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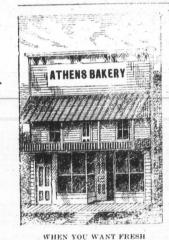
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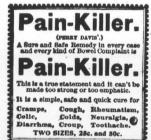
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away in weight until he weighed only 145 pounds. By this time, Dec. 1895,

ure in the Reformer by Dr. Will-ams' Pink Pills, and being seized with

iams' Pink Pills for Pale People."

DELTA

The roads are now getting in fine ondition since the rainy weather.

auled out and machinery put in order

roud, of Singleton, assists her in the

Miss Minnie Bell is assisting Mrs.

Miss Hattie Poyser has gone to Iro-

esent visiting her friends. Walter Beatty, M.P.P., intends to

and his family moved to Dayton to live.

our is second to none in the country, Bussell Bros. are building the ware

cuse connected with the store occupied

MUST BE DISSOLVED.

For a disordered stomach or sick

without effect, but when these same remedies are said to cure kidney dis-sease the common sense of science re-bukes the claim. This insidious and

the system unless a medicine is given

that will dissolve the hard substance

their last resting place,

ner Brown at the millinery. vish her good progress.

illinery in Mrs. Cortis' block.

fuse all others.

NORTH AUGUSTA,

Our band is making good progress nder the management of Mr. Geo.

Rev. David Williams, who lives two miles southwest of Nixon, Ont., in the township of Windham, Norfolk county, was one of these early days circuit riders. He was a man of vigorous health and although without many advantages in the way of early education he succeeded by dint of hard and constent study in heigh admitted into "I have been a victim of Rhematism for seven years, been confined to my bed for months at a time, and unabl to turn myself. Have been treated by many of the best physicians without benefit. I bad no faith in cures I saw tion he succeeded by dint of hard and constant study in being admitted into the ministry. He was the first born in the first house built in Glen Williams mar Georgetown, Mr. Geo. Kennedy the founder of Georgetown being a brother of his mother. To-day he is 70 years old and for the past 26 years has lived in this county. For many years he has been a sufferer from kidney and kindred diseases. He tried all kinds of remedies, and although sometimes temporarily relieved he gradually grew worse until in October, 1895, he was stricken with paralysis. From this he partially recovered and that and constant study in being admitted into the effect that a Greather to the effect that a Greather talends the effect that a Greather recently eloped with one of his female pupils but was followed and the girl captured. To those acquainted with the teacher indicated it is unaving the opportunity of telling what a great cure it has wrought in me. Sold by J. P. Lamb & Son.

CHANTRY

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A happy event took place at an early

1895, he was stricken with paralysis. From this he partially recovered and recovered his powers of speech, but his mind was badly wrecked, and his memory was so poor that he could not remember the name of the person to whom he wished to speak without thinking intently for several minutes. One day driving to church he wished to speak of a neighbor who lived next to bim for twenty y ars, but he could not recall the name for an hour or more. In addition, to his mental on the morning train for Brockville. On Friday a reception was given the young couple at the residence of Z. Sliter, Toledo, at which a very pleasant time was spent. Rev. Mr. Stillwell, of Frankville, on Thurstone Theology of the late of the la more. In addition to his mental on the morning train for Brockville trouble, he had an intense bodily suffering; pains in the head, across the eastern towns before returned to the Dominion government one-dollar bill is in circulation. The fraud, however, is a clumsy one. The portrait of Lady Duffrin in the more. In addition to his mental on the morning train for Brockville trouble, he had an intense bodily suffering; pains in the head, across the forehead, in the temples and behind the ears, across the lower part of the skull and in the joint of the neck.

In addition to his mental on the morning train for Brockville and they will visit O'tawa and other the portrait of Lady Deffrin in the imitation is very poor, and the signature of T. D. Harrington, which is a skull and in the joint of the neck.

In addition to his mental on the morning train for Brockville and they will visit O'tawa and other imitation is very poor, and the signature of T. D. Harrington, which is a clumsy one. skull and in the joint of the neck. Happy and prosperous journey through He had great weakness and pains in the back, hips and legs. In fact, so Mr. Empey, our teacher, has recov-

the back, hips and legs. In fact, so much did he suffer that sleep was ered from his recent illness and is almost an impossibility, and he fell spending the Easter holidays at his Note Company, Montreal" are omitted spending the Easter holidays at his parents home at Addison. He is accalled the counterfeit. companied by his wife and child, also be became despondent and felt that if Miss Emma Empey who has taught he did not soon obtain relief he would soon bid adieu to things of this world. On the 20th of December he read of a

INSOMNIA.

hree Months Without Sleep—Wasted in Flesh and Given up to Die, But the Great South Anerican Nervine Soothes to Reat With One Dose and Effects a Rapid and Perman-ent Cure. a sudden inspiration at once wrote to Brockville for a supply of that mavel

ous remedy. Immediate good results ollowed their use and he has improvto the ruse and he has improved wonderfully during the past year.

He has recovered his bodily health and strength, is comparatively free from pain and his memory is nearly as good nervous that she had not slept a night pain and his memory is nearly as good as it ever was, and as the improvement continues the prospects are very bright for complete recovery. He has gained 20 pounds in weight since beginning the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mr. Williams' says:—"I can heartly endorse the many good things raid of these pills in the papers, and strongly recommend them to any one suffering as I was."

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FRONT OF YONGE.

health giving properties, thus driving disease from the system. There are numerous pink colored imitations, year's illness.

year's illness.

Prizes will be given trustees who keep their school grounds and buildings in the neatest order. Church trustees should also take a hint from this edu cational programme.

Mr. H. Birch has greatly improved

his summer residence in Gloom Vale Farmers are getting ready to com-

ouild the stone store on the same stand which was burned last January. We regret Geo. K. Stevens is very Winchester village has a pile of stone and a supply of hammers, and tramps are required to work a while ick at present.

We regret to say that Geo. Huffman lodging. before being supplied with food or

In connection with the approaching George Haskins is still rolling flour every day. George boasts that his Diamond Jubilee of Hor Majesty, Hon. U. W. Ross, Minister of Education, has issued a circular to school inspectors throughout the province suggesting that they direct the teachers of house connected with the store occupied by Edward A. Pierce.

P. W. Strong, of Brockville, is bere their respective inspectoral divisions to devote the Friday afternoon preceding the 21st of June, to a consideration of Delta vault last week and placed in the most notable events in her Ms esty's and groom, followed by the bridesmaid reign, particularly those bearing upon the progress made in science, invention and education. In addition to this, Ros says, the history of Canada in relation to the empire, might with great advantage be considered in brief addresses by the trustees and others. Kidney Disease Can Only be Cured by a Remedy Which is in Liquid Form—Com-Mr. Ross also suggests that a portrait For a disordered stomach or sick of Her Majesty appropriately framed adache, pills and powders are not be p'aced in every schoolroom.

give rise to the distress and pain that is common to all who suffer from kidney complaint. South American Kid
This effective little pill is supplant. doses 20c at J. P. Lamb and Son's.

LOCAL SUMMARY. ATHENS AND NEIGHBORING LOCALI-

TIES BRIEFLY WRITTEN UP.

Chapman.

Mr. C. Reid is doing a rushing basiness in the clothing line, orders for nine suits being tak n in one day.

Mrs. J. Chapman, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. Taber in New York, is home again.

Several of our sportsmen have been making have among the wild geese. Events as Seen by Our Knight of the Pencil.-Local Announcement

By a recent census the population of Smith's Falls is shown to be 4,292. making havoc among the wild geese, which are very plentiful around here: Traps appear to be more effective than

It is still a question whether the hotels are to have licenses of not. Parties on both sides have been circulating petitious, and the result will be known on the 1st of May.

A quiet but happy event took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wu. It is still a question whether the

imprints "for the Minister of Finance"

Hints to Bicyclers.

Here are a few "don'ts" for amateurs. Don't drink beer. It affects the leg muscles. Don't try to ride a high gear, unless you are training for a road race. Don't carry a child on a baby carrier, unless it is borrowed, o you have more children than you need will ride easier and the tires will last by the easier and the tires will last longer if they are propolly inflated. Don't forget to slow up when nearing a crossing—your wheel will last longer. Don't coast in the night. Nor in the day time, except when you have a straight road shead with no crossings Don't fix your saddle too low; your knees will get cramped. 'Don't try to pedal fast against a strong head wind.

Two Weddings. In Athens on Wednesday evening last, Hymen presided over two nuptial ceremonies. At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Ross, Church street, now there is not a sign of the nervous-as I was."

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now there is not a sign of the nervous-ness, and she feels she is entirely the Rev. J. J. Cameron united in ma-terimonial bonds their only daughter, Miss Carrie, and Mr. Grant Kilborn, of Brockville, in the presence of only a few intimate friends. At the residence numerous pink colored imitations, against which the public is warned. The genuine Pink Pills are sold only in boxes the wrapper around which bears the full trade mark, "Dr. Willbears the full trade mark, "Dr. W choice music to the festivities of the

Liquor Licenses. The Board of License Commissioners Ins summer residence in Gloom Vale
by enclosing it with a new coat of claptoards.

A son of Mr. Joseph Leeder of Wexford is learning the art of making
cheese with Mr. Oren Gibson of Cain
The Doard of License Commissioners
for the County of Mr. Clow, school teacher at Sandstine of Delta. Mr. Vanalstine's hotel bay, is visiting friends in this locality.

Miss Violet Dickey, who is attending high school in Brockville, was bone on a visit.

Mrs. Thomas Dickey is visiting friends at Lyn, and while there will be said. Before the was not up to the standing and the said of the said mois to visit her friends

Miss Stella Scovil, of Portland, is at resent visiting her friends.

Miss Rolls M. R. intends to the guest of Mr. Albert Root.

Months Dickey is visiting that the house was not up to the standard. Before the next meeting of the Board, the necessary improvements the guest of Mr. Albert Root. and. Before the next meeting of the Board, the necessary improvements may be made which will entitle Delta to a licensed hotel. Several applica-tions for new licenses were considered, but only one was granted, that of O. L. Potter for Echo Lodge.

Wedding at Lake Eloida.

On the evening of Tuesday, 20th inst, a pleasant event occurred at the residence of Mr. John Mackie, when his daughter, Luella, was married to Mr. Francis Kilborn, of Plum Hollow. and groomsman, ontered the finely deand groomsman, entered the finely de-corated parlor, and the ceremony was performed. Nearly one hundred guests were present. The bride was very be-comingly attired in cream silk, overlaid with gauze and cream roses. The bridesmuid, Miss Mary Mackie, ap-peared resplendent in pale blue, trim-med with white chiffon and roses. The bridegroom was attended by his bridegroom was attended by his brother, Mr. H. Kilborn. The presents ommon sense of science relaim. This insidious and sease will not be driven from unless a medicine is given ssolve the hard substance—
and oxalate of lime—that the contracting parties are held throughout the country.

TAKE ONE

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Of Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills after dinner, it will promote digestion and overcome any cyling effects of too hearty eating.

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that will dissolve the hard substance—
that rive rise to the distress and pain that s common to all who suffer from kidney complaint. South American Kid
This effective little pill is supplant.

On the following Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Kilborn received an informal gathering of their young friends at the home of the groom's father, Mr. N. Kilborn, of Plum Hollow. As all ney Cune is a kidney specific. It dissolves these hard substances, and while gatives. The demand is hard to keep it dissolves it also heals. The cures up with since placing it on the Canadeffected leave no question of its value.

This effective intile pill is suppliant. No. Kindorn, of Fluin Hollow. As all the collective interesting and the short substances, and while gatives. The demand is hard to keep in gwas enjoyed. In a few days the happy couple intend setting out for La Chute "where they twain will spend the substances of the collective intended in the collective intended intended in the collective intended in the collective intended intended intended int their days," during the summer.

ON CARVING IN CLAY. ART WORK THAT MAY BECOME

Decorated Tiles, Etc.-All About the

By a recent census the population of Smith's Falls is shown to be 4,232.

Mr. Wm. Parish will conduct the grocery at Charleston Lake this summer.

Gananoque Reporter: Rev. J. M. Hagar, Mrs. Hagar and Mr. Artin Hagar, Prescots, were in town for several days this week. They were superintending improvement: to their summer cotting improvement: to their summer cotting at Mr. J. M. Clark'a, Smith's Palls, on Monday of last week, and the conduction and over the Dominion. This is the same day the Imperiid Government on all over the Dominion. This is the same day the Imperiid Government and the Guelph Dairy School, Mr. S. C. Trickey of Athens took third place for in Great Brit. in.

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CARVING IN CLAY.

as we started with. At the end of the stroke (which would be limited by an opposing line) we gently lift, by means of the blade, the severed clay. Should our guess ag to the depth of the trench have been correct it will require but little humoring; most probably it will fall out of its own accord.

This is the principle for the carving of a clay surface. The facility of cutting the outline has a great advantage over the same process in wood, and likewise the removal of a depth of clay from around the outline is of a far simpler and quicker nature in the clay than in wood. The more subtle varieties of surface so characteristic of fine woodwork are all possible in the clay.

The tile (figure 14) will give the opportunity of acquiring more skill. Proceed to, set out the outline, which, in this case, had better be done with a pair of compasses; then cut it to a depth of an eighth of an inch; follow they paring or beveling all round, and remove the bulk of clay where dotted; to accomplish which cross cut, mosaicfashion, the surface to be removed, lifting each piece as out with the point.

by paring or beveling all round, and remove the bulk of clay where dotted; to accomplish which cross cut, mosaic-fashion, the surface to be removed. Iffing each piece as cut with the point of the cutting tool. The broken surface left is often worth retaining, though it can be smoothed by the rakes (figure 5), and tools, slightly bent over, afterward stamped or dotted by the tracer (figure 6). The intersection of the various features will be emphasized by the carving adding greatly to the attractiveness of the design.

The simple vase (figure 15) furnishes us with another type of design, the carving being executed in the same manner as the preceding forms. The background in this is quite removed, then stamped with the end of the tracer. This tool can be capitally made from the slate pencils usually furnished to children at schools, one end being sharpened to a point and rounded, the other, with the assistance of a file, made into a star, etc. The flowers are simple in outline, to show the use that can be made of the barrels of pensite, these taking the place of gouges in the clay carver's outfit. A file and three or four barrels of pensive, the part that holds the nib—will make good substitutes for gouges, and are used much in the same manner (see figures 4, 7, 8). Figure 9, a large size, must be cut from a piece of tin or zinc, and bent. Many fanciful combinations are to be made in this manner, much like pastry trimmers. The remaining tools are a tool known as the loop, for hollowing flowers—hairping grund at the end make capital ones—and two smaller forms of loops, which are used for lines, borders, etc. These are made from large-eyed needles, ground laterally to a cutting edge. When used the clay passes like a thread through the eye of the needle, leaving a clear-cyt channel. Double lines are done with two needles set side by side, as in illustration. Figure 15 is a suggestion for one side of a

lines are done with two needles set side by side, as in illustration. Figure 16 is a suggestion for one side of a memento of the coming event, the celebration of the long reign of our gracious Queen. This, with the addition of end panels, containing the dates 18:7 1837, will make an interesting souvenir of an occasion not likely to be repeated again for a long time to come.

MRS. KATHERINE A. TINGLEY.

The Woman Head of Theosophists Known as "The Crusaders."

"Truth, light and liberation for disas "The Crusaders."

"Truth, light and liberation for discouraged humanity," is the inscription in letters of gold on a purple banner which has nearly completed a circuit of the globe. It is borne by a small group of people calling themselves "Theosphical Crusaders." This party reached Toronto, on its way to New York, from which city it started around the world on June 13, 1896, on March 31. I held meetings in the Queen City on The April I and 2, and then passed on The leader of "The Crusaders" is Mrs. Katherine A. Tingley, and it is to her earnest efforts that the successful conduct of the crusade is chiefly due. The expedition first visited England, and has since been in France, Holland, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Greece, Egypt, India, Australia, New Zealand, Samoa and the Hawaiian Islands. They again touched American soil at San Francisco Feb. II, a little over a month ago. The object of the crusade being the conversion of the people of the world to theosophy, the crusaders, of course, held public and private meetings in all the countries they visited. They also gave "Dreiters"



MRS. KATHERINE A. TINGLEY. MRS. KATHERINE A. TINGLEY.
claim to have done and at their own expense. As no member of the society receives any pay whatever for services, there certainly can be no question of the sincerity of the motives, whatever may be the success of their efforts.

By all odds the most interesting figure in this crusade is Mrs. Tingley. The interest that attaches to her is due to the fact that the late William Q. Judge, who, at the time of his death a year ago, was president of the Theosophical Society in America, left a will in which he named Mrs. Tingley as his successor. Athough but little known to members of the society before this time, she was easily identified by the executors of Mr. Judge's will by the photograph of her which he had placed among his papers.

In appearance Mrs. Tingley is rather tall and quite stout. She has a gracious manner and charming appearance.

Passing of Mrs. Beecher

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Passing of Nrs. Beecher

A lovely life ended on March 8, 1897, when Mrs. Beecher died on the 10th anniversary of her famous husband's death. Mrs. Beecher died on the 10th anniversary of her famous husband's death. Mrs. Beecher Mrs. Beecher died on the 10th anniversary of her famous husband's death. Mrs. Beecher first in 1830, when the latter was a student of Amherst College. They were married in 1837, and began housekeeping at Lawrenceville, Ind., moving afterward to Indianapolis. It was at their home in the latter city, it is said, that Harriet Beecher Stowe, the preacher's sister, got the inspiration which resulted in the production of "Uncle Tom's Cobin." In August of 1856 Mrs. Beecher went to Port Townsend, Wash., gnattended, to celebrate her eighty-third birthday, and visit her youngest son, Herbert Beecher. She stood the journey well, and returned in good health and spirits after remaining on the Pactific coast for several weeks.

After her husband's death, Mrs. Beecher resided in a comfortable brick house at Hicks and Orange streets. Brooklyn. The widow of the noted pastor met with some severe financial disasters in 1894, and found herself unable to pay the \$800 a year demanded. It was a great trial to her to leave this house, for its rooms were filled with reminiscences of the prominent life of her husband. Her table was situated in a sunny bay window, and so placed that, when at work, she could get a good view of Plymouth Church, near by.



LATE MRS. HENRY WARD REECHER. graphs of the Beecher family for generations back, and the kindly features of her husband looked down upon her from dozens of pictures taken at every period of his life. Everything about the rooms indicated the cheery nature of the venerable occupant. The children of the neighborhood were deeply devoted to her. The little ones played about the house and grounds with a freedom which is born only of love. But she cheerfully moved into a small flat in a Plymouth apartment house, on Orange street, near the church where so many years her late husband conducted services. And here she busied herself throughout the day in reading, writing and sewing. Her articles in The Ladies' Home Journal, entitled. "Mr. Beecher as I Knew Him." were widely read in this country and England, as were her sketches in other periodicals. LATE MRS. HENRY WARD BEECHER

Reals—Is Bagiey nead of the signed a contract with his tailor to pay two dollars a night for the hire of a dress-suit till he returned it. After the second night it was stolen!

The Cause of the Mirage, The word "mirage" coming from the Latin through the French means won-derful. Nor is it strange—that such

European Degeneracy.

Statisticians of Europe view with increasing alarm the sociological fact of the steady decrease of the number of births in all the European nations. This fact, while little known, is very remarkable, because it is one of the symptoms of "degeneration," that boogaboo of modern physiologists, who declare that a constant decrease of the population of all the civilized nations may confidently be expected.

The figures given below are obtained from the most reliable authorities in each country, and compare the birth rates of 1876 with those of 1896, per thousand of the population: European Degeneracy.

Hungary 45.8
Germany 40.0
Austria 40.0
Austria 40.0
Italy 39.2
Netherlands 36.3
Scotland 35.0
Cotland 34.8
Belgium 32.2
Switzerland 32.8
Sweden 30.8
Sweden 30.8
Ireland 26.4
France 26.2

Overhead Weather.

The experiments with kites carrying meteorological instruments, which have been sent to an elevation of more than a mile from Blue Hill, near Boston, have made known some interesting facts about the state of the weather at that height above the ground. Mr. H. H. Clayton of the Blue Hill Observatory says that a mile up in the air the temperature is usually from 15 to 25 degrees Fahrenheit colder than at the earth's surface, and "there is virtually no daily change in temperature, the nights being as warm as the days. The only changes are due to the passage of warm and cold waves. During fair weather at this height the "days are very damp and the nights extremely dry. The average velocity of the wind is four times as great as at the ground, and hurricanes of 100 miles an hour are not unfrommon." It also appears that a warm wave, as a rule, sets in first aloft.

Straw Horsesheer.

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Before the days of iron, horses were frequently shod with straw, as they are in many parts of China at the present day. In some of the country districts of the Celestial Empire many persons make their living by gathering the cast-off straw horseshoes scattered along the highways.

ed along the highways.

Bathed in Asses' Milk.

Poppae, the favorite wife of Nero, whom he afterward kicked to death, became famous by having a daily bath of asses' milk. She had a beautiful complexion and believed that this fact was due to come peculiar virtue of the mild in walch also became the second popular virtue of the mild in walch also beautiful.

A BICYCLE BY MAGIC.

FROM HIS CLOAK.

e Has Amazed Paris, But After All the

Small Pieces.

Arrayed in a gown of spotless white, his coal black hair covered by a snowy turban, with many folds, an Indian Juggier, who calls himself Nawab of Jeliabad, has been startling the people of Paris nightly with a marvellous trick and then poking fun at them with his explanation of how simple it is to do. It is not so simple a trick, perisaps, to the unskillful, for it is nothing; less than the production of a bicycle from beneath that flowing cloak, where the greatest doubters in all the Zudianos would have sworn no bicycle could have been concealed. Inasmuch as it is manifestly impossible to carry a bloycle in one's poolect or under the arm without being seen the onlookers puszle their brains in vain to discover how on earth this seemingly remarkable man is going to carry out the promise he has made. They are not long in discovering that he means to perform exactly what he has promised. Suddenly there is thrown to him by his assituant a large sheet of ordinary muslin, folded. He unfolds this sheet in full view, and then, bowing politely to those who are watching him, flings it over himself and desappears beneath the muslin he remains, but the muslin is in plan sight of every one, and too far from anything to permit even the suggestion of aid from an outside source. The cloth undulates like the tail grass on a rolling prairie, when the wind is blowing in stimish fashion. There are regular billows. Then, here and there, appears a suggestion of some object. All at once the muslin shows the distinct outline of

N INDIAN CONJUROR WHO PRO-DUCES A BIOYCLE: wheel. Then the excitement bea wheel. Then the excitement becomes intense.

"Why, the man is really going to do it!" is heard on all sides.

The cloth moves more violently. A click, click, sounds clear and distinct from under the muslin. Then the cloth shakes vigorously. Suddenly it rises as if impelled by a dozen hands, and almost simultaneously with that rising there darts from beneath it the figure of the juggler, riding a silver mounted wheel, upon which he makes the ofrcuit of the stage several times. Then he alights as detity as the greatest of trick riders, and, howing to the audience, says: "Mesdames et Messieurs, sil vous plait."

The Explanation,

The Explanation.

It is done. The jurgler has kept his word to the letter.

And now for the explanation. The Nawab smiles in his most charming Indian fashion as he tells those who are about him that what he has done is the simplest thing in the world if only it is understood.

"Any one of you could do it, I am sure." he says. sure, he says.

Could they? Let us see. This is the explanation, condensed from the elaborate fabric of language which the Indian Juggler rears for the enlightenment of those who have watched him. In a word, the secret is that the blcycle, all in pieces, is hung about his body beneath the cloak. It seems as if it would be a difficult task to do that, so that there would be no knobby projections, but the Indian is a clever mari.

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To begin with, the rubber tires are allowed to empty themselves of air and are then colled about the man's walst. Each of the spokes folds in three places, and thus condensed about the hub of the wheel, the whole hangs down toward the man's heels like the big pendulum of a clock.

The handle bars are fastened about the walst. The frame of the machine is in five pieces, but fits together with snap and locks that make it as firm and and locks that make it as firm and locks that make it as firm saddle is carried over his breast.

With all this, weighing perhaps altogether eighteen pounds upon him, the juggler has appeared before those who have come to see the wonder he has promised. The folds of his clock so thoroughly conceal the dismanuled bike that there is not the slightest evidence of its presence. The usual explanation thoroughly conceal the dismantled that there is not the slightest evi-of its presence. The usual explan of its presence. The usual explanation is midde-and then comes the enveloping with the sheet. Instantly the sheet covers him the juggler loosens from about him the sections of the bloycle that make a complete whole. First of all he arranges the frame. Then the two wheels are quickly turned into proper shape. Following this he blows air into the rubber tires and adjusts them. Then comes the gearing, the adjustment of saddle and handle bars, and lo, the wheel is complete and ready for use. Then the juggler dexterously flings the sheet from him and at the same moment mounts the wheel. The rest has been told.

Profitable Book Speculation Profitable Book Speculation.
One copy of Caxton's "De Confessione Amantis." or the "Confession of a Lover," was the most profitable speculation ever made in books. A Dublin bookselier of the last century bought a number of volumes at second hand, as he supposed of a great value, paying for them one and sixpence and found in the package this rare work of Caxton's which he afterward sold for over \$1500.

The Balancing of Trees.

A very interesting suggestion concerning the utility to a tree of the irregular arrangement of its branches is made by a correspondent of Nature. Watching a large plane-tree during a gade, he observed that one great limb swayed in one direction, another swayed the opposite way, and although all the branches were plunging and bending before the blast they did not move in unison, or all at once in the same direction. But for the peculiarity in the motion of the branches, he thinks, the tree could not have escaped uprooting; and he suggests that this kind of balancing serves in general to protect large trees, like oaks and beeches, which have their branches unsystematically placed, from being overturned by high winds.

Picturesque Isle Royale.

liste Royale, so named by an early French explorer in honor of Louis XIV. of France, is the largest island in American inland waters, being more than forty miles in length. It is the home of the siskowit, a gamy lake fish found only in Lake Superior, and which partakes of the characteristics of the speckled brook trout, the lake trout and the salmon. The island is practically uninhabited, and, although a number of years ago it was a full-fledged county, it has been disorganized, and for judicial purposes is attached to the county of Keweenaw. Nearly the entire area of the island is owned by an English mining company and it is known to mining men that every copper lode found on Keweenaw point, where all the producing Lake Superior mines are located, can also be found on the big island. Geologists and practical mining men for once agree in holding that the various constraint in holding that the various constraints. superior mines are located, can also be found on the big island. Geologists and practical mining men for once agree in holding that the various copperbearing lodes, which on the main-land dip at nearly uniform angles to the northwestward, pass under the lake at an enormous depth, reappearing on the island thirty miles or more from their dutcrop on the eastern portion of the synclinal, or great fold, which holds all the formations carrying native copper.

The English owners of this rich island, a mediaeval kingdom in itself, have been paying taxes on an assessed valuation of only \$100,000, but now michigan people are agitating to attach it to Keweenaw County, and thus reach it for local taxes as well as state ones.



THE WHITE LIPIZZA STALLION

The Elephant's Dimension The elephant is from 10 to 12 feet in length, and from 6 to 7 in height, although elephants of 10 feet in height

Bullets Deflected by Electricity.

At a recent rifle meeting in Switzerhand it was discovered, according to
a Geneva journal's report, that the
steel-jacketed bullets of the marksmen
were swerved from their course by the
influence of telegraph and telephone
wires running alongside the range.
Experiments were then made at Thun
by placing four steel cables parallel
with the range, and about 40 yards
distant from it, and sending a current
of 8000 voits through them. The effect, it is said was to turn the bullets so far from their course that the
deviation amounted to 24 yards on a
range of 260 yards. The bullets on
being taken from the targets were
found to be magnetized. Next, on an
arillery range of 3000 yards, the electro-magnetic influence was generated
200 yards in from of the targets and
40 yards to one side. The projectiles
were swerved 14 degrees from a
straight line.

Lasguage of the Telegraph.

According to the results of a special study among telegraph operators, conducted by Mr. Noble Harter and Prof. W. L. Bryan of the Indiana University, each operator has a telegraphic language of his own, differing in various particulars from the typical form, although all can, of course, understand one another. The greatest number of words known to have been sent in one minute by the Morse code is forty-nine. The average sending rate per minute is from twenty to twenty-four words of four letters each. Skillful operators can usually receive faster than they can send, but with beginners the case is reversed.

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