At the Stile

At the Suite. Oh! I know a little meiden, She litte close to us at home; When the fir with peach is laden In the evening down the neadow To the stile upon the lake, Where beneath the oak-tree sladow She will meet her love again.

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She has very many lovers, Has this maiden, half a sc She's a fortune to the glover

She's a fortune to the grovers With her twenty pair, or more, There's the banker and the tailor Who are looking out for wives Who are looking out for wives, And our parson's son—a sailor— Will make love when he arrives

Then the gurate comes to prattle All the casts of the town, While the captain talks of battle, And besieges with a frown, There's a farmer every Friday Comes to market in our square, Bringing with him, wet or dry day, Posies gathered for the fair.

They implore her, till she blushes Says they do not know their min Says they do not know their m so their wows and speeches crush But she is not all unkind ; For she tells me of their going, And I know what I am knowing, And I learn it—at the stile. -Temple Ba



A NOVEL.

"At the first break of dawn, so that the may have light to take the waggon awa

"Good ! we shall escape them. The oon will be up in an hour, and we can track away." The lad's face fell.

"Alas!" he said, "it is impossible ; there is a spy watching the camp now. He is up there among the rocks ; 1 saw him as I brought the oxen home. If we move 1 will report it, and we shall be overtaken

Mr. Alston, thought for a moment, and then made up his mind with the rapidity that characterizes men who spend their life in dealing with savage races, "Mazooku!" he called to a Zulu who was

sitting smoking by the camp-fire, a man whom Ernest had hired as his particular servant. The man arose and came to hin and saluted. He was not a tall man; but standing they owed their lives, and by the side of

there nude except for the " moocha" round his centre, his proportions, especially those of the chest and lower limbs, looked gigantic. He had been a soldier in one of 'etawayo's regiments, but having been so indiscreet as to break through some of the Zulu marriage laws, had been forced to fly for refuge to Natal, where he had become a groom: and picked up a peculiar language which he called English. Even among a people where all men are fearless, he bore a reputation for bravery. Leaving him scanding awhile, Mr. Alston rapidly explained the state of the case to Ernest, and what he proposed to do. Then turning he addressed the Zulu. ... Mazooku, the Inkooshere, your master

tells me that he thinks you a brave man." The Zulu's handsome face expanded into

a smile that was positively alarming in it He says that you told him that when

you were Cetawayo's man in the Undi Regiment, you once killed four Basutus, who set upon you together." Mazooku lifted his right arm an

saluted, by way of answer, and then glanced slightly at the assegai wounds on his chest. Well, I tell your master that I do no

believe you. It is a lie you speak to him; you ran assay from Cetawayo because you did not like to nght and be killed as the thing's ox, as a brave ran sheald " The Zulu colored up u der his dusky skin, and again glanced at his wounds.

" Ow-w ! he said. "Bah! there is no need for you to look

at those scratches: they were left by women's nails. You are nothing but a woman. Silence? who told you to speak? If you are not a woman, show it. There is an armed Basutu am ng those rocks. He

sleep in peace when he is watched. Take that big 'bangwan' (stabbing assegai) you that big ' bangwan' (stabbing assegai) you are so fond of showing and kill him, or die a coward ! He must make no sound,

Mazooku turned toward Ernest for confirmation of the order. A Zulu always likes to take his orders straight from his own chief. Mr. Alston noticed it, and

quite unnecessary. Ernest never saw camp there in Sikukuni's country; you remember there in Sikukuni's country; you remember I sent it by the Casutu who was going to Lydenburg just before Jeffries died." "Like enough he never got to Lyden-burg. He would not have dared to go to Lydenburg after the war broke out. You should write." "I mean to, from Pretoria ; but some-how I have had no heart for writing." Nothing more was said about the matter. struck or oxen inspanned with such rapidity before. But before the first tent was fairly down, they were all enormously relieved to see Mazooku coming trotting cheerfully across the plain droning a little

cheerfully across the plain droning a little Zulu song as he ran. His appearance, how-ever, was by no means cheerful, for he was perfectly drenched with blood, some of it flowing from a wound in his left shoulder, and the rest evidently till recently the personal property of some-body else. Arrived in front of where Mr. Alston and Ernest were standing, he reised his broad assertion which was etill Nothing more was said about the matter, and Ernest put the knife into his pocket. That evening they trekked down through the "Poort" that commands the most charming of the South African towns, and,

raised his broad assegai, which was still dripping blood and saluted. " I hear." said Mr. Alston. on the plain below. Pretoria, bathed in the bright glow of the evening sunshine, smiled its welcome to them. Mr. Alston, who knew the town, determined to trek straight

dripping blood and saluted. "I hear," said Mr. Alston. "I have done the Inkoosi's bidding. There were two of them; the first I killed easily in the hollow, but the other, a very big man, fought well for a Basutu. They are dead, and I threw them into a hole, that their brothers might not find them easily

it is their habit, in company with their wives and children, to partake four times a year. The "Volksraad," or local Parlia-ment, was also in special session to consider the proposals made to it on behalf of the Imperial Gövernment, so that the little town was positively choked with visitors. The road down which they were passing ran past the building used as Government offices and between this and the butch stout needle and some sink round a fittle huswife he carried in his pocket, he quickly stitched up the assegai-gash, which fortu-nately was not a deep one. Mazooku stood without flinching till the job was finished, and then retired to wash himself at the ppring. The short twilight rapidly faded into larkness, or rather into what would have been darkness had it not been for the half-

offices, and between this and the Dutch church a considerable crowd was gathered, which, to judge from the shouts and volleys of oaths—Dutch and English—that pro-ceeded from it, was working itself up into a own moon, which was to serve to light them on their path. Then a large fire having been lit on the site of the camp, to make it appear as though it were still otched there, the order was given to start

"Hold on," should Ernest to the voor-hooper, and then, turning to Mr. Alston, "There is a jolly row going on there; let The oxen, obedient to the voice of the driver, strained at the trek-tow, the waggor creaked and jolted, and they began thei light for life. The order of march was a s go and see what it is." follows: Two hundred yards ahead of the waggon walked a Kafir, with strict orders to keep his eyes very wide open indeed, and report in the best way possible under the circumstances if he detected any signs of an " All right, my boy, where the fighting is there will the Englishmen be gathered together," and they climbed down off the waggon and made for the crowd.

(To be continued.) ambush. At the head of the long line of cattle, leading the two front oxen by a " rim," or strip of buffalo-hide, was the Zulu boy Jim, to whose timely discovery WOMEN AND THEIR FEET.

An Artist Thinks American Girls Ough Not to Wear Tight-Fitting Shoes.

Women who

the waggon, the driver, a Cape Hottentot, plodded along in fear and trembling. On the waggon-box itself, each with a Win-Women who pose as models have, as "Women who pose as models have, as a rule, poorly-shaped feet," said an artist to a New York, Mail and Express reporter. "If their feet are not poorly shaped they are apt to be out of proportion by being too small. The reason is obvious. Women are ambitious to have small feet and hands, and at an early age their to were tight does chester repeating rifle on his knees, and keeping a sharp lookout into the shadows, sat Mr. Alston and Ernest. In the hinder part of the waggon, also armed with a rifle nd keeping a keen lookout, sat Mazooku. early age they begin to wear tight shoes. The result is that their feet are cramped and do not grow with the other members of the body. Of course, there are some

The other servants marched alongside, and the boy Roger was asleep inside, on the "cartle," or hide bed. And so they travelled on hour after hour, till the dawn found them the other side of professional models who began early in life and never cramped their feet with tight shoes. They have correct proportions. I the wide-plain at the foot of the mountain inge. Here they rested for two hours, and let

shoes. They have correct proportions. I speak generally of the mass of women who become models after they are 18 years old. the oxen fill themselves with the lush grass They had travelled thirty miles since the yokes were put up n their necks, not far according to our way of journeying, but very far for cumbersome oxen over an Women imagine if they have small feet and hands they have all that is necessary to give them a shapely appearance. A worse istake was never made. Ilmost impassable country. As soon as the sun was well up they inspanned again, and uurried forward, bethinking them of the are large should naturally have feet in pro-portion; from an artistic point of view they look better. But you cannot make them think so. "A crusade ought to be waged against Basutu horde who would now be pressing on their spoor ; on with brief halts through

all that day and the greater part of the fol-lowing night, till the cattle began to fall down in the vokes—till at last they crossed the boundary and were in Transval terriwearing tight shoes. The tight shoes in the first place cramp the toes all together, until they lose shape and become frescoed with corns. The foot doesn't get the free irculation of blood in it that it should have and falls behind in growth. The big toe ory. When dawn broke, Mr. Alston took the

circulation of blood in it that it should have and falls behind in growth. The big toe usually bears the brunt of the sin for tight shoes, and manages to have a large lump gather just where it joins the body of the foot. The Americans are more prone, to wear tight shoes than the English women. The French, outside of Paris, are not de-voted to the semi-barbarous habit either asses and examined the track over which icy hal field. There was nothing to be an except a great herd of hartebeest. "I think that we are safe now," he said

t last, "and thank God for it. Do you now what those Basutu devils would have one if they had caught us ?" oted to the semi-barbarous habit either, What ?

and some of our finest models come from the Provinces of France. The nobility are supposed to have small feet and hands, but that is an erroneous impression, as many noble families I could mention in England " They would have skinned us, and made our hearts and livers into a mouti' (medi-ine), and eaten them to give them the ourage of the white man."

' By Jove !" said Ernest. CHAPTER XXIV.

A HEROIC COMBAT. When Mr. Alston and Ernest for

are noted for their large feet. All ameri-can girls feel their nobility, and hence they wish to have small feet. To produce a race of perfect shaped women a reform must be themselves safe upon Transvaal soil they determined to give up the idea of following any more big game for the present and to content themselves with the comparatively mble wilderbeeste, A very amusing case was heard in the

THE HOLY LAND.

Why the "Land Flowing with Milk and Honey" is Not Prosperous.

ITS ODD INHABITANTS.

A Famous Traveller on Their Religious Rites and Habits.

Sir Charles Warren, the famous Eastern "I have done the Inkoosi's bidding. There were two of them; the first I killed easily in the hollow, but the other, a very big man, fought well for a Basutu. They are dead, and I threw them into a hole, that their brothers might not find then easily. "Good ! go wash yourself and get your master's things into the wagon. Stop ! It messed is a were and which staff, about be so awkward as to get touched by a Basutu. "Inkhoos, he was very quick with his spear and fought like a cat." Mr. Alston did not reply, but taking a stout needle and some silk from a little huswife he carried in his pocket, he quickly traveller, in a recent lecture in Glasgow, said : In Palestine they had the greatest the line of the ocean. No doubt the great fissure on the earth's surface was once con-nected with the Red Sea, and the water was level with it, and when the ground rose near Akubait was cast off. The cast-off water evap-oring, gradually, diminished until the time arrived when the evaporation was balanced by the amount of water which poured in by the Jordan and other rivers. The salt which had been left in the coile of an evaluawhich had been left in the soil had gradually been worked out in places, but in others in still remained, and prevented verdant vege tation until it was worked out by means of the Passover, and in a humble manner to partake of it; and without any hesitation he would say it was the most remarkable irrigation. It would be possible now by means of a cutting from Tiberias to irrigate the whole of the Jordan Valley and put it more additional states of the states of the states of the more determined of the states of the states of the states of the more determined of the states of sight now to be seen on earth-it was the under cultivation, giving a large area for growth of grain; but this could not be done

under the present Government. Meanwhile the land lay idle, enjoying a long Sabbath the land lay idle, enjoying a long Sabbath, except near the river side, on the Jordan banks, where corn had been grown since the earliest time, for certainly on 4,000 years. It was estimated that Palestine at one time supported a population of at least ten times that which is sup-ported at present. When one came to view ported at present. When one came to view the existing ruins it was evident that that was not over-estimated, and that the popuation might have been twenty times its present amount. Then the question arose —Why was it now so comparatively unfruit-ful and unhealthy? The reply was most nple. A Government which cared not the highest revenue it could wring from the highest revenue it could wring from them. The results were no roads; waggons, harbors, boats. Justice was too uncertain to allow of capital being employed in culti-vation (Great argebra vation. Great carelessness had arisen as to husbandry, knowledge had departed, and to husbandry, knowledge had departed, and a proper succession of crops were unknown. There were not sufficient people to till the land. As regarded Palestine it might be fairly said that up to a certain point the more people it had the more it would sup-port, always supposing a just Government. But at present the people were "oppressed and wronged. There was no security of property, no freedom of the press. Bribery and corruption in our sense of the word were mild terms to use. And unfortunately the maladministration commenced at the the maladministration commenced at the top. No Pasha could afford to be honest;

top. No Pasha could afford to be honest; no Governor-General could venture to be just. Unhappily the days had gone by when the Moslem rulers were tolerant of creeds and fostered the trade of Jews and Christians. During the days of Saracen learning both Jews and Christians were permitted full freedom of religious worship and a soft for the fourth of the solution.

permitted full freedom of religious worship and a certain amount of liberty, but Seljuk and Turk scared liberty away full eight centuries ago, and it had not returned. As to the present condition of the country, in the plains the soil was wonderfully rich, and wells could be sunk, though at con-siderable depth. The hillsides were bare, the soil having tumbled to the bottom of the steep, deep valley; but there it lay ready for redistribution. The fountains were dry, the hill tons were demuded of were dry, the hill tops were denuded their trees, the clouds were wanting. their trees, the clouds were wanting. In spite of the Government, the influence of Europeans was altering Palestine- for the better, and he had seen changes take place under his own eyes in the space of three years, and he could point to places where vultivation had been fostered by societies where the whole climate had altered. The fellace were the former in the societies zing it, eh ?" The fellaheen were the farming popula wish to have small feet. To produce a race of perfect shaped women a reform must be made in their shoes, even if we have to substitute the ancient sandal." Amusing Suit in Regard to Getting a Wife things."-Arkansaw Traveller.

A Host of Drunkards. Judge Woods, though known chiefly as a awyer and jurist, was a successful soldier

and facing each other, forming one amphi-theatre in which the assembled hosts of EXPLORERS ASTONISHED rkable Discoveries That Some Them Have Recently Made,

Theatre in which the assembled nosis of Israel could meet face to face to hear and respond to the law read by Joshua. Up the valley and beyond this theatre was the ancient city of Shechem, now Nablous. This city was the headquarters of the Converting where existence of the Them Have Recently Made, It happens now and then that an ex-plorer makes a sensational and wholly un-expected discovery. Several unique facts with regard to certain tribes of savages have recently been ascertained. Mr. W. Montagu Kerr, for instance, has found among the Makorikori tribe in Africa, whom he is the first to describe, enunowder Samaritans, whose existence at the present day at the root of the holy mountain was one of the most astonishing testimonies to the historical accuracy of the Bible. A few mong the Makorikori tribe in Africa, shom he is the first to describe, gunpowder which they make themselves for use in the dint lock muskets which they obtain from years ago this people had colonies in Damascus and other cities of Syria. A fey centuries ago they extended into Egyp Gradually they had dwindled in numbe into Egypt native traders. This tribe lives far from the east coast and

until at length they ware but a few fami-lies, numbering in all 130 persons, left as a testimony. They still clung to the side of their holy mountain, where they continued to cat the "Passover," as they had done for over 2,500 years. This was the only known in-stance of the continuence' of any white This tribe lives far from the cast coast and quite a distance south of the Zambesi River. Their gunpowder burns slowly and its explosive force is far inferior to that of ours, but it answers their purpose very well. They mix the efflorescence of salt-petre with charcoal which they make from the bark of the mufati tree. This mixture is baked in an earthen pot for several hours and then it is pulverized and spread in the sunlight, where it is left for some time. It is not at all likely that the Makoritoria 2,500 years. This was the only known in-stance of the continuance' of any religious rite for so many years. Their religion was remarkable for its simplicity, being founded on the five books of Moses and the book of Joshua. Beyond this they would not go—it was their all. They were Saducees, believing in no resurrection. They therefore rewined and then it is pulverized and spread in the sunlight, where it is left for some time. It is not at all likely that the Makorikoris, like the Chinese, discovered the art of making gunpowder. Their fathers doubt-less learned it from the Portuguese or from slaves who had lived among white men on the coast. We hear strange things once in a while of African tribes, but it was hardly to be expected that a wholly unknown tribe, hemmed in by the mountains of inpar no resurrection. They therefore required no prophets as to the future, no Messiah, no scheme of salvation. It was simplicity itself—a code of morality in this world, and then it all ended. They were bitter enemie of the Jews. The Samaritan customs and records were the most interesting to a Biblical scholar that the world possessed at the present day. He had had the good hemmed in by the mountains of inner Africa, would be found engaged in the A few years ago Lieut. Wissmann came une to be present at the celebratic

A lew years ago Lieut. Wissmann 'came home and told a remarkable story about tribes he had met with south of the Congo River, who were far more civilized than most African people. His report is now fully confirmed by the travels in the same region of Lieuts. Kund and Tappenbeck. They found last year, between the Congo and the Saukuru rivers, many street vil-laces, with large cable profed buts straights ne connecting link with the far away past and the Saukuru rivers, many street vil-lages, with large, gable-roofed huts standing squarely on either side of the street, inhab-ited by brownish-red, fine-looking people. These vilagers have advanced notions of comfort. They sleep on wooded bedsteads Speaking of a witty character, in his becture at Toronto last night, Sam Jones, he revivalist, told this story of his cohese vinagers in the on wooded bedsteads omfort. They sleep on wooded bedsteads nstead of on the floor. Their homes are the largest yet found in Africa, and are kept clean. Their streets are about fifty borer in the revival movement : I belie this is the best one I know of We tell the He'd enjoy it as much as anybody. Sam was always smart and bright. I believe in kept clean. Their streets are about mity yards wide, sometimes two or three miles long, and are carefully swept. Refuse of all sorts is taken away and thrown into pits dug for the purpose. They are clever their does to follow many respects he's the brightest man I ever saw. It is told on him that he stood on the street there in his city, and he was very tight—or very loose, I believe, would bits dug for the purpose. They are clever hunters and train their dogs to follow game. They carve pestles out of ivory for be the more expressive word. The was waiting for a street car. A car more along at last, and he stopped it and ounding manioc, and they have asto pounding mannoc, and they have astonish-ing skill as wood-carvers. Licut. Kund brought home two wooden cups represent-ing negro heads, which might readily be taken for European products, owing to their superior workmanship. Behind the houses of this populous Zenge tribe are neatly kept gardens and plantations of bananas.

ettlement of East G

rought these useful commodities to the poor Esquimaux in the shape of wreckage and iron-bound boxes. It has recently been shown that in parts

of Chili where European trees and plants have been introduced the native flora is

Tamiliar plants and fruits of other region growing as exotics where they did no dream of finding them. Kerr discoveree the tomato in the far interior of Africa and Schweinfyrth was much astonished to find tobacco in the heart of the continent, where it was raised and enjoyed by natives who had never heard of its American home, though the name by which the weed was own among some tribes was doubtlos erived from our name for it .- New Yor

Dr. Black's Ten Laws of Health.

allowing a woman to might hon t beneve in self at work, let me tell you, and for some time I have been shaping my points so that she won't have such a hard time." "Equal-" That's exactly what I' doin', gentlemen. Last year my po' wif had to chop all the wood and fetch all th water." "And you have relieved her c that, ch ?" "Wall, partly; she only ha

a. Water not iced, but cooled by being placed upon the ice, either in pitchers or bottles

4. Adequate exercise in the open air in order to help the skin to throw off the ffete matter

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The Young Man Who Did Not Between Acts and Why.

It is a very good story which genia Treasurer Prior, of the Chicago Opera House, tells about a young man of his acquaintance. This young man, it seems acquaintance. This young man, it seems, is good-looking, of a nice family and a good deal of a favorite with the ladies. But he is altogether too fond of a little red liquor, neatly trimmed with lemon and things and served in cut glass—so fond, indeed, that some of the more careful girls have of lato fought shy of his escort to places of amuse-ment. One day last week he invited a young lady living on Indiana avenue to go and see " One of Our Girls". She wasted and see "One of Our Girls." She wanted to see the play, and, the truth is, rather liked Tom-we will call the young man Tom for short-but she hesitated about accepting the invitation. Her friends advised her to decline, and warned her that if she accepted Tom would leave her alone a few minutes after every act while he was out interviewing the nearest bar-keeper.

keeper. "Oh, no, he wouldn't do that," said the young lady. "Yes, but he would," the advisers re-plied; "he took Em Johnson week before last and went out three times and came in chewing cloves and coffee, and Em was so mortified that she says—" "But he wouldn't leave me alone in the theatre I know." the reme halone for the

theatre, I know," the young lady retorted, confidently, "and to prove it I will accept is invitation." On the way to the theatre Tom was all

gallantry, and the curtain once up he was greatly interested in Mr. Howard's neat drama. But at the end of the first act he ade a brief apology to the effect that he ished to speak with a friend whom he saw standing in the foyer, and rose to go. But he didn't go., Something seemed to take hold of his coat-tails and pull him back into nis seat. Imagine poor Tom's chagrin and surprise when a second's investigation showed him that his fair companion, who sat with such an innocent look in her brown eyes, had pinned his coat to the upholsterng of the seat with a good, strong safety ing of the seat with a good, strong satery-pin. Tom's face felt as if it was on a broiler, and a cold wave or two ran up and down his spinal column, but he didn't say a word. Nor did he leave his seat until the curtain fell on the happy denouement in the play. The end of the little drama in e parquet seats was equally agreeable, on their way out Indiana avenue Tom milingly confessed that the antingity contessed that the joke was on tim and the reproof a merited one. He iso promised that if again given the pleas-tre of escorting his charming companion to he theatre, no safety-pins would be needed o keep him in his sea

"I hope he'll marry that girl," added the nial Mr. Prior, "because if he does e'll reform him and make a man im, as sure as guns."-Chicago Herald

Safe. Sure and Painless. What a world of meaning this statement embodies. Just what you are looking for, is it not? Putnam's Painless Corn Exarctor the great sure pop corn cure acter an this way. It makes no sore spots; safe, acts speedily and with certainty; sure and nildly, without inflaming the parts. Do not be imposed upon by imitations or subtitutes.

In the Italian Chamber of Deputies ves terday Signor Ricotti, Minister of War, after reading the military budget, declared that Italy was now in a position to mobilize and victual 400,000 troops, not counting the reserves. The work of promobilize and victual 400,000 troops, not counting the reserves. The work of pro-viding the troops with repeating rifles has been begun, and 1,000,000 of them would be in use by 1888. Though at the present there was nothing to threaten the peace/of Italy, it was useless to ignore the warlike indications in the East. He believed Italy would be well prepared in the event of an outbreak in politics. The Chamber has approved of an extra credit of \$5,000,000 for the War and Marine Departments.

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Dr. Talmage on Christmas

ably good woman,'s said the proprietor of the Coon Range all sorts store, as he glanced at a lank fellow who had just made a disastrous haid on a box of matches. "Every man has an easier time than his wife". 'I've thought of that a thou whe." "I've thought of that a thousand times," replied old man Gatewood, known through the neighborhood as Lazy Sam; "I know that I have an easier time than my wife, but I'm bringing the thing down mighty nigh equal now. I don't believe in

s obtained by scientific ventilation, which onsists in admitting currents or move-ments of air into the apartments through 2. Good and properly cooked food; no food seasoned to cover up decay, partial or to chop the wood now. My boy is got to big enough to tote the water. I tell y what's a fact, a man ought to think uv the

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Fun over any precipice." "Well," says Sam again, "Did y' run off the track?" "No, we didn't run off the track," said the passenger. "Well," says Sam Small, "If Td known that I wouldn't have got off." (Loud laughter.) Sam Small's legs would get drunk, but his head never. (Applause and langther) and laughter.) Equalizing Home Work " I have about come to the conclus hat no man is good enough for even a pass-

Story of Sam Small.

He was waiting for a street car. A car came along at last, and he stopped it and wenit to get on. The cars down there have a little step at the end for you to get on. Sam mounted this, and then turned round with his back to the horses, and just then the car moved on and Sam Small was thrown out into the road. They helped him mouther way the state of the thrown out into the road. They helped him up and put him in the car again, and Sam stood there and brushed the dirt off his coat and looked around and said to a passenger: "Did y' have a collision?" "No; we never had any collision," said the passenger. "Well," says Sam, "Did y' run over a preshpish?" "No, we never run over any precipice." "Well," says Sam again, "Did y' run off the track ?" "No, we diddy' run off the track?"

ananas. When Lieut. Holm visited an isolated settlement of East Greenlanders two years ago he was astonished to find among these natives, of whom the world had never heard,

walrus spears of which the handles were made of wood, although no timber grew there, and the points of hoop-iron. He ascertained that the sea-currents had.

actually disappearing and the inported vegetation is flourishing in its place. Exporters are often surprised to see the

1. Pure air is the food of the lungs. Thi

'I am the Inkoosi's mouth, and speak his words.

Mazooku saluted again, and turning, we

"Tread softly, or you will wake him and he will run from so great a man," Mr

"I go among the rocks to seek 'mouti' (medicine), the Zulu answered with amile. "We are in a serious mess, my boy

"We are in a serious mess, my boy, said Mr. Alston to Ernest, "and it is a toss-up if we get out of it. I taunted that fellow so that there may be no mistake about the spy. He must be killed, and Mazooku would rather die himself than not kill him now.

Would it not have been safer to send another man with him ?" "Yes : but I was afraid that if the sco

saw two men coming toward him he would make off, however innocent they might look. Our horses are dead, and if that look. Our horses are dead, and if that fellow escapes we shall never get out of this place alive. It would be folly to expect Basutus to distinguish between Boers and Englishmen when their blood is up, and besides. Sikukuni has sent orders that we are to be killed, and they would not dare to display. Look there area Mr. Marachi

are to be killed, and they would not dare to disobey. Look, there goes Mr. Mazooki with an assegai as big as a fire-shovel." The kojje, or stony hill, where the spy was hid, was about three hundred yards from the little hollow in which the camp was formed, and across the stretch of bushy plain between the two Mazooku was quietly strolling, his assegai in one hand and two long sticks in the other. Presently he vanished in the shadow, for the sun was rapidly setting, and after what seemed a long panse to Ernest, who was watching his ovements through a pair of field-glasse reappeared walking along the shoulder of the hill right against the sky-line. his eyes fixed upon the ground as though he were searching among the crevices of the rocks for the medical herbs which Zulus prize. All of a subdem Ernest saw the stalwart form straighton itself and sense with the

All of a sudden Ernest saw the stalwart form straighten itself and spring, with the assegat in its hand raised to the level of its head, down into a dip, which hid it from sight. Then came a pause, lasting perhaps for twenty seconds. On the farther side of the dip was a large flat rock, which was straight in a line with the fiery ball of the setting sun. Suddenly a tall figure sprang up out of the hollow on to this rock, fol-lowed by another figure, in whom Ernest black shadow, ran forward to see if their redecessors had or had not been con-iderate. In this instance energy was warded, for the fire was still burning. "Hoorah !" said Ernest : "get the sticks, Mazooku, and go and fill the kettle. By Jove ! there's a knife." There was a knife, a many-bladed knife with a buck-horn handle and a corkscre in it. left lying by the dying fire. Ernes took it up and looked at it : somehow i seemed familiar to him. He turned i round and looked at the silver plate upon it lowed by another figure, in whom Ernest recognized Mazooku. For a moment, the two men, looking from their position like two men, looking from their position like figures afre, struggled together on the top of the flat stone, and Ernest could clearly distinguish the quick flash of their spears as they struck at each other, then they could determine the solution of the solu

vanished together over the edge of the initials cut on the knife.

"By Jove!" said Ernest, who was ambling with excitement, "I wonder how has ended." "You have heard me speak of my friend Jeremy. That is his knife : I gave it to

it has ended." "We shall know presently." answered Mr. Alston. coolly., "At any rate the die was cast one way or other, and we may as well make a bolt for it. Now, you Zulus. We shall know presently." Jeremy. That is his knife : I gave it to him years ago. Look—J. J." "Nonsense! it is some knife like it ; I have seen hundreds of that make." "I believe that it is the same. He must down with those tents and get the oxen inspanned, and look quick about it, if you Mr, Alston shrugged his shoulders. " Not

inspanned, and look quick about it, if you don't want a Bassutu assegai to send you to join the spirit of Chaka." The voorlooper Jim had by this time communicated his alarming intelligence to he driver and other Kafirs, and Mr. Alston's exhortation to look sharp was

A very amusing case was heard in the and other small antelopes. It was a wild, rough life that they led, but by no means a lowering one. The result of Mr. Alston's observations had been to make him an extremely shrewd companion, and an excellent judge of men ind their affairs. Between shooting and philosophical dis-uussion, the time passed pleasantly enough, ill at length they drew near to Pretoria.

Between shooting and philosophical dis cussion, the time passed pleasantly enough till at length they drew near to Pretoria the capital of the Transvaal, where they marriage she secured the services of the plaintiff. The latter succeeded in arranging the desired marriage, but did not succeed in securing the removal of Mr. Burton's pread decided to go and rest the oxen for in nonth or two before making arrangements r a real big game excursion up toward entral Africa. They struck into the possessing housekeeper, who was' felt to be in the way. The marriage came off as arranged, but the newly wedded couple did not agree, and the handsome housekeeper was put down as the cause, it being alleged

Pretoria road just above a town called Heidelberg, about sixty miles from the former place, and proceeded by easy stages toward their destination. As they went on, they generally found in

tions from his spouse with the aid of an elixir of love. Mrs. Burton determined to test the potency of this compound, which she did by applying it to her husband's coat tails, which did not have the desired effect. As they went on, they generally found it convenient to outspan at spots which it was evident had been used for the same purpose by some waggon which was travelling one stage ahead of them. So frequently did this happen, that during their first five or six outspans they were able on no less than three occasions to avail themselves of the dying fires of their predecessors' camp. This was a matter of lively interest to Ernest, who always did cook - and a very The wife then using more forcible argument with Mr. Burton, a separation followed Mrs. Burton in the witness box denied tha the plaintiff had rendered the serv claimed. To her solicitor she gave the credit of arranging the marriage. Judgment Trust, who always did cook; and a very odd cook he became. One of the great others of South African travelling is the was reserved.

An Able Financier.

the automation of the set of the Mary," said an economical husban * Mary," said an economical husband, 'I want to make you a Christmas present his year, but I really don't know what to get. I guess I'll postpon it until next year and then get something nice." "John, you said that last year." "Really now, did I? Well, that prove that I never forget you." "But, John, you may be dead by next

for the last half-hour of the trck, Ernest was always in a great state of expectation as to whether the waggon before them had or had not been considerate enough to leave theirs burning. Thus, when it came to pass that one morning, when they were about fourteen miles from Pretoria, which they expected to reach the same evening, and the waggon was slowly drawing up to the outspan-place Ernest, accompanied by Mazooku, who loursed about after him like "Why, that's true, and if I don't wast money on Christmas presents you'll be uch the better off. Really, Mary, I'm glad to see you look at matters in such a sensible light." Mazooku, who lounged about after him lik

He Did Not Look Happy

A dog with a tin can attached to his tail by a strong cord passed hurriedly down street. "Is that dog mad ?" inquired an anxiou

right, sometimes red hair. They were robust industrious and accustomed to hard work, honest, straightforward, and fond of agriculture. The Artikinasim were a peculiar people, full of wild, fanatical zeal. He was bound to say of the Jews generally in Palestine, that he found them of great assistance to him, and most friendly, even in matters where their reli-gious convictions might have accound them "Well," responded another, "I caught a dimpse of his countenance as he passed by and he didn't look the first bit pleased."-Pittsburg Dispatch.

Evolution in a Circle.

First Chappie-I say, Smythe, old chap ie, howdy do ? Second Chappie — Aw, don't call me Smythe, y' know; call me Smith. First Chappie-But, bah Jove, yer name as Smythe. Second Chappie—Yeas, but I've changed

it to Smith. Smythe is too doocid com-mon, don'tcherknow,-Harper's Bazar.

mon, don'tcherknow.—Harper's Bazar. It was on Christmas Day, 1786, the Christin Leader reminds us, that Dr. Coke and his three companions landed at Antigua to start missionary work in the West Indies: and by a remarkable coincidence it was in the same veger—that is exactly a

it was in the same year—that is, exactly a on the people, Certainly of all places hundred years ago—that Charles. Grant, in Palestine there was no more fitting place one of the founders of the Church Mission. or the ceremony then enacted. In the ary Sociate and William Components of the ceremony then enacted. mary Society, and William Carey first for grage between the two mountains were two maily propounded their views on missions natural theatres half a mile in diamete

direct descendants of the "hewe of woo d drawers of water " who were left i and drawers of water who were left in the land at the time of the conquest by Joshua. They would readily sympathize with Europeans, especially with English-men, and very soon attached themselves to them. Though called Moslems, their eligion was certainly derived from ancien ources. Mixed up with the Moslem creed hey had certain old customs of very they had certain old customs of very ancient date, which had a strong smack of the worship that obtained at the time that the Israelites entered the land. The peo-ple were divided into two distinct classes— tent-dwellers and house-dwellers. The former were nomads, and less under con-trol than the latter. The houses ranged in magnificence from straw huts to stone mansions. It was stated that the Jews were returning to Palestine in great num.

mansions. It was stated that the Jews were returning to Palestine in great num-bers. That was true, but they only went there to die when at an advanced age. The Jewish population did not naturally increase. They occupied four holy cities— Jerusalem, Hebron, Safed and Tiberias. They were also to be found in the towns on the coast in small numbers. Few of them belonged to Palestine—that was to say, they had for the most wart saturated to Palestin. that she was estranging Mr. Burton's affe

Mrs. McDonald, a Toronto woman, away from her husband in July last with had for the most part returned to Palestine in later times, having been wandering or located in other countries. The Jews were divided into two principal sects in Pales. nan who went by the name of Green, bu man who went by the name of Green, but whose correct name is Cross. She took her two children with her. The couple came to Hamilton and stayed for a while, but subsequently settled down between here and Dundas. A few days ago a detective Poland, and those from Germany, Russia and Poland, and those from Morocco (exile from Spain). There was also a small sect of reformed Jews, called Careites, who reand Dundas. A few days ago a detective from the Queen City arrived, and with Detective Reid, of Hamilton, began a search for the unfaithful wife. The officers traced her to her new home, and succeeded in getting possession of the youngsters, who were sent back to their father at Toronto. Mr. McDonald didn't care about having the woman back, and she remained with Cross. cted tradition and adhered only to th

of reformed sews, cancel Carettes, who re-jected tradition and adhered only to the Scriptures. The Jews in Jerusalem might, perhaps, number 40,000, of whom 6,000 were Artikibasim and 4,000 Sephardim The latter came from a Moslem territory, while the former were looked upon as for-eigners. The Sephardim asserted that they were colonists in Spain at the time of the crucifixion, and were in no way responsible for the rejection of the Messiah, and they reasoned in a very subtle manner that as He was rejected He could not be their Mes-siah. And one of the Rabbis informed him that the second advent of the Christians would be the coming of the Messiah to the Jews. They had the same features as the Jews of Morocco. They had light, sometimes red hair. They were robust industrions and accustomed to

ou have. It isn't possible that it has got rell in so short a time." Edith—" Well, mamma, it's not zackly a readache. I—I think the ache's in my neadache. I-I think nair."-Harper's Bazar.

An Astonished Creditor.

Would you believe it, Bromley ? Fer word you believe it, Bromley ? Fen wick dunned me for his bill yesterday
The twentieth time, I'll swear. But 1 astonished him."
"By putting him off again ?"
"No; by paying him."—*Philadelphia Call.* Some One to Speak for him.

Triendly, even in matters where their reli-gious convictions might have arrayed them-selves against the work he carried on. The language spoken in Palestine among the people was Arabic, differing in dialect from the Bedouin. The Turkish officials spoke Turkish, and some of them did not know Arabic, and were looked upon as aliens by the native population. The fertile Gerizim and the sterile Ebal, the mountain of bles-sing and the mountain of cursing stood "Well, Thomas, you say you have mmend ? Waal, yes, sah ; I brought my fadah

ong to recommen' me ; he's knowed me all ny life, sah."—Harper's Weekly. * THE report of the Scranton, Pa., Board Trade for 1886 says that all the pure thracite coal in the world is contained 470 square miles of territory in Eastern ennsylvania, and that the annual product m this region has increased from 174.73 is in 1830 to 23,437,252 tons in 1880, and

31,623,529 in 1885 Mr. Jervey-Is Mr. Podgers at home? Girls at the door No, sir; he went away bout fifteen minutes ago. Ah-um, when will he return? He said he wouldn't be ack for several hours. Thank you, Will

you please announce me to Miss Prodgers ? | eat twee

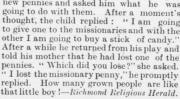
5. The sun bath. Not sitting or reading He was a major-general of volunteers and darkened rooms, or those lighted by gas saw some hard service in Grant's Mississ saw some nard service in Grant's aussiss-ippi campaign. The judge says that one of his most memorable experiences during the war was the sight of a host of drunken men. It Gas burns up oxygen very rapidly. Sittin under a gas-jet turns the hair gray, and b verheating the scalp destroys its vitality nd causes the hair to fall out. . Proper and sufficient clothing. That occurred on the morning after the capture of Vicksburg. Great quantities of whisky were stored in the city and the victorious which is loose, light and warm. Light colors for summer and dark for winter. In winter wear a flannel bandage around the

were stored in the city and the victorious army was exceeding dry. They went for the liquor with a vengeance, and when Gen. Woods summoned a soldier to saddle his horse the soldier was too mellow to per-form that duty. Another was called, and he also failed. After various vainattempts to find a soher soldier Gen. Woods gave un men. 7. Occupations which are of an outdoor hours for sleep, eight hours for rest. The ten hour rule has killed more than disease. 8. Personal cleanliness is essential. Bathe once a' week. Baths to be of the ame temperature as the body. Bathing mables the skin to throw off effete matter, to find a sober soldier Gen. Woods gave up in disgust and saddled his own horse. He says that as he rode through the town he saw 50,000 men under the influence causing the dead and useless epidermis whisky. Vicksburg is now the scene of one of the liveliest prohibition agitations in the country.—Atlanta Constitution. peel off

9. No marriage with a near relative. 10. Avoid wine, whiskey, beer and tobacco. Keep thy soul and body clean.

A Specimen Brick.

A mother gave her little boy two bright ew pennies and asked him what he wa Let bells, silver and brazen, take their sweetest voice, and all the towers of Christndom rain music



Very Securely Hitched.

Chief of Police-Yer go right back than n' hitch yer horse. Only t'other day a eller lef' his hoss loose, an' it run away n' knocked ther hull front of Lif Jarvis

utcher-shop in. Horse Owner-Waal, 'e is. I got un hitched ter the waggon, an' it's good ez any bost, ez ye'dknow if ye druv um ten miles. -Harper's Weekly.

Some years ago Paul Bert, the Frencl avant just dead, visited Havre while a evere epidemic of small-pox was raging in hat port. Noticing on his return to Paris that the mortality was daily on the in rease, he began to entertain doubts as to he efficiency of vaccination as a prophy-uctic, and resolved to solve the problem to is own satisfaction by experiments on his wn person. He accordingly got himsel raccinated, and, going a fortnight after-vard to the Charite Hospital, he courage-usly had himself inoculated with the virus f a man who was dying of the small-pox.

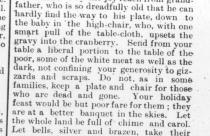
No ill effects having resulted from this ter-ible experiment, M. Paul Bert was com-letely won over to the cause of vaccina-ion, which throughout <u>mainter</u> mainter of is life had no warmer supporter. It is characteristic of the sayant that he never preathed a word of this to any one, evi-lently regarding the trial to which he had ubjected himself, and the fearful risk which

had run, as a commonplace episode he career of a votary of science At a wedding breakfast in New York t

bride's brother officiated as an amateu photographer and took an excellent pictur of the pretty scene.

The 1,600 convicts in Sing Sing prison

ristmas bells ring Christmas bells ring in family reunions ! The rail-trains crowded with children com-ing home. The poultry, fed as never since they were born, stand wondering at the farmer's generosity. The markets are full of massacred barn-yards. The great table will be spread and crowded with two or three or four generations. Plant the fork astride the breast-home and with either eunions three or four generations. Plant the fork astride the breast-bone, and with skilful twitch, that we could never learn, give to all the hungry lookers-on a specimen of holiday anatomy. Florence is disposed to soar, give her the wing. The boy is fond of music, give him the dum-stick. The min-ister is dhing with you, give him the par-son's nose... May the joy reach from grand-father, who is so dreadfully old that he can hardly find the way to his yolar down as





THE COOK'S BEST FRIEND

A Sort of No-School Headache.

Mamma-" No, darling, you certainly an't go with such a splitting headache as

An Unfaithful Wife.