

## SOUNDS AND ECHOES.

THE Princess of Hawaii has attained her majority. Her election should be sure.

PEOPLE who enjoy distilled agony should not fail to hear Tom Keith making a speech before the end of this session.

AN American author, H. A. Dam, has written a play called "The Silver Shell." This rising young author's name is on all lips.

It takes our worthy musicians years to learn to play on the French horn; but the little Patagonian children play on Cape Horn with ease.

IN one of the coast cities, a lady stepped in front of a bicycle the other day, and was killed. They are using bicycles in war tactics in Europe also.

WITH the agony of a perishing soul, the *Colonist* editor cries aloud "Let Us Have More Light!" Despair not; while the lamp holds out to burn, the vilest sinner may return.

ANXIOUS INQUIRER: (1) The title Earl of Cranbrook was not conferred upon Col. Baker during his attendance at the Imperial Institute. (2) Jim Baker renewed his mortgage on the North Ward last Wednesday night.

THE supreme court of Massachusetts has decided that a man is justified in stopping a dog fight, and if he gets bitten while doing it the master of the dog is liable for damages. Still the court cannot deny that a man who is juiceless enough to stop a dog fight ought to get bitten.

A MEAN chemical firm is advertising tablets that cure the tobacco and other habits. The ad reads: "Wives, if you see that your husbands are being destroyed by the tobacco, liquor or opium habit, buy Blank's Chlorination Jag Killers. Can be administered in tea and coffee so as to be imperceptible." If any husband detects a frayed out and discolored taste to his coffee he should keep an eye on his innocent and long suffering wife.

LADIES who are fond of pleasing and astonishing their friends with their culinary skill will appreciate this timely recipe for orange fouillon: Take a basket of orange that has been for several days on the sidewalk in front of the grocery store where the microbes could get at it. Run it through a coarse fire grate, add half a dozen egg shells and a bit of coarse bread, boil 20 minutes over a slow music box and serve *a la Russe*, with a bit of frappe on the side.

## SPORTING NOTES.

## LACROSSE.

The lacrosse team that is to play in San Francisco April 2 will be selected next Monday night. The players enjoyed their first practice of the season at the Calendonian grounds yesterday.

## FOOTBALL.

The New Westminster Rugby football

club have telegraphed that they cannot play here Easter Monday.

The first game in the International Rugby football tournament at the Mid-winter Exposition between the Oregon and British Columbia teams resulted in a tie.

## FREE ON APPLICATION

To 62 King's Road, a pamphlet entitled "The Great Salvation," as delineated in the Scriptures of Truth; helping the honest-hearted to return to the Apostolic faith.

## A Door-Opening Dog.

Scarcely anything is lacking in the mental furniture of this psychological dog to make him the equal of a baby 2 years old, except thinking in words; and who can prove that he is destitute of this faculty, although not possessing articulate speech? The other evening, while I was giving my plants a drink, he came to me several times, asking to have the gate opened. Not caring to lay down the hose, I paid little attention to his teasing, and he determined to compass his purpose in another way. To the front door he went, and, pressing it, found it not latched, but requiring some force to throw it open. Then he backed out the full width of the veranda, and, running, threw this weight so violently against the door as to drive it open. Very soon he reappeared with his mistress, to whom he had made his supplication, and she, without knowing of his failure with me, opened the gate and gave the little fellow his coveted freedom.

It should be explained, in regard to the wit shown in opening a heavy or sticking door, that Toots acquired his experience with a fly door closed by the reaction of a spring. He found by experiments that if with his fore paws he pressed this door open just far enough to emit his body, it would spring to and pinch his tail; and that by retreating and running the whole length of a small entry he could impart momentum enough to open the door wide and thus clear his tail, at the same time letting out a dependent companion. This act, I am inclined to think, is a little smarter than is usual in a 2-year-old child.

## The Use of Glass Bricks.

Experiments with glass bricks for building purposes were begun in 1891 by M. Falconnier, an architect of Lyons. These bricks are hollow, being blown like ordinary bottles, and are given forms—such as cubes, hexagons, etc., that permit of ready laying. A bituminous cement, with a base of asphalt, is used. The bricks serve as double windows, giving protection against both cold and heat; are good insulators of humidity and noise; and they lend themselves readily to the decoration of buildings either by their form or their color. Many applications are foreseen. The bricks are neater than marble for meat markets, and are especially adapted for hospitals, bath halls, hot-houses, refrigerating establishments, and buildings in which absence of windows would be an advantage. A hot-house of glass bricks costs about the same as an ordinary one, saves fuel, and resists hail.

## A Burning Revenge.

The ancient Persians burnt the books of the Phenicians and Egyptians; Romans burnt the book of the Jews, of the Christians and of the Greek philosophers; Jews destroyed the Christian and pagan books, and Christians were equally destructive of pagan and Jewish literature.

## From Sea to Land.

The West Indian migratory crab is the only creature that is born in the sea, matures in fresh waters and passes its adult life on land. Once a year these creatures migrate in thousands from the uplands of Jamaica, deposit their larvae in the sea, then migrate to the rivers and streams, pass through a fresh water stage, after which they follow their parents to land until the time comes for them to return to the sea to lay their eggs.

## Not Easy to Levy on a Lion's Cage.

It is rather difficult to distract upon man's goods when his only earthly possessions consist of a cage full of lions. This fact has been forcibly brought home to M. Leclair, a Paris engineer, who made a perambulating cage for a lion-tamer named Marok. M. Leclair could not obtain the 4,500 francs due, whereupon he put the law in motion. A broker went down to seize the wild beasts, who, possibly at the secret instigation of their owner, roared at him so threateningly directly he appeared that he did not care to have anything to do with their removal. M. Leclair is casting about for a way out of the difficulty. —London Answers.

## Evolution in Tailoring.

The words breeches, trousers and pantaloons are now used interchangeably, but originally the significations were quite different. Pantaloons are said to have been at the first nothing but long stockings worn in Italy as a sort of religious habit by the devotees of St. Pantaloone. Breeches originally reached from the waist half way to the knee, and finally to the knee, where they were fastened with a buckle. Trousers are the present style of leg gear, a combination of the former two.

## The Care of Clothing.

Much of the wear and tear which uses up good clothing may be averted by constant care. Gowns should be brushed before hanging up in closets. It is best to have this done as soon as possible after taking them off, thoroughly removing the traces of street dust and mud from facings, seams, and gathers. The neat woman does not brush her gown in her own chamber, but takes it into the bath-room and brushes it beside an open window, or, better still, has it carried out of doors for the operation.

Disease germs may be carried home in clothing, and, were this not the case, it is a very untidy proceeding to put into one's wardrobe an article of dress which has not been thoroughly cleaned. —Harper's Bazar.

## How She Keeps Chic.

When the French woman takes off her bonnet she does not bundle it at once into a handbox, or throw it hastily on a shelf, or hang it up on a peg. Not she. Every little loop and bow is pulled out and put into shape, strings are gently caressed into smoothness, jets and aigrettes are straightened and fastened in position, and the bonnet receives the touch of the brush to remove dust, and then it is laid between folds of tissue-paper, and is ready for its next appearance, as fresh and new, to all intent, as when it left the milliner's hand. —Harper's Bazar.

## A Sign of a Headless Girl.

Shoes with yawning gaps where buttons should be, at once convict the wearer of heedlessness. A large needle and stout thread will replace a button, and it requires only a moment's work, and if the wearer will part with no portion of her self-respect if she does this as a matter of habit. —Harper's Bazar.