French officials in Algeria have just anearthed a most daring band of forgers. We are told that the band is composed of skilful forgers of all countries, that its headquarters are at Oran, and that it has put in circulation forged money amounting to 60,-000,000f. The band consists of a hundred members, fifteen of whom are now in prison. Besides the regular members there were several persons on the pay roll whose duty it was to cirsulate the forged money in the prinsipal cities of Europe.

Only silver money was made and only tools of the finest quality weir used. Moreover, it is said that the forged pieces of money contained export the same amount of silver as the trouble and acts quickly and painlessly. Beware of substitutes. money cast at the Treasury in Paris, Yet it is estimated that the forgers realized a profit of fifty per cent on every coin which they placed in cirpulation. A French expert says on this subject:-

"Ninety-eight out of every hundred respectively and the respective to solver money, for the reason that only skilled experts can hope to forge gold money successfully. Forgers of silver money take a coin, say a five franc piece, and make a perfect mould or it, and into this mould after it is a first they now a slow which has as

times used.

A French journal, commenting on the present case, says:—"In old days forgers were punished with death. Today the penalty prescribed for this crime is relatively light. Doubtless this is the reason why the forgers of the present day are so daring, and why this crime is so much more common now than it was some years ago."

QUEEN VICTORIA'S PERQUISITIES.

Queen Victoria is not only in recelpt of her annual income from the people of Great Britain, but she is entitled besides to a considerable number of perquisites for the supply of the royal household.

Among the most curious of these is her right to every whale and sturgeon captured on the coast of the United Kingdom and brought to land. Both of these parquisites date book to the of these perquisites date back to the days of the Norman kings, and it appears that in the case of the whale the monsters were divided between the sovereign and his consort, the Queen taking the head, in order that her wardrobe might be replenished with the whalebone needed for the stiffening of her royal garments.

Another of the Queen's perquisites is a certain number of magnificent cashmere shawls, which are despatched to her every year from the kingdom of Cashmere. They vary in value, as a rule, from \$200 to \$2,000 apiece, and the Queen is accustomed to present one of them as a wedding present one of them as a wedding present to every young girl of the aristocracy in whose future she is in any way interested. Every tailor holding a patent of "purveyor to Her Majesty," if he conforms to ancient tradition and usage, should present her with a silver needle each year.

Another class of royal portrol called upon to present an annual contribution of such varied "tips" as white doves, white hares, firetongs, currycombs, scarlet hosiery, nightcaps, lances and crossbows.

Moreover, at the coronation the Lord of the Manor of Addington must present the Another class of royal purces

Moreover, at the coronation the Lord of the Manor of Addington must present to the sovereign a "dish of pottage" composed of "almond milk, brawn of capons, sugar, spices, chickens parboiled and chopped." At the same ceremony the Lord of the Manor of Haydon is obliged by virtue of his tenure from the crown to present the monarch with a towel, the Lord of the Manor of Worksop giving the sovereig a "right handed glove."

Queen Victoria also has the privilege of using any of the railways in the kingdom free of charge. Her water rates and her bill for gas, in the past, were nil, and she has the right to extort from every new made knight the provender for five of her household's help

These, however, are only a few of the various perquisites to which the Queen of England is entitled by tradition and usage.

kets of the non-pretentious kind is that they are not becoming around the neck. To remedy this, a new and the neck. To remedy this, a new and pretty idea is to cut a piece of muslin about the size of a bandana hand-kerchief, and finish it at the edge with a narrow ruffle. Fold it diagonally, tie around the neck, leaving a little V-shaped open front, and then tie again. This will leave a knot, and the ends sticking out, which makes a simple but dainty finish.

STICK TO FACTS.

No, sir, said the old author, I always stick to facts - except when I'm

writing history.
You're right, said the old colonel, and I never told a lie in my life — except u business.

THE DIFFERENCE.

The other day a little boy was sent to a shop for a penny's worth of cob-bler's wax.

The shopman, thinking of quizzing

him, said:
Won't shoemaker's wax do?
Aw doan't know, replied the lad,
Aw'll go an' see.
He returned again directly and, addressing the shopman, said:
Mi father says that shoemaker's will

do.
The shopman handed it to him, smiling, and said:
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"Thank God, how are you?" That's Arabian

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"How do you carry yourself?" That's

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