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the character and qualifications of animals, and one of the ways of establishing confidential relations with them. woman who had explied to her for the For the first year his food consisted prin- position of cook, and who had lately casional handful of plantain leaves. A ne could not recommend the applicant; most interesting sight was to watch him that she was "extravagant, impertinent while being fed. He would sit up like a and somewhat given to drink." The lady signified, holding his food in his paws. He soon learned to take his milk from a gave the letter to the applicant for the cook's position, who intmediately brought suit for damages against the writer. spech. Grasping it near the bowl, he would hold it very gracefully until the The case was decided against the writ-

er of the letter, who was fined and admilk was all lapped out: then, with a litmonished that he had no right to give tle assistance, would return it to the cup circulation to injurious statements conto be filled, and repeat the operation until his appetite was satisfied. Then he would go into his nest, roll himself up like a corning another person, oven if the harges were true.

kitten and take a nap of several hours. With one exception he never showed his wild, savare nature during the two years of his life in confinement. In order to evade the responsibility thus introduced in French law houskeepers have taken to issuing such "recmendations" as this:

Early in the fall the dispetition to hi bernate began to show itself by his lack "This certifies that Mmo. Hortense late nurse to my son, aged one year, did not leave him on a bench at the Jardin of activity, and he remained in his nest des Plantes and go away and forget him most of the time, his sleep becoming so on the 20th of August last." profound that he could be taken from

The certificate is intended to be taken the nest without awaking. About Nov. in a contrary sense, and serves its pur-I his sleep for the winter began. He pose without laying the writer open to a was placed in the cellar, where the tem suit for damages .- Youth's Companion. perature was very even-just above the

#### A Problem.

freezing point-and here he remained without being disturbed until the mid Once there were two tramps who were ectually looking for work. In the course During all this time his body remained of their wanderings they came upon a cold, and to all out ward appearances life pile of coal in front of a palatial resiless. About the time of his awakening in March, upon visiting him and placing dence.

Said the tramp with the inferior intelmy hand on his body, I found it to be lect, "Let us engage ourselves to stow quite warm, and after rubbing him for away this fuel at a price of twenty-five a few moments he began to yawn and cents." "Nay, nay," said the tramp of superior intellect; "let me go within and stretch, but did not get upon his feet. The next day I took him into a warm room in order to watch the process of negotiate."

dle of March.

tice but little loss of fat during the long

And he did negotiate and secured the awakening, rubbing his body and legs jub at a rate of fifty cents, of which sum he gave one-half to his companion to for an hour or more. He seemed quite indifferent to my solicitade on his beperform the necessary manual labor, re-serving one-half unto himself for superhalf, but gradually swakened, opened his eyes, chattered his toeth, and gave intending operations. Whereat he of the inferior business that peculiar whicker so characteristic of a disturbed woodchuck.

ability, though he had received twice the amount of work he expected and a His efforts to stand upon his feet were for some hours ineffectual. He seemed his own tate of compensation, lifted up to have lost the use of them. Toward his voice in wrath and swore by various night, however, he seemed to regain full deities that he had been bunkoed. control of all his faculties and partook Was he right?-Indianapolis Journal. of a little milk. I was surprised to no-

What Men and Women Tell.

period of sleep. He had become ex-cessively fat before going into his win-There is one radical difference between men and women that "it may be said ter sizep, and I expected that would be absorbed during that period. His fur had become long and of a beautiful silgenerally of novelists, that men know more than they tell, and women tell inore than they know." It may be true of novelists. In real life neither tells all very gloss-so white and sliky that it Was a pleasure to stroke and pet him. he or she knows, and the difference Upon his first awakening and for a shows in what they keep. A woman tells the thing that is not

day or two he seemed to have forgotten his friends and manifested his wild navital. She will tell some one almost ture so much as to make himself very every detail of her daily life, but let her disagreeable. He ate with a voracious have a heart story, and she not only sppetite and began to grow thin. In a few days he became a mere skeleton of his former self, and for several weeks-it had no existence. A man scorns to relieve his mind of until June 1--did not begin to take on

little worries by asking for sympathy. flesh. He now displayed more activity than at my other time during the year. But let a great secret come into his life -he dies unless he tells it to some oue. The following winter his sleep was in-He will do it even when it brings him in terrupted once in two weeks. This was the shadow of death or bitterest disdone by wrapping him in warm flannels the shadow of death or bitterest dis-and placing him in a warm room. He grace.—Charles Dudley Warner in Har-partook of but little food, and during per's.

the period of two days of broken rest he seemed very uneasy. About the last of March, when he should have awakened How Greeley Learned to Read. By a singular adaptation to the changes of motion on his mother's part while to activity, he was taken sick and died pinning Horace Greeley when a youngin convulsious after a sickness of two ster acquired the unwonted quality of days. I now have him ticely mounted reading with the book in almost an position, sidewise or upside down, er . ..... ily as in the usual fashion, with at at

A Startling Telegram

in my collection, among which are several albinos, but none so perfect as my beautiful pet. - Cor. Forest and Mtream. that time thinking it anything unusual. -St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Indian Blood is Prominent.

People of Indian blood predominate in Para, Brasil, and are found in all classes, Para, Brasil, and are found in all classes, from servaits and high government officials. There ists and high government officials. There are very few Portuguese or Africans, and the descendants of both these races show s large admixture of Indian blood, -Filladelphis Ledget, Ten girls in a compositiou class were told to write a telegram such as would be suitable to zend home in case of a railway accident while traveling. One show s large admixture of Indian blood, -Filladelphis Ledget, Ten girls in a compositiou class were told to write a telegram such as would be suitable to zend home in case of a railway accident while traveling. One show s large admixture of Indian blood, -Filladelphis Ledget,

A \$300 basket usually consists of called back.

> high. The offering is tricked out with the down town side at the foot of the low ribbon. In the center of the bouquet space is left for a satin or lace box. The usual protestations of regard are written starting point. But not it was the next

on scented note paper. This is the openstation ing of the romance. Little Miss Million receives roses in January.

They are zero American Beauties. They cost in Fifth avenue \$1.50 per rose. That is eighteen dollars a dozen. Maybe she gets two dozen a day in a big blue midst of a group of sympathetic women, and gold box.

Cholly pays for these. "There are hundreds of high rollers in Gotham," says the exclusive florist, "who conquered it and walked away, wonderspend enough each season to keep a family-spend it on flowers for the giddy queen of the footlights and upon their lady loves.

"It is not uncommon to receive an order from some young dude to deliver to

his lady friend a bouquet each morning, To that question what is the true ansay for a month. He will plank down swer? The implied answer of course is \$150 with the order. For this sum we that no one reads them or that their are to send little Miss Million a bunch readers are getting yearly fewer. It of selected roses for thirty mornings. There is to be an air of romance over the gift. It is to be sent to the house promptly at 9 o'clock each morning. No note or name is to accompany it. Little they ever were before. This fact is sub-Miss Million is not to know, you know. stantiated by the copies of their works Of course he will call each night and that are sold: indeed it stares us in the see his flowers on the piano. Maybe one face at every railway book store, night he will be rewarded by seeing her Scott and Dickens, if measured by the wear one beautiful rose in her yellow unmber of their readers, are growing in

hair. 1 am sure that is worth \$150 to popularity, not declining. I should cerany young chappie." tainly say that, so far as my own ob-There is no limit to the money that servation can inform me, no two writers may be paid for foral decorations for a are more universally familiar at this moswell Gotham funeral. The late la ment than Scott and Dickens. The old mented Patrick & Gilmore's funeral was have read them; the young are reading made memorable with offerings whose them, nor need any one doubt the fact

value ran up into the thousands, but it because they are not discussed like nov-is sweet to know, however, that many elties.-W, H. Mallock in Forum. of these flowers came from the common people, who loved him so well in life. General Grant's funeral was graced,

swell florists say, with more flowers and the lip" is a very old saying, and than New York ever saw before or since. In Gotham the "floral enablem" holds an island in the Grecian archipelago.

tributes to death. In Gotham, if you are an athlete, your friends will probably remember you with a pair of "floral boxing gloves" who made from it. When the wine was at your demise. In Gotham, if you die at half past 8,

hands stopped at half past 8. In Gotham, if you die a letter carrier, your friends will probably remember as he had spoken the words Ancous reyou with a "floral lamppost and mail- ceived warning that a wild boar had box," with a letter to yourself on top of broken into his vineyard and was ruin-the box, addressed with your name and ing it. Put'ing down the wine untasted,

the legend, "At rest in heaven." In Gotham, if you die a railroad man, your friends will probably remember you with a "floral train of cars," engine and all.

and all. In Gotham, if you are connected with the Brooklyn bridge and should chance to die, your friends will probably re-member you with a "floral Brooklyn bridge," maybe nine feet long. In Gotham, if you are to die a dade or a chapple, your friends will probably remember you with a "floral swigger-ette case" baaring the words on the cover:

ette case" bearing the words on the cover: CHOLLY-GONE UP HIGHER.

The Area of the Moon.

in the coin. In the excitement of the Sing prison, has spent seventeen years on moment I forgot an errand I had at the his life among convicts and never car For the first year his food consisted prin-cipally of bread and milk, with an oc-been in the gentleman's service, said that rare size and avectors. The flavor and the service said that the service service service said the service se rare size and sweetness. The flowers are got out, went up the other side and rode been assaulted by desperate convicts, but his brawny arm and heavy stick have the gold tinted basket stand four feet There was a little mob gathered on carried him through safely.

"What was the narrowest escape you great widths of blue, gold, pink or yel- stairs. So nearly like the other mob over had?" a wondering visitor asked him was it that at first I thought I had made onco. "When a fellow jumped on me with a another mistake and gone back to my

knife as I was sitting in my office." said the keeper. "What did you do?" Well, "shiver my timbers!" as the old

salt says, if there wasn't the same boy "Sent him to the hospital when I finished," was the laconic but expressive

with the same graveyard cough, the same weep, the same old papers, and, what was more astonishing, here was the "They "They have no heart," continued this same sharp eyed, benevolent lady in the steely eyed convict driver with the square, massive jaw. "In the days

just starting a liberal subscription. when we worked them in the quarries i My first impulse was to jump in and havo seen three handred-of them break grab her and yell for the police, but I away in a body and go running down through the yard to the railway track. ing how much money there was in this Only two guards with Winchester

stood between this rushing mob and new snap of the woman and the weeper. freedom. The first three shots dropped -New York Herald. the first three convicts, and the rest Are Scott and Dickens Obsolete? turned and ran for their lives back to

Who reads Scott and Dickens now? quarters."

Among the curiosities of every prison are the famous convicts, notorious ma.. derers, fallen bank presidents, clever swindlers and romantic desperadoes of every type. The oldest prisoner is also trotted out for inspection by the specially favored; some old, white haired. pale faced man, who for twoscore years perhaps has not looked beyond the prison walls, stands blinking before the

visitors. When he left the world the civil war was unfought, France was an empire, Germany a mass of disorgan-ized states. Outside the shining river still draws its water from the purple hill, and busy life flows on, but all is dead to him. As the visitor stands in the little green courtyard at sundown and sees company after company of sickly look. ing prisopers issue from shops and storerooms and wind pround the walks like

so many huge centipeds, with the un-A Famous Expression

#### with a slop pail on his arm and a loaf of "There's many a slip twist the cup bread in his hand; as he views them disappearing into the cryptlike dining was first uttered to the king of Samos, room, whose floor is wet with the slops full sway in the matter of appropriate This king, Ancœus by name, planted a watches them filing into the tier after vineyard and treated the slaves who cultier of galleries that lead to their nar. row, stuffy little cells where the night ready and a cup of it poured out for the king he sent for the slave who had glimpse of the waiting room, where a your friends will probably remember prophesied his death, and asked him you with a grand "ficral hall clock," the what he thought of his prophecy row. prisoner stands with a look of agony in The slave replied, "There's many a of a visiting sister or mother; as he slip 'twixt the cup and the lip," and just slowly shakes off the horror and disgrace that steep the very atmosphere of

he rushed out to attack the boar and was killed.-Harper's Young People. Aunt Scinda's Four Hundred. "An old negro woman has established

a new theocracy at Grenada, Miss.," said J. H. B. Miller, of Coffeyville. "Her name is Scinda, and her followers are called 'Scinda Pand.' They number about 400. Scinda is their queen, and rules her flock with an iron rod. They use no Bibles at their meetings, for each member is supposed to know it by heart. If Scinda asks them a Biblical question

coin were secreted in the stable loft --Cassell's Journal.

An apple grown near Portersville, Cal., is reported to weight almost two pounds and measure lieves inches in tircumfetence,

hard .- New York Tribune..

A FEIT OL BIRETS.

strange than could have been their

Mr. and Miss Dancer are reputed the

The First War Correspondents In a sense Julius Casar was a war correspondent, only he did not send his "commentaries" piecemeal from the "theater of war," but indited them at his leisure in the subsequent peace time. The old Ewedish Intelligencer of the Gustavus Adolphus period was genuine war correspondence, published i deed tardily compared with our news of today, but nevertheless fresh from the scene of action, full of distinctiveness, quaint and racy beyond compare. The first modern war correspondent

professionally commissioned and paid by a newspaper was Mr. G. L. Graneisen, a well known literary man, only recently dead, who was sont to Spain by The Morning Post with the "Spanish Legion," which Sir de Lacy Evans com-manded in 1837 in the service of the queen of Spain. But this new departure was not followed up, and no English paper was represented in the great bat-tles of the first and second Punjau3 wars .- Archibald Forbes in Century.

Was Converted and Paid the Old Bet.

Ten years ago Allen Talmadge was staying in Indianapolis. He got into an argument with a man and made a bet of five dollars on the point in dispute. Mr. Talmadge proved to be wrong and paid the five dollars. Afterward they got to argning which was the longest river in the world, and Mr. Talmadge found out that his river was the longest and went to the man for his money, but he refused to pay it. Mr. Talmadge abused him for taking his money and refusing to pay when he had honestly lost it.

Mr. Talmadge moved back to Georgia, and about a week or two ago got a letter from the man asking for his address, as he had a little matter of business with him. The address was sent, and Friday a letter came inclosing a check on New York for five dellars, and saying that he had been converted and thought it tight to send the amount of the the made ten years ago .- Athens : ... Buther,

From the fiditans.

dulations of the lockstep, each man "Put your right foot foremost" is a piece of advice that has been offered to most folk, young and old, in the course of their lives. It is generally equivafrom a thousand tin coffee cups, or lent to saying, "Now's your chance; do your very best and show what you are capable of." Like a great many common phrases this expression has an old is passed under lock and key; as he origin. In the days of ancient Rome, comes through the low arched entrance when people were usually the slaves of on his way to freedom and catches a some superstition or other, it was thought to be unlucky to cross the threshold of a house with the left font is dull face beside the sob shaken form first. Consequently a boy was placed at the door of the mansion to remind vishears the great iron gate shut with a itors that they were to put their right harsh, jangling sound behind him and foot foremost. The use of the phrase in foot foremost. The use of the phrase in the wider sense soon became obvious.-Lewiston Journal. the place, he realizes as he never did be-

Dangers of Bathing in a Big River, fore that the way of the transgressor is

Few people are aware of the danger of bathing in the Missiscippi. Aside from the perils of the treacherous currents and eddies, which will draw a man unmost notorious misers of the Eighteenth der before he knows he is in any danger, century. The manner in which this there are fish in the river big enough to couple were found after death to have bite off a man's leg at one snap.-St. disposed of their wealth was even more Louis Globe-Democrat.

### The Right Man.

method of acquiring it. The total value was £20,000, which was thus disposed of Papa-Dear mo! My watch has run -£2,500 were found under a daughill; down, and I can't make it to again. Willie-Div it to mo. I'll div it to £500 in an old coat, nailed to the manger in the stable: £600 in notes were hidden cook, an she'll div it to the watchman away in an old teapot; the chimney when he tums .-- Harper's Basar. yielded £2,000, stowed in nineteen sep-

A Profession for Hitti

Fond Mother (of delicate dude)-1 think it is time Clarence selected a profession. What would you advise? Old Jent (reflectively)-He might do nicely as a typewriter girl.-New York Weekly.

they are supposed to have an answer at onco. They have their meetings every Sunday evening and they are interest-ing to observe. The congregation-men and women-are decked out in costly ribbons and bends. Their chants are as weird as the sobs and sighs of grarcyard arate crevices. Several juga filled with

-New York Herald.

