The private ascent made by Mr. Coxwell on Tuesday, the 2nd inst., from the gasworks at Ashford, Kent, in company with Mr. Walter Powell, M.P., and Mr. W. B. Mur-

GLEANINGS AND GOSSIP.

Many monks who have been long teaching school at Rome were arrested by the police last month and ordered out of the city.

Mr. Froude is reported to have said that a residence in Ireland for a few years is enough to deprive even an Englishman of common sense.

over the ground. They find that there is a fall of 130 feet between the two places, and that to make the stream navigable would involve an expense of about half a million ollars. They will report to the Dominion Government.

At the meeting of the London Council on At the meeting of the London Council on Monday evening, the proposal to reduce the number of aldermen was voted down. At the same meeting Mr. Thomas Wastie asked for the water power at the water works dam,

for the water power at the water works dam, and three acres of land for the erection of a paper mill. The application was referred to the Finance Committe to report upon.

H.M. troopship Crocodile arrived at Halifax last night from Bermuda with the 19th Regiment, which takes the place of the 97th in this garrison, and will disembark this evening. The 97th leaves in her on Thursday for Gibraltar. The Crocodile has also on board several batteries of artillery to relieve those now at Halifax, the latter proceeding to Bermuda in her on her way to Gibraltar.

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A by-law granting \$6,000 for the purpose of assisting Messrs. John Harvey and J. B. McQuestin to establish a large woollen mill in the village of Hespeler was voted on today and carried almost unanimonsly, there being only six ballots cast against it. The enterprise is likely to be an extensive one, and will be a great benefit to the village. It is expected that the mill will be running by February next. Mr. Gisborne has returned to Ottawa

after successfully laying the Grand Manan and Campobello cables. The land lines and as hort piece of cable to Eastport will be com-pleted and the offices opened to the public on the 1st proximo. The tremendous tides and eddies in the Bay of Fundy made the Grand Manan cable-laying a difficult and dangerous undertaking. Six of the most difficult cable crossings in the whole world have been suc-cessfully accomplished since the 16th of last

The Rev. F. A. Degaspe, a retired priest, for some years living at Levis, has received authentic news from England of the death of his aunt, sister-in-law of the late well-known P. A. Degaspe, author of "Les Vieux Canadiens," by which he learns that he has, as the elder son of that gentleman, inherited property to the value of a million pounds sterling. The plans of the various ing. The plans of the various estates have been received from England, and a confirmatory cable despatch is understood to have been received by Sheriff Alleyn, whose wife is said to be one of the joint inheritors to the extent of a one-eighth share of the income.

UNITED STATES.

The Secretary of State has reprimanded consul Byers, of Zurich, Switzerland, for publishing a letter discouraging emigration to the United States. Captain Young, of the lost steamer Narra-

gansett, was arraigned at Norwich, Conn., on Monday, for failing to keep a list of passeng ra, as required by law. At a Land League meeting at New York on Sunday, the speakers expressed a hope that the present agitation will result in the independence of Ireland.

It is understood that the basis of the labours of the Commission who favoured the new treaty with China was upon the bill passed by Congress and vetoed by the Presi-dent, restricting immigration to fifteen China-

Diphtheria is spreading very rapidly at Chicago. It is stated that the disease is unusually violent, in some cases whole families being taken sick. It is ascribed to defective sewerage in many cases, and the landlords are being compelled to put their houses into good sanitary condition. men in one vessel.

The threatened coal famine in San Franco has caused Australian and British Columbian coals to advance to \$15 per ton, and Washington Territory products to \$13.50. In September British Columbia coal was selling freely at \$7.50 per ton. The famine is due to the reluctance of shipowners to put their

vessels in the coal trade.

The Government has just secured the reflected of a naturalized American citizen stretted in Alsace, charged with owing military duty, the German Government having yielded the point that Alsace is not included in the treaties on the subject. Efforts to secure the release of naturalized American citizens arrested in Germany seldom [63]

practically settled except as to Sitting Bull, which he regards as a question of diplomacy. The latest information locates Sitting Bull within half a mile north of the boundary line with 200 fighting men. At Fort Keough there are 2,000 hostiles who surrendered to Miles, who compelled them to turn over 400 agreement and recovers the land for a contract.

acres, and propare the land for a crop next season sufficient to support them for a year.

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A gathering was held at Wichita, Kansas, on Saturday of all parties interested in Payne's Oklahoma colony. It was arranged that the colony would move in a body from the Kansas and Texas and Arkansas lines on the 6th of December, the day Congress meets. They have drawn up a letter addressed to the President and Congress, asking that the army be prevented from interfering with them, and a committee has been appointed to go to Washington to present the address.

The silk industry of Paterson, N.J., is depressed, and most of the mills are running on short time and with reduced forces. The trade has not had so dull a season before in seven or eight years, and operatives are becoming alarmed. The dulness is explained by the unusually abundant crop of raw silk and the excessive production. Certain lines of staple silk goods are selling to-day at lower prices than ever known before in the American market. The 15,000 operatives in Pateran market. The 15,000 operatives in Paterson are extremely uneasy.

THE WINTER PORT.

Renewal of the Agitation at Halifax—A Call for Government Aid. Halifax, N.S., Nov. 23.—A meeting of s number of gentlemen interested in the busi-ness of the port of Halifax was held last night, to devise some means to improve the freighting business. Considerable discussion took place, the speakers avoiding any political bins but solicities. took place, the speakers avoiding any political bias, but pointing out in many cases the grievances of Halifax, caused by the Government not extending to this portion of the Dominion the same support as is received by the West in aid of trade. They contended that the Government should take steps sufficient to secure for Halifax, at least for the winter months, the freighting business between Canada and Europe. A committee was appointed to take action to secure a public meeting of citizens generally, for expressing the feeling that Government should aid the port of Halifax in becoming the terminus of the Canadian freighting and travelling business.

The great permanency of Murray & LANMAN'S FLORIDA WATER gives it a wo days and weeks after its application the hand-kerchief or garment exhales a soft, rich fragrance, agreeable, refreshing, and health-ful.

From the Cincinnati Times. No one accomplishment among business men is more highly prized than a neat an men is more highly prized than a neat and graceful handwriting. It is always a sure foundation for advancement with the young and aspiring clerk. But, unfortunately, the facilities for acquiring a really systematic handwriting are few and mostly expensive. The majority of young men in business cannot afford to give up their situations for season to attend a business college. Mr. Gaskell, principal of two of the leading commercial schools of this country, has issued CANADIAN ITEMS.

Several wild boars are said to have taker up their quarters in Saugeen township.

Over eight hundred turkeys and geese were shipped from Ripley to Buffalo last week. Mr. David Walker bought 50 acres on the 9th concession of Brant, for which he paid

In a recent one-day's squirrel hunt in the township of Kincardine, six men slaughtered Kincardine is making an effort to have the Toronto, Grey and Bruce extended from Teeswater to that town.

Southampton offers exemption from taxes for ten years to any manufacturing establishment employing not less than fifteen hands.

R. J. Doyle, of Owen Sound, intends to turn his saw-mill here into a barrel factory, where he will manufacture barrels wholesale. Mr. George Hudson, of Arthur village, sold the west half of lot 13, township of Luther, containing 100 acres, to Mr. A. Steffler, of Arthur township, for \$2,500.

A solid piece of gold, weighing seventy-seven ounces, and estimated to be worth \$1,-300, taken from a small boulder found on the farm of William Bruces, Cariboo, Upper Musquodoboit, was exhibited in Halifax. Musquodoboit, was exhibited in Flamax.

Mrs. Clark, of East Whitby, through her solicitor, Mr. D. Ormiston, claims \$16 damages from the Corporation of the town of Whitby, for injuries received by a fall on the

19th of June last, caused by a defective side-There resides in Port Hope a Mr. Boyd who is one of the few survivors of those who served under Wellington. Mr. Boyd is 95 years of age, and in 1813, at the battle of Martinique, lost a leg, for which he has ever since been in the receipt of a pension.

One of the gold-mining properties owned by the estate of the late Mr. Alexander Heather ington, situated at Cariboo, East Halifax, was sold by the sheriff at Halifax, and purchased by Mr. T. K. Jenkins for \$4,600. The property includes 67 gold-mining areas, 100 acres of land, and buildings and ma-

On Monday evening, Nov. 1st, the family of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Barker met at their residence, Ingersoll, to celebrate their golden wedding. With three exceptions all the children and grandchildren were present and spent a very pleasant and profitable evening. Some of the presents were quite unique and valuable, and will long be cherished by Mr. and Mrs. B. as the tokens of esteem and love.

The people of Clifford have been discussing the bonus question. The Messrs. Jackson contemplate erecting a woollen mill and a flax mill in the village. For the latter they only ask to be exempted from taxes and a guarantee given by the farmers that 500 bushels of flax seed will be sown. For the woollen mill a bonus of \$3,000 or \$5,000 in addition is asked, for. The discussion at the public meeting recently held did not elicit much support in favour of the bonus. They were support in favour of the bonus. They were ready to grant the exemption, but most of the speakers seemed opposed to a money

The men whom Mr. Harris, D.L.S., has had employed for some time laying out the prospective town of Stonewall, some 25 miles west on the line of the C.P.R., for Ald. Jackson, have returned to the city after completing the work. Over 300 acres have been subdivided and laid out into streets and town lots. The survey is very regular, and will give the town when built a fine appear-ance. The two quarter sections surveyed belong to Mr. Jackson, as well as the two other quarter sections immediately in the rear. A reserve is left upon one of the former for the

Lead ore is found in linestone formation, and the hint here given may incite some of our local geologists to enter upon a more minute examination of the strata of the earth in this region. Here's a chance for prospecting.

The death of Mrs. Moir, wife of Mr. George Moir, principal of St. Mary's public school, took place recently in St. Mary's. Mr. Moir is a native of the township of Usborne, and before going to St. Mary's was a most successful teacher in that township. Respecting the deceased lady the St. Mary's journal says: "The funeral of the esteemed lady on Wednesday afternoon was largely attended, notwithstanding the very inclement state of the weather. The Masons and Oddfellows, of which orders Mr. Moir

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mond. The men were arraigned at the Police Court. They acknowledged leaving the ship, but pleaded that she was unseaworthy and not properly found for a voyage at this season. The magistrate asked the captain, who was not under oath, if he was afraid of his life to proceed to sea in the vessel. He replied, as might have been expected, that he was not. The men were given the alternative of going back to the vessel or of going to Rockhead for six weeks. One of the men consented, though with evident reluctance, to go back. The others declared that they would prefer going to prison for a year to going back to the vessel, and they were accordingly sent up. The men are illiterate, and some of them can scarcely understand English. The Merchants' Shipping Act provides that in such cases the court shall order a survey of the vessel to be held. If the allegations of the complaining seamen are found to be correct the vessel is not to be allowed to proceed to sea till she is put in a fit state to do so. If they are not correct the men making the complaint are to pay the costs of the survey.—Halifax Mail.

Again it becomes our painful duty to record the demise of an old and well-known citizen of this place, in the person of Donald Sutherland, Esq.—which sad event occurred on Friday evening last, November 12th, his birthday—aged 65 years. Deceased was born at Caithness, Scotland, and was the eldest son of Mr. James Sutherland. He came to Canada about forty years ago, and settled in Schomberg, township of King, where he engaged in milling for a period of some fourteen years. About the year 1856 he moved to Newmarket, engaged in the milling business here, and soon after also opened a general store. Deceased was elected to the first Council after the incorporation of Newmarket, in January, 1858, and by the Council Board, either as reeve or councillor, on different occasions. He also served a term or two as School Trustee, and has been a member of the Cemetery Board ever since its first formation. For many years he held a commiss

served a term or two as School Trustee, and has been a member of the Cemetery Board ever since its first formation. For many years he held a commission as Justice of the Peace. When the license law was changed and a Board of Commissioners appointed by the Government, deceased was named as a member of that Board. In politics deceased was a Reformer of propunced type. In was a Reformer of pronounced type. In religious faith a Presbyterian. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon last and was argely attended. - Newmarket Era.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

Peterborough is anxious for the establishment of a school of Art and Design. There is a large number of students attending the one in Toronto. London has also a school of Art.

According to the provisions of the School Act, the nomination, and, should a poll be demanded, the election, of two trustees for the Petersville School will be held next Wednesday.

Mr. Robert Little, P. S. Inspector for the county of Halton, was presented the other day, at the Teachers' Convocation held at

Oakville, with a very complimentary address, accompanied with a handsome gold watch and chain.

Some trouble, and not a little correspondence, have been caused by the action of the directors of the Point Edward Mechanics' Institute, regarding a squabble among some of the younger members of the Institute, which took place in the reading-room. The young men in question now consider the Board of Directors as an "incapable and old fogy set." fogy set."

The school teacher of a rural school who

The school teacher of a rural school who beat a little boy, aged eight years, who was a scholar in the school she taught at Bobcaygeon, was, on the 10th instant, brought before a justice of the peace and fined for the assault. This should be a caution to other teachers. The name of the offending teacher is omitted because she is a young girl, and because she has been severely punished. It should be clearly understood that teachers are liable for assault in such cases.

The following is an extract from one of the circulars lately received-from the Education Department:—"The municipal school boards and trustees and the municipal councils owe a common duty to the ratepayers in providing adequate school accommodation, with due regard to the resources of the ratepayers; and when the subject is approached in a friendly spirit, there should be no difficulty in all agreeing to supply satisfactory school accommodation."

The action of the Lindsay School Board is

The University of Victoria College has introduced the thin end of the wedge, when by giving Modern Languages as an option instead of Greek, it practically made a university knowledge of one of the Classics not requisite to a degree in Arts. And may not the question then be very reasonably asked:—If a knowledge of Greek is not absolutely necessary for obtaining a B. A. degree, why should it be thought necessary in the course for B.S., or even in the Natural Science department of the ordinary Arts course?

Rutger's College is over one hundred years Chicago pays its teachers just now in

Quincy, Mass., has not yet settled the question of negroes in schools.

Yale College has received a bequest of \$100,-000 from Dr. Cost, of Norwich, and Princeton College has been presented with \$90,000 from a new chapel. for a new chapel. At a late meeting of the Council of Physical Science, Newcastle-on-Tyne, it was agreed without a dissentient voice to admit a lady who had been successful in the examination to hold an exhibition in the College.

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A new bursary, worth £12 for two years, has been established in connection with Glasgow University, as a memorial to a promising philosophical student, who died just as he had completed a brilliant college course.

The New England Journal of Education acknowledges discretion the better part of valour, and withdrives the reformed spelling from its New-England Department, to appear hereafter only in the articles of special contributors and by special request.

BRITISH NEWS.

Nineveh and Babylon.

Dr. Grimshaw, the Registrar-General of Ireland, estimates that last year alone Ireland sustained a loss of six millions of pounds by reason of the fatal potato disease, an estimate which, according to Prof. Baldwin, falls short of the truth by at least two millions. The Professor thinks the disease was originally conveyed through the agency of guano imported from Peru, but Mr. Thiselton Dyer, F.R.S., a director of the Royal Gardens at Kew, believes that the potato disease, which first appeared in Europe in Liege in Belgium, was blown over across the North Sea.

Sir John Mellor, in concluding the Man-John Bright, despite of all his Quaker ante-cedents, was beheld a fortnight ago moved to tears by Modjeska's impersonation of Mary Stuart at the Court Theatre, London. was blown over across the North Sea.

Sir John Mellor, in concluding the Manchester assizes, said he must say that since he had sat in that court he had had more experience of manslaughter and crimes of violence than he ever recollected to have had at any previous assizes. It was very sad and very shocking, but so it was. The cases mostly arose from drunkenness, and he only hoped that the efforts which were now being made to mitigate the evil would diminish such casines as those he had been engaged in trying during the past week. It was shocking in a state of civilised society, as one would hope there was in Manchester, to find such a number of cases of violence.

The private ascent mede by Mr. Correll. Stuart at the Court Theatre, London.

Henry Irving is about to revive "Coriolanus," with accessories of such splendour as might be envied by the old Etruscan kings, could they waken from their sepulchres.

There is to be a new daily paper in London consecrated to the Liberal interests. It is understood that Dr. Wallace, late editor of the Scotsman, has accepted the editorship.

In the last agricultural returns of Great Britain, the growth of woods and forests is shown to be going on very fast, and in the last five years has increased by half a million acres.

The Citizen states that the Baroness Burdett-Coutts, in ameliorating the condition of the poor and deserving fishermen of the United Kingdom, has expended over

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The first vessel ever built at Belfast was launched from the yard of Messrs. Harland & Wolff. She was built for the British Shipowners' Company, of Liverpool, and is named the British Queen.

The Stafford Coroner held an inquest touching the death of William Crutchley, a man 50 years of age, who died from drinking a pint of whiskey "straight off." The spirits were drunk for a wager.

The Rev. A. H. Carey, rector of Abington, Northamptonshire, has been killed by a piece of meat lodging in his windpipe and causing suffocation. He was presented to the living, which is of the value of £600 per annum, by Lord Overstone.

A petition has been received by one of the rural school boards, asking that the hour for opening school should be changed from 9 to 9.30 in the forenoon, at least during the winter months, as many of the pupils have a long distance to walk.

The sheet edited by the undergraduates of Toronto University, known as the 'Varsity, has been enlarged. The engraving upon the first page of the new edition is much better than upon the old, but it still suggests the idea that the students favour the conductation.

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Two Scotch members of Parliament—Mr. Middleton, of Glasgow, and Colonel Mure, of Renfrewshire—are almost hopelessly ill. Mr. Middleton is suffering from mental strain, and Col. Mure's complaint is now stated to be cancer in the stomach.

At the meeting of the Waterloo Teachers' Association next Saturday, the public and high school trustees of Galt propose to hear Mr. R. Alexander, principal of the Galt public school, give an explanation of the "half-time system." which is said to be working so admirably in the Galt school and elsewhere.

Some trouble. Coaching does not seem to die out with the autumn, as in the early years of the revival. There are three coaches now running from Hatchett's, one to St. Alban's, a second to Windsor, and a third to Dorking. The latest novelty is a daily coach between Paris and Versailles.

A contract with Mr. F. Krupp, of Esser A contract with Mr. F. Krupp, of Essen, Prussin, for the supply of 3.000 tons of Bessemer steel rails for the completion of the Norwich extension of the Lynn and Fakenham railway, at a price considerably less than that offered by English makers, has been concluded by the contractors for that line.

In accepting an invitation to deliver the inaugural address at the next Co-operative Congress, Lord Derby writes that he has long watched with interest and sympathy the progress of the co-operative movement, and is glad to have the opportunity of taking part in its promotion. to deprive even an Englishman of common 'sense.

The damage done to shipping on the lakes on October 16 amounted to \$5,000,000. Ninety-three people perished, and there were seventeen total wrecks.

The Universalist ministers of Connecticut, in order to awaken interest in their denomination, have resolved to hold protracted meetings throughout the State.

King Humbert wears a supporting corset, as his back is very weak and crooked through excessive dissipation; the corset gives him an erect, but stiff, awkward attitude.

A colossal statue representing "Italy"

found to have lost all his mental faculties except memory and the power of mathematical calculation. These increased proportionately as his understanding and power of logical thinking vanished. Now he is a living phonograph and calculating apparatus. In the lecture room Prof. Merjevsky requested him to square numbers containing five or six figures, to extract the square roots of like numbers, and so on. All the questions were correctly answered by the patient in a few seconds. No mathematician present could do anything like it. Then the Professor requested some one to read poetry aloud for several minutes, and the patient repeated it as correctly as a phonograph. The professor declared to the audience that he was unable to explain this psychical phenomenon. The memory and the calculating capacity of the patient are still growing, while in other respects he is becoming a more hopeless idiot.

CHIT-CHAT.

The Empress of Austria goes to Ireland for hunting in February, after her son's marriage. The greatest fisherwoman in England is Lady Caroline Lennox, daughter of the Duke of Richmond, who is a wonderful hand at land-Germany, France, and Italy now impose

tax, in proportion to their means on all who, for family reasons or physical deformities, are exempted from military service. The forts built to protect Rome from coup de main have been completed, save on which is now under way, and will command the road from Tivoli to the capital.

German children are said to injure their eyesight by studying the German alphabet, and the Cologne Gazette strongly advocates the general adoption of Roman characters.

Gen. Meredith Read, ex-Minister to Greece, mentions an ald man who recently died in mentions an old man who recently died in Athens, aged 112. A son was born to him at the age of 92. The young man is of ordinary size and strength, but is entirely destitute

Ex-Judge William E. Gleason has been dis-barred by the Supreme bench of Baltimore. The charge against him was that he purpose-ly misled a judge by assuring him that a cer-tain witness had been summoned, which was untrue.

Emerson says a man ought to carry a pencil, and note down the thoughts of the moment. Yes, and one short pencil, devoted exclusively to that use, would last some men we know about two thousand years, and then have the original point on.

"What is your, name?" asked the Justice.
"Smith," replied the bibulous prisoner.
"John?" inquired the magistrate. "Jo," responded the prisoner. "That's a demiJohn," said his honour. "Well, you look like it ; take ten days."

Walter Powell, M.P., and Mr. W. B. Murray, artist, was a most remarkable undertaking. The aeronauts travelled over seven counties, and were in mid-air for nine and a half hours. They descended in good order at ten on Wednesday morning, at Gunston mills, some miles beyond Exeter. The greatest altitude attained was \$,000 feet, where a bottle of water became ice. The views of the earth by day and by night were exceptionally fine. In the year 1867 Mr. Coxwell accomplished almost a similar journey, viz., from Woolwich to Tavistock; but as this was done in five hours, the rate of travelling was much swifter than that on Tuesday.

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Amid the startling revelations of corruption in the recent elections at Chester, Oxford, and other places, says an English newspaper, there is some comfort in the reflection that things are not so bad in one case, at all events, as they were a century ago. In 1768 the corporation of Oxford offered to sell the constituency for the sum of £5,670, and the Mayor and ten Aldermen were in consequence committed to Newsgate by the Sreaker of the Libert of the constituency of the sum of £5,670, and the Mayor and ten Aldermen were in consequence committed to Newsgate by the Sreaker of the Libert of the constituency of the sum of £5,670, and the Mayor and ten Aldermen were in consequence committed to Newsgate by the Sreaker of the sum of the sum of £5,670 and the Mayor and ten Aldermen were in consequence committed to the sum of £5,670, and the Mayor and ten Aldermen were in consequence committed to the sum of £5,670.

likewise at the Methodist chapel in the evening."

Cyprus is likely this year to become a favourite winter resort for British valetudinarians. Those who have lately trod its shores are enthusiastic in its praise; there are no bounds to its hygienic possibilities. A private company is doing for it what the French government has done for its Algerine possession—erecting attractive buildings for invalids and hostelries for travellers, and those wandering in search of increased strength and hiding from the bitterness of a northern winter may find shelter and a happy repose.

Governor Colquitt, of Georgia, has received a testimonial of which he will naturally be very proud asilver watch, accompanied by a letter, professedly from one of a gang of pick-pockets which infested Atlanta during the recent fair. The letter said that they had met with the greatest success, capturing so many watches that they had no use for the one accompanying the letter, and had decided to present it to the Governor as a memento of the police arrangements of the Gate City, which enabled them to ply their avocations without fear of arrest.

medico-surgical academy of St. Petersburg. He is 27 years old. In his youth he was noted for his brilliant ability, but was addicted to the immoderate use of liquors, and led a dissipated life. He was attacked by an acute disease. When he recovered he was found to have lost all his mental faculties except memory and the power of mathematical calculation. These increased proportionately as his understanding and power of logical thinking vanished. Now he is a living phonograph and calculating apparatus. In the lecture room Prof. Merjevsky requested him to square numbers containing five or six figures, to extract the square roots of like numbers, and so on. All the questions were correctly answered by the patient in a few seconds. and setting an example of cultivation and

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In spite of the republic parents in France have still the power to solace their flinty hearts by preventing the marriage of their children. That is to say, if they do not approve a proposed alliance they can forbid their offspring to contract it and enforce their will by the law. We fail to understand, therefore, how it is that M. Paul Legarde, a young gentleman whose parents had already taken the appropriate legal steps to prevent his action, should have married recently, at the Trinité Church in Paris, the charming young actress Mile. Jeanne Samary, who at the Trinité Church in Paris, the charming young actress Mile: Jeanne Samary, who adds to the distinction of being attached to the Comédie Française and of being the niece of the famous actresses Madeleine and Augustine Brohan, that of being one of the most accomplished soubrettes on the French stage. The courts have pronounced such marriages as this null and void before now, and it remains to be seen whether the honeymoon of mains to be seen whether the honeymoon of M. and Mme. Legarde is to be blighted by so

cruel a proceeding.

Of late, some of the most beautiful mosaics Of late, some of the most beautiful mosaics, both in design and material, have been produced by Russian artists in the imperial glass manufactory of Russia, the artistic excellence of which, it is asserted, has never been surpassed. The pieces of glass—technically called "smalts," and comprising every possible shade of colour—are wrought into minute pictures of wonderful perfection, rivalling, in fact, those of Italy. The varieties of mosaic work peculiar to the latter country are known distinctively as the Florentine and the Roman, the former being entirely formed of pieces of stone or shell of the natural colours, and chiefly applied to floral and arabesque designs; while the Roman is made of the glass smalts, and has so wide an application that most of the finest paintings of the best old masters have been copied in mosaic. The manufacture of the opaque glass, or smalts, required for making the little square piece called teasers, of which the pictures are composed, is a very important one, as many as twenty-five thousand different shades of the various kinds of coloured glass being produced at the Vatican.

PARISIAN PLEASANTRIES.

The honest bourgeois who has just acquir ed a little cottage in the suburbs has passed the day, a rainy one, in the patch which serves as a park in setting out an ancestral

serves as a park in setting out an ancestral cherry tree.

Returning to the city, soaked through, he meets a friend who comments upon his soused appearance.

"Yes," says the proprietor, with all the satisfaction of his caste, "my rain has wet me a little."

Talking of rain, reminds one of the sublime mot of the Abbé de Polignac, when the King kindly expressed his fears that the courtier was being soaked through.

"Sire," replied the Abbé, "the rain of Marly does not wet!"

Mme. de Rémusat tells us in her "Mémoirs"

courtier-like to maintain that it did not rain when Napoleon presented the eagles at the Champ de Mars, shortly after his coronation, she met innumerable people who declared that they had not been wetted. She neglects, however, to record Napoleon's philosophic comment to his Minister of Finance, as the rain came pouring down in barrels, reducing silks and velwsts to pulp, "There's work for the weavers of Lyons!"

Last year the Prefect of Police at Paris awarded twenty-two prizes to honest hackmen who brought to him objects of value left in their coaches by careless fares.

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"Prizes?" said a veteran hackman with a knowing wink; "when there are any prizes going for honesty in returning lost objects, I get my share—you bet!"

"But how?" queried a younger member of the brotherhood; "you can't unless something happens to be forgotten by some one in your hack."

"When my fare forgets to forget anything," says the veteran hackman, "I repair the omission. I put something belonging to myself into the hack, and take it to the prefecture. See?"

"But you lose the article."

"Naw! I send the old woman next day to identify it. See?"

A workman in holiday attire roused up his

with cats, that always fall on their feet. The cat, too, does not follow its masters when they move; it remains faithful—to the mansion!"

FRESH FASHIONS. -

Real Spanish lace is more fashionable than Plush suits are very stylish combined with satin de Lyon.

The envelope shaped muffs made of plush are exceedingly graceful and jaunty.

Catharine de Medicis first imposed the fashion of wearing gloves upon French ladies. Indoor dresses are worn longer than ever in Paris—probably to make up for the shortness of street costumes.

Cheviot is the favourite material for travel ling dresses, and they are generally made in the style of the monks' pilgrimage costumes. The old fashioned flower called "Ragged Sailor" is reproduced in dark blue ename with the stamens in the centre of diamonds. Evening dresses are cut low in front; not square usually, but with rounded off corners. This renders chemisettes necessary, and a pretty one made of soft, rich lace is a great

provement to any toilet. In the present mode of dressing the hair there is a tendency to great simplicity. The hair carried away from the temples and arranged in rich plaits behind is far more favourable to beauty than piles of crêpe, puffs, braids, frizzes and curls. Of course there is always a fascination in custom which reconciles to almost any whim of the fickle Goddess of Fashion, but in the abstract this strike is always and curls. Fashion, but in the abstract this style is un symmerical and topheavy.

Round hats in the English style seem to be Round hats in the English style seem to be the most popular. The stylish half turbans with closely-rolled brims were found to be so becoming during the last season that they are retained for winter wear, and are trimmed with ostrich bands, peacocks' breasts, white gulls' breasts shading into gray, short wings, Impeyan heads, tropical birds and also long ostrich plumes, curled over the crown of the hat. Another favourite style of hat is the Beauharnais of black long-nap beaver, large and broad brimmed and trimmed with an immense bow of plush set in the middle of the crown, and run through its folds with a tuning fork of Roman gold.

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Aprons of silk or costly lace, or both, are the folly of the day. In Paris they are likely to have as popular a reign as in the time of Queen Charlotte, when Bean Brummell showed his dislike to them by deliberately removing the apron of a duchess, and finging it behind a sofn at a ball given at the Assembly Room in Bath. The most fashionable aprons are made in Greek and Roman Styles. Many of them are richly embroidered and finished with a heavy cord and tassel. For evening parties, very young ladies wear flower aprons, and very beautiful ones are imported, made of coloured India silk mull bordered with lace frills. Black silk and satin aprons are also seen trimmed with gold lace or rich beaded appliques, appliques,

the day, a rainy one, in the patch which serves as a park in setting out an ancestral cherry tree.

Returning to the city, soaked through, he meets a friend who comments upon his soused appearance.

"Yes," says the proprietor, with all the satisfaction of his caste, "my rain has wet me a little."

Talking of rain, reminds one of the sublime mot of the Abbé de Polignac, when the King kindly expressed his fears that the courtier was being soaked through.

"Sire," replied the Abbé, "the rain of Marly does not wet!"

Mme. de Rémusat tells us in her "Mémoirs" that though she found no one sufficiently

upon the back of the hood. The effect rather curious. A lily plant apparently ing out of a lady's back is a rather ridu anomaly; but the wearer of the hood a satisfied with her work, and wholly scious of displaying a total disregar natural place and surrounings. The pawas beautifully executed, and would made an effective and graceful centrepa a mantel lambrequin or a hanging screen