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Penn-Was it? Stubb-No; it was my wife looking for water. It took me until morning trying to convince her that I was alluding to the old cat with black fur and nine lives .- Chicago News.

Titles In Spain.

In Spain you can become a nobleman by marrying a duchess, a marchioness or a countess. The man who marries a lady bearing one of those designations Immediately becomes invested with the same fank. You may obtain nobility without money by these means, it is true, but, generally speaking, you will find it a hard task to secure a titled wife upless you are well provided with cash

Letters in Spain.

A German correspondent in Spain writes that unless letters to or from that country are registered not one in five reaches its destination, and that unless the postmen, who have no salary, get at least a cent for each letter delivered by them they boycott those who refuse to pay and keep their let-

The mother's heart is the child's schoolroom. Any feeling that takes a man away from his home is a traitor to the household

NOMINATED HER PA.

That's How John B. Young Ee came Governor

Of the Blue Grass State - His Daughter Put Him up to it

Mr. Young and some friends had in Kentucky at Mr. Young's house in great height. Louisville one night, just on the eve of ! Democratic state convention, several years ago. When the party broke up. Mr. Young's daughter, then about 18 years old, now married, who had been an interested listener during the discussion, spoke up:

"Why don't you run for governor, "Why, my child, they would never think of me for that office. No one cares enough about me for that"

"But, pa, would you accept the nomination if it were offered you?" "Why; of course I would; nobody

would refuse the honor." Miss Young said no more at the time, but quietly slipped out of the house and started in the direction of The Courier-Journal office, Colonel Henry Watterson being an intimate friend of the family. It happened that she met

the veteran editor in the street. Ah. Uncle Henry, will you do me a favor?" the young woman asked impulsively.

"Anything in the world that I can do

"Well, I want pa to be governor of Kentucky, and can you get him the nomination?" Colonel Watterson turned back ito

the office and sat down and wrote a spirited editorial, demanding in the interests of the Democratic party that John Brown Young be nominated by the convention soon to meet. The result was in accordance with the noted editor's wishes, Mr. Young's election being a foregone conclusion.-Chicago Chronicle

Good and Bad Eels.

"So you think that little eels are sweet and that big eels are rank and strong, do you?" said a fish dealer. Well, you're off. It isn't the size of the eel that governs his taste. It is his habitation and way of life. But most people think as you do, and throw away the big cel and cook the little one, and then, if the little fellow is strong, they think it is because he wasn't little enough. Nothing could be further from the truth.

"The eel that inhabits a stream with a hard, clean, sandy bottom is sweet and edible, be he as big as your leg or tiny as your finger, for this eel finds food scarce, and he must exercise and keep sober and hustle-else he will starve-and this active career makes him healthy and wholesome. But the eel that lives in the mud, where provisions are plentiful, is unfit for the table, for his life is sluggish, his habits and organs are bad and his flesh, when cooked, tastes and smells of the muddy element. That is why the Schuykill eel is worse than carrion for table pur-poses, while the eel of the upper Delaware makes a dainty dish."-Philadelphia Record.

Some are born to command, and oth

He well repents that will not sin

Always speak the truth, but do no ways tell it. God cares more for the quality than for the quantity of our service.

God's spirit is never more with a man than in his spiritual struggles.

Cheerfulness was never yet produced by effort, which is in itself painful.
To make laws complete they should
reward as well as punish.
Every man has a thousand vicious
thoughts, which arise without power
to suppress.

THE BRAIN IN SLEEP. | Krismas

NTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CAUSES THAT PRODUCE DREAMS.

The influence on the Nerves by the Stomach and the Food That It Contains-Events That Occur In a Fraction of a Second.

Dreams are generally a repetition of thought's unguided by reason. Those chused by internal action or brought about by action within the body are due entirely to the action and state of the stomach, which in turn is affected by the quantity and quality of food

The first ends or feelers of the nerves are located in the wails of the stomach, and as the food is digested they draw up the nourishment and distribute it throughout the nervous system to replace the waste that has taken place during the day. If the stomach surcharged with an abundance of eating food, too much nourishment is forced upon the brain, causing an abnormal filling of the channels, thereby xpanding them, bringing them in touch with others and causing the matter from one to overflow into or to mix with the fluid of neighboring channels, Whenever the fluid traverses a chanuel more or less forcibly the thought which originated that passage is reproduced more or less vividly; hence nsures the general mixing up of thoughts which originally had no connection with each other.

An overloaded stomach also causes a flow of blood to the brain, sent there by nature to assist in assimilating the extra nourishment, and the overcharged blood vessels, pressing upon the nerve channels near the brain, vause even more turbulent disturbances. This accounts for the advice of so many medical men that no considerable quantity, especially of animal food, should be taken immediately before bedtime. The crossing, recrossing and touching of these thought channels brought about in this way produce the absurd mixtures of fancies that often come to us when we sleep.

The stomach, too, is a mill which keeps on forever grinding, the walls acting as the grindstones. When, therefore, there is nothing between them, or, in other words, when the stomach is empty, one wall grinds upon the other, causing an irritation of the nerves which produces that peculbeen discussing the political outlook lar sensation of falling from some

To understand how external action will affect the dream of a sleeper it must be borne in mind that those dreams which seem to take hours, and even days, in passing really occupy but a minute fraction of a second. therefore, we are awakened by some loud, strident noise, say by the cracking of a whip, then between the time that the sound strikes the ear while we are yet asleep and the time that we are fully awake to realize what has caused the sound a few moments only have elapsed, but those few moments were sufficient to allow of a dream of apparently several hours' duration.

As an example: A milkman, driving ap beneath an open bedroom window, racks his whip smartly. Immediatey the thought produced by the sound auses a dream. The sleeper imagines himself a soldier who has fallen into the hands of the enemy. He is led out stands blindfolded, with hands tied, before the platoon of soldiers. He hears the click, click, click as the rifles are cocked. He hears the word given, and the noise of the volley rings out on his ears. Then he awakes with a start, to hear the rumble of the milkman's wagon as he cracked his whip and drove off over some rough cobblestones.

A blow, a cut or a sensation of pair will operate in the same way and awaken certain channels of thought connected with pain just as the noise awoke those connected with sound.

For instance, a sleeper dreams that he is closed up in some close traveling carriage and is being driven rapidly off in an unknown direction by a man who has designs upon his purse and life. He tries to shout, in vain he struggles to get free and in the tussle drives an arm through the glass window of the carriage. The hand is cut and bleeding. It smarts fearfully, and he awakes to find that in his sleep he had carelessly thrown out an arm, and his hand has smashed some fine medicine glass on a stand by the bedsides- The whole dream passed between the time that the hand first struck the glass, creating the sensation of pain, and the moment that the sleeper awoke to real-Ize the fact.

A Woman's Compliment.

"After you had been at my house the other day," said one woman to another, "my little maid said she thought you were such a pretty woman. I don't like to correct her too often for taking such an interest as she does in every one who calls to see me. The first time Miss Blank called she thought she ought to say something, so she said: 'Isn't Miss Blank a nice lady; she's so quiet.' And you know she isn't that either!" And silence reigned while the other woman digested it.-New York Sun.

Blissful Moments.

Hanlon-He assured me he was very sorry that I made myself appear so

Melville-That's all right. There are great many persons who are never happier than when they are feeling sorry for somebody else.-Boston Transcript.

The gravestone over the burial place of John Foster, almanac maker, in the old burying ground at Dorchester, Mass., bears the inscription, which was dictated by himself, "Still was his

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And Asked the Bishop an Awk

ward Question in Turn. ndia is Still a Soapless Country

Spite of British Rule, The story is told in The Church Review of a certain vicar near Birmingham who had an amusing passage at arms with his diocesan. It seems that he had been in the habit of issuing a private manual of devotions in the church without the bishop's consent. On the front cover, be it said, was the notice, in bold type: "Not to be taken away. The property of the vicar."

By some means or another a copy of the little book found its way to the palace, and a few days after the vicar received a somewhat tartly worded communication from the diocesan, asking when his lordship had given permission for the use of the manual.

"My dear lord bishop," wrote the vicar, "the same week that your lordship received the manual, which, on looking at the cover, you will see is my property, my vestry clock also disappeared. If you will kindly send me the name of the person who stole my manual it might lead to the apprehension of the person who stole my vestry clock."

A Soapless Country.
In spite of British rule, India is still virtually a soapless country. Through out the villages of Hindustan soap is indeed regarded as a natural curiosity, and it is rarely, if ever, kept in stock by the native shopkeeper. In the towns it is now sold to a certain extent, but how small this is may be gathered from the fact that the total yearly consumption of soap in India is about 100,000 hundredweight-that is to say, every 2.500 persons use on an average only 112 pounds of soap among them, or, in other words, considerably less than an ounce is the average consumption a person.

WAS FAIRLY SWIPED

This Man Wanted a Good Strong Expression

To Describe his Election Result-Snow

ed Under Altogether too Mild. rie sat in the reading room of a Chiago hotel with a notebook and pencil in his hand, and after wetting the pen cil of his tongue a dozen times with out writing, anything he turned to the

man on his left and said: "I want to get at an expression, but can't think of it. I want something synonymous with avalanche." "Would landslide do?"

"I've got that." "In what sense are you going to use

"Well, I'm running for alderman at a special election in my town, and I want to make a memorandum of how

it resulted." "Oh, I see! You could say you were snowed under." "Yes; but that's hardly strong enough.

"Buried out of sight." "That's better, but lacks strength." "How badly were you beaten?" By over 300, where I ought to have

ad 450 majority." "Then I should put it that you were literally swiped off the face of the earth.'

"That's good-that's the idea. That's strong and euphonious and has rhythm in it. Yes; I was on the ticket and sure of election. I had \$500 up that I had a walkover. I was swiped, and there are not enough of my mangled remains left to fill a thimble. Thank you, sirliterally swiped off the face of the earth and be hanged to me!"-Wash ington Post.

The desire of appearing clever often

A proud man never shows his pride so much as when he is civil. Every brave man is a man of his

The supreme end of life is to know God and make him known. The foolish and wicked practice of profane swearing is so low and mean a vice that every person of sense and character detests and despises it.

A LAST OPPORTUNITY

Rev. Phillip Brooks was not Goin to Miss One

n the Case of Col Ingersoll-A Very Good Anecdote of Two Noted Men.

The late Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll, the famous skeptic, told many stories of experiences which grew out of the common knowledge of his skepticism. One of these related to a visit which he once made to Rev. Phillips Brooks before Dr. Brooks became a bishop.

Calling on Dr. Brooks, he was refused admission because, as the servant said, it was "sermon day," and some of Dr. Brooks' own home people had already been denied admission But Dr. Brooks learned that Ingersoll was at the door and sent out word that he should come in. After the interview, and as Colonel

Ingersoll was about to leave, he said: "Dr. Brooks, your man told me that you had denied yourself to some of your home people this morning. Now how is it that you have admitted me, a stranger?"

"Oh, that's quite easy," said Dr. Brooks, laughing. "They are my church members, and I shall see them again, here or in heaven, but isn't it right for me to consider your belief and that I shall probably never meet you again!"-Youth's Companion.

Trouble In Teaching Monkeys. An experienced animal trainer says: "As a rule, monkeys are readily trained, but occasionally there is one, as in the human species, who is a dunce and won't learn anything, is positively stupid and refuses persistently to be-come educated. The trouble in teaching monkeys is largely that they are mischievous. They try to overde things and do things which are not wanted of them, so that in order to make them perform as desired steady drilling is necessary, although they grasp an idea quickly. The only two species of animals which can be taught by precept and example are the chimpanzee and the orang outang. They are imitators, and to instruct them in

Necessary Precaution. "What a fine looking little boy!" exclaimed the good natured woman to her traveling acquaintance. "How old is he?"

doing a thing it is only necessary for

the trainer to do it first himself, and

then either one of these will imitate

"You're not connected with the railroad, are you?" asked the suspicious mother. "Certainly not."

"Not in any capacity whatever?" "Well, just wait until the conductor gets out of hearing and I'll tell you."-Chicago Post.

The Impressionist.

Connoisseur-It sounds mean to repeat it, but he declared that your landscape did not look a bit like nature. Artist-Ah, that was high praise! The true impressionist does not have to indulge in servile imitation of the object he depicts .- Boston Transcript. An Absorbing Topic.

Dick-Miss King is so reserved and has so little to say that I can't keep Jack (her former beau)-Mention pearls, and you will have nothing to do but listen-and buy.-Jewelers' Week-

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