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### Luck and Labor.

Luck doth wait, standing idly at the gate-Wishing, wishing all the day ; And at night, without a fire, without a light And before an empty tray, Doth sadly say :

"To-morrow something may turn up; To-night on wishes I must sup."

Labor goes, plowing deep the fertile rows-Singing, singing all the day ; And at night, before the fire, beside the light,

And with a well filled tray, Doth gladly say : "To-morrow I'll turn something up; To-night on wages earned I sup.' -St. Nicholas.

# PAPA'S STRANGE GUEST.

leading on to the lawn thrown open, to night. admit the air. I was sitting at my Then I returned to bed, leaving a thief never liked; there was a look in his "Mademoiselle is busy ?" he asked.

"Yes," I replied, shortly.

"Mademoiselle has some fine jewels," of rubies.

"All of this jewelry is not mine," I answered. "Most of it belongs to my on my dressing-gown, and went to the ter, written in a bold, firm hand :

it, when I turned to my mother.

What is this business that so

hung on the back of a chair, and began letter, opened the window and shutters, to search the pockets. I had in that moment time to regard him.

I could hardly forbear a cry; for, in done, try and forget my ingratitude if this room, trying to rob my mother and you can. myself of our jewels, was Monsieur "Ex

Menton. He returned to the bureau (where I was still fumbling to find the key), and

forced one into my hand. I then pretended that I had found what I wanted, and, turning round, left the room.

I have often wondered since then why I did not raise the house, but, truth to tell, my movements on that night were quite mechanical; my faculties seemed to have given way under the unnatural tension to which they had been subjected; I felt in a sort of stupor, and hardly knew whether I was asleep or awake. I returned to my bedroom, and, looking at the key as I placed it on my dressing-

table, saw that it was that of the front It was a warm June evening, and my door of our house, which Monsieur father and mother and I were seated in Menton must have taken from my father's profound and sincere contrition for a our drawing-room, with the long doors study after we had all retired for the guilty intention. -Illustrated Weekly.

bureau, examining some of my jewelry, down-stairs ransacking the place. After which I kept there, when the door about a quarter of an hour I heard a opened, and M. Menton (a friend of my stealthy step ascend the stairs. I closed father's staying with us at the time) my eyes, and as I did so my door was entered. He was a French Canadian ; opened, and again I underwent another rather a fine-looking man, but a man I examination by the light of the lantern. Presently I heard my persecutor go black, beady eyes which, to me, was at over to the dressing-table. There was once repulsive and distrustful. He no article of jewelry there; so if that was looked curiously at me, and approached. what he wanted, he was disappointed. Soon he withdrew from my room, and descended the stairs once more." I heard My father and mother had dropped nothing more. I cannot say that I slept, asleep, so, much to my disgust, M. Men- but the heavy stupor which had been ton took up his station on a chair by my creeping over me deepened into complete it was late when I arose the following still breathing. A stretcher was impro- loncello. he remarked, presently, taking between morning, and I was informed by the his finger and thumb a handsome broach maid that my father and mother were at maid that my father and mother were at breakfast. I could not wait till I was dressed to tell my adventure, so I threw his person was found the following let-

streaked with gray.

asked.

follows:

"MY VERY DEAR FRIENDS:

"I write to say farewell to you. We

"Yes, I am a poor, despicable wretch.

You, my benefactor, remember that last

evening I asked you to help me in some

money matters, which you said you could

way, never seemed to like or trust me)

was seated at her bureau, looking at

some jewelry. An idea seized me that if

"Your daughter, in having locked her

"I did my best to conquer these

temptations, but alas! we are but weak

So at a quarter-past one this morning I

descended to the drawing-room, opened

door move, I went to see the cause, and

plished in one terrible night !

An explanation was asked, and an ex-

and hade farewell to the house where I had spent so many happy hours.

"And now that you know what I have

"Ever yours lovingly, "My dear friends, " EUGENE MENTON.

So ended the letter. Poor man! I inquired of my father if nothing could be done to trace him, and get him to return. He replied that he would do what he could. We succeeded in tracing him to New York, and there the clue was lost. We tried every means which occurred to us for discovering his whereabouts, and inserted advertisements in the New York and the Canadian papers, begging him to let us know at least that he was alive

and well; but all our endeavors were vain-we never heard of him again. We often think of him with pity and regret, for, whatever were his faults. there must have been some good in a man who was capable of feeling such

## A Victim to the Opium Habit.

The following particulars of the sui-cide of M. M. Wishard, late superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home, at the fact that a lady in Malden could Knightstown, Ind., are gleaned from the sing "The Last Rose of Summer," and

New Orleans Times : Hotel and straightway sought one of the closets, from which he emerged wounded vised and the man was borne to the hos-

PROFESSOR BELL'S TELEPHONE.

The Human Voice Carried a Hundred and Forty Miles. Professor A. Graham Bell, the inven-

tor of the telephone, comes from the staid old city of Salem. About five years ago he first began to think about the possibility of the transmission of sound by telegraph, and the idea took possession of him completely. His invention had so far taken form eighteen months ago, that with the assistance of a practical electrician, Mr. Thomas A. Watson, he began to experiment, using for the purpose a wire between Boston and Cambridge, about two miles long.

The first time the practical success of the telephone was demonstrated to the satisfaction of others was on Oct. 9, 1876. The telephone then spoke for itself, and the conversation of the operator in Cambridge could be distinctly heard at the Boston end of the line. An interesting dialogue took place, the speakers talking in their ordinary key. red on Jan. 21, was eminently gratifying in its results. Not only every word spoken in Boston, but even the tones and inflexions of the several voices were accurately transmitted and readily recognized by those at the Salem end of the

line. Other experiments demonstrated

every note could be heard in the room at With erect bearing and deliberate 5 Exeter place, Boston. The sound was movements, he entered the St. James perfectly clear, and had about the same effect as if the listener were at the rear of a concert hall, say one hundred feet to the death. He first cut his throat away from the singer. Subsequent trials with a penknife and then inserting a showed that laughter, applause or in-pair of scissors into the wound, vainly strumental music could be equally well attempted to sever the main artery to transmitted. In the case of the latter, better consummate the end, but before he not only the key could be transmitted accomplished his purpose he fell ex- but also the quality of the music. A violin could be distinguished from a vio-

The greatest distance that has been vanquished by the telephone is 143 miles -from Boston to North Conway, N. H. The most recent improvements made on the instrument do away with battermother." Soon after, tea was announced; after which meal M. Menton and my father which meal M. Menton and my father ies altogether, and premanent magnets adjourned to the latter's study, to talk up as I entered the room-looked up, for my sin. Opium is the cause of it being generated by the voice itself. This on business, and my mother and I re-turned to the drawing-room. up as I entered the room-looked up, turned to the drawing-room. for my sin. Opium is the cause of it all. Write Dr. Hannaman some one, blease, when I am gone. God only knows on business, and my mother and I re-turned to the drawing-room. I had finished putting away the jewelry in the bureau, but had not shut or locked me, when he in his turn uttered a cry of it is too late. I am expecting every mo- the instrument for private purposes. surprise and horror. My parents both ment to be arrested and taken to jail, The honor of having received the first dragged me to the chimney-piece, above where I shall never come out alive. newspaper dispatch ever sent by means of the telephone belongs to the Boston Globe. A report of a lecture by Prof. Bell in Salem was transmitted verbally to it last Monday night. This lecture was about the telephone, and in the course of the evening a series of remarkable experiments was made in the presence of the audience. Songs and brief speeches were sent from Boston, and the applause which greeted their reception in Salem was distinctly heard in Boston. Imagine sitting in a hall and hearing a man, eighteen miles away, sing "Hold the Fort." "I haven't the slightest doubt." Mr. Watson said. "that in a few months things will be so that a man can make a ecture here in Boston and be heard by an audience in any part of the country. "Do you expect that the telephone will entirely supersede the present system of telegraphing ?" I asked. "Yes, we expect it will, eventually. A company is now forming for the purpose of manufacturing and introducing the instrument. In time it can't fail to replace the old dot and line alphabet system entirely. We expect, at first, it will be used mostly on private lines and for city business. It will probably take the place of the present district telegraph companies and the like, as it will be especially convenient for that class of

FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD. front of the poles, surrounded by these coils of wire, is a diaphragm of iron. A monthpiece, whose function is to converge the sound on this diaphragm, sub-

stantially completes the arrangement. The operation of the instrument is thus described by Prof. Bell: The motion of steel or iron in front of the poles of the ter. magnet creates a current of electricity in coils surrounding the poles of the mag net, and the duration of this current of electricity coincides with the duration of the motion of the steel or iron moved or vibrated in the proximity of the magnet. When the human voice causes the diaphragm to vibrate, electrical undulations are induced in the coils around the magnets precisely similar to the undulations of the air produced by the voice. The coils are connected with the line wire, and the undulations induced in them travel through the wire, and passing through the coils of another instrument of similar construction at the other end of the line are again resolved into air indulations by the diaphragm of this un-One of the experiments, which occur- strument. The voltaic battery is entirely dispensed with. The line wire may be of any given length, provided the insu-lation is good. Prof. Bell further says that soft tones can be heard across the wires even more distinctly than loud utterances, even a whisper being audible.

# Patti, the Singer.

Adelina Patti, who is now creating something of a sensation in Europe on account of her separation from her husband, the Marquis de Caux, is now thirtysix years of age. She was born of Italian parents at Madrid in 1843 (according to her biographer). Her mother, Madame Barili Patti, was the prima donna of the Grand Theater of Madrid, and soon after Adelina's birth she removed to Milan. She had four daughters, Clotilda, Amalia (Mrs. Strakosch), Carlotta and Adelina. Strange to say, Midene Barili Patti soon after giving birth to Adelina completely lost her fine voice. Adelina came to this country with her parents when only a few years old, her father appearing in the old Chambers Street Italian Opera House with the Languirico company. At the age of nine she appcared in the provinces when Strakosch made a concert tour with Ole Bull and other artists and sang the songs made famous in apple trees, and will the tar injure the valise out of a back window by means of by Jenny Lind, Sontag, Bosio and others. It is related that Sontag predicted al-

We are told of grass in Colorado that is so short you must lather it before you The Housekeeper.

WAFFLES .- One quart of milk, one and a half quarts flour, four eggs, and salt. Beat milk and eggs together; stir

the flour in until it makes a smooth bat-COFFEE CAKE, WITHOUT EGGS .- One and one-half cupfuls cold coffee, the same of sugar, one cupful butter, half a capful molasses, a heaping teaspoonful soda, one cupful each of raisins and currants; a little citron and spices to taste; stir with flour as stiff as fruit cake.

POTATO PUFF.-Any left over mashed potatoes may be made into an excellent dish for next day's dinner. Mashed po-tato, two cupfuls; melted butter, two tablespoonfuls, work well together and add milk, one cupful, and two well beaten eggs. If the potato was not sufficiently seasoned for the table salt will be

sugar, one and a half cupfuls flour, three eggs, one-half teaspoonful soda, one teaspoonful cream tartar, a little salt; bake on round tins and split with a sharp knife. Cream-One cupful sugar, one-half cupful flour, three eggs; beat together, and stir into it one pint of

taste. PLUM PUDDING. - One pound of bread, or six large crackers pounded, one quart of milk, one large spoonful flour,

spoonful ground cloves, butter the size his hands. of er egg same quantity of suet, chopped, one pound raisins, stoned. Boil the milk and mix all the ingredients together. These puddings are served with a rich sauce and eaten warm, but are excellent cut up cold like cake. They will keep several weeks, and when they are to be used, pass a knife around the pudding, pour in a little hot water, cover close and put in the oven half an

hour before serving. Bake ia deep earther dish. How to Prevent Borers in Apple Trees. G. C. Reese desired to know of the farmers' club if tar will prevent borers

trees. ready then that Adelina would become with tarred paper from eighteen inches yelling up: "All right, I've got the the greatest songstress of the age. Her to two feet high, letting the paper fit value; let go the rope. the ground snugly, and undertaken at the age of fourteen, when mound up to the paper, will furnish both a tree borer proof and a rabbit proof. In his opinion, half of the young orchard trees are injured, if not killed, by these two pests. Care should be taken that the borers already in a tree are destroyed before the tarred paper is applied. This more. may be done by enlarging the opening of the hole and forcing the shoot of an apple after them and crushing them; a come everywhere. She was a great fav-orite of European sovereigns, and sang the member preferred the apple shoot as being elastic. This insect deposits its eggs often on the body of a tree when the bark has been injured. Washing the body with strong soapsuds was advised as excellent. Another member thought the only sure remedy for the borer is the knife. He advised cutting out the worm as soon as it is discovered that the grub is at work in the wood, and covering the denuded places with grafting wax. In regard to preventives, he alluded to the one sometimes practiced of building litentrance to the magic circle of the tle fires in the orchard at night during the early part of the summer, while the insects are mating. Seeing the light they fly into the fire and are burned. Another preventive often employed, of which the speaker approved, is tying a piece of oilcloth tightly about the trunk of the tree, drawing down one edge to the ground and covering it with earth. This prevents the insect from reaching the bark, and as soor as the season for depositing eggs is over it can be removed.

can mow. Fifty Illinois cities have increased one hundred and twenty per cent in valuation in ten years.

Items of Interest.

Mrs. Partangton says that Ike has bought a horse so spirituous that he always goes off in a decanter.

Caroline Lambert, of Omaha, lived to be a hundred years old, and was then burned to death in a kerosene accident.

Blue glass windows are recommended to cure all kinds of panes, and the lights are said to be particularly fine for the livers.

The State tax in Maine is only a third of a cent on a dollar of assessed valua-tion, or about a sixth of one per cent. on real value.

A domestic scene-"I haven't another required. Bake in a quick oven until the top is a light brown. CREAM CAKE.—Cake—One cupful of sure to agree with them."

Two young women cowhided a man in the street in Lexington, Ind., and he, lapsing from politeness, nearly killed one of his assailants with a club.

An Aurora man sent his boy down town with a pair of boots, giving him instruc-tions to have them half-soled. Shortly boiling milk; stand on the range a min- the boy returned with the one boot and ute, stirring all the while; flavor to a dime. The pair of boots were half sold.

A Baltimore inventor is ruined. He invented a kind of air cushion for women's bustles, put all his money into one teacupful sugar, one nutmeg, one their manufacture, and now a change in teaspoonful cinnamon, one-half tea- fashion has left the stock valueless on

Another warning-A Cincinnati man recently received from a plumber an exorbitant bill of \$300. He sued the plumber and recovered \$2,000 on account of the bad way in which the work was done.

A young man in Ansonia who mistook a bottle of varnish for hair oil, concluded that danging was a frivolous entertainment, and keep away from a masquerade ball. But when inquisitive friends asked why he stayed away, he told an unvarnished tale.

When a man without cash or credit attempts to leave a hotel, and lowers his A member replied that wrapping trees a rope, it makes charity seem cold to hear the voice of the landlord below,

> In Worcester, England, a farm laborer was fined \$12 and costs by a petty ses-sions court for having refused to obey the lawful commands of his employer. He had been working fourteen hours, and the "lawful request" was that he should continue and load three wagons

keeps M. Menton and papa closeted together ?" I inquired. "Some money matters, my dear," re-

turned my mother. "Is papa in any difficulty !" I inquired,

anxiously.

"No, no; but, between ourselves, Louisa, I think Monsieur Menton has some heavy bills due, which I fancy he can not pay ; but if he expects that your father can help him, he is grievously mistaken."

My mother took up a book and com- bureau. menced to read, whilst I went over to the piano and played.

In about half an hour our visitor and has been touched. Our jewelry is as safe my father entered the room, the latter as it was this time yesterday. again taking up his station on a chair by my side, as close as he possibly could. Song after song he made me sing; and, much as I would have liked to, I could not, with common civility, refuse.

It was ten o'clock when I rose from the piano and prepared to retire to my own written in pencil. room. I shut my bureau and locked it. kissed my father and mother, and bade Monsieur good night.

It was about half-past one, when I was awakened from a light sleep by hearing a stealthy footstep in the corridor outside the confession I am about to make, you my room. It approached my door; the person, whoever it might be, walking accepted your hospitality and then turned softly and cautiously, as if fearful of traitor. disturbing me. Who could it be? My first impulse was to jump out of bed and see; but I was of a timid nature, and imagined burglars and all sorts of horrible things, so I remained still, listening not do, and you know I ad asked you several times before, and you had dewith suspended breath.

Presently the handle of my door was turned. Oh, heavens! I felt paralyzed. had given me my final answer. I then of a careful study of these tablets by A man entered my room with a small dark-lantern in his hand, and, after paus- enough), and determined to steal the up several points in what was among the ing for a moment, slowly approached the money from you, if I could get it in no Romans a matter of great consequence, bed. I had just sufficient presence of other way. mind to shut my eyes and feign sleep as he bent over me. I felt that he had turned the light full on my face; his breath fanned my cheek.

My heart beat to suffocation, and I felt that if the ordeal lasted much longer, I could not control myself, and should scream or faint.

Happily, however, the next moment the light was withdrawn, and my nocturnal visitor left the room.

I heard the footsteps pass along the to get clear out of the country. corridor, and descend the stairs leading to the drawing-room. Then it flashed upon me, though I had locked my bureau in the lock; therefore, so far the way was fall between A. D. 53-62. A few are as containing my jewelry, I had not taken paved for me. away the key.

I have remarked that by nature I was timid; but, at this juncture, I felt as creatures, and I at length succumbed, ard brave as a lion, and, springing from my resolved to turn (oh! my friends, pass bed, threw on my dressing-gown and over the word as soon as possible) thief! went to the head of the stairs.

I paused. A dreadful fear came over me. All was dark, and I heard not a sound. I began to descend.

When I get opposite the door of the drawing-room, which was partially closed. I saw a dim light proceeding thence. Oh! my agony of fear lest the stairs should creak and betray me!

On reaching the door of the room, I saw to my delight that the key was in the key in the lock of her bureau. I went lock outside. But if I should not be to my overcoat, which was in the room, successful in making this villian pris- and got a key-that of the front dooroner

I shuddered at the thought. How this man had got into the house I could not herself to be the possessor of what she tell. He must be a friend of one of the wauted, and, turning round, left the

which there was a looking-glass. It was God pity the opium eater. Am almost then my turn to exclaim. When I took past going now. down my hair to brush it the night In the inside of the sheet, evidently

written while nerving himself to the desbefore, it was black as jet; now it was perate deed, was the following : Oh! that I had been wise in the day The work of years had been accomof this visitation. I have a faint hope of

forgiveness. I then began to fight it with the desperation that almost crazed planation given; after which my mother left the room, and in a few moments re- me, and when nearly well, would become turned, bringing with her the key of the discouraged and go back again. My dear family is my regret. Oh ! that I had been wise in time. No man ever

"You must have been dreaming, my love," she said; "evidently not a thing had a dearer family than I had. A better wife and children no man ever saw How cruel I have been. If through "Well, where is Monsieur Menton ?" I Jesus' blood. Although I have been a great sinner, I was so much intoxicated by opium that I thought I was a Chris-"In his room, undoubtedly," answered my father. So saying, he went from the tian, but alas, alas, when too late, I fear room, but quickly returned with a pale I find I was not. The opium habit was face, and in his hand a note, hastily contracted more than ten years ago, though not confirmed until only about eight years since. I live, of which I "Read it aloud," he said, handing it to my mother, who took it, and read as have little hope, I would cheerfully serve them. I fear my wife and little ones are dead or insane. God knows I

shall never meet again. When you read Business in Ancient Pompeii. will think yourselves well rid of one who

cannot recall my life.

One of the most interesting discoveries in recent years at Pompeii was made in 1875, when a wooden chest was brought to light, containing the business receipts of one L. Cæcilius Jucundus. The chest crumbled to dust on exposure to the air. but the tablets on which the receipts were written have at length proved to be

clined; but yesterday night you said you legible in many instances, and the result grew desperate (though to your face fair | Mommsen and others has been to clear viz.: the position of the middleman in "Earlier in the evening-before our affairs of business. There was not conversation in your study-you may re- among the Romans the same extensive member that your daughter (who, by the system of shops as with us, supplying

every possible article of necessity or luxury, and for this reason there arose innumerable occasions of private persons I could only get possession of these desiring to dispose of this or that article, jewels-for some of them were very as for instance, a surplus of agricultural costly-I could sell them at a price which produce, old carts, plows, or even old would not only pay my debts, but would and invalid slaves, as Cato recommends leave me enough besides to enable me the landowner to do. The tablets in question are dated, according to custom, by giving the names of the consuls for bureau, did not take the key, but left it the year. The greater part of the dates early as 15 and 27. Since there is no more recent date than 62, it becomes highly

probable that the tablets of Jucundus had been overwhelmed in the earlier eruption of Vesuvius. The majority of the tablets are triptychs, and are written partly with letters on wax, spread on the tablet, and partly in ink on the bare the bureau, and was about to take the wood. Among them there is only one jewels, when, hearing the handle of the which gives the amount of commission which he received, and that proves to be imagine my feelings at seeing your two per cent., whi h is known from daughter standing before me. I soon other sources to have been the general perceived, however, by the fixed look' in rate. Usually he merely says "minus her eyes that she was asleep. She began the commission." The person to whom talking disjointedly of having left the this expense fell was the buyer.

Evenings at Home.

When the evening lamps are lighted, which I had taken from your study, and says an exchange, the children now forced it into her hand. She believed gather with school books around the

business.' "Won't the receiving operators have o learn shorthand ?"

"Yes, I suppose they will. In our experiments we have generally paused after saying a sentence, so that the receiver had time to write out in long

hand.' Mr. Watson remarked that the introduction of the telephone would probably have the effect of increasing the telegraph business to such an extent that it would hasten the time when the wires would have to be laid underground instead of being strung on poles. Apropos o singing by telegraph, I asked if it would not save a good deal of expense to our American opera managers. "An American audience could hear Nilsson, Patti, or any European prima donna, without bringing them across the Atlantic," I suggested. "Just place the receiving machine in the Boston Music Hall, for instance, and let the songstress put her mouth close to the mouthpiece in Paris, London, Vienna or St. Petersburg, and the effect would be the same as if the prima donna herself were present in the flesh."

"Certainly," said Mr. Watson, smiling, "and it would be curious to observe what effect the presence of the voice and absence of the person would have on the critics. Homely singers would probably advance in public esteem, while some of the beautiful cantatrices might suffer a corresponding set-back when their voices were judged on their merits.

No trial has yet been made, however, of the transmission of 'sounds to so great a distance as across the Atlantic. Mr. Watson said that as far as they had been able to ascertain, there seemed to be a limit to the distance over which the sounds could be made to travel; but he

expressed himself as confident that in due time any given distance could be annihilated. "We have, in fact," he addmany of them the tasks assigned seem ed, "talked through a wire arranged to and employing conductors is under con- from near the old wood and at least six

great starring tour, however, was she went with Strakosch, Gottschalk and others to the West Indies, and it is mentioned that at that early age already she had an offer of marriage at Porto Rico from the richest planter of the island.

In 1859, then a girl, "not yet seventeen," she created a furore in opera in this country, and then returned to Europe where she met with a fervent welbefore no less than thirty of these. When she married the marquis she was twenty-five years old, and the bridegroom. who was equerry to Napoleon, was nearly seventeen years her senior. The Duke of Manchester and Mr. Costa gave away the bride. Napoleon and the empress used their influence to bring about the marriage, and it was through them that it was accomplished. He was of an aristocratic family, but poor as poverty itself. Patti was wealthy and ambitious, and the new union gave her an undisputed French court. No happiness could be expected to result from such a marriage. in which the wife, on the one hand, sought a title, and the husband, on the other, a fortune. She could well afford to pay 100,000 francs in order to get rid of the marquis. When she married the marquis one-third of her future earnings was to go to her personally and two-thirds were to go to the joint account of herself and the marquis after having paid their expenses, the marquis to accompany her on her musical trips.

### Counterfeit Coin.

There is a large amount of counterfeit coin in circulation, the New York Sun says, judging from the complaints of people engaged in all branches of business. The counterfeits are of all denominations, beginning with a five-cent the symptoms of cholera to move about nickel and ending with the trade dollar. circulation. Half dollars, however, are mixture of ashes, salt and lime. John one case it is reported that the dog was Only a few of the latter are in general handled by everybody, and upon these Allen, of Urbana, in reply to a question not rabid, and he appears to have been the counterfeiters have exerted their highest art. There are at present coun- among his swine by feeding meat; and great increase now noted in the freterfeits of four or five different substances when asked what sort of meat was best which closely resemble the genuine silver half dollar. The most dangerous of these is conceded to be made of glass, silvered over by some process, which makes the counterfeit similar in appearance and feeling to the government coin. Saloon keepers say that it is exceedingly difficult to detect the fraud, particularly as the ring is perfect. In an uptown barroom one was taken from a customer, and the fact that it was counterfeit pointed out to him. The barkeeper then gave him change, saying : "We get these glass half dollars in every day, and they are so good that with our customers we seldom say anything, as they pass out with- growing and attending quince trees ?"

out difficulty." The counterfeit quarters are exceedingly numerous, and are well calculated to deceive people who are not the advisability of taking out the boxes

#### A Cure For Hog Cholera.

take the hog cholera when the cars killed sity of solar light. two steers, and his hogs gorged them-

selves, and have been healthy ever since. He thinks that forcing hogs afflicted with is one of the best things for them, next for that purpose, said that "cracklings fuse meat from the smoke house, surplus fat or lean, shanks, rinds, etc. -any kind Mr. of meat will answer the purpose.' Allen added, so far as his experience went, there was no other remedy worth anything. Let those, then, who have hogs suffering with cholera, or the symptoms thereof, feed fresh meat of almost any kind, and see if it proves effective.

### Cultivation of the Quince.

"Will you be kind enough to give me some general information in regard to Reply .- If it is desired to grow quinces, the trees should be procured from a nurseryman and planted out now used to handling coin. The stage lines or else early in the spring. The ground and the street cars without conductors in which the young trees are planted suffer considerably from the abundance should be deeply dug over and manured of counterfeit coin, as passengers can with rotten stable manure. For fruit, slip bad money into the boxes in pay- the orange quince is preferred. If it is ment of fares without discovery. The desired to propagate the young plants, from the warning of evident sickness in losses in consequence are so serious that this may be done by procuring cuttings consisting of strong shoots taken off

inches long. These are put out early in the winter, or at the present time, in

A country editor received the following: "Dear Sir: I have looked carefully and patiently over your paper for months for the death of some individual I was acquainted with, but as yet not a single soul I care any thing about has dropped off; you will please to have my name erased.

He had been in the habit of making frequent calls on a very agreeable lady of his acquaintance, and, on entering her parlor one evening he said : "Well, Miss Sims, here I am again, you see, as regular as the fever and auge. "Oh, no," said she, very demurely, "that comes only every other day."

A gentleman in San Francisco; whose Chinese cook left him, was unable to retain any of the numerous "Johns" for over a day, until he induced one of them to explain that some apparently meaningless strips of red paper on the kitchen wall contained the Chinese inscription: "Boss woman long time tongue. Muchee jaw, jaw."

Gen. Pleasonton's blue glass theory is assailed by the Scientific American. His idea that electricity is generated by the passage of light through the glass is declared to be absurd. Nor have colored rays any beneficial effect on life, the re-According to the experience of Mr. verse rather being the truth, as a pure, Wiley Davis, of Illinois, a large cattle white light is best. The only good that grower, fresh meat is a preventive of can possibly come of blue glass is in its cholera. He says his hogs were about to use as a shade for decreasing the inten-

## Spitz Venom.

Two cases of hydrophobia are reported from Staten Island, and in both the to feeding flesh and providing them a victims were bitten by Spitz dogs. In as to the cholera, said he had arrested it only irritable in the other. Before the quency of these accidents it was thought that society paid sufficiently for the adare the best if you can get them, but re- vantage it derived from dogs by the deaths they caused in communicating rabies; yet that was when there were no dogs about but the old acclimated breeds, that did not go mad often, and so far as close observation could discover did not cause hydrophobia save when they had it themselves. It was bad enough that way, and certainly it is infinitely worse to have in all our streets and in many houses an animal which seems to possess a virus capable of causing hydrophobia while the animal himself is to all appearance in a normal condition. Persons who care for the lives of their little children should take notice that the number of cases reported is now large in which this dog, while himself apparently pot mad, has caused hydrophobia by his bite. They have not, therefore, in regard to this species, even that slight assurance of safety which, in regard to other dogs, is derived the animal himself. -New York Herald.

### A Short Memory.

dreary and hopeless; definitions are give an artificial resistance equal to 40,sideration. Some people have very short memories. room. servants, I conjectured. "For some moments I stood where trenches two feet deep and secured from An individual recently called at a promi-My hand was upon the key of the door. 000 ohms, which is more resistance than hard to remember ; the geography les-I heard a quick step across the apartshe had left me, looking after her, as if I when the handle, with a sharp click, beas pure and innocent as her mind, uncon-and dead, arithmetic a hopeless tangle cles to be overcome in order to transmit at the Jardin des Plantes, Paris. A are planted out in the spring in rows tin, and had an expensive bronze sent traved me. s jous of all evil or danger, I seemed to of figures, and gramma more puzzling the sound of the voice correctly to such nurse held a boy of five on the railing eighteen inches apart in the row and home and charged. The proprietor In another instant the door was opened, realize for the first time what a mean and than any possible conundrum. The lit- a distance as that. Prof. Bell and I are that he might see the animals, and acci- kept free from weeds. The proper afterment. A moment decided me. the folk need help; they need cheer and constantly at work here perfecting the dentally let him drop. The spectators culture is to train the young trees to was a bankrupt, sent him a police note to encouragement and who should be so system you see. When a favorable on all themself that the here will be the here "Contrition seized me; I recoiled with encouragement, and who should be so system, you see. When a favorable op- all thought that the bears would have The thief started back with a smothered horror from the thought of the action I ready, so willing, so able to give it as portunity offers, we shall try and have a attacked the child, but they refrained. form a well balanced head. The variety propriety of the purchase under the cirand I, with my eyes fixed wide open, guilty wretch I was. had been about to commit, and thanked Heaven it was not too late to resist the Heaven it was not too late to resist the entered the room. I dared not look at him, but walked Heaven it was not too late to resist the tion is imperfect, he will bring to the tic cables." exclamation of surprise. straight past him to the bureau, and temptation. After the lapse of a few comprehension of the lesson in hand a The wonderful little instrument of but only one man volunteered. He was fruit. straight past him to the bureau, and spoke the following words disjointedly: "I left my key here. Where can it be?" The man walked over to the other end of the room, where an overeeat was