#### Constancy.

I will be true. Mad stars forsake their And, led by reckles meteors, turn away
From paths appointed by the Eternal Forces;
But my fixed heart shall never go astray,
Like those calm words, whose sun-directed

motion
Is undisturbed by strife of wind or sea,
Bo shall my swerveless and serene devotion
Sweep on forever, loyal unto thee.

I will be true. The fickle tide divided
Between two wooing shores, in wild unrest
May, to and fro, shift, always undecided.
Not so the tide of passion in my breast:
Like the grand surge of some resistless river
That burries on, past mountain, vale and

Unto the main its waters to deliver.
So my full heart keeps all its wealth for thee

I will be true. Light barks may be belated Or turned aside by every breeze at play, While sturdy ships, well mannered and richly freighted,

With broad sails flying, anchor safe in bay. Like some firm rock, that, steadfast and un-Stands all unmoved, when ebbing billows

flee, So would my heart stand, faithful, if for-I will be true, though thou art false to me.

—Ella Wheeler.

#### ONLY A GARDENER.

An evening in early spring, grey and clouded, a low-ceiled, plainly-furn-ished apartment in an out-of-the-way old house, and though the other rooms of art.

Two young girl-students are resting after their day's work-resting, each after her own manner. To one, Gertrude Trevelyan, the word implied utter repose; she, therefore, leaned back her regal-looking head in a comfortable old chair, as with half-closed eyes, the words dropped listlessly from her coral lips. But to Esther Forbes, rest was merely something less labori-ous, and seated on the hearth-rug, by the fitful glimmer of fire-light, she glanced over a daily paper, "to glean," as she said, "a little news for grandfather at supper-time."
"Oh, Gertie!" she cried, "listen to

this: 'The Art Decorative Company is offering three prizes-first, second, and third class-for the best design for screen decorations. It is to be a yearly competition. How I should

like to compete for one of the prizes!"
"And should not I? Let us commence to-morrow." And so saying,
Gertrude sat upright in her chair, and opened wide her great-dark eyes.

"How delightful 'twould be," said she, "to awake some morning and find oneself famous-to read in a paragraph, 'Miss Gertrude Trevelvan has obtained the first prize and a gold medal for the most original design. "I shall be content with the second,"

replied Esther; "for that fifty pounds is just what I shall want next sum-"And what do you want so much

money for, child?"

"Ah, Gertie! were I as rich as you, I, too, might work for fame; but you remember how my dear old grandfather suffered from last summer's heat, and vet refused to take from our little income the sum requisite for a two months' sojourn by the sea. If I could put this into his hand, and say, 'Let us go, dear grandpa, like two happy pilgrims and enjoy Old Ocean's breezes,' oh, how proud I should be!"

The girls were not relatives, but only neighbors, and the home of each was in that pleasant art-suburb of London that has grown up of recent years about that Cockney's paradise, Hampstead Heath.

But as Mrs. Trevelyan disliked the litter and untidiness of an artist's room, Gertrude frequently came and "worked," as she called it, in her friend's studio.

Esther did not name her aspirations to her grandfather, but she lay awake many a long hour, thinking out that proposed design.

The next morning, she found a note from her friend-she would be absent for a few days, as her mother had made some engagements for them both-and very glad was Esther to be alone with her unrealized thoughts.

In the visions of the night, a sister art, Poesy, had come to her aid, and the subject chosen was from Hood's idyllic poem, "The Plea of the Midsummer Fairies," where the little elves are entreating the pity of remorseless Time.

She designed it rapidly, and ere long the picture told its own story. The old Mower could not be intro-

duced-he would have demanded too much space—but one hand, portions of his grey, colorless raiment, and his scythe, to which clung fresh grass, were visible. And as Hood describes

"A shady and sequestered scene, Like those famed gardens of Boccacolo-So the fairies were in half-shadow and in various attitudes-some kneeling imploringly, some bowed down with grief, others-"the loyal fays"surrounding their queen, as though to protect her, while a few had, in despair, cast themselves upon the ground

among the flowers. One, that seemed to have stepped out from that booky leafage to plead with "the dread King of years," pointed to a group of lilies in the picture's centre, upon which fell a broad ray of moonlight—as, with their stems folded in their large green leaves, those pale, pure lives stood serene amid that desolation-and symbolic of the lines Esthor had selected as her motto:

# "And be that purifies the light, The begin Lily, faithful to her white, Whereon Eve wept in Eden for her

"But I must have some real lilies!" exclaimed Esther. "Tis the most importage part of the picture."

And away she went to a florist's, the most extend to in the entire neighborhood, and she was well known.

But he cot even one, and declared, and ason, they could not ason, they could not

"kou some at Mr. Mont-calm's of Oakleigh House, Miss Forbes," said Mrs. Jourdain, the florist's wife; "for they have a fine con-

servatory, and a first-charge ardener attends to it. You will find him quite a gentleman, and he will allow you to draw from anything you like."

Esther further learned that Mr. and Mrs. Montealm had lately returned from the South of France, and that the lady was so fond of plants and flowers. lady was so fond of plants and flowers that he spared no expense to gratify

The next morning armed with

sketch-book and portable color-box, she set forth, but could only ride a portion of the distance, for the way lay through lanes and roads leading to various residences.

But at length Oakleigh House was reached, and there the great gates so appalled poor Esther that, but for the hope of gaining that prize, she would have retreated in dismay.

In a few days Gertrude again visited the studio, but this time to watch her friend's progress only, having abandoned her own attempt.

"It is exquisite!" said she, after a careful survey. "But you have not re-lated your interview, further than the door of the conservatory was openedthen you broke off to show me the

picture. "I had to wait so long, and feared the gardener would never come, so I found my way to the lilies alone. But, Gertie, I have fallen in love with that gardener! And as I don't know his name, I mentally call him 'Claude Melnotte.' "

"In love with a gardener, child? I hope not! But pray sketch for me in words this paragon of Adam's calling." "He is probably between twenty-five and thirty. Not exactly handsome, but a good face, expressive of great inold house, and though the other rooms telligence; a pleasant—indeed, melo-are the perfection of neatness, this one dious voice; and he has certainly some is in all the disarray and abandonment artistic taste, for when apparently wondering at my lily-craze, I described the design, he then made a few valuable suggestions. And he gave me such a basketful of ferns and flowers and greenery-sending it here to me—that I hope he won't get into trouble with Mr. Montcalm for so

> "If you looked as you do now, Esther, with your waves of golden hair and rapt, brown eyes, like some peri that has lost her way, then I should not be surprised if he fell in love also. But round us unexpectedly.' only a gardener! Ah, well! Of course, you will go no more to Oakleigh

"No, indeed, Gertie; but he asked permission to call and see my picture

before I sent it away."

And one day he did come, bringing a magnificent bouquet, and this time gave his name, which was Bernard.

Ester Forbes' picture was considered very beautiful and highly poetic; but-ah, when does not a but, or an if, or some other stumbling-block exist?it did not gain the first prize.

She was, however, awarded the second, and that, with the sale of later artistic work, amply sufficed for the accomplishment of her project-a trip to the Isle of Wight with her grandfather, Captain Forbes, who, having been a sailor nearly all his life, was, in that truly maritime little spot just as happy as the summer days were long.

But before their departure, Bernard was unfortunately the cause of a separation between the two girls. He had come again and again to the

little out-of-the-way house in Hampstead, had avowed his love, had asked Esther Forbes to be his wife, and finally had gained her grandfather's consent to their marriage.

"Mr. Bernard is not a common gardener," urged Esther to her friend. He might have employment on the estate of some great nobleman; but I believe the Montcalms like him greatly, and he does not wish to leave Oakleigh.

"It is not the money, but the position, that I think of," answered Miss Trevelyan, with a fine look of scorn upon her proud, handsome features.

"But I am not ambitious. Neither can I look very high. You know that my grandfather has little besides his pension. "Yet, an officer in the navy always

holds a certain rank. However, have yourself, if some of your friends are less cordial than formerly.' "I consider Henry Bernard a most

honorable man. He is kind-hearted. he is highly intelligent, and he loves me, and I would not give him up for every friend that I have. Therefore. Miss Trevelyan, you are at liberty to set the others an example.'

They did not meet again until one day during the following winter, and that chance meeting was in the wondrous city of Rome, where so many, whether bent on pleasure, novelty, or study, and some from a yet higher motive, find their way.

Gertrude Trevelyan with a party of friends in one of the art galleries, when a lady whose face appeared familiar passed by.

She was richly dressed, and accompanied by a gentleman.

"If that is the Esther Forbes of olden days," she soliloquized, "then success to gardening!"

She went toward her, saying, as she held out a daintily-gloved little hand: "Will you allow me to congratulate

you, Mrs .---"I am rejoiced to meet you, Gertic," interrupted Esther, "and to present you to my husband, Mr. Montcalm. Henry, this is Miss Trevelyan of whom you have frequently heard me speak." "I will leave you for awhile to talk over old times," said he, after expressing his pleasure at the introduction.

Gertrude, when they were alone together. Did the moonlight fairles bring about this romance?" "I think they did," replied Esther, laughing—"through the agency of the lilies, and I will relate the story in Mr.

"My breath is taken away!" gasped

Montcalm's own words. "On that eventful morning a message was brought to me that a young lady requested to see the hot-house, and was, she said, permitted to use the name of Jourdain, the florist. Our gardener had gone to a sale of shrubs, but as his return was delayed, I went to explain matters, while collecting a few early violets from their frames. You'-for this was addressed and appearing rather embarrassed, I

thought it better to leave you uninformed. Then the shyness wore off, melted away by the enthusiasm with which you described your proposed sketch." "I must omit all the sweet nonsense,

Gertie, but Henry always says that I arried away his heart that morning. "I believe he once had a theory, through some youthful disappointment, that all womankind was self-interested, through some youthful disappointment, that all womankind was self-interested, and here was an opportunity to test the sincerity of one, whom he alleges to sincerity of one, whom he alleges to

have singled out from the rest of the world "And this revelation took place be-

fore your marriage?" "Yes-for that he had always intendwaves during one lovely twilight hour, when he had rushed down for a brief visit to our little sea-girt home."

"And Captain Forbes-what did he 'It was some time before he could grasp the entire facts, being so much

less poetic than practical." "But oh, Esther!-how about the

other Mrs. Montcalm?" "She is Henry's mother, and the very kindest and dearest old lady. She choice of her son.'

"Have you had time to conclude your chat?" asked Mr. Montcalm, on returning to them.

"Not quite," was his wife's reply. "But Miss Trevelyan will pass the remainder of the day with us."
"No, Esther," said Gertrude; "you

have generously overlooked my once unkind comments, but cannot have forgiven them. "They are both forgiven and forgot-

ten, dear. And now, Gertrude," she whispered, "Henry's cousin, Jack Ellery, is to dine with us. He admires | age stamps." brunettes above all others, and I can find some searlet blossoms to wreathe this mode of communication?" in your dark hair. And as Jack, like into a partnership to design something a principal participant." for next competition, and then-who knows? for strange happenings sur-

And as Gertrude was whirling along in her friend's carriage, away out to their Roman villa, within her own attendant at church?" mind she partially repeated her friend's

"Truly, strange, very strange happenings do come to us-sometimes!

#### The Coroner's Verdict.

The Memphis Avalanche says Tennesseeans are in the habit of coming to nesseeans are in the habit of coming to perately struck with the appearance hotel in Dover street, Piccadilly, just to thicken, when the pressure is retheir death by the following causes, of a young lady who sat in a pew on behind the White Horse cellars. She moved, and their presbacepia, or old according to the written verdicts of Tennessee coroners' juries:

handes and seal the day above wroten. "Paul Burns came to his death by a mule running away with a wagon and

being thrown therefrom." "By taking with his oun hands an overdose of morphine.'

"From causes unknown to the jury and having no medical attendance. from premature birth."

"Came to his death from national

"Said child aged I day old came to trunk under suspicious circumstances.' that he comes to his death by old age, as tha could not see enny else the mat-

"Come to his death from the following causes, to wit: from some suddent cause to the jurors unknoun."

"The said deceased being an orphan, father and mother both being dead." "From an overdose of gin administered by his own hand.'

"Being run over by two coal cars while detached from the engine." "Come to his death by tender of No. 7 jumping the track on which he was riding, either jumping or falling off. your own way, and blame no one but and engine running over him, whic' vourself if some of your friends are was an accident and no fault of the engineer of said engine."

"She come to her death by lighten striken her."

'From heart deseize." "Came to his death in the following

manner, to wit: He was born dead. "From the hands of some unknown person, or persons, to the jury unknown, and afterwards placed on the track and got run over by the income-

Congestion of the brain and applicote fitze."

ing train.

"The body was so mangle and mutilate that the could not tell ennythig about it but tha think it was put in the sisterne by some unkown person." "Calded on hir left side by kittley

of hot water burning over on hir left side and causing hir death.' "From the effect of injuries receive

by her close accidental taking fire." "From exposier."

## Something Yet to be Invented.

A scientific gentleman in this city. speaking recently to a Graphic representative, said: "I believe that before long an instrument will be invented which will do away with the stenographers in our courts and offices. They were badly scared when Edison invented his phonograph, which would faithfully record the sounds of the human voice as well as those of musical instruments. That idea only needs to be developed to produce a machine that will answer all the purposes of the modern short-hand writer, and in fact be a more faithful recorder of all that takes place within its range. sounds such as laughs, sighs, moans etc., that a stenographer cannot write, it being alike susceptible to. Another advance in this line would be a machine which would automatically write out these recorded sounds, as on a type-writer, and thus every man could be his own amanuensis. Inventors are now looking into this matter. - New York Graphic.

## A Boarding House Develops Gall.

other morning at his boarding house, and, looking about the scantily spread table, put his hand to his head and said: "Everything makes me sick to-

"Ah," replied the landlady, sympa-thetically, you require a spring tonic."
"You" said Botts, as he took a cold bean on his fork, "the doctor prescribed one for me the other day. "Indeed! What was it?"

Messages of Love or Hate.

"Do I know anything of the lan-guage of post-ge stamps?" said a well known stationery dealer yesterday. "I ed-and it was uttered to me and to the don't know of any book on the subject, if that is what you mean, but I have heard the signification of some of the ways of placing them on envelopes. For instance, if the writer is a gentleman who wishes to express love for a fair damsel he inclines the label toward the left, which method is repeated by the lady if she is favorable to his suit. If, on the contrary, she wishes to give him the cold shoulder she inclines her label to the right. A stamp in a per-pendicular posture signifies simple ad-Miss Bernard (my husband's second name) she gave up the lover of her youth to comply with her father's de
youth to comply with her father's de
ire and thought never have taken the eye should, in every normal eye, be to the tailering business, but his brother of her evoked by the suppliant is ridicule. If the stamp lies on its face it indicates his way to make a hig thing of it. You and the sire, and though a good and loyal that the writer is dying for love; it it is wife, was never a very happy one, and lying on its back then the writer has henceforth resolved not to control the got over his attack of heart disease. A was a man who always dressed with hadd corner it is a sign that the affection is unrequited."

"Are there any other signs?" "Yes, such as sticking the label in odd places on the envelope, in wrong corners, using two or even three stamps, making kisses around them, near them or in propinquity to them. These have various meanings and may all be included in the language of post-

"My honor as a gentleman." about ten years ago. I hope you won't be shocked to hear that this corresponshrewd and generous tailor. the proper remedy is not rest, for that is fatal to its strength, but the use of dence grew out of my being a regular

"Not at all. That makes it all the

more interesting."
"I suppose it does, so many similar correspondences have arisen from a Poole's wife." like cause. I have for years been a "No, no; there is not a word of member of St. Peter's Episcopal church, at Third and Pine streets. She was a cousin of Poole's. Her reached their full development. At the One Sunday, ten years ago, I was des- mother kept a very fashionable little age of 45 or 50 years the lenses cease the opposite side of the aisle to me. was created Duchess de Beauverne by sight, begins. When a child is com-Never mind the details-after some in- Napoleon on his marriage to the pres- pelled to use or require the use of and sunk off Norwalk and Brid

"What did you do?" "I got from a friend of mine some in- until late in life. His wife was a lady adding other glasses as he reaches- the formation about the postage stamp lan- with whom he had fallen in love while guage and the language of flowers. Quite a young man at college."
Every Sunday morning I managed to "He was very strict, was he get to church in time to place a small business?" bouquet of flowers in her pew, together with an empty envelope with the stamp "Said infant child came to his death affixed in a certain way. After awhile his shop that had not been tried on and she discovered who her unknown ad-mirer was. What is more she learned employ a man and keep him in his emthe stamp language and in return she ploy for the simple reason that he was sometimes seen in the aged, the lecwould leave an envelope stamped in of the same size and build as a good turer explained as a change, an elonher death from spasms, said child hav- the pew for me. This silent courtship customer. I have known a man to sit gation in the shape of the eyeball, by ing been found by the witnesse in a continued for nearly eight months, for a couple of hours on a saddle- which the person became near-sighted, when, one lucky day, I found an ac- block, only having the crease in a pair accompanied by a change in the lens "The joueres on there out the do say quaintonce who knew the family. I of riding breeches rectified. He reductions the appearance of a cataract. need not tell you that I soon became ed tailoring to a science." acquainted, too. To make along story short, the lady is now my wife.'

"Indeed! That is certainly a happy and fitting ending to so romantic a

courtship. you might say about the sticking on of this coat of you and see how badly it the Kings of Scotland, and has been stamps if you are going to publish fits.' Poole took a bit of chalk out of during centuries taken but once from this.

"Such as-" "Well, I fancy some of the stampers at the postoffice would feel obliged to you if you would recommend foolish young people who are anxious to appear eccentric, not to put their stamps in any corner but the upper right-hand one. It will lift a weight of sin off the

stamper's shoulders." "But how about the language?" "Easily arranged. If a square place is penciled off on the right-hand upper corner of the envelope the stamp can be affixed in any manner that may be

mention." "What is that?"

"Pasting the stamp on with the mucilage upward." "What on earth does that mean?"

morning."-Philadelphia Times.

## Thought the Minister was Joking.

"My boy, what are you doing with that cigar in your mouth? Throw the filthy thing away," said a clerical-looking man to a bootblack who stood near the Globe hotel puffing a cigar. The urchin looked up at the man with an injured air, then shaking his head said:

"Naw yer don't. I'm onto that trick. That's what the kids tells me when I'm flush and smokin' a two-fer, so they can pick it up. But when a lad can't of the mission so far. He says: "The land, but judiciously left out the legend

Reaching into his pocket, the benevoient boy brought forth three cents, saying, as he held them out to the sbashed gentleman:

"Here, take them coppers and buy one for yerself, but don't ask me again." The dozen or more men and boys shouted derisively as the minister turn-

## Mottoes For the Frieze.

ed and walked away .- Syracuse Her-

A newly-married modern Athenian

motto to go about the reception-room. She accordingly asked a bachelor friend for a quotation from Shakspeare, therefore, these people are allowed to and thought him mighty witty when he proposed "Suites to the sweet." The chance of escape from starvation is a sentence was brief, however, to go all the way round, so the professor was asked to lengthen it. Unluckily, he had in the meantime opened a note containing a bill for rent for a flat he had vainly tried to sublet, and he some-

LONDON'S GREAT TAILOR.

Recollections of the Man Who Put Disraeli on the Road to Fame.

"I remember Henry Poole very well," said a gentleman to a Philadelphia Times reporter. "He was a fine, tall, fandsome man, over six feet in height, with bushy blonde whiskers. He measured forty-two inches around the streets as if London were his own priname. He was educated at Cambridge the stamp lies on its face it indicates his way to make a big thing of it. You and the inner muscles are used the label may be placed wrong way up great taste, and not only expected but with an inclination to the left that tells insisted on all his employes dressing near at hand this muscle relaxes and a story of hopeless attachment, while well, too. When Henry Poole took the allows the lens to thicken, increasing should it be leaning towards the right business in hand first there were not its refractive power at the same time sand.

Poole's patronage of Disraeli?" "Oh, yes. Disraeli was in very poor circumstances when he first obtained The chief source of fatigue is in the the clerkship in the home office. Poole. who was always in and out of every place where young men congregated, e stamps."

Saw him, took a fancy to him, and believed there was something great in tigued. The defective eye, as it gives him. He took Disraeli out with him out sooner, is really safer from severe "If you promise not to give me away one evening to dinner and proposed strains. The usual indication of strain yourself, is an amateur artist, scorning I will tell you of a postage stamp cor-lucre but craving fame, you can enter respondence in which I myself once was suitable to the position in society that suitable to the position in society that betokening a congested state of the in-Disraeli ought to hold. The future ner surface, accompanied with some prime minister jumped at the offer, and pain. When it is shown that the eye is

> "Did he he not assist the late Emperor of the French in the same way?" that, you know.'

"Oh, yes. You refer to the story of

"He was very strict, was he not, in "I should think he was, indeed. He never allowed anything to go out of

"Did he do any cutting or measuring

himself?" "No, sir! There is a story told of Lord Hardcastle meeting Poole on the chain pier at Brighton. He stopped "There are one or two other things him and said: 'Look here, Poole, I got doubt, was used for the coronation of

"He was very extravagant in his hab- which they attach very great impor- rammed home. its, was he not?" "Very. He had a house at Brighton, another in Burlington street, near his store, which was a perfect mine of art, It is said to be the actual stone on and on the Thames, at Hammersmith. he had a regular palace. His champaign luncheons cost him a fortune. He had one of the finest hunting studs in Great Britain. He never cared what he paid for a horse, and although coronation of the Irish Kings. From chosen. By the by, there is one curious he was such a big man he was a mag-

sign in the stamp language you might | nificent 'cross country rider." "He did not die rich, did he?" "No, he was worth about £25,000 when he died, and the result of the sale of his houses and horses barely settled the claims of his creditors. He was "That the sticker on is a confounded generous to a fault. He could never idiot, and most probably drunk. Good pass a beggar, and many a half-sovereign he's given away to people who, perhaps, didn't deserve his charity. He was the best of employers and he kept men with him for years, but there was never the least mistake about who was master on his premises."

## Admiral Hewitt in Abyssinia.

London Daily News, who accompanied dirty and grimy, the same guide turn- pupils. Admiral Hewitt on his mission to Abys- ed it over and wrote on the other side sinia, writing from Adowa, gives an the fact that the stone had been used interesting account of the experiences at the crowning of the Kings of Scottake a smoke without an old chap like other day we witnessed a wedding, and you wantin him to throw it away, then there's a case for pity."

or the mission so lat. He says. The says. The says of the judiciously left out the legent of the verger we had followed the wedding party since 1851 has acquired considerable some distance, having resolved to present the husband with a present of dol- longer subscribe to the belief he once lars. He received them with much pleasure, but when thanking us, a mounted soldier rode up, snatched them from his hand, and threw them at the head of our int ter. This there, and that the chair is of true was one of many insults we had re- Scotch limestone. - London Cor. Philaceived from the troops of the governor. who had collected around the pair Since the day of our arrival 'e and his officials have been most disco rteous. He pointedly delayed calling on the Admiral, and when he condescended to do so was so drunk and stupid that he had to be supported by his interpreter on his road home. He forbade Bay apartment hotel, and his bride, being in the sewingless condition incident to having a complete trousseau, desired to embroider a frieze with a motto to go about the recention. the people in the district and towns to verted into flour, and all coooking prepared in each household. Unless. small one.

says that once the novelist, as they were traveling together, pointed to a piece of water in the distance, and said: "That's where Christic Johnston caught the herrings." He regarded this incident of his own invention as reality, so sincere was he in his west.

Fatigue of the Eye.

Persons speak of their eyes being fatigued, he said, meaning thereby that the seeing portion of the brain is fatigued, but in that they are mistaken. So men say their brains are tired. Brains seldom become tired. The retina of the eye, which is a part of the brain, and an offshoot from it, hardly ever is tired. The fatigue is in the inchest. There was no mistaking the ner and outer muscles attached to the man when you saw him; he walked the eye and in the muscle of accomoda-

tion. The eye ball, resting in a bed of vate property. Henry Poole was the fat, has attached to it six muscles for second son of the old tailor of that turning it in any desired direction, and the muscle attached to the side nearest and graduated with a bachelor of arts the nose and one at the outer angle of degree. He might never have taken the eye should, in every normal eye, be balanced. They are used in converg-The muscle of accommodation is one which surrounds the lens of the eye. When it is wanted to gaze at objects more than a hundred men employed; that the muscles on the inner or nasal in ten years there were nearer a thou- side of the eye contract and direct the eyes to the point gazed at. It is in "Is there any truth in the story of these muscles that the fatigue is felt, and one finds relief in closing the eyes or in gazing at objects at a distance. lack of balance in the two sets of inner and outer musc'es of accommodation. It may be set down that there is some-"That's good enough. Well, it's there is little doubt that he also receiv- not equal to the work required of it, glasses of sufficient power to render unnecessary so much effort in accom-"Yes; but there was a reason for modating the eye to vision. It is not good sense to waste time resting the eye, and that practice does not

strengthen it. "She come to her death by stranglation in testimony we have sit our could not obtain an introduction."

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"She come to her death by stranglation in testimony we have sit our could not obtain an introduction." person will use these glasses as a basis, income on her. Poole did not marry age when old sight begins, or using the thicker glasses. Mr. Seely, however, mentioned one case he had observed where a child had outgrown the need of glasses, but in the meantime he had grown from a small and puny child to a large and well-developed man.

Second sight, or the apparent recovery of strength of vision, which is -From a Lecture by Dr. W. W. Seely.

## Curios in Westminster Abbey.

In Westminster abbey there is a certain well-worn stone, which, without a his waistcoat pocket, and marked his the abbey. This solitary occasion was lordship's coat all over and said: 'Take | the installation of Cromwell at Westthat coat to my cutter, my lord, and he minster hall. The Scots have made will make the necessary alterations." many efforts to recover their relie, to in consequence of the shot

ance.

The coronation chair, as it is called. is also the subject of a curious legend. It is said to be the actual stone on forty-five or lifty to which Jacob laid his head at Bethel, 100 miles per hour. and from Palestine it is reputed to have been removed to Egypt, thence to Spain, and finally to the hill of Tara, in Ireland, where it was used for the Ireland it was carried to Scotland, by Fergus, the Irish King, who subdued the northern country. All these mat-ters, historical and legendary, were at one time only set forth in the Latin label but in the year 1851, for the convenience of visitors to the great exhibition, the head guide rendered in the common tongue a sort of sub-edited inscription which gave the authentic history as regards Scotland, and concluded with the legend as to Ireland, but omitted all references to Jacob's pillow as being profane.

For thirty years and more the stone. nation chair of the Kings of Scotland large cities there are nation chair of the Kings of Scotland and Ireland," but the other day, noticing the label was classes, for instance, and The special correspondent of the ing that the other side of the label was classes, delphia Press.

She Removed the Pieces. "The ixalted marquis av Smith." says Miss Bridget Magee, "who is so-journin' in this mathropolis in blissful gnorance that he is heir to a toitle an' vast istates, was tillin' me av an advinture av the koind. Sed he: 'Oh, Miss Magee, I wint uptown on Wednesday in the car, an' it was full, an' I had to sthand up fur about fourteen blocks. Thin somebody got out, an' jist as I was preparin' to take the vacant place, which was besoide a lady, what d'yes think she did? Why, she deliberately picked up her parasol an' put it acrost the sate. What d'yes think I did?'
'Why poloitely raquisted her to ramove it, I suppose?' I observed. Will

#### GLEANINGS.

About 40,000,000 pennies were in the United States last year. Colorado contributes 100,000 e the country's resources this year.

Of the 251 applicants for adm to Harvard, forty-nine are ladies. The poultry crop of North Cas said to be worth about \$2,800.0 The births in Spain during 1863 bered 458,000, and the deaths 41

A woman of Greenwood, Me., ported to be cutting her fourth Canada exported last year \$1,0 worth of butter and \$6,451,870 of cheese.

Sam Collyer, the noted pug now living in the vicinity of Har Virginia. The worsted industry of amploys 2, 225, 830 spindles; in 2,765,000.

Alexander H. Stephens' library, cost him \$20,000, has been sad for \$800. The census of 1880 shows 6, colored people in the former

states.

It is estimated that the yield ples in western New York wil 000,000 barrels. An old well in Staten Island

to be running dry of water and a turn at oil giving. The "Osborne" flat-house is York city, which is almost com

is fifteen stories high.

sionary from India, says his have 833,000,000 gods. The Cape Cod canal dredger largest in the world. It takes cubic yards an hour.

Rev. Dennis Osborne, a nativ

"The razor of Daniel O'Con

labeled for sale in a shop winds the Seven Dials, London Samuel Noble, of Annieton, A given \$20,000 toward founding high school at that place.

It is estimated that upward 000,000 tons of canned goods at ally packed in this country. A Stuttgart doctor says that lent persons may become thin ! ing on and wearing animal wor

Thirty vessels have been land, Sacramento county, Co six years and three months

107 pounds. Oil-bearing strate exist in th borhood of Sibi, Southern Aigh and the government will begi next winter.

A Walla Walla, W. T., mas to have picked over 8,000 pstrawberries from less than b of vines this season. An astronomer who belleve

science depends much upon raphy estimates that it we years to photograph the beave A woman has recently pa fire escape. What we must this leap year of our Lord | escape. Will some woman pe

General George H. Thoms will make Washington ber po home in the future, and has begun the erection of a hands dence there.

A hundred-ton cannon that ing fired for the first time re Gibraltar split or burst at th

An old duck shooter calcul

broadbills fly at the rate of

to 110 miles an hour and other There are 330 colleges and ties in the United States, of w

dents, and only seventeen b than twenty teachers. There are nine cotogenari British house of commons, the being eighty-three. One more North, who is eighty, has a sits in the bouse of peer

North. It has been observed that ] the Georgia "magnetic gir exerting her powers habitus her hands through her bangs her strongth, like Samson's,

The study of the Irish la becoming popular among men in this country. In order to prevent hayst

west scatter a few handfuls salt between each layer. It that the salt, by absorbing midity of the hay, prevents tation and supported has to tation and consequent heatin

The mortality of the whole been computed by a contine cation at the following figure seven per minute, 97,700 pe 35,639,855 per annum; wi births are 56,792,000 per au

destroyed by fire, farmers i

000 per diem and 70 per m A mysterious and terribi known as the "willipus we made its as arance near Tenn. A Lamber of Stines it, and they say it is bulle belches fire. The "moonsh be doing a good be of the country.

a "gar fy" in his ear He knocked it out right until after it had depos