\$1.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE, OR \$1.25 F NOT PAID IN THREE MONTHS AT No paper will be stopped until all arrears are paid except at the option of the publisher. A post office notice to discontinue is not suf-ficient, unless softlement o date has been

ADVERTISING usiness notices in local or news column, 10c.
per line for first issertion and five cents per
line for each subsequent insertion.
rofessional Cards, 6 lines or under, per year,
\$3.00; over 6 and under 12 lines, \$4.00,
gal advertisements, 8c. per line for first
insertion and 2c. per line for each subsequent insertion.

ments measured by a scale of

ANEW FRENCH CABINET

A MODERATE MINISTRY WITH MORE SOCIALIST MEMBERS.

M Ribot's Second Term as Premier-R garded as a Safe Man by French Politicians-Not, However, Popular in the

The French Cabinet crisis appears t The French Cabinet crisis appears to be closed by the coming into power of a moderate Ministry. The general opinion is that the Ribot Cabinet will last until Easter, and that then the crisis will begin again, which will force President Faure to dissolve the Chamber.

But M. Ribot is not a popular man, and the new Chamber will be as much divided as is the present one, and will contain more socialist members.

M. Dupuy, the ex-Premier, said the other

day:—"I hear the galloping of a horse."
The horse to which he referred will be in France.

The cabinet is as follows: Premiership and Finance—Ribot; War—Gen. Jamont; Marine—Vice-Admiral Besnard; Foreign



M. RIBOT. Dupuy-Dutemps; Public Instruc-Poincare; Colonies—Deputy Chau-Agriculture—Senator Gardaud;

forks—
ion—Poincare; Condition—Senator condition—Senator condition—
emps; Agriculture—Senator condition—
condition—
emps; Agriculture—Senator condition—
emps; M. Alexander or figure in French politics for cominent figure in French politics for ome years past, and this is the second interest of the figure was in December, was in December, the figure was in December was in

always respectful and liberal. He livery and voices, blways shown himself utterly fearless that she thinks reduced the second or "profess redited with having a thorough under-tanding of industrial, commercial and "If diamon

brilliant speaker.

The Journal des Debats is the only one of the Paris newspapers that supports the Premiership of M. Ribot. The other papers denounce the Anglo mania of Ribot, and predict disastrous results from his administration.

Athletics in Japanese Schools.

Athletics hold an important but subordinate position in the schools of Japan.
Once a year there is a gathering of all the students in a district to engage in athletic contests: In those seen by Mr. Hearn, and described in "Glimpses of Unfamiliar Japan." (6,000 boys and girls from all the with a french shrug, and a gesture with students in district to engage in athletic contests: In those seen by Mr. Hearn, and described in "Glimpses of Unfamiliar Japan." (6,000 boys and girls from all the with shrughts worth while." Once a year time students in a district to engage in some students. It is a described in "Glimpses of Unfamiliar Japan," 6.000 boys and girls from all the schools within a distance of 25 miles were entered to take part. A circular race entered to take part. A circular race track, roomy enough for an army, allowed four different kinds of games to be performed at the same time.

The students in a district to engage in some students. It is a district to engage in some students in your same students in your some students in your same stud

ners of different schools, and races in which the runners were tied together in pairs, the left leg of one to the right leg of the other. Little girls—as pretty as butterflies in

Little girls—as pretty as butterflies in their sky blue hakama and many-colored robes—contested in races in which each one had to pick as she ran three balls of different colors out of a number scattered over the turf.

The most wonderful spectacle was the dumbell exercise. Six thousand boys and girls, massed in ranks about 500 deep; 6,000 pairs of arms rising and falling exactly together; 6,000 pairs of sandeled feet retreating together at the signal of the masters of gymnastics, directing all from the tops of little wooden towers; 6,000 voices chanting at once the "One, two, three," at the dümbell drill—"Ichi, ni—sun, shi—go, roku, schic, hachi."

The games began at eight o'clock in the morning and ended at five in the evening. Then, at a signal, fully 6,000 voices pealed out the national anthem and concluded with three cheers for the Emperor and

A Royal Myrtle Bush.

Near the principal entrance at Osborne there is a flower garden in which an immense myrtle bush is to be seen. This has been grown from a sprig which was taken out of the wedding bouquet of the Empress Frederick in 1858. It has been a rule at confidence in which either bride or bridegroom was a decondant of the Queen. Some pieces of in which either bride or bridegroom was a
descendant of the Queen some pieces of
this myrtle have been placed in the bride's
wedding bouquet. The practice commenced when Princess Alice married
Prince Louis of Hesse at Osborne in 1882,
and it has been continued until, to-day,
when their daughter was married to the
Emperor of Hussia, and she carried a
bouquet of white flowers, in which there
was several sprigs from the Osborne myrtle, which had been sent by the Queen to
St. Petersburg expressly for this purpose.
—Westminster Gazette.

QUEEN OF CRIMINALS. UNCLESAM NEVER PAIS

A WOMAN WITH A RECORD ON TWO CONTINENTS.

Her Wonderful Nerve and Her Unbound ed Admiration of Herself-She Tells Some of Her Work. St. Lojis (Special).—Sophie Lyons, the notorious woman crook, who recently was given hours to leave here, has had a variety of adventures sufficient to fill a book.

Her operations have been carried on with the utmost daring for fully twenty years, and every large city in Europe and Am-orica has at one time or another been the

he could not have accomplished better results.

Her weight does not exceed 125 pounds, while she is about 5 feet 2 inches in height, and as vivacious as a Parisienne. Indeed, her manner is always suggestive of the Frenchwoman, and during her many years' sojourn abroad she has not failed to pick up every little oddity of expression, shrug and gesture peculiar to the people of the land of wine.

Her eyes are blue and shift constantly, but are capable of a steady, straight stare into those of her interviewer, as well as of gleams of almost tigerish ferocity whenever some subject is touched upon that is distasteful to her. She is a born actress, and with her talents trained in another direction might have become as famous on the stage as she has become infamous in thievery.

thievery.

Among the first prerequisites of a successful historian is a good voice. In this Sophia needs no training. Her tones are soft, low and musical, and she possesses

SOPHIE LYONS. narming pronunciation peculiar to ople of England. It is to be suppos of the broad "a" during her long-continued sojourn, and her excellent gramme, is the result of long years of careful schooling in the best female colleges in America

mier. The first time was in December, 1892, when he succeeded M. Loubet in that office, which, however, he only retained a few months. Prior to that he had been Minister of Foreign Affairs in-two cabinets—that of M. de Freycinet, in 1890, and that of M. Loubet, in 1892. It was while holding the portfolio of Foreign Affairs that he demanded of President Harrison the demanded of President Harrison the recall of a military attache of the United State's Legation in Paris, at whose conduct the Fench government had taken unbraze.

M. Ribot, who is now in his fifty-third year, is regarded as pre-eminently a safe man. Though not popular in the ordinary sense of the word, he has few enemies, and his attitude toward the Church party has, while retaining perfect independence of it. been always respectful and liberal. He has always shown limself utterly fearless

always shown himself utterly reariess is dealings with the extreme readicals socialists. An undoubted authority careful to point out, lest her hearer should. all that relates to jurisprudence, he is overlook it, each particular element of

for. Negotiations are entered into for the r return, and in the course of time the transaction is closed to the profit of

the transaction is closed to the profit of both parties.

"The last big affair I had in bonds amo inted to £42,000. I haid low for a while and then gradually worked them bac to the original holder, and we were mutually benefited?"

"Mutually benefited?" questioned her interviewer, a little astounded at the daring woman's peculiar reasoning.

"I'es, mutually benefited," she replied.

"I retained my bit, and the other fellow got his property back—in part," she added, with a sly wink. "If I had not cared to give him his bonds back he would have been dut just £42,000; but as it turned out he is better-off-and so am-L."

Could any smoother scheme for dishonestly enriching oneself and escaping the consequences be devised? By returning a portion of the bonds, or other property, she manages to become possessed of, Sophie Lyons makes the rightful owner a shielder of criminals—particeps criminis,

HOOK OR BY CROOK. Sort of Thing, But Will Not Balance

by private individuals. It all goes to the public credit.

Uncle Sam can figure out pretty well before the beginning of a fiscal year that to many thousand dollars will be put to his credit on "profit and loss" account before the year is over. The profit will come from bonds and bank notes destroyed and never presented for redemption, from money orders which are lost and never duplicated and from stamps which are not put to the use for which they were intended. These profits are never cast up, because debts of the government are seldom outlawed. But they are as real as though they were credited to Uncle Sam on the books of the Treasury. Of course, it is no fault of the government that this profit accumulates. Every effort is made to find the man to whom the government is indebted, and every reasonable opportunity is given to him to ment is indebted, and every reasonable opportunity is given to him to claim the amount of the indebtedness. In the ease of a lost or stolen bond, he has simply to prove ownership and give an indemnity bond to protect the Government against loss. In the case of a Treasury note injured by fire, he has to and in the charred remains, and the tained the exalted position among her fellows of being the leading female criminal of her generation!

She speaks of the business of thievery as if it were one of the accepted professions, on a full footing with law, medicine, or journalism, and never misses an opportunity to dignify her occupation by the use of high-flown terms. the Government aggregating many thousands are left unpaid every year,

always shown himself utterly fearless is dealings with the extreme radicals socialists. An undoubted authority is dealings with the extreme radicals socialists. An undoubted authority il that relates to jurisprudence, he is littled with having a thorough understanding of industrial, commercial and including a finite of the complete of the complete of the complete of the complete of the glow of health to pale and sa low by cataracts of various size, form and careful to point out, lest her heaver should overlook it, each particular element of government estimated to have been destroyed beyond all possibility of redemnical and including of industrial, commercial and including and including a powerful and at times a liant speaker.

"If diamonds and sealskins are beneath your dignity, pray what is it you are out with instered to have been destroyed beyond all possibility of redemnical and including the point out, lest her heaver should overlook it, each particular element of government estimated to have been destroyed beyond all possibility of redemnical and including in the charge of the finite of the motion of the motion of the glow of health to pale and sa low one of them was reading "Treasure Is. One of them was reading "Treasure or elessness which prevailed during the war period, he says, was responsible for a large amount of the missing money, and the destruction, while it increases in proportion to the amount of money issued, is not so great proportionately as it was at that time. It amounts probably to less than \$500,000 every

"leaky leaky."
Analysis proves that white corn has about 1 per cent more muscle forming element than yellow.
Pilot halloons provided with self reistering apparatus have been sent to a eight of 30.000 feet.

height of 30,000 feet.

The power of herculite, a new explosive, is almost beyond belief. A half-pound of it will move thirty tons of A farmer of Newton, Me., has sued the school board for the water used from his well during the last eighteen

Show and his house in

others rather than the content of the government, active dishonesty of the government. This is when money is lost or destroyed by private individuals. It all goes to

regions which belong to the gods."--Washington Star.

The Japanese War Correspondent, An order has gone forth from head-quarters of the Japanese army, says a quarters of the Japanese army, says a
London journal, enumerating a long series of conditions on which alone these
unfortunate journalists will be permitted to perform their duties. Among
these is a rule that controlling officers
alone are to prescribe the places corres
alone are to prescribe the places are to prescr alone are to prescribe the places correspondents are allowed to visit, as well as the time when they may do so. Correspondents must, moreover, always carry in the hand" their tickets of permission. As to their letters, they must in all cases be laid before the controlling officers for examination at a time to be fixed by them; their remarks must, moreover, be strictly limited to past events, must not mention in any case

the letters. "King Solomon's Mines."
The death of Mr. Robert Louis Stevenson reminds me of the following inbe the made by the government up the present day, as nearly as can be mated, by the destruction of Treastry rotes.

Here is the statement in detail of the material grounds and attracted public attention of Mr. Stevenson, two gentlemen were traveling up to London from Norfolk. tional bank notes, \$6.394,555. Total. \$1.452,100. Huntington, the chief of the loans and currency division of the gramment, estimates that not more the u\$1,000,000 or \$2,000,000 have been destroyed since January 1. 1891. The ciclesness which prevailed during the gramment has a reputation for Mr. Rider Haggard.—"Marmaduke" in the London Graphic.

A Popular Belusion. It is an error to suppose that a man belongs to himself. No man does. He belongs to his wife, or his children or Many hunters armed with m his relations, or his creditors, or to soci ety in some form or other. It is for their especial good and behalf that he lives and works, and they kindly allow been issued.

A Paris newspaper is organizing a competition of self-moving wagons, to take place on June 1.

The name of a steamship hailing from Honolulu is Likelike — pronounced 'leaky leaky.'

Analysis research.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—Francis Meunier, formerly of Fall River, Mass, in a fit of depression, committed suicide by taking Paris green in this city yesterday. Death of an Abolitionist

CHATHAM, Ont., Jan. 7.—The Rev. Dr. King, famous in slavery days for helping escaped slaves from the United States to Canada, died here Saturday, aged 82

Tradition of the Horseshoe Tradition of the Horseshoe.

In Marrocco iron is considered a great protection against demons, who are the lineal representatives, after all, of the hossitie spirits, says The Cornhill Magazine. Hence it is usual to place a knife or dagger under a sick man's pillow, his illness, of course, being attributed to demoniacal possession. In India the mourner who performs the necessary but somewhat dangerous duty of putting fire into the dead man's mouth earries a key or knife in his

Torthemselves. The Black Bear went successively to the Sun, to the Moon, to the Morning Star, to the constellation of the Deer Head—meaning the Pleiades—to the constellation of the Goese Foot, add finally to the Female Red Bird, who was found brooding on her nest. She it was who granted the request which the others had refused, giving to the Ossges the bodies in which they have since dwell.

"The sun is a god devoutly worshiped by most Indians. The ceramony of the sun dance, as performed by the Sioux and Ponks, has often hem described. Everyhody has heard how the warriors torture themselves, one part of the performance gone through by the young braves consisting in attaching himself to the dancepole by lariate passed through loops of his own skin, then freeling himself to the dancepole by lariate passed through loops of his own skin, then freeling himself to the dancepole by lariate passed through loops of his own skin, then freeling himself to the Congregationalist Body in English How This Great Boon was Obtained.

From the Mesford Monitor.

Knowing the Dr. Williams Medicine Co. to be an honorable and reliable firm we had never any reason to doubt the entire truthfulness of the north forming the harbor in which ships of the largest size can find a secure anchorage. On the peninsula are cure anchorage. On the peninsula are Accounts to Long as 80 - Can Avstel

The sum in a gold devotilly worshipled by most indicans. The corrumousy of the process of

causing an extreme reason and and I have always given him the credit of saving my life on that ocasion. The effects of the attack however remained and I fell into a however remained and I fell into a for my ordinate of the credit of saving my life on that ocasion. The effects of the attack however remained and I fell into a for my ordinate of the number of Ranavalona II. The new reign began with the inauguration of a liberal constitution, and Christianity was recognized as the national creed.

in my stomach, as well as from weakness and continued debility. I tried
many advertised remedies which I
value of \$300,000. but without relief. I at length decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. the Malagasy are a people basking in a burning heat, with only a few shreds o lieved, and after I had used ten boxes the pain was entirely gone and I now feel like a new man. I can now work the pain was entirely gone and indeven stout American sheetings too thin for comfort. Printed calicoes sell tel like a new man. I can now work half a day at a time without fatigue, and as I am still using the pil's I confidently expect, as I have every right to do from the great results thus far, to be able to do my work as formerly.

The whole foreign trade of Madagas.

The whole foreign trade of Madagas. I am 57 years of age, and before the car, both import and export, does not attack of eight years ago, I always en- fall far short of \$7,000,000 annually, and

experience to many people and invariably recommend a trial of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood, and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuragia, rheumatism. nervous headache, the the strength or distribution of the Japanese forces, and must on no account state the place or time of sending out after effects of la grippe, palpitation of the heart, nervous pro-tration, all diseases depending upon vitiated humors in the bl od, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. They are also specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities, and all forms of weakness.

They build up the blood, and restore the glown of health to pale and salow the glow of health to pale and sa low cheeks. In men they effect a radical elevation. Mineral waters have also cure in all cases arising from men'al been found and the natives tell wonder

cine Co., Brockville, Ont., and Schencine Co., Brockville, Ont., and Schen-ectady, N.Y., and are sold only in boxes be ring their trade mark and wrapper printed in red ink, at 50c. a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine

Many hunters armed with m gazine of Europe.

Until the reign of the "good King Until the reign of the good King Until the good King cameras instead of rifles are raming probably to less than \$500,000 every year.

Missing Links.

During the last thirty-five years more than 1,000 varieties of postal cards have been issued.

During the last thirty-five years more than 1,000 varieties of postal cards have been issued.

Every in some form or other. It is for their especial good and behalf that be they kindly allow him to retain a percentage of his gains to administer to his own pleasures or than 1,000 varieties of postal cards have wants. He has his body, and that is all, and even for that he is answerable to

I still have those fine bedroom suites at ten dollars and parlor suites at twenty-two dollars, and oak and other fancy chairs at low prices. My stock is complete in all lines, all of which Athens. Ont

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY .-South American Rheumatic Cure, for Rheumatism and Neuralgia, radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon he system is remarkable and mys-terious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears The first dose greatly benefits. cents. Sold by Lamb, druggist.

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart

The idols of the people were destroyed.

The trade and commerce of Madagas. car are open to the whole world, and in one year the importations of cotton sheetings consisted of 3 000 bales of a

It is a great mistake to suppose that muslin upon them for the sake of de-cency. When the cold east wind of the

joyed good health. I have stated my experience to many people and in-

would make no statement which he did not know to be correct and truthful. The productions of the country are such as may well excite the cupidity of

tude of some parts of the sublime mortain scenery of Madagascar is enliver by cataracts of various size, form and elevation. Mineral waters have also

have a great reputation.

Herds of horned cattle constitute the principle wealth of the nobility, and the grazing grounds in the country are extensive. There is no reason why, under efficient management, Madagas The sheep of the country appear to be aboriginal, and their flesh is considered be somewhat inferior to the mutton

ence and is called the "King of the

Had Been a Gentleman Once.
Tramp-Madam, I've brought back is complete in all lines, and a will be sold at low prices. Ten per cent off for cash.—T. G. Stevens.

3 in.

Tramp-I never work.—Clothier and Furnisher.

Bunker-Yes, sir! The time will come when a man can travel around the world without changing his collar.

Hill--Um. You could do it now.-Clothier and Furnisher.

The Voice of Experience There are no flowery beds of ease with-nat spiders in them.

the consequences to devised? By without strings the sear eighted for the protein of the become possessed of sophile Joons makes the rightful owner a little of criminals—particeps criminals. Particles of the little of criminals—particeps criminals, in law—and thus secures benefit against the form of the most in the state of the most account of the most in the state of the most account of the most account

KENDALL'S PAYIN CURE

MOST SUCCESSFUL REMEDY
FOR MAN OR BEAST.
Contain in its effects and never bilisters.

Price \$1 per Bottle.
For Sale by all Druggists, or address
Dr. B. J. KENDALL COMPANS,
ENGSBURGH FALLS. VT.

THE "OLD RELIABLE" Tailoring Establishment A. M. Chassels, Prop. reigned begs to take this opportuni-king his many friends for past would draw attention to the fact

GENTS' OUTFITTING Caps, Overalls, &c.

A. M. CHASSELS,

MAIN ST., ATHENS P.S.-A trial order solicited.

ESTABLISHED 1882

CONFECTIONERY H. H. Cossitt & Bro.

Fruit & Commission Merchant WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

BROCKVILLE · ONTARIO OYSTERS IN SEASON Two (2) Stores—Telephones 244a & 244b

LYN AGRICULTURAL WORKS

WANTED

A QUANTITY OF ROCK ELM TAMARAC GREY ELM PLANK

Hemlock Boards, Scantling and Cordwood in exchange for Rollers etc.

For Particulars apply to G. P. McNish, Lyn, Ont.

THRESHERS

USE LARDINE MACHINE OIL The Champion Gold Medal Oil, which cannot be Excelled.

McCOLL'S CYLINDER OIL HAS NO EQUAL MANUFACTURED BY McColl Bros. & Co., Toronto

Ask your Dealer for "Lardine" and beware of imitations.

For sale by all leading lealers in the country

NERVOUS, DESPONDENT, DISEASED MEN.

Before Treatment. After Treatment. Before Treatment. After Treatment. Before Treatment. After Treatment. Before Treatment. After Treatment. Before Treatment 16 Years in Detroit. 200,000 Cured.

Young or Middle You have led a gay life or indulged in the vices of early youth. You feel Aged Man the symptoms stealing over you. Self obuse or later excesses have broken the symptom stealing over you. Self obuse or later excesses have broken the symptom of the symptom stealing over you. Self obuse or later excesses have broken the symptom of the s SNATCHED FROM THE CRAVE-A Warning From the Living. Emissions "At 15 I learned a bad habit. Had losses for seven years. Tried four doctors Gured. and nerve tonics by the score, without benefit; I became a nervous wreck A friend who had been cured by Drs. Kennedy & Kergan of a similar disease, advised must be try them. I did so,, and in two months was positively cured. This was eight rear ago. I am now married and have two healthy children."

ago. I am now married and have two healthy children."

C. W. LEWIS, Saginaw, Mich,
Varicocele "Varicocele, the result of early vice, made life miscrable. I was weak and ne
Cured. vous, eyes sunken, bashful in society, hair thin, dreams and losees at night, a
ambition. The "Golden Monitor" opened my eyes. The New Method Treatment of Dr
Kennedy & Kergan cured me in a few weeks."

I. L. PETERSON, Ioals, Mich. ambition. The "folden Monitor" opened my eyes. The New Method Treatment of Drs. Kennedy & Kergan cured me in a few weeks."

1. L. PETERBON, lonia, Mich. Sphills "This terrible blood disease was in my system for eight years. Had taken mer Cured. cury for two years, but he disease returned. Eyes red, pimples and blotches on the skin, ulcers in the mouth and on tongue, hone pains, falling out of hair, weekness, etc. My brother, who had been curred of Gets and Srieture by Drs. Kannedy & Kergan, recommended them. They cured me in a few weeks, and I thank G.W. R. Manedy & Kergan, recommended them. They cured me in a few weeks, and I thank G.W. P. M., Jackson, Mich. Speaks. The mind, body and soul of young men as that of Solf Abose. I have sent many victims of this didded Treatment which cured them when all else failed."

A Bluister The Rev. W. E. Sparks, of Detroit, says: "I know of no disease so injurious to Speaks. The mind, body and soul of young men as that of Solf Abose. I have sent many victims of this didded Treatment which cured them when all else failed."

A Boeter "I know nothing in medical science so efficient for the cure of Speakit and Recommends. Science 1 have sent the New Method Treatment of Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, Many cases which had beffied scores of physicians, were cured in a few weeks. The New Method Treatment of Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, Many cases which had beaffied scores of physicians, were cured in a few weeks. The New Method Treatment of Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, Many cases which had beaffied scores of physicians, were cured in a few weeks. The New Method Treatment of Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, Many cases which had beaffied scores of physicians were cured in a few weeks. Do you cases which had beaffied scores of physicians were cured in a few weeks. Do you were the property of the No Names used without Written Consent. Private: No Medicia

Sent C. O. D. No Names on Boxes or Envelopes. Everything Confidential. Question List for Home Treatment and Cost of Treatment, Free. Drs. Kennedy & Kergan, 148 Shelby Street; Detroit, Mich.

BUY Winter Peerless

Zero Amber MACHINE OILS The Best in the World for Fall and Winter use.

Sold Wholesale only by The Samuel Rogers Oil Co.

Ottawa and Brockville.