Some have been very hard cases.

The report of the superintendent of education in Quebec for 1882 83 is published.
During that period the number of school houses in the province was 4864, a notable increase of 424 over the number in existence in 1881 82. The schools under control are set down at 5017, an increase of 560 over the previous year. In 1881-82 the number of pupils attending the schools was 236,699. In 1882-83 this number was increased by 6024, making in all 242,723, while the average attendance for the latter year ws 185,892, an increase of 5429. year was 185,892, an increase of 5429.

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HOW HE LOST HIS SHIP.

The Captain of H. M. S. Detence Dismissed from His Command. The British naval authorities have made quick work with Capt. Pollard of the Defence. The collision which has cost him his ship occurred just a fortnight ago, on the evening of Sunday, July 20, off the southwest coast of Ireland. The reserve, or coast guard squadron, to which both the Defence and the Valiant were attached, had been manœuvring during the afternoon in three divisions. The third division was composed of two ironclads, the Defence and Shannon, the former of the fifth and the latter of the third class. At 8 o'clock the admiral signalled the squadron to form into two divisions for the night. This order obliged the ships of the third division to drop astern and assume their respective places in the other divisions. The Shannon performed the divisions. The Shannon performed the manceuvre without difficulty, but the Demaneuvre without difficulty, but the Defence, when closing with the other divisions, unaccountable put her helm to starboard and brought her bows on the hull of the Valiant, an ironclad, also of the fifth class. The latter vessel would inevitably have been sunk, and, indeed, both ships would probably have sustained fatal damage, if the officer of the watch on the Valiant had not shown himself a thorough seaman. Fortunately he detected the false steering of the Defence, and at once starboarded his helm. This maneauvre prevented the Valiant from being struck by the ram of the approaching vessel, and brought the two ironclads together, broadside on. Even so, a good deal of damage was done. The Valiant had many of her armor plates started, and a large dent made in her side. Her bulwarks were torn away from the forebulwarks were torn away from the fore-wings right aft, and she lost a Nordenfelt several of her boats, with their gun, several of her boats, with the dadder.

The Defence sustained still more shader away serious injury. She carried away her jibboom and foretop-gallantmast, and received so severe a blow on her stem that received so severe a blow on her stem that a hole eleven feet long by six inches wide was knocked in her ram, her prow was twisted round and her forward compartment filled with water. Happily, there was no loss of life. After the accident both vessels were well handled, and great coolness and discipline were exhibited. The squadron steamed to Bantry bay, and Rear Admiral Hoskins ordered a courtmential to assemble immediately under martial to assemble immediately under the presidency of Capt. Arthur of the Hector, for the trial of Capt. Pollard on a charge of negligently colliding with the Valiant.

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LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHED.

'Not many voters out, eh?" "No; not more'n five hundred, I guess."
"How much majority did the democrats

" Only 1221." Dreadful Outlook for Johnny. From the Chicago News.

"Hezekiah, do you know, I don't think Johnny is real smart." "No, Matildy, I don't think he's got good sense."
"Oh, Hezekiah, what an awful calamity it would be if he should turn out an

actor-woman will be sure to come over from England and carry our darling off."

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"Where ?" "I don't care." "But we are going in opposite direc-ons. This gentleman is going north while

I am going south."
"I don't care." "But which of us do you wish to accom

"But you can't go in two directions at "Can't I, though? I guess you don't know who I am. I am the democratic platform, I am."

From the London Truth. Cures for cholera are many and various but the palm for simplicity and originality but the palm for simplicity and originality
must be awarded to that ascribed by M.
Delpit to the inventive genus of the playwright, Theodore Barriere. This gentleman, it appears, was seized with symptoms of cholera in 1854, and at once put
his system into practice. He drank neat
brandy all day, rode hard between times,
returned home exceedingly drunk, slept
for thirty hours, and woke up perfectly
well.

From the New York Sun, They were engaged, and he complained

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I hear.'

"Oh, yes, dreadfully quiet. People down there are disgusted with the corruptness of politics. Very few went to the polls."

"No fun at all, eh!"

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"No fe speak of. Oh, of course, a little fight or two; but no real good riot. Politics is going to seed down there."

"Nobody killed?"

"Oh, yes, one fellow shot in the headvery pretty shot, too, by the way—and another man ripped open from his chin down with a knife—beautiful gash—but that's all."

"A course fell near her in the street she always rushed to his aid and assisted the men who raised him. One day she saw a driver treat his horse roughly while har nessing him, and hastened to interfere in the animal's behalf. The scene made a strong impression on her, and she was unsite to resist an impulse to go every morn ing to the stable to make sure that the animal was not abused.

Other persons are described as suffering form what is called "word mania." Some of these are canstantly seeking for some word which they never succeed in finding word which they never succeed in word which they never succeed in finding, and whose purport they cannot even describe. Others find their happiness in life utterly destroyed on account of the imperious necessity they feel of pronouncing, at short intervals, some particular word which they detest. Some of them are in constant fear of pronouncing certain words which they wish to avoid uttering.

words which they wish to avoid uttering. A lady in the latter category was certain that if she pronounced particular words some people of her acquaintance would die. The desire to say them grew irresistible, and she repeated them. As, however, the persons did not die, she appears to have become cured, for the time at least, of her realeds. A man belonging to the first-"No, Matildy, I don't think he's got good sense."

"Oh, Hezekiah, what an awful calamity it would be if he should turn out an idiot!"

"Calamity! Calamity be hanged. It'd be the best thing that could happen to "im."

"Oh, Hezekiah, you don't love our darling boy."

"Yes, I do, too. Why, confound it, Matildy, if the boy turns out an infernal ediot he'll be elected police magistrate without opposition."

"Ah, but, Hezekiah, you do not stop to think that some rich old thing of a playactor-woman will be sure to come over from England and carry our darling off."

"Both for the time at least, of her malady. A man belonging to the first mentioned group devoted himself for a long time to trying to recall the name of a man he had met but once, and in whom he had no real interest. Still another one with the word mania "was pursued by the word "orgie," which he felt himself obliged, under pain of a horrible perplexity, to pronounce, performing certain acts or executing some particular movements."

Some of the examples given by writers on nervous troubles would be amusing as well as curious if they did not so frequently give rise to suffering on the part of the persons afflicted. A student, for instance, is described as follows: Wishing to make a journey he set about packing his valise,

is described as follows: Wishing to mace a journey he set about packing his valies, but soon began to hesitate about the disposition he should make of each particular object. Then he changed their places a great number of times, and fell into great perplexity with regard to each one of his modifications. Finally he arrived at a

condition of extreme mental anguish, and was forced to confide the operation of was forced to confide the operation of packing up to another person.

One of the same class of doubters prepared to reply to the letters of some friends interested in his health, but experienced so many doubts—all of them trivial—concerning what he should say, that he was at last seized with a profound feeling of anguish and despair and was restrained with difficulty from hanging himself forthwith.

The origin of these affections, which have been described by Prof. Le Grand da Sauille under the designation of "malady of doubting with delirium of the sense of touch," is thought to be due in a considerable degree to hereditary predisposition. The other causes named are thought to be mostly those of a debilitating nature, such as directly alter or exhaust the brain; those which act indirectly, by exhausting the energy of the nervous system in general,

which act indirectly, by exhausting the energy of the nervous system in general, or by imparing the nutrition of nervo centres. Among the causes mentioned are fright, injuries to the head, intellectual fatigue, certain reflex physiological actions. The affection is more frequent in women than in men, and occurs oftenest in young people among the better educated classes. It may have serious results, but its amenability to treatment does not seem to be fully defined.

bility to treate fully defined. Judicious if Practical. "What do you do for cut-worms?" asks They were engaged, and he complained that she wouldn't allow him to kiss her.

"I am very sorry, my dear," she said; but I don't think it proper for a lady to permit a gentleman to kiss her until after they are married ""Most young ladies allow their intended husbands to kiss allow their intended husbands to kiss them," argued Grorge. "I know they do. But I never did, and I never will.

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