ALL ROUND THE WORLD.

- -The Cheyennes are on the war-path.
- -Mr. Costigan beat Dr. Bernier by 467.
- -Free speech is prohibited in Germany. -Edison is the greatest genius of the age. -Bismarck has gone from Berlin to Varzin. -Grand Duke Michael is a very tall man. -The majority of the New York police are
- Irish. -Yellow fever is at a standstill; it is hesitating.
- New York Sun is still calping __The
- -The Paris Exposition is becoming mono-
- tonous. -The Marquis of Lorne is only a passable
- speaker. -Harman King, M. P., is a Government
- favorite. -The eruption of Mount Vesuvius is in-
- creasing. -The Russians occupy a portion of Afghan
- territory. -Marshal MacMahon has no intention of
- resigning. -The Home Rulers say they are stronger
- than ever. -The trade between Cuba and St. Thomas
- is reviving. -Dean Stanley, of Westminster, is lectur-
- ing in the States. -A good many English Savings Banks are going up Salt Creek.
- -There are a good many Irish artizans at the Paris Exhibition.
- -The Paris Exhibition will remain open until Nevember 20th. -A Nevada tramp has "jumped" into
- S20.000 a day mining. -The rumor is revived that Beaconsfield is to marry the Queen.
- -The Turks have not as yet cleared up
- their political horizon. -The Duke of Marlborough says the Irish are a convivial people.
- -Gen. Skobeloff is organizing a Christian army for the Bulgarians. -Gambetta's speech is greatly deprecated
- by all the moderate men. -The Germans prohibit the sale of matter
- circulated in the interior. -The Astor Baseball Club beat the Orange Club by a score of 11 to 3.
- -More people "mysteriously disappear" than is generally supposed.
- -The fall meeting of the Louisville, Ky. Jockey Club is a great success.
- -Adolphe Hoffman, of Brooklyn, has nine wives and a cat has nine lives.
- -Sheere Ali is not deeply impressed with the right of Lord Beaconsfield.
- -The contest between the Vanderbilt heirs continues with unusual severity.
- -Soldiers are hardly to be seen in l'aris now and a sense of security prevails.
- -A meeting was held in Newark, at which the idea of prison labor was attacked.
- —Ralph Disraeli, brother to the Premier, is chief clerk to the Master of the Rolls. -One hundred and seventy-nine emigrants
- arrived on the 24th instant in New York. -Mr. Conway, the Manager of the Austra-
- lian cricketers, has left the city for Detroit. -The Russians have three or four maps of
- Afghanistan drawn by their own engineers. -The interest in the continuation of the Mary Stannard murder continues unabated.
- -The Conkling party are fully assured of their success at the Saratoga convention.
- -In a New York Court the other day a man was fined \$1,000 for contempt of Court.
- -Carson, the famous hunter (not Kit) has been arrested for stealing a pair of trowsers.
- -Golden ornaments belonging to the famous Persian Cyrus were found in Poland. mon tly.
- -General de la Hitte, French Minister of Foreign Affairs in 1849, died in Paris yesterday.
- -It is more than probable that an alibi will be established in the Billings murder
- -Hopes are yet entertained of frightening the Ameer of Cabul into a peaceable under--Potato-bugs scour the sidewalks of Mon-
- treal. The question is, what do they think of the late political defeat.
- -1t is expected that the people of the Khyber Pass will act in conjunction with the English.
- earth received the germ of life from some other planet.

NATURALISTS' PORTFOLIO.

PRAIRIE Dogs .- It has always been a source of curiosity and inquiry ss to how and where prairie dogs, living on the prairie far away from any river or stream, obtain their water. Mr. F. Leech, formerly of Mercer County, Pennsylvania, and a frontiersman of experience, asserts that the dogs dig their own wells each village having one with a concealed opening. It matters not how far down the water may be, the dogs keep on digging until they reach it. He knows of one such well 200 feet deep, and having a circular staircase leading down to the water. Every time a dog wants a drink he descends this staircase, which, considering the distance, is no mean task. In digging for water, the animals display as much plack as in resisting the efforts of settlers to expel them from the land of their progenitors.

THE ORIGIN OF FLOWERS .- In the forests which ence bordered the greats deltas of forgotten Amazons and Niles it seems probable that no gleam of scarlet, blue, or purple ever broke the interminable sea of waving green. Uncanny trees, with sculptured or tasselated bark, raised their verdant heads far above the damp soil into which they thrust their armour-plated roots; huge horsetails swayed their jointed stems before the fiercer tempests raised by a younger and lustier sun; tree-ferns, screw-pines, and araucaries diversified the landscape with their quaint and symmetrical shapes; while beneath the rich decaying mould was carpeted with mosses, lichens and thousand creeping plants, all of them bearing the archaic stamp peculiar to these earliest developments of vegetable life; but nowhere could the eye of an imaginary visitor have lighted on a bright flower, a crimson fruit, or a solitary gaudily-painted butterfly. Green and green, and green again on every side; the gaze would have rested wherever it fell, upon one unbroken field of glittering verdure. The idea has been advanced that the flower is a development from the feeblest leaves, which as they rotted displayed colours, the result of decay, not of vigour, which attracted the pollen-carrying insects, and thus in ages gave the plant with superiority in the struggle for survival.

MISCELLANEOUS.

-Mr. John Allan shot a large bear on the farm of Mr. Kirk, in the Gatineau district. The nearest star is 250,000 times as far off

as our sun.

- -Tennyson and Victor Hugo are friends and mutual admirers They send each other flattering letters.
- -Verdi has fiinished an opera entitled "Montezuma," and it will be given next carnival season in Milan.
- -The Ottawa lumbermen are preferred to those from Peterborough. Cause, better dis--The Ottawa County Agricultural Exhibi-
- tion will be held at Aylmer on the 3rd of October next. -A two-mile walking match for the cham-
- pionship of Ottawa is being arranged between O'Connor and Gordon.
- A railroad train travelling without stops at the rate of forty miles an hour, would get to the sun in 263 years.
- -Chicago is to have the only German theatre in the United States' outside of New York, in which performances will be given
- -The township of Ortali, Italy, has sunk twelve to lifteen feet below the ordinary level, and the inhabitants have deserted the toppling houses.
- -Ristori has formed a new company to play with her on another tour of Europe. She is wealthy, titled, and faded, but likes excitement of the stage.
- -A Buddhist priest near Foochow, China, burned one of his fingers off by holding it in the flame of a candle. He expects to be rewarded by eternal felicity.
- -Mary Dooley, a Boston servant girl of 14, has, by industry, stealing, and pawning her various employers' clothing and jewelry, been able to deposit \$400 in a savings bank.
- -H. L. Hurst, Secretary of the Chicago Odd Fellows' Benevolent Association, is hiding somewhere in Conada. He used up about \$40,000 of the society's money in fast living before he ran away.
- -English manufacturers have made a magnificent carriage to be used by the Russian Grand Duke Michael and his wife on the Poti Tiflis Railroad. It is adapted for comfort both in hot and cold weather.
- -George Francis Train said to a Camden News reporter that yellow fever was a disease of the mind, and curable by psychology. Mr. Train's father, mother, and three sisters died of yellow fever when he was a child.
- -The dying request of Col. J. Lawrence Jones, a Kentucky lawyer of considerable eminence, was that no funeral be preached over his remains and no resolutions passed by the bar.
- -Silas Pomeroy, an English Justice of the Peace, was attacked by a bull at his country place in Hampshire. He retreated into a hedge, and endeavored to defend himself with his stick, but was gored to death. It was Pomeroy's birthday, and a large party had been invited to dinuer.
- The British fleet leaves the Princess Islands for Artika on Saturday, all danger to the sud-den occupation of Constantinople by the Russians having ended.
- The Vatican Court is taking the advice of the German bishops as regards the laws in shot. War is now inevitable. force in that country, which, it is alleged, trammels their action.
- Six Sioux emissaries from Sitting Bull have interviewed Gen. Miles as regards the surrender of the tribe now in the British possessions. Gen. Sheridan informs Miles that the surrender must be unconditional.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN ECHOES.

- rocks with the motion of the vehicle. A woman died recently at Westward Ho, Devonshire, England, from the bite of a com-
- A SNARE was recently caught in a Welsh church by "charming" him from his retreat by
- the music of a harmonium. The measures adopted in Prussia for the extermination of the Colorado beetle are said to have been entirely successful.
- A man in Milan has devised a system of music phonography. He is already able to take down some airs as sung without a mis-
- ELEVEN thousand women are telegraph operators in Great Britain, and it is said that generally they keep the secrets intrusted to
- them. MR. MASKELYNE, the famous London con-Professor Tyndal denies that he said the juror, has constructed two automatons, one of which plays the cornet and the other the eu
 - phonium A LITTLE boy was killed in Paris recently by the explosion caused by striking a sheet of percussion caps for toy pistols with a pair of scissors.
 - A young man in London lately obtained a verdict for ten shillings against a man who sat down on his hat. This furnishes a valuable precedent.
 - CREMATION becomes optional with the people of Gotha, as a means of disposing of the dead, on the 1st of October, and a building has been erected for the purpose.
 - A JAPANESE paper states that there are already 38 banks in the country, and that 64 others are being established, while other finance companies are applicants for official
 - ONE of the few remaining vivandieres of Napoleon Bonaparte's armies died lately in Milan, aged 99. She went through the campaigns in Russia and Spain without a scratch.
 - A young Frenchwoman, in a state of intoxication, recently threw herself over a cliff nearly 200 feet high, and received with oaths and insults the gendarmes who hastened to pick her up, expecting to find her a mangled
 - A young couple who married in England last spring contrary to their parents' wishes went to Australia, in the hope that time would soften opposition. No remittances reached them, and utterly destitute in Sydney, they took prussic acid and died.
 - MME. THERS engaged 2,500 musicians to take part in the splendid funeral ceremonies in honor of her husband at the Church of Notre Dame on the 3rd inst. The Gloria was sung with an accompaniment of harps. There was a profusion of floral decorations, among them a basket sent by Brie Comte Robert containing 3,000 choice roses.
- THE Cologne Gazette says: "One of the most cates the various instruments put at Father heard of the breaking out of the fever, and inflourishing branches of industry in Prussia is, Secchi's disposition, their position, the stantly returned to her post, where, after diract present, the fabrication of arms. The great different methods of observation employed, ecting, sustaining, and cheering all of her manufactories are busy, especially with Rus- and the observations made from 1782 to 1827, sian orders, which are very numerous, for mitrailleuses of a new kind, aftter a Swedish the greater number of which mark extra model, which is said to surpass all that has been known till now as to quickness and the mass of the balls fired at the same time. These tions of the climate of Rome concludes consecration to charitable work; and thus has this tendency most strongly developed one mitrailleuses, which carry very far, are said to this last work of the great Jesuit astronobe destined to make torpedo boats innocuous. mer.

USEFUL DOMESTIC RECIPES.

- Cisterns containing the domestic watersupply should occasionally be run out and well scrubbed with a bass broom, and the sides and bottom well sluiced with a hot solution of potassium permanganate.
- FRUIT IN HONEY. Fruit may be precerved with honey. Put the fruit first into the jar, and then pour honey over it and seal air-tight; when the honey is poured from the fruit, it will have the flavour and appearance of jelly, making a delicious dessert.
- To prevent the shrinkage of flannel a French manufacturer has found highpressure steam of great value. He folds the flannel loosely, then places it in a box containing a perforated bottom through which superheated steam is admitted; the latter enters the fabric with a force which fixes the fibre of the wool in such a manner that fulling as well as
- washing causes no shrinking. To Exterminate Rats.—Baron von Backhofen has discovered a cheap and simple method of exterminating rats. It consists of a mixture of two parts of well-bruised common squills, and three parts of finely-chopped bacon made into a stiff mass, with as much meal as may be required, and then baked into small cakes; these are put down for the rats to eat, and are said to effect their complete extirpation.
- Where a system of feeding cows for milk prevails that is altogether artificial and unnatural, the product can be neither healthy nor satisfactory in the quality or condition. Where brewers' grains or distillery wash forms a chief part of the cow's food the animals are unnaturally stimulated, and under such a stimulus large quantities of milk of inferior quality are secreted, the cow in consequence quickly becoming worn-out and dis-
- SAUCE ROBERT .- Hash or cut up quite small two or three onions; put into a saucepot or pan with a little butter; stir the mixture over the fire until it takes a brownish color, then add a spoonful of flour-always stirring-5 glassful of beef liquor, a little salt and pepper, and let cook. Just before serving the sauce in a hot dish add one spoonful of vinegar and a little mustard. This sauce is much used in France for yeal, pork, mutton cutlets, a warmed-up" poultry, &c.
- To Print Ferns .- Ferns may be printed thus: Soak writing-paper in common salt and water: then dry and float for a few seconds on a weak solution of nitrate of silver: dry again; place the fern on the paper and press firm with a piece of glass, and expose to the sun till the uncovered part of the paper is dark brown or black; then remove the fern and soak the paper in a strong solution of hyposulphite of sodium for fifteen minutes; wash well: soak in water for ten or twelve hours, often changing the water, and dry. There will then be a photograph in white on a brown ground.

GENERAL NEWS.

- -In the Billings murder frial the witnesses "decline to answer" almost as promptly as if they were in Montreal.
- It is reported that Major Cavanagh, of the British Mission to Afghanistan, was told by the commandant of Alimusjid that but for personal friendship he would have had him
- The German Government spares no cost to apprehend the black sheep in the Civil Service. Recently several thousand dollars were spent in the extradition of a clerk who had been guilty of a theft of \$7. The Government intends to impress upon its employees that they can be reached wherever they may flee to escape punishment for dishonesty.
- One of the curosities of the Paris Exposition is to be the smallest book that was ever Oxe of the Queen's carriages has a sent that | printed in any language-a marvel of typography. 11 is a microscopic copy of Dante's Divina Commedia," printed in Padua, bound in red velvet and silver, and so small that it may be worn hanging from the watch-chain. A microscope is needed to read it.
 - The first weeping willow in England is said to have been planted by Alexander Pope. He received a present of figs from Turkey, and observing a twig in the basket ready to bud, planted it. From his stock all the millions n England and America are believed to have sprung.
 - A London police magistrate has sent a professional dog thief up for three months at hard labour, and recited the case of a lady of his acquaintance whose valuable dog was so often stolen that, between the rewards and advertisments, the cost of the animal was nearly \$450.
 - The Chinamen in San Francisco, despite their violation of some of the commonest sanitary rules, are a healthy class. The vitiated air of their sleeping kennels does not seem to affect them unfavorably. San Francisco News Letter says that their good health is due to temperance in eating and drinking. Their strongest beverage is tea, and they eat very little rich food. Their simple fare makes them require less oxygen. They are free, and frequent too, in the use of soap and water.
 - The daily records of an ancient African traveller who lived in the XIV century have recently been discovered by Don Harcos Ximenez de la Espada, at Madrid. The re-cords state that a certain Missionary, whose name is not given, had made extensive journeys in Africa between the years 1320 and 1330. His travels were not confined to the Western coast, to the Sierra Leone and thence to Dahomey, but it is also said that from the mouth of the Senegal the intrepid missionary had traversed the entire continent, visiting the Sudan tribes, and after having reached Dongola, where he took ship on the Nile, he finished the circuit at Damietta, at the month of that river.
 - The Roman correspondent of The Pilot writes :- The late illustrious astronomer, Father Secchi, employed the last months of his life in gathering together the material for a work to form a part of the Archwological and Statistical Monograph of Rome and of the Roman Campagna, which the Italian Government proposed to present to the Universal Exposition at Paris. The scientific heir of Father Secchi, and his successor in the Observatory of the Roman College, who labored with him for ten years, is Father Joseph Stanislaus Ferrari. The latter has used every effort to finish the sketch of his Meteorology," which title expresses its subject and aim. The work begins with a history of the foundation of the Observatory, indiorth for a brief recreation in August, she from 1828 to 1852, and from 1853 to 1877 ordinary progress in the domain of astronomi- length exhausted. Thus has closed, as she cal science. A table of the hygienic condi-

FIRESIDE READING.

- An Iowa paper mentions the accidental shooting of a doctor and a lawyer, and has estrong fears of their recovery."
- The difference between a hungry man and glutton is that the hungry man longs to
- cat and the glutton eats too long. What articles did the blind man take up
- from a tea-table to restore his sight? took up a cup and saw, sir (saucer). "Have you much fish in your basket?" asked a man of a boy. "Yes, there's a good
- eel in it," was the rather slippery reply. A bit of orange peel set a good Iowa deacon flat on his back while passing the con-
- tribution box. Orange peel is very popular there now. If cremation come into fashion, Gray's famous line will have to be changed so as to read, "The paths of glory lead but the
- "Where are you going?" said George Selwyn to an acquaintance. "To see a friend." "Well, I'll go with you, for I never
- saw one yet." Children, let your last act on going to sleep be a prayer, and your first act on wakening a Thanks be to God," who spared you through
- the night. A Chinese official having been shown a thermometer, expressed his surprise that the mere movement of a thin thread of mercury
- could make the weather so much colder. A bachelor cynic remarks that it is singular how early in life a a child gains the reputation of resembling the richest and best looking of his relatives.
- "Why Did He Not Die" is the title of a new novel. We have not to read the conundrum, but believe the answer to be, because he refused to take his medicine.
- "Any letters?" asked Smith of his landlady on going home to dini.er. "Only two postal cards, sir," was the disdainful reply: but they contain nothing particular."
- A St. Louis Sundry-school boy gave his teacher this illustrated definition of "responsibility:"-" Boys have two buttons for their s'penders so's to keep their pants up. When one button comes off there's a good deal of responsibility on the other button."
- This interchange of opinion took place reently at a public meeting in one of the oleaginous towns of Pendsylvania. The chairman : "The chair will not dispute the point with Mr. Watson." Mr. Watson: "The chair had better not, unless he takes his coat off." The chair did not.
- A farmer, who occasionally accommodated a neighbour with a flitch of bacon at the killing season, being applied to as usual, replied: "I haven't yet made up my mind whether I shall kill myself this year, or take a side of my father."

FASHION NOTES.

- The old scoop bonnet is revived. Trains are not so long as last year.
- Elbow sleeves are very fashionable. The "Creole" is the latest novelty breakfast cap.
- Square and round trains divide the popular
- Silver lynx is the leading fur of the coming winter. Macy's wraps and short costumes are lead-
- ing styles. Bonnets with sugar loaf crowns are to be worn-perhaps. There is a tendency to lengthen gentle-
- men's full dress coats. The short walking dress is slowly but surely gaining favor. The latest sleeve is the "Jane Shore," with
- its Edward IV, cuff. The bonnet shapes of this season are very like those of last year.
- The pours and paniers on imported costumes are scarcely discernible. Plain and flat trimmings are to be worn
- most on fall and winter dresses. Dark-colored mixtures are preterred for business coats and waistcoasts. Some of the new linen cuffs and collars are
- half-striped like the new hosiery. The fashionable morning hat for gentlemen is still of fine felt with a round crown.
- The long twelve or six-button kid glove, with the opening at the side seam, grows in favor. Persian brocades and old English and me-
- diseval French brocade stuffs are revived for parts of costumes. The Spanish mantilla of black and white lace is to be worn as a part of the carriage cos-
- tume proper this winter. The latest breakfast caps are covered with a small embroidered handkerchief, and trim-
- med with ribbon bows. Dress hats for gentlemen have high slightly bell crowns, narrow brims, curled a la Beebe,
- or with the French set of the brim. The embroidered handkerchief caps worn over a round mob cap of Brussels net, edged
- with a frill, are called "Creole caps." Twelve and six button white kid gloves are shown for evening wear, with the small mother of pearl buttons instead of gilt ones.
- Early English, Louis XIII., Louis XIV. and Oriental designs have the preference in upholstery tapestry novelties at the mo-
- THE YELLOW FEVER PLAGUE.
- MEMPHIS, September 25 .- A steamer with supplies arrived to-day from St. Louis. The Howard Medical Corps report 115 new cases. Forty deaths reported by the Board of Health. NEW ORLEANS, September 25 .- New cases
- outside of the Board of Health report 515. New ORLEANS, September 25 .- Brother Cyprien, of the Order of the Holy Cross, has died of yellow fever.
- Holly Springs, September 25 .- Fifty cases of fever here.
- Vicksburg September 25 .- Twelve deaths to-day; fever increasing. New Onleans, September 25 .- The Board of Health reports 116 new cases and 17 deaths since noon. Minor despatches state that the place is almost depopulated.
- Caroline Louise Darling "Sister Constance "—died at Memphis on the 9th inst., of learned master, and is about to publish it in yellow fever, aged thirty-three years. She was a volume entitled: "Essay on Roman the sister superior of the works of the Sister the sister superior of the works of the Sister devoted companions, and working day and night with almost supernatural strength, in the midst of indescribable horrors, she fell at would herself have desired, a life of wonderful one of the purest, gentlest and bravest of women passed away.

AGRICULTURE-

KITCHEN AND MARKET GARDEN.

This-is a month of abundant returns from the garden, but it is also one of a rich harvest of weeds. The hot days are favorable to the destruction of weeds, and all work with the horse or hand implements tells most satisfactorily. Weed-killing-always in order-and the setting and sowing of a few late and succession crops are about all that will occupy the gardener, who will find in this of all work-

ing months his nearest approach to leisure.

- Many of last month's notes apply to this. Seed Sowing for the later crops will begin this month. Spinach may be sown for an early fall crop, but that to be cut later, or to be wintered over, should not go in until next month.. Rutabagas, if not put in last month, should be sown at once; but the quickermaturing sorts like Yellow-Stone and Aber deen will be more sure now, and in the latitude of New York, are sown during the last of the month; the "Cow-horn" and "Strap-leaf"
- Beans and Peas.—If beans are wanted for picking or salting, sow Early Valentine. Refugee is the variety usually advised for a late crop, but is not so good as the other for preserving or for table use. Late crops of peas will sometimes succeed. The Early Dwarf sorts, like "Little Gem." may be tried

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- sorts, like "Little Gem," may be tried. Onions are asually ready to harvest at the end of this, or the first of next month; when a majority of the tops fall over, growth has ceased, and the onions may be pulled. Many growers prefer to sell at once. If they are to he stored the onions should be left on the bed, throwing three or four rows into one,
- until well cured. Celery.-Late plantings may still be made. and in ordinary seasons will form good-sized roots. That already out needs to have the cultivator run between the rows, occasionally, and such weeds as appear in the rows re-
- moved by hand or a "lance-headed hoe." Root Crops of all kinds should be worked
- until the growth of leaves prevents it. Sweet Corn in the garden, with a little care may be made to aid the dairy. So soon as the ears are off, the stalks may be cut to feed green, or they may be cured for later use Reject and burn all stalks that are "smutty."
- Sweet Potatoes are to be kept clear of weeds intil the vines cover the ground; lift or move them occasionally to keep the vines from taking root.
- Squashes, on the other hand, should be alowed to take root.
- Melons may be made to ripen evenly, by turning, as they approach maturity, and it is well to place a wisp of hay or a shingle under them to keep them from the ground. When a melon is ripe the stem readily parts from the fruit.
- Watermelons are known to be ripe by the sound they give when struck by the finger. A sound cannot be readily described, but a little practice soon makes it familiar.
- Insects will be abundant and must not be neglected. As soon as turnips are up "the flea" will find them. Sprinkle air-slaked lime or ashes along the rows. Watch the tomatoes for the "worm," which can usually be traced by its droppings.
- Scotlandalways has a larger preponderance of male births than England; 167 to 190 girls is the average of this year; in England t is 104. In Firth and Stennis, Orkney, with a population of 1,400, there were registered 17 births between November, 1877, and July, 1878, and all 17 were boys.

ART, MUSIC AND LITERATURE.

- The London World believes that, next to Dr. Newman, the greatest living master of the English language is John Ruskin.
- publish a novel of 1 rish Life by a daughter of the late Wm. Smith O'Brien. The fifth edition of Bishop Ryan's Lecture on "What Catholics do not believe," is now published. The sale has reached nearly seven

thousand copies. The learned prelate has in

Messrs. C. Keegan, Paul & Co., will shortly

- preparation two other lectures, entitled respectively "What Catholics do believe" and What Protestants do not believe. Raphael's celebrated painting of The Virgin with the candlesticks was recently sold at auction at the Novar Gallery at London
- for the price of 500,100 francs (about \$100,-Messrs. Lynch, Cole & Meehan, of New York, have published "The First Irish book," at the request of the Society for the Preser-
- vation of the Irish Language. It is designed for the use of Irish classes in America. The memoirs of M. Thiers, which have been prepared under the supervision of Mmc. Thiers, are announced to appear in November. They are expected to contain many interesting revelations respecting the men who have

been prominent in France during the past



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