Animal Curiosities.

A Robber Horse-Parrots Which Sang Psalms-A Cat Nurses a Baby Rat-Vest Pocket Edition of a Horse-Some Dog Stories-Horses Fight a Band of Wild Animals.

"When I was in Nebraska, near the were what he had long been looking Snake River, north of the great Sand for. Hill in 1859," writes a correspondent men are just like that dog-dead stuck to the Lewiston Journal, we had been on brass buttons at camps, situated about eighteen miles Cleveland Recorder. to Dunham camp it was necessary to go through a long piece of pine woods. or a number of months everyone who had gone through the woods alone never came back. Then one day was necessary that I should through with a lot of money, and no escort, and I got escort, and I set out on a horse that I got from a stable keeper near Thorne

"When I had nearly reached the when I had nearly reached the woods, five miles out, my horse was a mele, the whole and a dozen wolves were feast to my medical eye it had been poismed slightly by some one. Soon, what ar Dunham camp with a trapper. ought to have seen through this, but did not. I got on to the powerful forse of the stranger and started through the five miles of woods. Half way through, without any apparent reason, the horse broke into a trot, a gallop and finally a run, and dashing off the trail through the woods picked his way among the trees as nicely as if he had gone that way a hundred times. Pull as I would at the bridle. he paid no attention, but ran the faster. Then he had leaped a brook and landd on the sand beyond the marks of cotprints alarmed me, and I slipped off at the risk of my life. He ran on up a ravine, and I hid, fearing that it was a trap, as it afterwards proved. rifles came back on the trail, one rid-

out to the camp.

Two weeks later nineteen of us followed a man who hired a horse at the her legitimate prey, to the great desame place I did. It was taken ill, and light of Vernie and the surprise of the same trapper came along on the same horse. When the horse dashed This strange state of affairs continued chain. into the woods, as he had been trained to do, nineteen of us dashed after him rat strayed from Jet's protection, and and finally arrived at a mountain camp met his death at the claws of another their own camp fire. The trained horse met the fate of its owners."

DOGS AND THEIR FRIENDS.

It was Dr. John Brown, of Edinboro, It was Mr. "Josh Billings," I know, who said that in the whole history of self who made dogs too human—so birth.

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I have been the friend and confidant of three dogs, who helped to humanize at my coming, and with honest tongues hanging out to lick my hands and feet. And then I am going, with these faithful. devoted dogs, at my heels, to talk dogs over with Dr. John Brown, Sir Edwin Landseer and Mr. Josh Billings.

—"Three Dogs." by Laurence Hutton, in November St. Nicholas.

A PSALM-SINGING PARROT. Howard Jordan, who resides in Oak-

land, was, up to a few days ago, the owner of a little green parrot, of which he was very proud. But Polly is dead now, and will be greatly missed, most of all by Sunday school scholars people who attend the First Methodist Episcopal Church, on Fourteenth street. The rear of the church and Sunday school room joins Mr. Jordan's rear yard, where there is a grass plot. Every Sunday morning, indeed, every in the week, because on that day the children sang and recited their lessons, and Polly liked noise.

After awhile Polly left off the croakings and the fragmentary bits of swear words it had picked up in early life on a coasting schooner. The bird's owner liked this, and encouraged it. children talked to it, and finally the parrot began to hum the church horses. Of the remainder of the herd, made only when gentle winds prepined in lustily with the children times on hymns and prayers and Bib-lical quotations. The bird became a regular Sunday school bird, and was all

but entered on the class rolls. tinued to grow worse until death came. Polly was but a young thing for a parrot, and a scoffer in the block says that Francisco Chronicle.

TWO WISE DOGS.

The dog I am about to speak of discounts all intellectual dogs known to the business, and even the "educated hog." This dog is of the water spaniel variety, and he lives in the East End. that he won't walk any more that he

He makes a call or two on Lower Superior and then rides home. At 5 his feet pawing and snorting, and the o'clock in the evening this dog has camp sentinels reported the wild horses and pick out a Cedar avenue car from us.

Daylight had come, and the sentinels

Daylight were coming into camp. en known to go out on the street as hanging about within half a mile of

Irish setter, and was raised up in an nal. Montana, and seldom, if ever, saw a of his

ith the Montana dog.

The dog was not vicious, but he eyed rebuffed. Our horses

ROBBERS AIDED BY A HORSE. | favor with him-those brass buttons

thing he takes a fancy to. Among the I believe that fully forty horses went a large, matronly cat, that has been brought up to make due provisions for

death" to any rats or ground squirrels. A short time ago, in exploring the barns, granaries and barn yards, Vernie came upon a nest of young rats, which he immediately took up and carried to the house, and placed carefully in a drawer of his mother's sewing ma-

Mrs. Morrow objected to the nest of rats being in the drawer, and took insisted he must keep one, and begged so hard for it, his mother gave it to for four days. This cost \$35,000 for exhim. In a short time he laid it down tra coal. and forgot about it. Then Jet came along and took up the young rat and carried it to her bed as a companion for her one kitten and as a solace to In a little while three men armed with her own mind. Strange as it may appear, the young rat made itself at ing the horse, now as gentle as a lamb. home, derived his sustenance from the I picked my way to the road and got same source as the kitten, received the same maternal attention from Jet, who seemed to forget that she was nursing

SOME WEE PONIES.

During the past two months the I think, who spoke in sincere sympathy of the "smallest colt in the world," a will rejuvenate and be the salvation of diminutive specimen of the equine our workingwomen. species foaled at their pony farm in FLOGGING as a punishment for who said that in the whole history of July, 1894, says the St. Louis Republic. the world there is but one thing that This is being done because of the claim money cannot buy, to wit: The wag of that an Indiana Shetland colt belonga dog's tail. And it was Prof. John ing to Harry B.Smith, of Hartford City,
schools. A short time ago it was considering the advisability of turning out

given at the time, was but 20 inches high at birth, and weighed but 20 the option of three days in jail, by a ing any sort of monument on its height me for the space of nearly quarter of a century, and who had souls to be named Tom Thumb His mother is fused to pay at first, but, on seeing the and it is probable that the committee saved. I am sure; and when I cross Kila, one of Milne's pets. She is so inside of the Aberdeen jail, changed will have plenty of time to look about the subthe other shore a trio of dogs wag- stand astride her and place both feet squarely upon the ground without touching her back.

to mention a few other dwarfs of the weighed but 35 pounds and stood 20 by the British Government. What is said to be the smallest, full-grown Shetland in Amfigures in his height or age, but the World's Fair record shows that he only weighs 100 pounds.

* * * * THE BATTLE OF THE HORSES. Just at sundown, and while we were Scotch!"

at supper, a drove of wild horses numbering 88 suddenly emerged from Thatcher's Pass and deployed on the level tween them more than \$75,000,000 of ground of the Valley. They had made morning, Polly was perched out on the use of the pass to cross from Climax from it than that of the universities. grass to catch the sun and fresh air. Valley, where grass and water might They will be asked by the London have failed them, or horse hunters had County Council before long to give an Germany, but as it is intended to be appeared to give them fright. They account of the uses to which the erged from the pass in single file, money is put. led by a spotted stallion, whose mane reached almost to his knees, and whose tail touched the ground when he was at rest. He was not as handsome as cessful experiments with a monster some of the drove leaders to be met kite of 500 square feet, supplemented when treated with it; it destroys all ers would hardly be worth the cotchwhen they sang. After awhile Polly learned the Lord's Prayer. It forgot its week-day talk and practiced at all march, and twice that number had solved. march, and twice that number had collar marks to prove that they had stampeded from some immigrant train.

When clear of the pass they formed died on Monday last. It took sick on prevent a stampede. The wild horses when you are staying in the house, two mounted men, but they did not guest at meal-time. seem to have much fear of us. On the contrary, the leader of the drove exearly plety was too much for it—San hibited such temper that the men fear- which dates from before 1320, and horses calmed down in the slightest. Every animal seemed enraged at the sight of the free herd, and the captain's Kentucky stallion acted as if possessed of a flend. He had been doubly fastened at the beginning of the excitement, and later on this proved The funny thing about this dog is a fortunate thing. He made the most tremendous efforts to get absolutely has to. He don't have to when at length he realized the futility walk down town either, for he waits of further efforts in that direction he uttered shrill screams of rage and lashed out his heels till no one dared ap- after his health began to improve upon proach him. All night long he stood on his retirement from office he took up

running east and west along that of the night were coming into camp. Speaking of dogs reminds me of an- the captain's horse uttered a scream ther brainy variety. This one was an which must have been taken for a sig-He reared up, shook his head army post in the northern part of like an angry lion, and freed himself halter. In the same instant person in civilian's clothes. Every- every other horse in the command se-thing was brass buttons and Indians cured his liberty. Some pulled up the pins, some worked their heads clear of | When his master was ordered to the the straps, and away went the whole when his factories of the city the dog drove down the valley. It was not a fe along as part of the family. He stampede, as we naturally feared. Even as unused to city life and missed the had our animals desired to join the ranks of the free they would have been

before we had gotten into line it was too late.

The sight was a wonderful one. The two leaders advanced as if they meant to decide the issue by a fight between them, but when within forty yards of each other they wheeled and returned witnessed something which only a cavalryman will credit. Our horses fell into double line and dressed to the right as perfectly as if a trooper had occupied each saddle, and while for.

Do you know that a great many women are just like that dog—dead stuck on brass buttons and gold braid?—
Cleveland Recorder.

NURSE TO A BABY RAT.

Four miles from Farmington, Cal., resides a well-to-do rancher named Morrow. He has a little 4-year-old son, the right and wavered, but did not break until struck. It was like strik
fell into double line and dressed to the right as if a trooper bitten and kicked, and twelve of them were so crippled as to be worthless. In almost every instance our horses had kicked off both hind shoes, and in some cases the front ones were gone as well. There were seven dead and 36 crippled horses on that battlefield when hostilities ceased, and of the 57 wild horses bent and wavered, but did not break until struck. It was like strikbreak until struck. It was like striking a drumhead with a sledghammer. I believe that fully forty horses went down under the shock, but all except four were speedily on their feet again.

drove retreated up the valley half a mile, and then wheeled about in a single line. When our drove halted and turned there was a distance of three-quarters of a mile between the combatants. We were ordered to fall in with a view of advancing upon the line with a view of advancing upon the little with a stallion hobbled out of it on three legs.

| GEN. TOM THUMB'S WIDOW. | The Little Woman Has Entertained Two Generations of Children. | Combatants | Combatan in with a view of advancing upon the wild horses and driving them off, but before we had gotten into line it was before we had gotten into line it was believed by the followers of the followers

ples, and we were not yet in the sad-dle when a hundred great buzzards From this on it was a melee, the whole and a dozen wolves were feasting on

oned slightly by some one. Soon, what cooked like a hunter came along on a horse and offered to swap, taking mine back to the stable if I would leave his borne the reputation of being "sure like a hunter came along on a leave his borne the reputation of being "sure like a hunter came along on a leave his leave his borne the reputation of being "sure like a hunter came along on a leave his leave his leave his borne the reputation of being "sure like a hunter came along on a leave his leave hi

Gossip From Every Land Summarized for Busy Readers.

DURING the recent trouble at Con- friend, "are very inappropriate, as

claimant, who now keeps a tobacco shop in Islington, was in a London police court the other day to prosecute hydrants, the cheapest and best metha man who had stolen his watch and

COUNT LIPPE, a canon of the Vienof the robbers. We took every man—
seven of them—and, well! law was not this may appear, it is a fact, and can well supported out there then, and no be verified by several persons who witnessed this peculiar and happy family.

Cat not so merciful as Jet. Strange as ing a beautiful brocaded robe presented to the Virgin of Loreto by the earthed, with black and white mosaic floors and polychrome decorations on the page.

Count sat nearer than 200 miles. We nessed this peculiar and happy family.

Milne Bros., of Monmouth, Ill., have and more milk, cream, cheese, bread been sending out pictures and accounts and butter, with easy fitting clothing,

girls is what the London School Board a monument in Ireland to the memwants to introduce into the industrial ory of Charles Stewart Parnell, but the proposed site seems, to say the a dog's tail. And it was Prof. John C. Van Dyke who declared the other day, in reviewing the artistic career of Landseer, that he made his dogs too human. It was the great Creator himburgan. It was the great Creator himburgan and the second second to the second to the

A MEDAL for a kind of service not usually so rewarded will be given to THE story of Mazeppa was re-enactive the heart and lungs being in perfect the heart and lungs being the heart and lungs being the heart and lungs being the heart A MEDAL for a kind of service not scription list is closed." In this connection it might be well the British soldiers who bravely fought ted under shocking circumstances in the plague at Hong Kong last year. The wild country near the Okanagon bern the plague at Hong Kong last year. The wild country near the Okanagon bern through the hair without break
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"HI, THERE, ye rascally Chinese the property of Robert Lil- heathen," shouted an excited skipper at ill-treating her tied her firmly on the burn, of Emerald Grove, Wis. I have no a phiegmatic Oriental at the Glasgow docks, "what's 'have' in your lingo?" "pu! ye stupid gowk, d'ye no' ken 'pu's'

LONDON'S twelve great livery com-

LIEUT. BADEN POWELL, of the British Army, claims to have made succarry a man aloft. The tests were lution as strong as 5 per cent of the lit should not have. Let it be fed before substance. It is odorless and years vailed. The device is to serve as an occasional substitute for the captive bal-

AT MARLBOROUGH HOUSE (one of the British Royal Palaces) there is more ceremony, socially speaking, than in line and advanced upon us to with- at Sandringham. A number of ser- jority of cases no change was notice-Yesterday, however, Poly did not not in a quarter of a mile. We had 75 vants herald your arrival or departing or pray, and inquiry was made, horses at the lariat pins, and for half ure, and there are usually two ser-We had 75 vants herald your arrival or depart- able. and it was learned that the bird had an hour we had all we could do to vants standing outside your room door were finally driven down the valley by and a man behind the chair of every

THE old Market Cross of Peebles, ed they would have to shoot him. which has been many times shifted It was an hour before our cavalry during the past half century, has now the points slanting slightly towards the been restored to its original site at the closed end. A big dab of honey or innetion of High Street. Northgate, other delicacy especially liked by a like of the quart, in a jug or jar with a like of the guart with a li and Eastgate, at the expense of Major bear is then placed at the further end, Thorburn. The shaft of the cross and the keg is carelessly dropped in rangle of Chambers' Institution.

LORD ROSEBERY is said to be at caught five bears in one week for one and work upon a novel dealing with the life keg planter recently. The bear just work upon a novel that had already been well-nigh finished. He is a very careful workman, and is rewriting the story for the third time.

his goal, or more than half way. His

on the beat immediately fell in the grass as they passed. The prairie birds," quoth the poet in a letter to a ever met,

THE sweeping of the streets of Paris costs that city £268,000 a year. Land-FOR the largest territory in cities | costs that city £268,000 a year. Land-lords are bound to sweep the footway before their houses clear, unless when snow is too deep to be easily got rid of. The town council employs as great to be so odd years old and was as bright as a new dollar when she was taken away from me. It robbed me of my care. The woman nature, witness—No, your vous know, craves a care; a something myself.—Tit-Bits. square miles; New York has 71 1-4; ers 3,000 men, 600 women, and according to the weather, large extra gangs. of. The town council employs as sweep-ARTHUR ORTON, the Tichborne The road menders also form a large brigade, and are paid 4 francs a day each. The sweepers get 3 1-2 pence an od, costs £80,000 a year.

NEAR the Colosseum and the Baths of Titus, at Rome, in the Via Dello na Cathedral, has gone to Rome, bear- Setto Sale, 26 feet below the surface, Livia, on the Palatine. It seems to SAYS Dr. Simon Baruch, a famous have been the residence of the proephysician: "More cold bathing, more fectus urbis. Near the Forum large private baths have been discovered at a depth of sixteen feet, with passages paved with large blocks of basalt like those in the Via Sacra.

"AT LAST," says a Dublin letter, "a movement is being set on foot to erect above the sea level, a very steep ascent MR. FIELDING, brother of the Earl and with no road nearer to the summit for a less lofty site before the sub-

the authorities at Hong Kong, and not tion and stole the 12-year-old daughter of James Poil, a rancher. They took her into the hill country, and after back of a half-wild Indian pony, and turned the animal loose. For almost two days the cayuse wandered over "Pu," replied the Chinaman, without a moment's hesitation. "Pu," repeated the skipper, with withering scorn, by one of a number of a numbe by one of a number of searching partise out hunting for the child. The girl was unconscious and almost dead, and was with great difficulty brought round. At last accounts the country was being scoured for the Indians, who were threatened with lynching.

Potassiumorthodinitrocresolate is the name of a new antiseptic discovered in nin. One part of the substance in from not be allowed until after a year, and 1,500 to 2,000 parts of soapsuds is destructive to all the common parasites injurious to plants. Yeast used in bacteria, and yeast can endure a so- is only to teach it to beg for things substance. It is odorless and very your meals, so that it shall not be tancolors are injured by being exposed to hungry.—Annals of Hygiene. the light, experiments have recently been made in London with pigments, set in vacuo, set in dry air, and set in ordinary frame, and exposed for

BEER kegs are being used with it is not in daily use in place of tea of skill long past the age of 40, such great success for the odd purpose of or coffee, and why it does not drive out a man is an exception. The comparacatching bears in the vicinity of Ho- every kind of alcoholic drink. Perfect quiam, Wash., and are said to make lemonade is made as follows: For a interesting and remarkable fact, as it the best bear traps ever used in that region. One end is knocked out of the keg, and then a number of strong, stood for many years in the quad- the woods where the bears are likely to stumble across it. The honey in the end, and the spikes efbacking out, and all he can do is to roll around drunk before the volatile essence of until he is tired, and then wait for the drug is allowed to escape, begins

es" in a few years will be the only ties in France. If anybody has the seldom make more than 20 shillings, daughter of poor "Angus," Duke of curiosity to look through the shop or about \$5, this providing that he still trowded thoroughfare at that hour. When the wild horses rushed into view who has undertaken to ride his chargilton. This little "lassie," who is only see it crowded with female figures trades where the hand is used continuation.

St. James' Gazette) he will probably of course, this is only the case in the er from Krasnoe Selo, near St. Peters-11, has a fortune which is now found moving their arms backwards and for-ally and systematically. A Sheffield er from Krasnoe Selo, near St. Peters11, has a fortune which is now found moving their arms backwards and forto be larger than was at first supdistance of over 4,000 miles, has al- posed. At the present moment the ready reached Omsk, 2,200 miles toward Young heiress enjoys a very comfortable income, namely, £160,000 per anaverage rate of travel each day has num; when she comes of age in 1900, been 28 1-2 miles, but on some days he this will have amounted to £250,000 per has gone as much as 62 miles in 24 annum. The patrician dames of Belhours. His horse in an Anglo-Arabian. gravia and Mayfair are already look-ONE of the British papers tells an at Eton or Harrow, and wondering if they will wear well and be able to reamusing story apropos of a recently they will wear well and be able to republished novel, in which the heroine sist the stress and strain of circumowns a flock of tame pigeons, the birds stances till the new century dawns, being named "Saturday Review," when they can lay what is left of them "Spectator," "Speaker." The late Rob- at the feet of Lady Mary Douglas and The dog was not victous, but he eyed rebuiled. Our horses were builded, reprint and in a solid bunch they drove right ert Browning had two tame geese, to assure her that they love her just two whom he gave the names "Edinburgh" hundred and fifty thousand pounds a man and police and left four of them lying crippled on the poet in a letter to make the poet in the p

Diminutive Mrs. (Gen.) Tom Thumb (the Countess Magri) is the wisest, pret-tiest little old doll in the world. Her tiny brain is as keen, brisk and level as a statesman's, and she has learned great things of the world as she has looked up into its mysterles from her dainty 56 inches, says the Chicago Re-

"Will you help me to mount this chair, please?" lisped this bewildering wisp of womanhood, as she vainly tried to hoist herself into an ordinary seat near a reporter.

"They do make chairs so absurdly awkward these days a body cannot preserve equilibrium and dignity, can she?" contined Mrs. Tom, the countess, as the reporter's hand lifted the cunning lady into comfort.

Mrs. Tom Thumb was attired in deep mourning; black matelasse cloak, a jet strawberry leaf of a bonnet and long trailing veil of at least six inches of crape. Her face is a kindly relic of well-preserved prettiness, the wonderful dimples are still there, like cute little periods to her smile, and her hair is almost black as ever, and waves youthfully about her face. Her hand is about as big as a peppermint lozenge, and she has a coy way of tapping one's arm and accentuating her rapid, gay chatter, with dramtic gestures and

funny pantomime.
"Well, I have entertained generations, you see, so ought to feel a peryears old, and 35 of those years have been spent in the charming intimose. you witness between me and the peo-These children's mothers and grandmothers shook hands with me when they were young and frequently they are delightful enough to tell me them out to drown them, when Vernie insisted he must keep one, and begged fleet lay at Lemnos with full steam up though it changes into generations. "I mourn my mother just now. She lived to be 80 odd years old and was

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interesting enough to constantly draw upon her sympathies, her mother nature and fostering gift. I miss my mother more because of this than other sentiments. I am trying to find a sentiments. I am trying to find a lilliputian child to adopt just because I must have some nobler aim in life than simply the exhibition of myself, don't you know. I am to see a 5-year-Chicago child that weighs one old pound; it ought to do."
Upon being asked where the Magri

trio would go this winter, Mrs. Thumb said:

"Probably to the West Indies. My health is not robust, and we long for a more temperate climate. I have plenty of money invested in securities and bonds, in banks and stocks. I never have any luck in real estate. If I buy lots expecting a town to grow up to them the town instantly starts the other way and leaves me with a big useless farm instead of corner town lots. That's a fact."

With a small but superb bow this fairy woman swept out of view, trailing her mourning garb like a prize little widow in a doll show.

EXCULPATING HIM.

Magistrate-Then your husband has

ill-treated you? Wife (who wants to withdraw the summons)—No, your Worship.

Magistrate—What? Did he not bite Witness-No, your Worship; I did it

Health and Home



The Time of Life When Our Hands Are Skillful-When Coffee May Poison Those Who Drink it -The Time When a Child Should First Have Solid Foods-How to Care For the Hair-Good Lemonade.

her hair for five minutes at a time dreams and hallucinations, and when a day she should rub the scalp with her fingers to stimulate the circulation. may not give more than 50 beats in a The brushing is absolutely necessary, for the hair attracts dust and dirt with BEST WAY TO TRAIN THE RESPIfatal facility, and this, combining with the oil of the hair, makes it malodorwill lacerate the scalp. On the other they will not be effective in smoothing out tangles. Brushes should be chosen with equal care. They should not have metal backs, no matter how attractive News. silver may appear, for the metal makes them too heavy. The back should be of light wood, and the bristles should

THE AGE WHEN A CHILD MAY

be long and thickly set. Moreover,

they should be bristles, and not weak

imitations.

EAT. A child should have nothing what then it should be allowed bread, gruels, porridge, and possibly an egg; but its muscular delicacy and its supplethese should be prepared for it, and ness. given to it by itself, not at the adults' talized at seeing you eat when it is

HOW TO MAKE GOOD LEMONADE. Popular Health Magazine: Good lemonade, says an experienced writer, is and quantity of the work done begins one of the most perfect drinks ever to fall off. While a man in especially devised. I can hardly understand why fine health and one especially dexterquart, take the juice of three lemons, is after 40, as a rule, that a carefullyfully peel the rind very thin, getting just the yellow outside; cut this into When the water is just at the boiling point pour it over the lemon and sugar, cover at once, and let it get cold. Try this way once, and see

if it is not delicious.

the French are adicted, and which is his lathe. For this he receives 45 shilto bring forth serious results which at- lings a week, or \$9 50. CERTAINLY one of the big "catch- tract the notice of the medical authori- workman is 65 years of age he can wards like frantic marionettes. If he knife forger, for instance, concludes that they have recently been something like 28,000 blows with his "wound up" with coffee, he is not like- hammer daily. An enormous amount ly to be far wrong. It was the large of muscular and nervous force is renumber of laundresses, showing the quired for this, and it is no wonder same symptoms, who had recourse to that the strain on his nerve centers hospital treatment, that caused me attention of Dr. Giles de la Tourette and few years. In farming or the seafarwere not long in coming to the con- tributed over clusion that coffee was responsible for hand does not lose its cunning so early. a great deal of disease that had been Oftentimes it retains its skill until the commonly attributed to the abuse of alcohol. For instance, a form of dysert Browning had two tame geese, to whom he gave the names "Edinburgh" and "Quarterly." "These names for my birds," quoth the poet in a letter to a le

HOW TO CARE FOR THE HAIR. Worst stage of coffee poisoning is de-HOW TO CARE FOR THE HAIR. Worst stage of confee poisoning is de-from the woman who aspires to have beautiful hair should learn how to use a brush and comb. She should brush skeleton, he is troubled with terrible twice a day, using long, even strokes.

At night she should part her hair and let it hang in two loose braids. Once let it hang in two loose braids.

RATION.

MR. FIELDING, brother of the Earl and with no road nearer to the summit monthly washing with castile soap than a mile, and no water procurable and the daily brushing will keep it at the top, the cost and labor of erectclean and glossy. She should know that to cycling he is troubled with shortpounds—one pound exactly for each Scotch poince justice recently, for high inch. This miniature in horseflesh was ing a bicycle without a light. He reach, the money is not collected yet, should never be used. Cheap combs after some training these discomforts and it is probable that the committee do not have smooth teeth, which will all disappear. Why should not people do not have smooth teeth, which liable to attacks from asthma also the hair, but are rough, and tear and train their respiration by such a kind ing off some hairs and dragging others that without fatigue, as the respiratory out by the roots. Rubber or shell movements are automatic; at the same is the proper material for a comb. The time, it will accustom the rider instincteeth should not be too sharp or they tively to take in at each respiration the volume of air required to aerate hand, they must not be too blunt, or the blood and to eliminate a fixed proportion of carbonic acid, leaving in the circulation the precise amount compatible with health.—London Daily

HANDS GROW OLD EARLY.

The actual amount of dexterity in the human hand has been measured with more or less accuracy, and its value in mechanical employments traced from youth to age. How the hand grows old, gradually losing its skill, has been described by Sir James Crichever from the adult table before a year ton Browne, the British labor student, who has made a long course of investiused generally it is also called antin- not until 2 years. Solid food should high periods of skill and endurance, this authority says, is from 30 to 40, the hand after that beginning to lose

> Between the ages of 17 and 18 the hand of the boy grows into the hand of the man, and first becomes valuable from a commercial point of view. If a workman is temperate and industrious and continues to improve in his trade, his hand's dexterity increases until he

After 40 the muscles do not respond nearly as readily and certainly to the orders of the brain, and the quality used brain becomes the most valuable. Practically no British statesmen of the highest rank are under 40; most of them are above 50, and often ten years older than that. In the trades, on the other hand, the highest paid workmen, with hardly an exception, are under the age of two score.

The scale of wages in the button trade, for example, is a good indication of this tendency of the hand to grow old so early in life. At his very best, COFFEE POISONING. in his prime, a skilled button-turner can make 6,240 ivory buttons a day on lings a week, or about \$11 25. At 45 years of age it is only the exceptional man who can make more than 28 shil-