about their estate, they
saw some playful lambs in a meadow.
"Ah," said Sir Walter, "its no wonder
that poets from the earliest ages have
made the lamb the emblem of peace and innocence!"
"They are indeed delightful animals,"
said Lady Scott, "particularly with mint
sauce!"—Youth's Companion.

She Caught the Doctor.

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"That little Mrs. Percy is altogether too facetious," growled the doctor when he reached home.

"What has she done?" asked his wife.

"Why, I told her today that her husband was at last on the road to recovery, but that she must be particularly careful to see that he suffered no mental or nervous shock until he has fully regained his health and strength, and she instantly suggested that it probably would be wise for me to withhold my bill for six months or so under those circumstances."—Chicago Post.

A Clever Scheme.
Mrs. Holmes—What has changed George
Golightly so? He used to neglect his wife
scandalously, but now he's devoted to her.
Mr. Holmes—Yes; she had her portrait
placed on the dial of his watch, and his
friends, who think he's single, have been
asking to be introduced to her.—Jewelers'
Weekly.

Andrew Lang has discovered in his re-searches into the Jacobite risings in Scot-land, in the '15 and the '45, that the bail-le's speech in "Rob Roy" is practically a transcript from a highland manuscript.

In China the detection of false coins in

a skilled, prosperous profession, known as "shroffing," and is taught in special schools.

SMILE PROMPTERS.

Lucinda Brown. De sweetes' gal dat evah was
Es mah Lucinda Brown.
She's not lak all de othah gals
En dis hyeah li'l town!

Huh eyes are jes' two twinklin stars Huh mouf es lak a rose; Huh teef are lak de whites' pearls, An she's a tu'n up nose!

She dances light es ang'l cake An tiptoes roun' de hall; An evah time she sings, ye' fink Yo' heerd an ang'l call!

I'ze gwine to take Lucinda Brewn To he'p me win dat cake; W'en we are on de timber, yo' Will heer dem rafters shake!

I'ze gwine to take Lucinda Brown An let dat banjo ring, Twell Miss Lucinda Brown an I Hes had ouah fin'l fiing! I don't care fo' de othah trash

De co'nstalk fiddle soun's se sweet,
Jump up, ma honey, hi',
I'ze gwine to wed ma li'l gal,
Wif twinkle en huh eye!
—Boston Globe.

A Questien of Individuals.

"Of course," said one member of congress, "you are opposed to any man's holding two offices at the same time?"

"Well," answered the other, "all people ain't alike. There are some men I know of who are equal to holding three or four offices and doing the work well, and there again there are some who have a mighty hard time getting away with one. You can't lay down any general rule."—Wash ington Star.

"I understand that Fred Blakesley and Maude Ashbourne have ceased to be "Yes; they den't speak to each other

now."
"What's the trouble, I wonder?"
"He started to propose to her the other
night and had just begun to say that his
breast was on fire when her father turned
the hose on him."—Chicago News.

Mr. Mercury Man. Mr. Mercury Man.
Wha' bouts is you gwine to,
Mistuh Muck'ry Man?
'Pears you've stahted in to do
All de bad you can.
Give you pienty chance to grow
Hones', big an bright,
Hyah you is a 'layin low,
Well nigh out of sight!

Big road's jes' an icy track
Since you worked de cha'm.
Hosses' feet go slickery slack;
Fill you wif ala'm.
Can't you brace up an unourl?
Len' a helpin han';
Take de conjure off dis worl',
Mistuh Muck'ry Man?
—Washington Star.

Merely Furniture. The Fat Man—I believe my wife looks on me as a piece of furniture. The Thin Man—Very likely, but how did you find it out? "She told me the other day that my chin was so handsome that I ought to grow a beard to protect it from the weath-

All Ferrough Bey, the new Turkish minister to Washington, is 40, handsome, rich, a wit and speaks fluently six lan-

guages.

Heary Havemeyer, the sugar magnets, is a man of regular hours. He siase every morning at 7:30 and goes to bed at 10:30 every night.

Albert Williams of Charlestown, W. Va., says he was the colored child whom John Brywn kiesed as he was heing sakes to his argustion.

THE LISTENER.

Va., says he was the colored child whom John Brawn kiesed as he was being saken to his provention.

By the death of his father Coningsby Disraeli inherits a memorial ring which Rainh Disraeli homehastith 235 especially devised to him for that purpose.

Senator Fathanks of Indians is said to be one of the greatest readers in the senate. All new books, especially history and fettion, are at once purchased by him.

Ex-Gewenner Sprague of Rhode Island, when recently in Washington, met his two daughters for the first time in 18 years, during which time they have lived abroad and in the west.

Isaac Wyman of Salem, Mass., cwns a note for \$40,000 to which the name of George Washington is statched. The note was given Wyman's great-grandfather for money advanced to supply the pressing needs of the Revolutionary army.

Senor Don Rafael Iglesias, president of Costa Rios, who is now visiting this country to benefit his health and to study incidenselly the institutions of the United States, comes of an ancient and distinguished Costa Riona family. He is saily 38 years of age.

Two Roots Standing-Together has been

years of age.

Two-Boets-Standing-Together has been deposed as chief of the Tuscarora Indians in northern New York because he has declared himself in favor of woman's rights. Previous to this declaration he had been respected and looked up to by the warriors of the telling.

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Professor C. E. Lindeman, after whem the great Alaskan lake was named, says that while in that region he wore silk underwear or red flannels steeped in lard oil and outside of his woolen clothing overalls of corduroy. "In that dress," he adds, "I never suffered from the cold."

Owing to the wound he received at Fort Figher Captain Bob Evans was retired from the navy's active list and was only restored, after much pleading, by a joint resolution of congress which exempted him forever from physical examination as to disability. He is she only officer in the service who has been so honored.

Timothy B. Blackstone of Chicago, who

service who has been so honored.

Timothy B. Blackstone of Chicago, whe gave the Blackstone Memorial library two or three years ago to his native town of Brandford, Conn., has now added \$100,000 to its endowment. It is one of the finest public libraries in the United States and cost more than \$400,000. Mr. Blackstone's first endowment gift was \$100,000 so that the aggregate of his benefactions is more than \$600,000.

## POULTRY POINTERS.

Even in cold weather good ventilation is

There is no breed that lays eggs of uniorm color.

If eggs are desired for hatching, use, year-old hens. Clean out the quarters often and whitewash the walls.

If there are any late hatched chickens, see that they are given warm quarters.

Pea fowls are much smaller birds than hey appear. It does not pay to raise hem for their flesh.

them for their fiesh.

The ducks and geese should have plenty of straw scattered over the floor, upon which they can roost during the winter.

Watch for the first appearance of colds among your flook. Attend to it promptly, and you will not be troubled with roup.

Coal tar placed in the drinking water to ly, and you will not be troubled with roup.
Coal tar placed in the drinking water is one of the best remedies for running nostrils. Aveiding the drafts will prevent it. The fowls should be fed as early and as late as possible, giving the heaviest and best meal just before they go on the roosts. Eggs for hatching should be kept as near 40 degrees as possible. As high as 60 degrees will not spoil them; but they should not be allowed to get chilled.—Ex-

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Money talks, but it never gives itself

Throwing mud at a good man only re-ults in soiling your own hands. Experience is a teacher of mankind, and ome men will learn of no other. The law's delay doesn't apply to the resentation of the lawyer's bills.

The more glasses a man looks through It was probably the one touch of nature a Adam that made the whole world kin. About the only difference between mar-bles and billiards is in the age of the play-

Wise is the individual who can condense peck of trouble so that it will go into a peck of trouble so that it will luart measure.—Chicago News.

WASHINGTON AS A SENTINEL

William Perrine gives a graphic pict of Washington's memorable winter of suf-fering at Valley Forge in The Ladies' Home Journal. "Sentinels pacing in the snow on the outposts took off their caps and stood in them to save their feet from freezing," he writes. "Here and there could be found even officers in a sort of dressing gown made of old woolen bed-covers. The stout hearted women of New Jersey sent their quilted clothes as Christ-mas presents, with the patriotic jest that as women were said sometimes to wear the trousers, so now there would be an ex-cuse for men who might wear the peti-costs.

coats.

"Washington, who never exaggerated, said that few men had more than one shirt, many only half a one, and some none at all. Nearly 8,000 men were barefooted, and occasionally might be seen a soldier who was all but naked. Sometimes there were prothing to eat in the same but footed, and occasionally might be seen a soldier who was all but naked. Sometimes there was nothing to est in the camp but rotten salted herrings. Men were known to snatch at the dough of half baked cakes in the kitchens of the farmers' wives. The contractors and the commissary agents and the continental congress had brought 18,000 men to the verge of staryation, and the blood of General Wayne ran hot with rage as he looked on his poor fellows, weak with hunger. Indeed there was but one horn tumbler and also but one wooden dish for every mess.

"Washington himself dined one day on potatoes and hickory nuts. 'My good man,' he said to the sentinel in front of his headquarters, paoing up and down in the bitterness of a cold morning, 'have you had anything to eat?' 'No, sir,' was the reply. 'Give me your musket, then, and go inside and get some breakfast.' And the tall commander gravely walked up and down as guard over his own house."

A Highland Deer Forest A highland Dees Forest.

A highland deer forest is not, of oourse, a vast, densely woodst park. As a highlander said to an Englishman who wondered that trees were wanting there, "Whoever heard of a forest with trees?" There may happen to be trees in the forest; natural birch woods may oling to the sides of a glen, or the lower slopes of the hills around the lodge may be clothed with modern plantations of fir and larch, but these are merely ornamental fringes of the forest. The forest itself is a great waste of mountainous moorland, treeless, brown with heather or gray with coarse grass—a wilderness sacred to the red deer, from which human dwellings are bandshot.

The many hundreds of square miles of The many hundreds of square miles or bleak, high lying moors now devoted to deer forests never could have maintained a large population. There have been farms and crofts in the green patches in the glens, and in the old times the cattle were driven in the summer to the shellings high a mong the hills. Now the only-people who live in the forest throughout the year are the forester and his family at the lodge, with perhaps an underkeeper there and one or two other keepers at the opposite side of the forest, some dosan miles war.

## A LITTLE PESSIMIST.

"All of my fairy tales and the same— They lived, and they loved, and then the 'diese."
The wicked eachanter's always to blame.
Oh, for something quite new!" she cried. 'I'm sick of my dolls with their china eyes. I'm sick of reading of giants and things.
I'm tired to death of candles and ples,
I hate my crown and my golden rings."

And then her nurse feit of the royal head.
Looked at her tongue in a knowing way.
Your highness had better come home to be to

THE NEW DRUG CLERK.

A Prescription That He Filled
the Effect It Had.

My faith in the efficacy of medicine
had a fearful shock—a stunning bi
from which it will be long in recove is a young man, recently graduated from whatever it is druggists are graduated from, and he keeps the shop with the as-sistance of a very young man, a bresh

from, and he keeps the shop with the assistance of a very young man, a brash young man.

One evening not long ago an irascible man came in with a prescription. He wanted it put up at once, and he was one of those men who want whatever they do want very much indeed. The assistant was alone in the shop, and when he began to explain that delay would be unavoidable the quick tempered man made ready to leave in a rage. The assistant couldn't left the chance slip. He book the prescription, stepped behind the screen, dashed out the beak door and ran to the next drug store. Hideous mockery of fate! That drug store on the next corner was closed because of somebody's death. Back ran the assistant. He simply couldn't lose the customer now. He looked at the prescription. Only two words were on it intelligible to him. "Aqua Pura" he made them out. Quickly he held a bottle under a cold water faucet, filled it, added a few drops of two or three harmless drugs, pasted a label on and a moment later presented the bottle to the waiting oustomer. Ninely cents was what he charged for it. To himself he argued that the doctor, seeing no improvement in the patient, would change the medicine in a day or two. In the meantime aqua pura could not do any harm. He hadn't run the risk of poisoning any body, and possibly the second prescription would be presented later—the thought of another 90 cents cheered him up considerably. Three days later the irascible man came in again.

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"Say," he said to the proprietor, "that medicine you put up for my wife the other day was great stuff—acted like a charm. She wants another bottle of it to keep on hand."

Then the assistant said a few words in private to the proprietor and showed him the prescription. He had not judged it wise to refer to the matter before. The customer carried home a bottle—a bottle of the \$1.95 size. The proprietor inself filled it, and—well, I shan't tell what was in it. Come to think of it, I believe the proprietor left out that part of the story—Washington Post.

Machinery In the Navy.

It is a fundamental principle that every navy should be organized to secure the greatest fighting efficiency, and therefore, other things beling equal, that navy will be most efficient where the largest percentage of officers and men are able to take age of officers and men are able to take age of officers and men are able to take age of officers are men whose duties do not call them to the actual work of handling the battern to the actual work of handling the battern to the sates. not be understood for a moment as depre-ciating the value of officers or men whose duties do not sell them to the actual work of handling the battery; but, as the pri-mary object of the ship is to fight, the more men she has who can work with the guns the less chance there is of her being compelled to run away through a large percentage of the men at the battery being disabled.

of handling the battery; but, as the primary object of the ship is to fight, the more men she has who can work with the guns the less chance there is of her being compelled to run away through a large percentage of the men at the battery being disabled.

Before the advent of steam in our naval vessels nearly every officer was trained to take his place in the battery, and every man had this training. With the growth aft the machinery department of the vessel a larger and larger percentage of the ship's crew, together with a considerable percentage of the officers, were specially employed for the propulsion of the vessel. This has at last reached a point where, in some of our ships, the engineers force forms nearly 50 per cent of the crew, and the officers whose duty lites entirely with the machinery form at least 30 per cent of the total number of officers. —Commodore John W. Philip, U. S. N., in North American Review.

Two Reasons.

derer?
Second Lawyer—I was asked to, but my conscience wouldn't let me. It was such a brutal orime, and besides that he has no money.—Harlem Life. The Lady of Shalott.

Out flew the veil and floated wide,
The mirror cracked from side to side,
"The curse is come to me!" she cried,
"Oh, what a face I've got!"
—New York Journal.

"Gladys Lucile, I must make a con-fession before we are married. You know me as Guy Percy Fitz-William, but the

It is confidently stated that the Germa government favors an expedition to the south pole. We should have thought that the kaiser had quite enough to do to look after his own Poles.—Punch. Wanted, an Angel.

## THE TATTLER

HARDWAR MAN

Efflian Russell, when she was Mrs. Solomon, used to wheal her baby in Gramercy park, New York.

Enima Calve's real name is Emma Roquer, and she was born, at Decaseville in 1866. She was brought up in a convent, and during her first seeson as a dinger got \$14 a month.

Mrs. Helen P. Juillard of New York has donated \$25,000 to St. John's guild for the purchase of another boat out of which te make a second floating hospital for the sick poor children of New York.

Miss Penman, a Lendon girl, is a su-

sick poor children of New York.

Miss Penman, a London girl, is a superintendent in the London Tramway
cempany, and oversees the work of 500
conductors. She is the only woman in
England to hold such a position.

Mra. Mary Mapes Dodge, editor of St.
Nicholas, who recently recovered from a
severe illness, has gone, to Europe by advice of her physician. Mrs. Dodge intende
to spend the winter in Egypt and Italy:
Miss Caroline Wetherell, the writer, is a vice of her physician. Her Bodge intentes to spend the winter in Egypt and Italy:

Miss Caroline Wetherell, the writer, is a demure little lady with a bright, engaging face, a soft voice and pleasing manners. She is a firm believer in the ability of woman to be a factor in the world's affairs.

Miss Laura Evans of Oswego performed the feat of riging the territie White Horse rapids between Daywon City and Bennett, in the Klondike country. The day before she made her way eight boats were wrecked.

A funny story is told of Miss Fortesone in regard to the first time she played Juliet in London. The fair actress possesses beautiful eyes, but is shortsighted and she cannot see beyond the second row of stalls. On this particular night she got so excited in the poison scene that she actually threw the vial at the head of a well known critic scated in the stalls. seated in the stalls.

Mrs. Ann Smith of Worcester, England,
110 years of age, has spent over 100 years
of her life in traveling from fair to fair
in a van. She has had 16 children, and
one of her daughters, now 80 years of age,
has also had 16. Mrs. Smith eats four
meals a day, drinks sparingly of intoxi-

## cants, smekes a clay pipe steadily and at-tends to all her household duties herself.

THE BEEHIVE. Each hive should have a good bottom oard, planed smooth and painted. Tarred paper makes a good lining for the bettoms, to prevent mice from enter-

\*Protection of the bees in winter pays well in the saving of honey alone, even if the bees live through the winter in unpro-tected hives. tected hives.

If it is necessary to remove bees any considerable distance at this time, it should be done before severe winter weather sets in.

The king of Greece is an accomplishe

## THE MIGHTY KAISER.

Kaiser Wilhelm is provoking. After do ing the most amusing things in the world he refuses to allow people to laugh at him. — Philadelphia Times. —Philadelphia Times.

Emperor William is to write a book giving his impressions of the east. Fortunately, the east is not in a position to retaliate byggiving its impressions of Emperor William.—Baltimore American.

peror William.—Baltimore American.

Mr. Knaak, an American, while celebrating Thanksgiving day in a Berlin restaurant, said something about a "calf's head," and was instantly arrested by the police for the latest and the police for heid," and was instantly arrested by the police for leze majesty. If a man cannot speak of a calf's head in a German restaurant without being arrested for dis-respect to the kaiser, what would they do to a fellow if he ordered a squab?—Louis-ville Courier-Journal.

GLEANINGS.

In Russia servants kiss their mistres hands both as morning and evening gree In Dawson City currency and silver are an Dawson City currency and silver are called "chee charko." Business is done in gold dust on a basis of \$16 an ounce.

The secret police of Paris is quite distinct from the regular force. The members are generally unknown to each other, and one detective is often employed to watch another.

Professor Schwah of Velegare that the

watch another.

Professor Schwab of Yale says that the learned professions absorb 63 per cent of the college graduates anowadays, whereas they formerly absorbed 93 per cent. On the other hand, business pursuits now take 31 per cent against 6 per cent in the old-days.

some does," is the old theoreti-

cal adage, but after all it's the

skin-deep beauty that's attrac-tive. It would take a big lot

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words, she "went next thing to mad." She tried
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