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n, Lime, Banana, Apple and Pon Now that the dietetic value of fruits is so universally recognized, the matter of their cultivation is receiving increasing attention, and is worthy of more than a passing interest. The iemon, from the Arabic word limun, which up to the 15th century was found only in India, now grows throughout the countries bordering on the Mediterranean, and in the Azores, the Canaries and most tropical lands of the new world. The tree is very sensitive to cold, and warm, sheltered ground, with constant irrigation in summer and winter, are indispensable to its hardy growth.

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There is a most remarkable specimen of the lemon tree in a quarry shity feet deep, near Syracuse, Sicily, which is said by the inhabitants of that Isle to be nearly 200 years of age.

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Probably no fruit contains the valurable properties possessed by the lemon; the juice, the rind and the oil all subserve useful purposes in connection with food, medicine and perfumery.

A fruit very similar to the lemon is the lime, more intensely acid. The finest time gardens in the world are on on the little islend of Montserrat, a Eritish colony. When ripe, the best limes are selected and cut into slices y machinery, the juice is then extracted by the means of heavy presses, and after it is strained it is conveyed in heavy casks to England, where it is bottled for export to other countries. The refuse from the presses and the inderior fruit are, by other treatment made to yield citric acid, which is as useful in the arts as is the juice for other purposes.

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useful in the arts as is the juice for other purposes. In this country the fruit is seldom seen except in its pickled form; it is, however, much more toothsome, if preserved. The fruit is gathered while green for preserving purposes, in order that the rind's exquisite aroma may not be lost, is bolled with sugar and spice, or sometimes the pulp is removed and the fregrant rind is encrusted with sugar, thus making a most delicious confection.

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sugar, thus making a most dericted-confection.

Another fruit with delicious possibili-ties is the pomegranate, which, since the time of the patriarchs, has furn-ished its juice for the assuaging of thirst, and in a most delightful fashion, too, does it asswer this purpose. Scented with rose water and cooled with snow from the mountains, this juice forms the delicious sherbet of the Levant. The fruit is a native of Per-sia, but became known to Europe at a very early date, and now flourishes in all the sub-tropical countries of both hemispheres.

hemispheres. India made a priceless present to the inhabitants of the tropics in sending the banana across the Arabian Sea. This fruit is the daily bread of many thousands of people all the year round. No other plant provides man spontaneously with so lavish an abundance of food.

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The great naturalist, Humboldt, calculated that a given space of ground planted with banenas would produce 133 times as much food substance as the same area sowed with wheat.

The apple is such a common fruit that very few people are familiar with its remarkably effectious medicinal properties, and yet it should be a matter of common knowledge that the very best 'thing one can do is to eat apples before retiring for the night. It is excellent brain food because it has more cellent brain food because it has more

before retiring for the night. It is excellent brain food because it has more
phosphoric acid in easily digested shape
than other fruits. It excites the action of the liver and promotes sound
and healthy sleep. The apple not only
obviates indigestion and prevents diseases of the throat, but is a most efficaclous remedy in obstinate cases of
rheumatism.
It seems that our forefathers appreciated the virtues of the apple even
though they could not give the whys
and wherefore from a scientific standpoint. They had an old saw, which
was something like this: "Eat an apple
on going to bed, and the doctor will
have to beg his bread."—The Epicure.

Cold Bathing Invigorating.

It is said that "cleanliness is next to godliness," so that, presumably, the person who is both godly and clean is the nearest to heaven. Whatever truth there may be in this statement one thing is certain, that the person who is scrupulously clean and who indulges in baths frequently, is as near to comfort and health as is possible on this earth.

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To those who take a morning spongs bath in cold water daily there is nothing so invigorating and refreshing; it stimulates the whole system into active service.

But everything may be done so that instead of doing good it proves injurious. With the cold bath, the person who stays in too long, or long enough to get chilled, may do himself a lot of injury. The first thing is to sponge the body with a soft sponge, then with a bath brush rub the body until it is all in a glow rinse off and dry with a rough Turkish towel. A bath of this description never fails to tone up the system and give a good appetite.

For those who cannot stand the shock of a cold bath the water may be left standing in the bath tub over night; this will take the chill off and prevent the shock experienced when the water is freshly drawn.

Those who have not tried taking a cold sponge bath every morning we recommend them to try it. They will, after they get accustomed to fit rather both.

In cases of insomnia there is nothing

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In cases of insomnia there is nothing so conductive to sleep as a warm bath taken just before retiring.

For a good healthy skin and complexion bathe at night just before retiring with hot water, using a pure soap; rinse in cold water and rub a little cold cream on the face. For tan and sunburn the juice of a lemon rubbed well on the face before going to bed is said to prove most beneficial.—Life and Health.

Hememade Tonic for Malaria.

A home-made tonic for malaria or the feverish, languorous feeling peculiar to spring, known as "the spring collapse," is a cup of black coffee with the fuice of a good-sized lemon squeezed into it. It should be taken in the morning, of course. Some people find the draught so bitingly bitter, it requires a certain amount of moral courage to take it. The fault, I fancy, is with the roffee. If it is made of one-third Mocha and two-thirds Java, and drank just as it has come to a boil, and the aroma is most fragrant, it can scarcely be strikingly unpalatable when mixed with the lemon.

External strike Carpet Mocha. Homemade Tonic for Malaria

Exterminating Carpet Moths.
Carpet moths do not like to make their nests where salt has been, and one may often get rid of them by scrubling the floor with strong hot sait and water before laying the carpet.

The Latest Fashions BELLES AND GIRDLES.

out the Waist Clacks

Peints About the Waist Cinctures White Are All the Ge.

One of the destinctive novelties of the early spring is the changeable slik beit with black patent leather lining and edge. Attached to one side is a slik purse about four inches long, the slik teing out square and gathered at the top with a metal arrangement that stretches out wide enough for the wearer's hand. The shop name of this contrivance is "gate top." These slik purses also come separate from the beit, and then have a jeweled top for dress-up, occasions.

The fancy jeweled belts introduced last season come in gorgeous combinations. In the shops they may be had for 25, but for the real stuff the jeweler will charge as many hundreds of dollars as one can pay. The glitter of some of the novelties is very "stagey," while others have the rich nulth-colored effects characteristic of oriental fabrics. One of the most striking to be seen is the gorgeous Persials but made of gold cloth elaborately embroidered in beautiful colors and lined with satin. The rather large oblong buckle is incrusted with precious stones, while emeralds and poarls ard rubles are woven in the cloth in striking faures.

In the less expensive belts there is almost every conceil from a leather belt for 15 cents to the "Nethersole." belt for 50 cents. The "Nethersole." is a smaky-looking wire arrangement of a leaden color. Another variety has the wires plaked and colored, to give an iridescent effect. Another variety has an iridescent effect. Another variety has an iridescent effect. Another variety has the wires plaked and colored, to give an indescent effect with his skiff and inartistic. The "Prince of Wales" is brass lined, and finished on the outside with enamed of gaudy color. The blain learner of gaudy color of the silk. These strikes are broad on narrow and point.

the buckle.

The black satin girdle has arrived, with the sidns and the silk. These sirdles are broad or narrow and pointed or plain. They are the thing for the modest girl who does not go into extreme style. Bevidently the reign of the girdle is "on," and by another season the narrow belk will have to look of the laures.

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Mousseline de sole bodices are a pleasing featune of the velvet gowns this season, and are made in light, dainty colors, which afford a pretty

worn years ago, is a novely in the ming. Pearl-gray grenadine with black trimming forms a pretty and unusual-combination for a house or early springstreet gown.

Checked wood gowns in green and black, black and white and brown and white, are made with plain cloth belero, braided with black, and worn over vests of white Msse, lace or silk.

The Month's Fashion Hints. The Menth's Fashien Hints.

The new three-piece skirt has a very wide front breadth.

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Who do all the year round what the pro-White and gold is being employed extensively with black or fan y boddoes. Tallor-made pique costumes will form one of the very smart styles for afternoon wear this summer. Pointed epaulettes, toreador jacket within and plain and folded girdles still lend great variety to spring street costumes and house tolkets. Caractions, geraniums, gladioli, tutips, lobella blossoms are among the brilliant red flowers that are used upon spring hats and bonnets.

White and Gold Dinner. White and Gold Dinner.

White and gold chine enables one to set a lovely table for a white and gold tea or a white and gold tea or a white and gold dinner, using gold-colored flowers and gold-colored rbbtons for decorations. The ices may be yellow, the cake, icings and trimmings may be of the same hute and tail lamps, with yellow shades, will throw a soft, golden light over the festive scene. Beautiful tea and dinner gowns are made in white an gold, and if the hostess has golden hair and a pure white complexion, she will took like a fairy princess at a magic box guest.

How to Curl Feathers.

Feathers may easily be curled, if only a little time and care can be dewinted to them. A simple process is as follows: Hawe a large kettle with sitcam pouring out of the spout, Hold the feathers in this steam for a few moments, and then with a blunt kaife (preferably a metal paper cutter) curleach separate plume, and when complete, hold the feather in front of the fire to est the stiffness in. Professional decessors do little else, but, of course, they are more expert than a mere ama-

SPRING DISCOVERIES.

Ah, yes, giad springtime has returned, and nature shakes off her restraint. The landlord, who all winter spurmed My every wish andwe each complaint, Knows well my lease will end next May, And now is smiling as the day, And hists of plumbing, paste and paint,

A bluebird sings his roundelay, No doubt, above some rwal spot; Beyond my drifting curtains play, Within a time%worn vacant lot, Four minstrels, called a "German band;" The rest, or lack, yow'll understand— More the deponent sayeth not.

Fair blossoms peep on every hand,
And meadows don their velvet green
In some far-distant pastoral land,
'Tis said. Thus led, I search between
Some papers where my light suit lies;
Then shudder with a sad surprise.
For moths have wintered there, I ween.

HOW CHAPPIE WAS SAT UPON. She Wasan Eastern Girl With Pluck, and She Knew How to Exercise It. She knew Mow to Exercise It.

A young society gisf from New York, visiting a St. Louis belle, boarded the car at Barr's one forenoon last week. It was a warm day and she had her gloves off. In her hand she had a package which looked as if it might contain several new pairs.

There were not more than a dosen people in the car, and when she was comfortably seated she began to pusher gloves on. When they were both on she took out of her pocket-book a dainty silver button hook and began to button the one on her left hand. In doing this the buttoner slipped and feel from her hand.

A chapple-looking fellow scurried up from behind. Dicked up the button



Just then the real guardsan of the car rang the bell for some one ts alight. The girl glanced around quietly, turned to the crestfallen chapple, and said loud enough for everybody in the car to hear:

"I beg, your pardon; I thought you were the conductor."
At the next corner Chapple-boy get off.—St. Louis Republic.

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The belt fud has resulted in an invokation in dressmaking pations. The death fud has resulted in an invokation in dressmaking pations. The death of beits it seeps a little show-case full of these progeous accessories. With aimost every gown the fair customer burs a belt.

All the Rage New.

The Dresden style of decoration for oblize is always in favor, and no one who attempts to paint upon china at the present time can afford to bignorant of its characteristic features. The painting is always done upon the wriste ware, as the tinted ground are not oxidined in any way, as is done in all other styles of china portion to consist to the entitled contrast to the climber of the conditions of the flowers, figures and other devices emblyed are not oxidined in any way, as is done in all other styles of china portion of the flowers of the condition of the flowers with the contrast to the climber of the condition of the flowers with the contrast to the climber of the condition of the flowers with the contrast to the climber of the condition of the flowers with the condition of the flowers with a condition of the flowers with the condition of the condition of the flowers with the condit

"How do your stand on this question of crushing out the department stores?" inquired an acquaintance. "I believe in hearing both sides," was the reply, "and before I express my opinion I want to—h'm—to hear from the proprietors of the department stores." 

THE SCIENTIFIC SLUGGARD. 'Tis the voice of the scientist, hear him explain, "Don't get up too soos, it is bad for the brain."
The mind it unhinges," he ruthlessly said, "If you rise in the morning too soon from your bed."

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A LEGAL LUMINARY.

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The young lawyer was consulting in the jail with his unfortunate client, charged with stealing a stove,

"No, no," he said, soothingly," I know of course, you didn't really steal the stove. If I thought for a minute that you were guilty, I wouldn't defend you. The cynics may say wenter that you were guilty, I wouldn't what they like, but there are soveres. Yes, so course, the real difficulty lies in the proving that you didn't steal the stove, but I'll manage it now that you have you but I'll manage it, now that you have you had you were guilty, I wouldn't what they like, but there are sovered the sacrotic man and over ten dollars now, and pay me the real-"

"You can hand over ten dollars now, and pay me the real-"
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"You man and over ten dollars, it could pay ye jest ex easy. I ain't got no money."
"Yo money?" The tawyer looked indignant.
"Naw, ner know w'ere I kin git any, eether!"
The young lawyer seemed plunged in gloom. Suddenly he brightened.
"Well," he said, more cheerfuily." I like to help honest men in trouble, I'll tely you what to Gr. Fil-get you out of this scrape and we'll call it square if you'll send the stove around to my office. I need one, see?"

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SE OF THE LUXFER PRISMS MAKES DAYLIGHT IN DARKNESS.

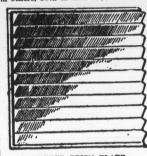
Placed Upon the Market-Adoption of This Method of Lighting of

plished by a new invention, which is based on familiar natural law—the refraction of light.

The invention is merely a glass prism, which receives the rays of light from the street and returns them in a different direction by the agency of refraction. By using a series of prisms the rays can be sent in any direction. Daylight is thus put on tap for the benefit of those who have hitherto had too small a share of it.

Its value under the conditions of modern business life should be very great. In the central part of the city here is hardly a building whose inmates do not suffer from lack of light. Even banks and wealthy firms often make their employes work in artificial light or by insufficient daylight, which is worse. The injury to eyesight from this cause is enormous. By the add of prism plates it may be avoided.

The inventor of the prism plates is James G. Pennyculck, a Canadian, who is now in Chicago, where a company has been organized to make and sell his invention. The plates have already been placed in several buildings in Chicago, and are soon to be fitted in others, both in that city, in Toronto



LUXFER PRISM PLATE.

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and in New York. They are now constructed under the supervision of Prof. O. H. Basquim who was until recently Professor of Physics in the Northwestern University.

A room 150 feet deep, which, under ordinary circumstances is almost dark at the rear, can by the aid of prisms be flooded with light from one end to the other. When the prisms are so fixed that they can be swung in and out of use an instantaneous change from light to darkness can be produced. The prisms can be placed in the uper part of the window, leaving the lower free for those who wish to look through it.

In basements with sidewalk lights the prisms give wonderful results. By their means the light is carried into a basement through an angle of ninety degrees. This cannot be done with one refraction. The light is first edimitted through a set of heavy glass prism plates set in the sidewalk. They give the light a backward slant of 45 or 50 degrees. It is then caught in a frame of vertical prisms at the back edge of the skdewalk and carried into the farthest corners of the basement, which, in one case in Chicago, is 150 feet deep. Without the prisms the light did not reach more than five or six feet from the sidewalk window.

THE PARAGRAPHERS. Merry Momenta Caused by Their erous Flashes of Fun.



A Trade Expression Illustrated.— Something new in the way of a bicycle. "He reasons in a circle." "Ah, that accounts for his arguments never com-ng to an end."—Indianapolis Journal.

wise,"
But how about those agricultural hands, who do all the year round what the proverbet commands?

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A Rochester woman, whose husband objected to the bicycle on general principles, went to a riding academy in his absence and comenced to take beauting. When the head of the house returned she had become a mistress of the wheel, She was much troubled as to how she would go about telling her husband that she had learned to ride. She was returned that the had learned to ride. She was returned that the had learned to ride. She may be asking him to go to the riding academy with her and watch some of her frieads learn to ride. He thought it would be rare fun, and so he went along. On aeriving there she wurprised him still more by selecting a wheel and attempting to mound: After a number of attempte she succeeded, and rode in a zigrag fashion and her husband began to be afraid that she would injure herself. Suddenly she straightened up and sailed, about in grand style to his astonishment.

"Well, if it's as easy as that to learn to ride a blcycle, I guess I'll try myself." he said.

The next day found her husband at the riding academy, but he did not learn as readily as he expected. In fact, he had a fall, and curstained a had bruise on the forehead. He was talsen home in a carriage, and his wife now has some compounctions of one science as she thinks how she deceived. Hone care the remaining the treashenous bicycle.

#### GREAT SHIP CANAL.

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RUSSIA'S GREAT SIDE CALAL.

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Important Events in Few Words RUSSIA TO CONNECT THE BALTIC For Busy Readers

Miles Long-The Advantages to the

Now that the trans-Siberian Railway is far advanced toward completion, the Russian Government is planning another great scheme, which will outrival in political importance the Klei canal. It has always been considered by the Russian strategists as a source of great weakness that the naval forces of the empire should remain divided in such a way that one-half only of either the Baltic or the Black Sea fleet could be available at one time. Between the north and the south there is no way for a naval concentration, communications being blocaded in the north by cilmatic and in the south by political obstructions. In his dealings with his grandmother's Government his Majesty the Czar is never so warm and conciliatory as when the Baltic is frozen. To this actual thermometric condition may be ascribed his present desire for peace in the east.

There is a motto in maritime affairs that nothing can be improvised; everything has to be foreseen. It was with a clear understanding of this truth that the late Czar, Alexander III., gave instruction to his engineers to study the possibility of a maritime canal to connect the Baltic with the Black Sea; this canal to be constructed with dimensions sufficient for the transit of the largest war vessels. After a thorough study of the various possible roads, one has been selected as the most practical, running, as it does, entirely through Russian territory. On the plan selected there are no great difficulties of level to be overcome, although the European watershed summit has to be crossed, but this last takes place at one of its lowest points. The proposed canal's entrance will be on the Gulf of Riga, at the mouth of the river Duna. It will follow the course of this river up to a point above Dunabours. Then, leaving this vedley. Mr. McClure, the new representative of Colchester, N.S., has arrived in Otta-

Mrs. Boyd, wife of the late Governor of New Brunswick, died at St. John.
The Hon. Eldridge Gerry Spaulding, known as the "Father of the Greenback," died in Buffalo, aged 88. He was worth about fifteen million dollars.
The Duc d'Aumale died at Zacco, Sicily, from cardine apoplexy, caused by the shock experienced by hearing of the death of the Duchess d'Alencon in the Paris fire.
Mrs. C. S. Ewart and Mrs. F. Wr. Cumberland, two Toronto ladies widely known through Canda and very active in charitable and church work, died on Friday and Sunday respectively.

BUSINESS.

Thee years imprisonant respectively.

A special despatch from Cape Town says that the army reserve of the colony of Natal has been notified to hold itself in readiness for active service.

A despatch from Acera, Gold Coast Colony, says it is reported that Chief-Samory, hitherto friendly to the British, has captured Lieut. Henderson's mission at Wa.

The repeal of the Transvaal Immigration Act, complained of by Mr. Chamberlain, is regarded as a complete backdown President Kruger, and measurably lessens the chances of war.

Warlike preparations in Natal and the Transvaal are now reported. It is said that the trivial of the transval has been distributed in Cape Colony and the Orange Free State, asking the Afrikanders to "come and help us."

Big Fire in Toronts:

Big Fire in Toronto. April 30.

The stock of H. P. Eckardt & Co., wholesale grocers, Front-st. east, was damaged by dire vesterday afternoon to the extent of probably 375,000. The premises were also considerably damaged. The biase was discovered about half-past 1.

A requiem mass for the Tepose of the souls of the victims of the Puris fire was celebrated with extreme solemnity in the Cathedral of Notre Dame on Baturday.
The Rev. Dr. Hainsford, rector of St. George's Episcopal Church, New York, is suffering from a severe attack of gout, and has left for Hot Springs, Ya., where he hopes to obtain relief.

At the Anglican Bynod meeting in Winnipeg, Archishop Machray stated that he would vote against prohibition in the plebiscite, believing that the Seriptures regard wine as a good gift of God.
The bell presented to the church at Gatineau Point by Lord and Lady Aberdeen and Cant. Sinchair in commenners.

Reamcial success of his scriptural dramas.

At one point in the conversation Irving, using the well-known elocution, using the sucknown elocution, successive to give us now?"

I have "The Sign of the Cross, and "The Daughters of Babylon," and 'Hamlet." said Barrett in his most sepulcies and the play 'Hamlet," remarked Irving.

"Yes" said Barrett, "do you think you are the only man who can play 'Hamlet?"

"No—ah—but I think—ah—you are the only man who cannot play 'Hamlet."

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Mixed Metaphors.

A very amusing collection of mixed metaphors by well-known French authors has been brought together by The Revue des Revues. The following are a few specimens:
Francisque Sarcey: "You recognize her mother's hand in Mile. Marguerite Ugalde's voice."
P. de Saint-Victor: "Ezeklet transcribes and comments on sacred verse. He reads with one eye. He writes with the other."
P. du Terrail: "He seized him with one hand by the throat, and with the other he spat in his face."
Flaubert: "His birthday present was a fine phrenological head, all painted in blue, and marked with letters down to the thorax."
J. J. Ampere, describing Egyptian grants: "Their feet are as large as five of mine."

## Growing Children

One-third of all the children die before they are five years old. Most of them die of some wasting disease. They grow very slowly; keep thin in flesh; are fretful; food does not do them much good. You can't say they have any disease, yet they never prosper. A slight cold, or some stomach and bowel trouble takes them away

bowel trouble takes them away easily.

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For sale by all druggists at 50c. and \$1.00.
SCOTT & BOWNE, Belleville, Ont.

#### NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK

Compiled and Put into Handy and Attractive Shape For the Henders of Our Paper - A Solid Hour's Enjoyment THE LABOR WORLD.

THE LABOR WORLD.

The miners' eight-hour bill was rejected in the British House of Commons.

OLLTICS—FOREIGN.

Mr. Michael Davitt, Home Rule leader, who was in Washington, expressed great satisfaction at the defeat of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty.

The arbitration treaty has been defeated by the United States Senate. The vote stood 43 yeas to 26 nays, not the necessary two-thirds required by the constitution.

The resignations of the German Imperial Chancellor and the Minister of Foreign affairs are in the hands of the Emperor, but he has persuaded them not to leave the Cabinet for the present.

of Colchester, N.S., has arrived in Octawa.

As a result of the penitentiary commission's enquiry, Warden Ouimet of St. Vincent de Paul has been suspended.

Messrs. John Siddons, G. D. Sutherland and J. L. Williams, customs officers at London, have been superannuated.

The general disposition to facilitate the prorogation of the Dominion Parliament was evidenced by the ready acquiescence of the House in the proposal of the Government to devote every day, Monday excepted, to Government business. . THE DEAD.

The first consignment of American frozen poultry arrived in London last week, and gave great satisfaction.
The commercial failures in the United States for the week just closed number 221, as compared with 238 in the corresponding week of last year.

A scheme is on foot in Chicago to control the fishing interests of the great lakes through the formation of a company, backed by English capital.
The excise income for April, 1886, was \$640,081, while for the same month this year it was \$1,886,760. The large increase is due mainly to the foresight of the distillers in anticipating the new tariff.

CHINE AND CRIMINAL.

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CRIME AND CRIMINALS.

Daniel Cane of Brooklyn, N.Y., is under arrest on the charge of throwing his wife out of a third storey window, causing her instant death.

Miss Nellie Peterson, daughter of Mr. A. J. Peterson, clerk of the Surrogate Court at Berlin, committed suicide by swallowing a quantity of carbolic neid. Thomas Wood, who was sentenced in London, Eng., to five years' penal servitude for fraudulently advertising loans, had previously served ten vears in a Canadian penitentiary.

Dr. Watter Hamilton and Police Constable William Bustard were found guilty in the Toronto Assize Court of attempting to perform an abortion upos Mary Jane McNally. Judge MacMahon sentenced them to two and a half and three years' imprisonment respectively.

FOR MEN OF WAR.

A special despatch from Cape Town CRIME AND CRIMINALS. it reaches the Berezina River by a straight cut and passes through Babrouisk. This brings it into the Dnieper, and, following this natural decilvity, it reaches the Black Sea, opening into a magnificent roadstead below Kherson. The total length of this colossal waterway will be something like 1600 kilometres (about 1000 miles), and it will be excavated to a depth of 8 1-2 metres (about 27 feet). This will allow the largest ironclads to navigate it freely from one end to the other. The estimated cost is put down at £100,000,000. Its strategic importance does not need demonstration. By the selection of a course running at a safe distance from the frontier it places back of the Russian forces stationed in Poland an unassaliable base of operation. Fully protected already by a whole network of fortifications and railways, this canal is intended to act as a feeder for all the war material. As to the concentration of the whole Russian feet in the Black Sea, this means an absolute control of Constantinople and the Straits.

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But if this enterprise is of utmost importance in a military point of view, it will also prove unquestionably very beneficial to the agricultural and industrial interests of the country. It places vest grain producing regions in chief point of export, while the immense coal fields of southern Russla will come into easier connection with industrial districts of Poland. There are reasons, too, to believe that cannot not count of the cheapness of this new mode of transport. If this scheme has been adopted, there is no doubt that the Russian tenacity will bring it to success. Irving's Humorous and Critical Sense. Irving's Humorous and Critical sense.
It is reported that shortly after
Henry Irving returned to England from
his last American tour he met Wisson
Barrett. The latter, who always bore
considerable resemblance to a turkey,
was more ruffled up than usual by the
financial success of his scriptural Gatineau Point by Lord and Lady Aber-deen and Capt. Sinclair in commemora-tion of Her Excellency's rescue from drowning, was blessed the other day. Lord Aberdeen made a very graceful speech.

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS Beginning Thursday of this week the New England Railway will try the experiment of running express trains by electricity.

The Dominion Bridge Company and the Detroit Bridge Company have been given the contract to reconstruct the Victoria Bridge at Montreal. Mr. Wm.

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Gibson, M.P., will do the masonry work.

Officials of the Microgan Central and Canadian Pacific Railways met at Hamilton to perfect the plans of the joint operation of the T., H. and R. line. It is said the C.P.R. trains will start running between Toronto and Buffalo on May 39.

At its session in Chicago the National Association of Railway Surgeons changed its mame to the International Association, and elected Dr. Hutchinson of Montreal, first vice-president, and Dr. Riordan, of Toronto, chairman of the Committee of Arrangements. The next meeting will be held in Toronto.

CASUALTIES.

Mr. Edward Coleman of Seeley's Bay was drowed near Morton.

Charles Connolly, the boy run over at Ottawa by a cab driver, died from his injuries.

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The family of Mr. Joseph Alford of The family of Mr. Joseph Alford of Chesterville were thrown out of the carriage by the horses running away, and a young child was killed.

Harold Fetherstonbaugh, the seven-haugh, was killed on the street railway track on Spadina avenue in Toronto.

Last Friday night Fred P. Hartman, son of Mr. C. W. Hartman, banker, of Clarksburg, Ont., while returning home after a short ride on his bicycle, ran into a vehicle. He died Sunday as the result of his accident.

PURKELY PERSONAL.

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Capt. Burke, R.N., who had been invited to accompany the Hudson Bay expedition, has declined to go.

Lord Rosemead (Sir Hercules Robinson), the former Governor of Cape Colony, has arrived in London.

Sir Oliver Mowat has been confined to his house for the last few days, but he was much improved in health yesterday. The Prince and Princess of Wales will take luncheon with Mr. Gladstone today, and plant trees in Hawarden in memory of the occasion.

The Queen delighted the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone on Thursday last when she summoned their granddaughter, Dorothy Drew, to Windsor Cartle.

When Mr. Astor, the American millionaire, was showing the Duchess of Cleveland the magnificent marble staircase in his new office building in London, she quietly rebuked the ostration of the nouveau riche by remarking: "Yes, it is far finer than mine at Battle Abbey, where the steps are spoiled by the marks left by the knights spurs. UNCLASSIFIED.

The first wheel forged at the Perth car wheel works was turned out the other day.

Capit Dunn of the Government steamer letter seized a lot of American nets and fish near Rondeau.

Cold weather still prevails in most parts of England, and on Wednesday there was frost in London.

The annual Canadian lawn tennis championship matches will: be held at Niarara-en-the-Lake an July 13.

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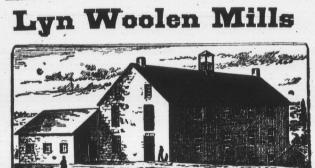
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