QUEEN MARY'S JESTER.

John Heywood, the Poet and Dramatist, and a Great Favorite

"The Court Jesters of England" is the title of an article by Amelia Wofford in the December St Nicholas, The auther

John Heywood, the poet and dramatist, sometimes styled "the Epigrammatist," was jester to Queen Mary. He had been a great favorite with her father, King Henry VIII., to whose court he was introduced by Sir Thomas Moore, and his acquaintance with Mary was from her childhood. In those early days he contributed considerably to the little princess' amusement. He was manager of a invenile company that played before her; he composed songs for her, sometimes making himself the subject, and on her 18th birthday he wrote a poem in her honor, in which she was flatteringly de-

scribed. On her marriage with Philip he composed a ballad for her; and at her coronation, when the grand procession, headed by the new queen, clad in blue velvet and seated in her gilded chariot drawn by six horses, approached the palace, her old friend Heywood greeted her with an

Heywood's influence with this morbid and sullen queen was most happy, and was undoubtedly due to long association and pleasant memories. He was often summoned to cheer her with his music and wit, and her last illness was lightened by his songs, recitations and readings from his plays. "His merriment was so irresistible that they moved even the rigid muscles of Queen Mary," says one old writer, "and her sullen solemnity was not proof against his songs, his rhymes and his jests."

THE POWER OF SATIRE.

How "Don Quixote" Destroyed an Entire Department of Literature.

The object of Cervantes in writing "Don Quixote" was, as he himself declares, to render abhorred of men the fase and absurd stories contained in the

books of chivalry. The fanaticism caused by these romances was so great in Spain during the tant copies was earnestly requested by the cortes, or legilsature of the realm.

To destroy a passion that had taken such a deep root among all classes, to break up the only reading which at that time was fashionable and popular, was a bold undertaking, yet one in which Cervantes succeeded.

No books of chivalry were written after the appearance of "Don Quixote," and from that time those in existence have been steadily disappearing, until now they are among the rarest of hit-

This is a solitary instance of the aimed blow, an entire department of literature.

This romance, which Cervantes threw so carelessly from his pen, and which up the absurd fancies about chivalry, has now become the oldest specimen of romantic fiction, and one of the most remarkable monuments of modern ge-

Ten years after its appearance Cervantes published the second part of "Don Quixote," which is even better than the first. It was written in his old age, when in prison, and finished when he felt the hand of death pressing cold and heavy upon him; so that both admiration and reverence are due to the living power of "Don Quixote" and to the genius of Cervantes.

A second intention or application of the poet was to depict in "Don Quixall or any forms of ill-judged. the simple, solid sense of honest Sancho Panza.-Curious Questions.

BLASTS FROM RAM'S HORN.

The pruned limb is seldom the one that

No sacrifice is bitter when sweetened by love. Unbidden guests give pleasure-when

When a sinner turns saint he is ant to overdo it. A little man's happiness consists in

magnifying himself. We must have both wisdom and knowledge to get much benefit out of either. When we cannot do as we would it will

smooth the jolts to be willing to do as

we should. One trouble with the world is that there are so many people in it who are content to drift down stream. Few of us gain by the mistakes of

others, but he who fails to profit by his own mistakes will soon be bankrupt in

COLLAR BUTTON A GOOD PILL.

A Huntingdon man bought two pills and put them in his vest pocket. He also bought a pearl collar button and put it in the same pocket. When it came time to take a pill he just shut his eyes, opened his mouth and gulped it down. He was relieved of his headache, and went on his way rejoicing. Afterward having use for the collar button, he felt in his pocket and found two pills and no collar button.—Tyrone Dally Herald.

Guest (in restaurant)-Here, waiter, bring me a napkin. Waiter-Sorry, boss, but de gent at de odder table's usin' it. Yo' turn nex', sah. -Chicago News.

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A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. 10 YEARS THE STANDARD. Breeds Known in Europe Thousands of

Years B. C. In the Roman period not only were sight hounds and scent hounds fully difbreeds, but one with dropping ears like the direct ancestors of modern breeds, or whether all such have been produced by subsequent crossing is a very difficult question to answer, more especially when we recolect that if an ancient Egyptian artist had to draw the portrait of a modern dog it would be reeognized by the master or mistress. But the record of the antiquity of domesticated dogs does not even stop withthe earliest known Egyptian monuments. Not only were such breeds known in Europe during the iron and pronze ages, but also during the antecelent neolithic or polished stone period. These have been described by Professors Rutimeyer and Woldrich, and those who are acquainted with the difficulty of distinguishing between some of the task. Still these authorities appear to have made out that the Swiss neolithic dog (Capis palustris) had certain cranial resemblances to both hounds and spaniels and thus indicated an advanced type, which is considered to have been derived from neither wolves not jackals, but from some species now extinct. Two other breeds have also been recognized from the superficial deposits of the continent; and if, as is very likely to be the case, any or all of these races are the forerunners of some of the modern breeds, it will readily be understood how complex is the origin of the mixed group which we now call Canis familiaris.

ALL GOOD THINGS AT ONCE.

"Ole Uncle" Claybrooke is a very remances was so great in Spain during the ligious old darkie, and holds converse 16th century that the burning of all extener. His habit is to pray, and then turn off into what appears to be a onesided conversation with the Lord, but it is evident that there is another party to it as far as he is concerned. To hear him reminds one very much of a telephone conversation.

The other day he was going through his customary devotions and when be got to the point of expressing thankfulness for the many blessings of life, he broke off into a recounting of them, the Owensboro (Ky.,) Inquirer: "An' den dar's 'possum. Lohd, how'h you ever think of makin' 'possum? 'Possum jes' beats all. You jes' couldn't power of genius to destroy, by a well- beat it if you tried ag'in. 'Possum! he! he! Yes, dar's watha-million. I hadn't thought o' dat. Hit's jes' great. You couldn't beat hit, neither, could you, Lohd? Now, homes', couldn't you he only regarded as an effort to break | fix it so dev bofe get ripe at oncet? If you wus to do dat you mought go out and shut de do'. Dey wouldn't be no me' sin an' no mo' sorrow, an' no mo' tribelation. Jest try hit oncet, Lhod, an' jis see whut a difference hit would make." And then 'old uncle" began to hum a quaint negro campmeeting tune, and stopped to look at a piece of liver in a butcher's stall, as the best substitute for his loved 'possum or as best suited to the small piece of money which represented his total movable wealth.

WHERE EIDER DOWN IS OB-TAINED. All accounts I have read about eider ducks say that nests are robbed of their down twice, the duck supplying it each time from her own body; the third time visionary enthusiasm, as contrasted with the drake gives his white down, and this is allowed to remain. But I was told the West Indies, 3,875 fathoms, or 23,

> level, about three feet high and of con- fathoms as given above. siderable thickness at the bottom. On both sides of it alternate stones had been left out so as to form a series of square compartments for the ducks to make their nests in. Almost every com-

the guestroom of every Iceland farm, however poor and small it may be. After a long, hard day in the saddle the traveler longs for warmth and shelter. These little guestrooms have never had a fire in them, and, built as they are on the ground, there is a dreadful chill in them. Once tucked away in bed, however, and well covered with the downpuff, a delightful sense of comfort follows, and tired bones lose their pains

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ABOUT THE PREHISTORIC DOG. OLD WORLD GOLD WORKINGS.

Gold was probably the first metal observed and collected because of the instructive understanding of its intrinsic value. About it superstitions grew, religious and ceremonious rites and strange ferentiated, but there were also various crimes were committed, as in the pre-kinds of lap-dogs and house-dogs, al-though none quite like our modern lieved that it was of such stuff that the tain's life a merry-go-round.' breeds, says Knowledge. Even as far sun itself was made and the halls of back as about 3000 B. C., Egyptian frescoes show not only greyhound-like carvings of Egyptian tombs earlier than sioner in Old Slip. He was an Amerihound, and a third, which has been tions of washing auriferous sand and a and sails, and knows thoroughly the tracompared to the modern turnspit, while subsequent melting in furnaces by the ditions and dialect of the sea. house-dogs and lap-dogs came in soon aid of blow pipes. Less than 20 years afterward. Whether any of these are ago the cld mines of Nubia, so graphithe Mallory liner Leona reached the cialy described by Diodorous, were re- port of New York last May, after discovered on the shores of the Red Sea, fearful fire in the steerage, the sailors together with a line of ancient wells icross the desert; the underground which the entire process could be traced. war exchanged their blood for glitterng dust to fill the trasuries of their captors. In India and Asia Minor the powder ore was washed down over smooth, sloping rocks, and gold caught in the fleeces of sheep skins sunk in the stream. It was literally a golden fleece iving species by their skulls alone will that Jason brought back from the Cauinderstand the laborious nature of the casus. Further north and following the foothills of Mount Ararat to the southern slope of the Ural mountains in Russian Siberia, where last year millions were taken out of the old mines, the anwith copper implements, scraped out the glittering gold dust and nuggets with the gain away in bags of leather. All kind or answer to their prayers. through this region mines of to-day know that one of the chief dangers to be Christian and Idolator. The savage aravoided are the Scythian pits, 60 feet gues that if he carefully attends to all deep in the gravel, and shaped like a the duties imposed on him by the priest small furnaces of burned clay testify to his fetish with gifts and sacrafices, and the iong perior over which the workings all that sort of thing, then the fetish is of the mines extend.—Ireland of prehistoric times was the gold country, at any rate, has so much manufactured gold of kind and pull him out. He claims that early ages been found, not less than 400 | there is the same responsibility resting specimens of Irish gold antiques being on the fetish or god, he worships, to contained in the museum of the Royal look out for him as there is on the wor-Irish Academy alone, while the British shipper to attend to his end of the buinuseum gold antiques, Mustrative of ness. When the fetish doesn't come to British history, are entirely Irish. Trin- time the savage considers the contract ity college. Dublin, has many fine sam- broken, and the next step is to smush ples, and there are large private collec- the image of his careless divinity. tions. Native gold occurs in seven localities in Ireland, and the ancient min- been the special patron saint of seafar-

THE -STILETTO.

The stiletto is a peculiar weapon. There is nothing of American manufacture like it. In length it runs from six to fifteen inches. The blade is about twice the length of the handle, daggeredged, thick at the narrow guard and tapering off to excessive thinness at the several companies were armed with reached New York. hields and long stilettos. The weapon is carried in a sheath like an ordinary dagger.

GREATEST DEPTH OF OCEAN.

The deepest verified soundings are those made in the Atlantic ocean, ninety miles off the island of St. Thomas, in the eggs when the duck leaves her nest which in 1872-74 made a voyage around the globe for the express purpose of tak-A writer from Iceland, in speaking of ing deep-sea soundings in all the oceans, a visit to one of the Isafjord farms, found the greatest depth touched in the wrote: "On the coast was a wall built Pacific ocean less than 3,000 fathoms. The pigtails, both passengers and crew,

> HEROIC LITTLE MISS. Prevented the Erection of a Fence by

Neighbor.

"Will this be a long session?" asked the voter from the country. "Can't say," replied the representative. Did you ever feel like leaving a table when a baked 'possum was on it?"-At-

larta Constitution.

Police magistrate (at Desplains street station)-The fine for attempting to hold up this man will be \$3. Holdup man (deeply hurt)-It ain't fair, r honor! I didn't get a cent from him. I'll have to pay it out of my own pocket!

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

SOME SEA-FOLKS' FANCIES. Many of the Superstitions of Ocean

workings where ore veins had been fol- of them -and the ambulance force had lowed with the pick, the rude cupelling to get special men to remove them furnaces for assaying, picks, oil lamps, The crew was composed of Italians stone mills, mortars and pestiles, incline and their superstition explains their inwarming table of stone, crucibles and humanity. You can't induce a mariner retorting furnaces of burned tile, by of that race to touch a corpse. They Here slaves and hapless prisoners of body they handle will haunt them to eternity. All the Latin races that fol the heavenly powers, and smashed all the images of the blessed mother the could find in the ship. And they do i cient Sythians broke up rock and gravel to this day, just the same as the black fangs of wild boars and carried their smithereens if they don't get the right

ers may have had sources of supply that ing men. Her shrines are in all seaport are now worked out or lost. every Catholic sailor puts himself under her care. When she doesn't deliver them promptly enough in times of peril they take the same superstitious revenge as

"They don't make any better sailors, he continued, "the world over than the Scandinavians, but they are loaded to the guards with superstition. I remem ber one time we were beating up from point. At the guard the cross-section of the Gulf of Mexico with a good three the blade is diamond-shaped, and the master, when a squall sprung up and a two extra edges run almost to the point. clever lad in the crew fell from a yard The real edges, which are razor sharp, and died. He came of a good family in make a wound which the auxiliary Maine, and the three Americans in the edges, more blunt than sharp, aggravate crew decided we'd take the body home to a terrible degree. So effective is it, instead of feeding the body to the and so murderous in the hands of a sharks. We stowed the poor boy on dexterous man, that the Italian govern- the forward deck, and we couldn't keep ment has made some experiments with a man jack of these Scandinavians on the it as a weapon at close quarters, and in look-out. It took all the arsenal we had the unfortunate Massowah campaign aboard, too, to keep them nown until we

ed, "John Chinaman is just as fiercely plank in his religious platform to see that every Chinaman's body, after he is tiny quicker than a wink if any white captain dicps one of their dead overby farmers in Iceland that now they 250 feet. Deeper water has been re- board. An old mate of mine was tellare hatched. It has been found that foundland, over 27,000 feet in depth, but they had once with a Celestial crew on a the birds thrive better and increase fast- additional soundings in that locality did voyage back from Hongkong. It was er when they are allowed to live as na- not corroborate this. Some years ago it before the passage of that Chinese exture meant them to do. So now the poor was claimed that very deep soundings, clusien law, and this vessel did a rushmothers are no longer obliged to strip from 45,000 to 48,000 feet, had been ing busines in transporting Chinamen to themselves of all their down to refurnish found off the coast of South America, San Francisco. When about two days heir despoiled nests. Sometimes if the but this report was altogether dis- out one of these passengers died, and it quantity is very great a little may re taken, but enough must be left to cover these localities. The ship Challenger. the vessel for fourteen days. That re the vessel for fourteen days. They're powerful slick about keeping their se-"When the body was at last discov-

ered the captain ordered it overboard. of large stones, just above high water and the lowest in the Atlantic, 3,875 were sullen, and gathered in omnious

> lines, but not a sheet would start. "As a last resort the halyards were cut. Under ordinary conditions the yards would have fallen under the caps and spilled the wind out of the sails, but they remained mast-headed; firm as a rock, and in a few minutes the vessel capsized. Some time afterwards it was discovered that the sheaves through which the ropes for shortening sail were rove had been so tightly plugged up with sticks and other obstructions that the ropes could not get through. At once the solemn seamen of Spain argued that no human agency could have done this job so well, and it was laid, of

course, at the door of the devil. "Well, now for the antidote. Shortly after this dire calamity a general order was issued directing that the crew every Spanish war vessel should be sent aloft every evening at sundown to chase his wicked majesty out of the sheave

Sailors.

"Superstitions?" Why, the merchant marine is full of them. Not so much as

the days of Joseph indicate the opera- can sailor in the good old days of spars

refused to touch the burned and scarred bodies stowed in the fo'castle-thirteen have a notion that the ghost of any dead low the seas-Italians, Spaniards and Portuguese-are steeped with superstition. They all have the same horror of any dead on board. I know, too, of many cases where the sailors of this race, after long and unavailing prayers to the Virgin Mary in times of heavy storms, have risen in mutiny against

"You see, the same logic governs The remains of thousands of or fetish man of his tribe, and presents bound by a heavenly obligation to stand "Now the Virgin Mary has always

the savage.

"Now, in this matter of a corpse on shipboard, the veteran skipper proceed- American sailors," he replied, "but it Bleichroeder to look after his privated to look af superstitious the other way. It's a big tains and seamen of the Latin races and now has a fortune amounting to 150,00. dead, is taken home and buried in its on Friday, no matter if it brings the first change speculations, based on the know native soil, and a Chinese crew will mue good wind they've had in a week. Alledge that the prince derived from by farmers in Iceland that how they con feet. Deeper was the little ones ported south of the Grand Bank of Newing me the other day of a hot scrap and the ship owners and factors have to mercy.-New York Times.

looking groups about the ship. On the away because of the fever. He is lonesecond day after the crew rose, and the result of a war dance for an hour. The officers were vastly outnumbered, but well armed. When they got the mutineers under, after a fierce fight, they found four of them dead, six scalded, and two had leaged overboard to escape an officer's knife. "But, after all," Ferris ratiled on, "when it comes to an all-round stock of moss-grown superstitions the standard of the sale of this friends put up the joke after ward of telling him that he had "away too much" and that people were talking all over town. That scared him, and he determined to quit and did so. Still the memory of his drinking clung to him and yesterday afternoon he met some more friends, who invited him to drink. He declined, whereupon they told him that he did right; that he had been drinking entirely too much and was looking gage, too. Next time you hear that any gage, too. Next time you hear that any gage, too. The seamen have a some and was actually pale, and in half an hour he was weak. He confessed to softwar was lost under peculiar circumstances. The ship was jumping ahead before a lively Levant breeze, when sudged the wave, a Spanish manof we have a some of the spanish manof are dead in the did was urged in vain to brace up on a fermance that's been going on for about a sumset, and you'll see a performance that's been going on for about a sumset, and you'll see a performance that's been going on for about a sumset, and you'll see a performance that's been going on for about a sumset, and you'll see a performance that's been going on for about a sumset, and you'll see a performance that's been going on for about a sumset, and you'll see a performance that's been going on for about a sumset, and you'll see a performance that's been going on for about a sum the sum was actually pale, and in half an was urged in vain to brace up on a few and the dead of the sum of the same of the saint at the clos of the letter instead of the date. The same of the saint at the clos of the letter instead of the date. The same second day after the crew rose, and some, and has drunk a good deal since Make their nests in. Almost every compartment was occupied, and as we walked along the shore a line of ducks after on the ward of the content of the content of the ward of the ward of telling him that he had "away is surrounded it and the window embrasure were occupied by ducks. On the ground the house was fringed by ducks. On the turn slopes of the roof we could see ducks, and ducks sat on the seraper."

About 10,000 pounds of eider down are gathered annumity in Iceland, 7,000 being exported to foreign countries. Formerly the peasants used to receive over 21 shillings a pound, but the price has now fallen to half that amount. The peasants seldom receive money, and are obliged to barter their down for merchandise furnished by the Danish merchandise furnished to get up. Miss Price side duck, and ducks sat on the service of the mutineers under, after end they found furn of the ware f vessel heeled over with her bellying canvas, and the sailors tugged at the clew tion. By 9 o'clock last night the imagina-

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"And the Friday sailing superstition-"Oh, that has largely died out among him in a fair revenue. He then has just the same binding force on cap- monetary affairs with the result that Scandinavia. They are dead set against | 000 marks. This, the author content launching a vessel or putting to sea can only have been made by stock ex most any day along the river front you position at the head of the German can hear one of those foreign skippers standing out strong for that superstition, Bleichroeder. knuckle down to it, for the simple reason that these chaps have them at their | the hands of his banker is very pos

IMAGINED HE WAS ILL.

Man Who Had Been Drinking Scared at His Friend's Remarks.

Faith cure may not be able to cure actual ills of the flesh, but imagination can give them, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. In this city lives a bright man who had sent his family species of nervous let down similar to the reaction from violent over-stimulative man had actually gone to a physician to put himself under treatment.

'Our doctor doesn't like Aunt Maria." "Why not?" "When the baby has croup she always cures him before the doctor gets here."-Chicago Record.

Now doth the wind the fleecy cloud Chase o'er the turquoise sky; Now doth the children cry aloud For more home-made mince pie -Chicago News.

For Table and Dairy, Purust and Best

A pamphlet has recently appeared owered at sunset. They scramble up Germany entitled "Bismarck and Bleic old Junker party of the name of Dieis Daher, and it professes to give son curious details in regard to the prese

After the German war of 4870 prince received from the country two tates of no great value, which, con with his or ernment, and which he confided

That, with the cares of empire shoulders, he left his monetary affairand equally possible is it that his ban er did the rest for his client. But should require a good deal more evidence than is afforded in this pamphlet lieve that the prince speculated on sta secrets in partnership with a Hebre financier or that his fortune is now an

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