### This and That

SOMETHING ABOUT RADIUM

Not one, not even Madame Currie, the discoverer, has yet seen radium in a pure state. It has been possible to obtain it so far only in combination with other material. It is judged by the effect of its properties, which are truly remarkable. It is a product of pitchblende, which is found deep in the earth. The quantity already found is so small that the figurative price of a gramme has been placed at ten thousand dollars. It may be that there are large quantities of it stored under the surface somewhere, but the man who found a quantity of it in a state of anything like purity would probably not live to tell the tale. The particles which fly from it are charged with electricity, and at night it shines forth with a phosphorescence which has been shuring since the beginning of all things, and which will go on shining until the final extinction of all on sining unit the matter. A small quantity of it in the possession of M. Currie has caused the most painful blisters when brought in contact with the skip. A small particle of radium salt was sealed in a glass tube, placed in a pasteboard box, and tied to Professor Currie's sleeve for an hour and a half. It produced a suppurating sore, which did not heal for over three months. Professor Currie thinks that a person entering a room containing a pound of radium would be blinded.

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The first suggestion toward the discovery of radium came when a western college professor demonstrated the fact that many common substances have the power of storing-up sunlight and emifting it again at night. Common sugar is the most luminous of these substances. Not only does the sugar emit light at night, but the discoverer was able to take photograbs by means of it in an otherwise perfectly dark room. Among the substances tried with the sugar was uranium, an ore which, as Becquerel-discovered, does not need sunlight to enable it to give off radiations, but which emits them spontaneously all the time, night and day! Following the lead of Becquerel, Mine, and M. Currie made an exhaustive examination of pitchblend which was radio-active. It was a task of endless separation, of continual dividings, of constant assayings, until at last nothing was left but the salt that is now known as radium salt.—Everybody's Magazine.

AN EFFICACIOUS DEVICE

Two Highlanders, being in Glasgow fo

#### ORIGIN Of a Famous Human Food.

The story of great discoveries or inven-

ventions is always of interest.

An active brain worker who found himself hampered by lack of bodily strength and vigor and could not carry out the plans and enterprises he knew how to conduct was led to study various foods and their effects upon the human system. In other words before he could carry out his plant he had to find a food that wouly carry him along and renew

He knew that a food that was a brain and nerve builder, (rather than a mere fat maker) was universally needed. He knew that meat with the average man does not accomplish the desired results. He knew that the soft gray substance in brain and nerve centres is made from Albumen and Phosphate of Potash obtained from food. Then he started to solve the problem.

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the first time, were having a walk through Turning a corner, they were much the city. Turning a corner, they were much surprised to see a water cart wetting the street. Not having seen anything like it before, Tougal, under a mistaken idea, ran after the cart, and cried to the driver: 'Hey man—hey, man, yer losin' a' yer water l' His friend, annoyed at Tougal's want of knowledge, ran after him, caught him by the arm, and said, rather testily: 'Tougal,man, Tougal, dinna be showin' yer ignorance. D'yer no se it's to keep the laddies off the back o' the cairt ?'—'Argonaut.'

#### PIAZZA LIFE IN SUMMER

We in America are coming to understand the importance of outdoor life. The real poetry of summer is well nigh lost unless one can come in contact with trees, grass and flowers. True country life bars none from this delight, but in village and suburban towns its limit is fixed by the space devoted to the piazza.

The importance of this portion of the house should be duly recognized before the plans are out of the architect's hands, and the three essentials for the correct locationexposure, privacy and outlook-be as care

exposure, privacy and outlook—be as carefully considered as its construction and relation to the main building. In some instances even the conventional rule for attaching the piazza to that portion of the house that faces the street should not be followed, the interior plans being reversed in order to bring the living rooms and porch at the rear.

There is one opportunity afforded by a broad piazza of which we are slow to take advantage. We might take more of our meals all fresco. One of the most fascinating things about living abroad is that in summer one may dine often out of doors, We should import the custom into this country for it is a good one, and then to the delights of long evenings on our piazzas we should have added that greater pleasure of sitting down to tea or luncheon with nature herself.—Woman's Home Companion.

#### A NOBLE NEGRO.

A master cooper called upon a colored man in Ohio, and wished to purchase some stave timber. He was asked the purpose for which he wanted it, and received for an swer, "I have contracted for some whiskey "Well, sir," was the prompt reply barrels. barrels." "Well, sir," was the prompt reply,
"I have the timber for sale, and want money,
but no man shall purchase a stave from me
for that purpose." Mr. Cooper was indignant to meet with such a stern reproach from
a blacky, and called him a nigger. "That is
very true," mildly replied the other; "it is
my misfortune to be a negro; I can't help it.
But I can help selling my timber to make
whiskey barrels, and I mean to do it."—
Good Templars Watchword.

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Tis an age of many inventions, They've given us keyless clocks, The thingless things are endless, We even have waterless stocks Chicago Record-Herald.

#### SCOTCH PECULIARITIES.

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