THE WOODPECKER.

All day on the oak and the elm And the hollow hickory-tree I hear the woodpecker drumming, For a drummer's ghost is he. Through miles of shadowy woodlands And acres of sunny farms He sounds the quick assembly, The stirring roll to arms.

In the gold of the early morning And late in the dusk and dew He summons the fallen soldiers His comrades brave and true. They sleep on their rusty sabres By bowlder and log and wall, While over their endless bivovao He beats the hurried call. -Minna Irving.

0000000000 $ROSA \dots$ TANNENBURG. 0000

In a great stone castle in the midst of the deep pine forests of Germany, there lived, a great many years ago, the knight of Tannenburg, and his daughter, Rosa. It was in the days when the lawless nobles of the country were constantly quarreling with one another, each burning his neighbor's grain and stealing his cattle while the owner was fighting in distant wars.

The castle of Tannenburg was like all castles of that time, strongly fortified and surrounded by high walls and a deep moat. In an upper room, one warm summer day, Rosa and her father sat together. The knight had just come home from the wars, badly wounded, and Rosa, a fair-haired girl of 17, sat by him working over her gayly colored tapestry. "Father," she said. "Tell me the

story of how you got the chain round your neck."

Rosa had heard the story a hundred times before now, but she never tired of hearing it any more than the old knight of telling it.

"When I was a page at court," began the knight, stroking his long, gray beard, "a great tournament was given in honor of a French prince who came to visit our emperor. There I saw your mother for the first time and so lovely was she that she was elected to be the queen of beanty, and was to give the prize, a golden chain, to the victor. I loved her from the moment I saw her and her beauty gave me such strength and daring that I came out first in the games, much to the chagrin of the young baron of Odenwald, who opposed me fiercely in the tourney. He was, like myself, a suitor for the hand of the queen of beauty, and when I finally won her for my bride he swore that he would have his revenge on me."

'But," interrupted Rosa, "his castle is only 15 miles from us, and he has done us no harm yet."

"Yes," answered her father, "that was many years ago, and he has now a young wife and two children, but he still hates me bitterly and ---- "

A loud clamor in the courtyard interrupted the story, and on looking out of the window to their consternation they saw the very man they were speaking of, the baron Odenwald, and his soldiers marching up to the castle doors. The knight's soldiers were still at the wars and the few old men left to guard the castle had been easily overpowered by the fierce baron.

heard the tramp of armed feet coming

together they wept over their terrible misfortunes. Then Rosa told her father all her adventures since he had been carried off, until the sound of the great bell of the castle coming dim and mufiled through the thick dungeon walls warned her that it was time to go back to the porter's wife.

Twice every day Rosa brought food to the prisoners, and thus sew her father. Escape, however, was not possible. The walls were too well guarded, and as the days slipped by the poor knight grew worse and Rosa despaired.

One morning the castle was filled with noise and busy movement. The news that the baron was to return that evening with a large company of guests flew from mouth to mouth. So excited were they all that the nursemaid forgot her precious charges, the baron's two little sons, who were playing in the courtyard, while she gossiped with the scullerymaid over the coming event.

A bright blue and yellow butterfly flew across the yard, and away went the two children after it. The butterfly settled for a moment on the edge of the bucket daugling over the welk The eldest of the children clambered up, stretched out his little hand to reach the gay plaything, lost his bal-ance and fell in. The baroness at the window saw and fainted at the sight. Men and maids rushed up, and among them Rosa. Down into the dismal depth of the well they peered and saw

country.

tons of wax annually.

the little fellow's coat had caught on a sharp stone projecting half-way down the well. Rosa saw that the coat was already beginning to tear; that there was no time to be lost, and, jumping into the bucket, told the men to let her down gently till she reached the boy. Soon the child was safe in her arms and the bucket, with its occupants, carefully brought up to the mouth of the well.

It was not many hours after that the baron of Odenwald, sitting in the great hall of the castle with his guests, heard the story of his son's narrow escape from death and of Rosa's plucky act.

"Bring the girl here!"he commanded, and Rosa was brought in, ber rough peasant dress contrasting with the gay costumes of the knights and ladies in the hall.

"Girl," said the baron, "you saved my son's life. Ask what you will of me and I will give it you.'

"Baron of Odenwald," answered Rosa, boldly, "there is one favor I will ask of you. Give up your prisoner, the knight of Tannenburg, to me." "No, no! Not that!" frowned the baron.

A murmur went around the hall from the guests-"Your word;" "your honor"-and the baron turned pale with chagrin and rage. By his order the wounded knight was brought up from the dungeon. Astonished and almost blinded by the bright light he gazed around him, whilst Rosa quietly put her hand in his.

"My daughter, what does this mean?" he said. "His daughter," murmured the

guests once more. The whole story then came out, a reconciliation was effected between the knight and the baron and the property of the former restored to

Some days later Rosa and her father sat together in an upper chamber of the castle, the knight with the glow of returning health on his face, Rosa Rosa screamed with terror. She in a pretty little silk gown and the brownberry stain completely disappeared. "Father," said Rosa, "this is a happy ending after all to the story of the golden chain." "Yes, dear," answered her father. 'I began the story, but it was my brave little daughter who brought it to this happy termination. - Chicago Record.

and is yellow winged. The variety THE PHILIPPINE BEE. found in the Philippines is even larger than that found in India, Ceylon, and is banded yellow and brown.-Wash-AMERICAN APIARISTS WANT COVington Star. ERNMENT TO DOMESTICATE THEM.

MANILA WOMEN'S CHURCHGOING. Huge Honey Gatherers That Make Combs Dress in Their Best and Take Their Big

Six Feet High - Have Never Yet Been gest Cigar. Successfully Transferred from Their When a Filipino woman goes to Native Haunts - Legends About Them. church, as she does every Sunday, rain The acquisition of the Philippine or shine, she dresses in her best and Islands has given new life to the old takes her biggest cigar. In fact, if she has far to go she takes two cigars. belief of the bee-keepers of this country that the giant honey bee of India, Her children are dressed in their clear which is known to be common in Java, clothes, and all go along behaving as Borneo, Sumatra, Luzon and Mindathey should. They keep on the shady nao, can be introduced in the subside of the street, and where there are crossings and only the shadow of the tropical regions of the United States. For several weeks letter and telephone wires the mother raises her petitions have been coming to the parasol, which is about the size of a secretary of agriculture asking him to good umbrella.

The typical Filipino woman takes secure East Indian queen bees from great pride in her hair. In fact she Manila and make the effort to domesspends a great deal of her time in ticate the species here. Precedent for this course is found in the fact that combing and washing it. When she dresses for any occasion she lets herthe Italian bee was in this way brought to the United States by Comhair fall down her back, and it genermissioner Halloway in 1860, thereby ally reaches to her waist. So it is on Sunday as she shuffles away to mass, adding vastly to the resources of the Her brown shoulders are bare and her The East Indian bee, known scien-Eton-like jacket seems about to fall tifically as apis dorsata, has never yet off over one arm or the other-but it been successfully transferred from its is not quite big enough for that, Under this jacket she wears a lace native haunts to any part of Europe, and the natives stoutly maintain that bodice, usually of ecru colored linen and very well laundered. Her skirt it cannot be done. As a rule they are very much afraid of it and do not care is of linen material, or, if she can afto molest it unless they can find a colford it, of silk, but always either black or brown. One side of the botony at a disadvantage and attack it in such a way as to compass the death tom of the skirt is caught up under of the bees. The product of the big her belt and this takes up its fullness. Indian bee that is most desired is not Now if she is very well to do she pt

honey, but the wax, which enters so on stockings, but that is not neceslargely into the processes of dyeing sary. Her toes are shoved into a pair cotton cloth in the Orient. The wax of heelless slippers with wooden sides. is used to cover the cloth where the Her children are dressed as she is if color is to be stopped out, very much they are girls. If a boy is trotting as it is used for engraving on steel along at her side he wears a pair of with acid. Where there is no wax white trousers coming well down on the dye sets, and where there is the ankles and his feet are stuffed inwax the original white remains. As to a pair of slippers. Over his shoulthere are millions upon millions of ders and faling down like a Chinanatives there is a large demand for man's is a gauze shirt, plain or covthe services of the apis dorSata, and ered with spangles, according to the for his wax alone he is hunted everyfinancial standing of his father or the where throughout the East. Over and pride of his mother.

So they go down the street, the above the home consumption, the Philippines export from ten to twenty children hand in hand. Ahead of them the mother is scuttling along, The only attempt by an American puffing at a large cigar, the ashes of to bring these giant bees to this counwhich she flicks off from time to time try was made in 1881 by Mr. Frank with all the skill of one to the manner Benton, now the apiarist of the agriborn. If by any chance she has to relight the weed she carries matches in cultural department, who spent fourteeu years in studying the bees of Cythe pocket of her dress for that pur pose, and she is successful in the art prns, Carniola, Syria and the East.

He made a journey at his own exof making matches burn in the stiffest pense as far as Borneo, studying the wind. native bees wherever he went. He At the church door she pauses to found the big bees in Ceylon and dechat with one of her neighbors and perhaps to gossip a bit. If she is on cided to try to take several colonies the way out she lights her cigar, looks of them back to his apiary at Bairut, at the fire end of it to see if the "light" Syria. Far up in the mountains, with the aid of several natives, he found a | is good and then turns to do her talking. And she can talk when the ocnumber of the huge combs hanging casion demands. The language seems from a tall cliff, a place which the bees to be fitted to rapid work and the way had evidently sought to keep out of reach of wax hunters. The natives it slides out by the side of the cigar demonstrates a thorough understandwere not very successful in getting ing of the mother tongue. When her the bees. Their way of doing it was to let a man down over the cliff by a gossiping is done she hoists her parasol rope, who by fighting the bees with a and walks out into the sun. No mattorch finally managed to slip a bag ter how rapid her talk was back there over the pendant comb and so secure in the cool arches of the church, her pace is never fast down the street. a mass of badly mashed comb, honey She passes with a majestic sweep the and bees. As these combs were some women who are coming along with of them over six feet long and from three to four feet wide, the sack baskets on their heads and smoking cigarettes. Perhaps the peddler wommethod did not prove effective, and Mr. Benton decided to do the job an has her hair done up in a knot and himself. He rigged two scaffolds, is otherwise beneath notice, but if the such as painters use, and let them well-dressed woman happens to need down under the combs. On these he a "light" she asks for it with some

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Is a Tower of Strength Abroad." In achieved another distinction. Prolific Lowell, Mass., where Hood's Sarsapain natural wonders as that region of rilla is made, it still has a larger sale than the country is, they are mostly of the all other blood purifiers. Its fame and mammoth sort, consisting of mouncures and sales have spread abroad, and it tains, cascades of wonderful and maris universally recognized as the best blood vellous rock formations, not to mention deserts far below sea level, wastes medicine money can buy. Remember Hood's Sarsaparilla of sand, and intolerable heat. The community that has thus sprung into

prominence is Whittier, a little city of the valley enclosed by the Slerra Madre Mountains, and about ten miles from Los Angeles. Geologists have de-

termined that the city is located over the oil strata, a continuance of that Expert Hayne Says the Agricultural which flows so prolifically in Los Angeles. Several oil wells have been The Agricultural Department, Washsunk, and indications of oil to be found ington, has received from Manila an at a depth of from three hundred to interesting report by Lieutenant A. P. four hundred feet were so encouraging Hayne, of the California Heavy Artilas to stimulate a number of landed lery, on agriculture in the Philippines. proprietors in following suit. Among Lieutenant Hayne, who was a proothers was Rancher Meyers, who owns fessor at the University of California a farm at Santa Fe Springs, a suburb when he entered the volunteer service, of Whittier. Meyers's well up to May had not been able to make prsonal ob-10th had reached a point five hundred servations beyond the American lines, feet below the surface, and at most of but he transmits the translation of an the distance had been lined with a article prepared for him by Senor ten-inch iron pipe. A drill weighing Manuel Del Busto, chief of the agricultwo hundred pounds was employed in tural experiment station in Manifa. boring. Suddenly, on the morning of The most remarkable feature of the that date, a rushing, roaring sound was report is the almost hopeless picture heard, followed, to the infinite amaze-

presented of the conditions prevailing ment of the party of workmen standing by, with the ejection of the drill, The great fertility of the soil is pointaccompanied by an awful explosion of ed out, and it is said that only in a muddy water, mingled with stones and few restricted areas where three crops hot sulphurous gas. The force disa year have been gathered without inplayed was tremendous. The derick terruption for several centuries, is was instantly shattered, and the colthere any apparent need of fertilizers. umn of water soon rose to an altitude In spite of all this, all attempts at of five hundred feet, falling in cascades colonization have failed, either through and forming a spectacle of superlative the poor class of emigrants secured, the splendor. financial instability of the various

At this height the well continued to companies, or the corruption and opflow for five days, and the flood of pression of the Governors and Governwater was so great that it was with ment Agents. The result is that the difficulty prevented from covering the middle and lower classes in the islentire ranch. The gas easily ignited, ands are almost of the worst possible and burned with a bright blue flame. Thousands of people witnessed this re-

In addition to this primary difficulty markable exhibitition of subterranean in securing reliable labor, the agriculforces, and regarded the sight as the turist is confronted at the start with most wonderful spectacle they ever bethe necessity for an immense amount held. After continuing for some days, of work in clearing new land. When the eruption gradually decreased, and this is accomplished and a luxuriant has since subsided into an ordinary crop is raised, it is at the mercy of the flowing well, but of uncommon volue.

During the period of its most extreme Besides the typhoon, there is to be activity the well presented such a refeared in certain provinces the "dagumarkable sight that visitors thronged and destroys vegetation. Diseases, so from miles around to witness the do," or dry land wind which dries up strange spectacle .- Collier's Weekly. far hardly known to European doctors, result from the turning up of the vir-

A Dog Lives With Foxes. gin soil. According to competent medi-Cascade township, Lycoming County, cal authority many of these strange disorders cause death within a few hours, while by others, even if the patient recovers, he is condemned to loney, a farmer of the township, had move his catch. Finally Mr. Drew got Another of the great difficulties in the way of agricultural development is the utter lack of roads and shipping points. The native Filipino is unable to do any large amount of work and cares to do less. He is indolent and thieves, and four or five foxes were ly up to all the tricks known to the given to gambling. All these vices killed. have to be taken into account in any

Instead of doing that Mr. Maloney awhile, Mr. Drew brought him up undertaking where labor is employed. put a six-month-old pup in a kennel alongside the boat. The lack of credit is another serious near the chicken-coop. He thought the has assumed the slyness of a fox, and

Exceptions.

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Still More Counterfeiting. The Secret Service has just unearthed another band of counterfeiters, and secured a large quantity of bogus bills, which are a cleverly executed that the average person cleverly executed that the average person cleverly executed that the average person would never suspect them of being spurious. Things of great value are always selected for imitation, notably Hostetter's Stomach Bit-ters, which has many imitators but no equals for disorders like indigestion, dyapepsia con-stipation, nervousness and general debility. Always go to reliable druggists who have the reputation of giving what you ask for.

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Ran Away With the Net. George A. Drew of Lewiston, Me., is confident that the largest fish in the lake is somewhere near Bemis. Mr. Drew was fishing off the wharf at has a dog that was stolen by foxes and Bemis the other day, when he had a which now lives in the woods with the good-sized strike. He tried to play the sly animals that stole it. N. J. Ma- fish for a while, but was unable t

"After I was induced to try had several chickens stolen by foxes. the fish to the top of the water and "After I was induced to try CASCA-RETS, I will nover be without them in the house. By liver was in a very bad shape, and my head achest and I had stomach trouble. Now, since tak-ing Cascarets, I feel face. My wife has also used them with beneficial results for sour stomach." JOS. ERFILLING, B21 Congress St., St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Maloney was not the only person found that it was a monster. The fish who missed some of his chickens. could not be taken from the wharf, ,so There were others. Some of his neigh- the guide got a boat and the two fisherbors waited with shotguns for the men went out. The trout was evident-

finuy tribe, for after playing him for

The guide reahed out with the landhandicap to enterprise. The minimum dog would frighten the foxes away; ing net, and had the smallest part of cost of money in the Philippines, re- but he was mistaken. The first night the trout in it, when the fish gave a gardless of security, is twelve per cent. that the pup was put on guard the lunge and took the net from the pole. At present the Filipinos are cursed by foxes made a raid, and, besides one or He is now swimming in Rangeley Lake a well organized body of the worst sort two chickens, stole the deg. It was with a landing net for a muzzle. Mr thought that the foxes had killed the Drew declares that over fifteen inches dog; but several nights ago the dog of the fish protruded from the net afsteadily falling, as the production re- was seen going along the edge of the ter the smallest part had been raised mountains with two foxes. The dog from the water .- New York Press.



[LETTER TO MRS. PINEHAM NO.

- "I had female

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"Five bottles of

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cured me and it has

been a year since I had

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up the stairs. In came the haughty baron of Odenwald and ordered his men to bind and carry off the wounded and helpless knight of Tannenburg. In vain were Rosa's tears and prayers. The unfortunate knight was hurried off, Rosa turned out of the castle, which was looted, and then locked up, and the poor girl left weeping and disconsolate.

All night she wandered through the dark pine forest till she came to a charcoal-burner's hut, where she was taken in and kindly treated. Days passed by and Rosa longed to see her father once more, and perhaps help him to escape. Accordingly, one day she stained her face with brownberry juice, changed her own pretty dress for a peasant's coarse cotton gown, and with a large basket of mushrooms on her arm, started off for the castle of Odenwald.

The sentinel, seeing only a harmless little peasant girl, let her pass over the drawbridge and through the castle gates. She walked up to the porter's lodge, where the porter's wife stood in the doorway scolding her children. The baron of Odenwald was extremely fond of mushrooms, and the basketful was soon bought and paid for by the porter's wife.

"Will you not stay with me and help me look after the children and cook the food for the prisoners?" she asked after a few moments' chat with Rosa. "I need a young, strong girl like you and I will give you a new dress every year if you will stay."

Rosa accepted this offer eagerly, and her duties, none too light, began that very day. She had to light the fire in the morning, dress the children, help the porter's wife cook the most unsavory soup for the prisoners of the castle and do many other things. One day the porter came to his wife and told her that he was obliged to go away with the baron for some days and that she would have to take the prisoners' food to them, besides cook-

ing it. "No, indeed," replied his wife, promptly, "there are murderers and thieves in those cells and I will not go near them."

"Let me go," begged Rosa, "I will do it for you."

"Very well," said the porter, rather surprised at her request, "come with me and I will show you how to unlock the doors.'

Together they went down a winding flight of stone steps, opened a door heavily bolted and barred and down a long, dark corridor, dimly lightly by the porter's lantern. On one side were small stone cells behind whose iron gratin . s wild, cruel faces gleamed in the light of the passing lantern. Hideous oaths and fearful laughter followed them, and Rosa shrank, frightened, to the porter's side.

'Do you fear them," he said, "they cannot possibly escape. This man, however, is good and gentle, and you can go right into his cell." He stopped in front of one of the gratings and held up his lantern. Rosa's heart beat fast and loud. There, on a wretched heap of straw, lay her father, asleep, pale and emaciated. She longed to call to him, but remembered she must be silent before the porter, and they left him sleeping and walked back through the long corridor, bolting the heavy door behind them.

The next day Rosa took into the prison the bowls of unappetizing soup, pushed one under every grating and finally came to her father's cell. Unlocking his door she rushed in and knelt by the sick man's side. "Father! father!" she cried. "Rosa!" exclaimed dress. He took her in his arms and | Companion.

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

Ability is a poor man's wealth. - M. Wren. Avarice is the vice of declining years.

-Bancroft. Candor is the brightest gam of criticism. - Disraeli.

We enjoy thoroughly only the pleasure that we give. -Dumas. Borneo, and could not give the bees Advice is seldom welcome. Those

who need it most, like it least. -Johnsou. Accuracy is the twin brother of honsty; inacuracy of dishonesty.-Sim-

mons.

bec is reasonably docile and can be Title and ancestry render a good kept in a hive and handled just as man more illustrious, but an ill one Italians are. more contemptible.-Addison.

Affectation lights a candle to our defects, and though it may gratify ourselves, it disgusts all others. - Lavater. The shortest and surest way to live with honor in the world, is to be in reality what we would appear to be .--Socrates.

Few persons have sufficient wisdom to prefer censure, which is useful, to praise which deceives them.-Rochefoncauld.

In activity we must find our joy as well as glory; and labor, like everything else that is good, is its own reward.-E. P. Whipple.

This is a maxim of unfailing truth, that nobody ever pries into another man's concerns but with a design to do, or to be able to do him a mischief. -South.

Call on a business man only at business times, and on business; transact your business and go about your business, in order to give him time to finish his business. - Wellington.

Oddities in Umbrellas.

Many curious umbrellas are made. One I have seen can be taken apart and put in one's pocket. The stick is of wood about an inch in diameter. The cover can be turned inside out, and folded into a small bundle. By touching a spring the ribs come off. straighten out and may be placed in the hollow of the stick, which is then a presentable walking-stick. It is found very convenient by its owner. who is a drummer. Another is still more ingenious. The handle is curved, and when a spring is pressed a pipe

flies out. The ribs are stowed away in the centre, and the owner has a walking stick, but in the centre there is also a rapier, which may be drawn out. Another neat invention is a hollow stick which contains a camp-chair. Three steel supports are pressed out of the top of the stick, a triangular piece of canvas put on, and a seat is had which is at least as comfortable as a bicycle saddle. All of these strange umbrellas come from the Old World. The umbrella-makers say that Europeans take much more pride in their umbrellas than do people of

this country. Many little jokes are concealed in the umbrella handles there. A handle may present the appearance of the head of a monkey or a cut or some other animal, and a secret spring will cause the little creature to open its mouth and spurt a the knight, recognizing his daughter | drop of cologne on the beholder .in spite of the brown stain and rough John Gilmer Speed in Woman's Home

laced two big boxes. At night he hauteur and gets it with plenty o had his force of natives let him down comradeship.

When this woman reaches home it by a rope, and swinging there a hunis supposed she goes about her housedred feet from the rocks below and in bold duties and gets dinner, into constant danger of a general attack from the bees, he succeeded in shakwhich she puts an extra amount of ing the bees into one of the boxes, cocoanut oil. But later in the afternoon she takes her place on what does also catching the queen, and then putduty for a veranda and there she ting the comb into the other. In this smokes and chats with her neighbors way he secured four colonies and caror scolds her children.-Harry A. ried them through the week's journey to Syria. But one colony was alive Armstrong, in Chicago Record. when he got there. This was much

A Novel Bievele Railway.

enfeebled by the hot weather and the confinement on the steamer, and when "The greatest novelty in the way of it was allowed a flight for exercise, a bicycle railway," observed an offias was absolutely necessary to keep it cial of the naval observatory, "runs between Smithfield and Mount Holly, alive, it scattered and was lost. During the trip Mr. Benton was pros-N. J., a distance of about three miles trated by jungle fever caught while in The fare for the ride is five cents, but each passenger has to work his own transportation. It is simply a onethe care that might have brought them through alive, and so produced a plant track road, about the height of the from which queens could have been second rail in the ordinary country produced and sent to the United fence. Indeed, it seems as if one was States. The experience was enough riding on the top of a fence. Tremendous bursts of speed cannot be to satisfy Mr. Benton that the giant made on it for the reason that it is quite dangerous to go as fast as you can, for there are breaks in the rail at

For centuries the Indian bee has a half dozen places, or at least places where there would be breaks if the been the subject of a good many large gates were not closed. There or four stories. Some travelers have said that it was so ferocious that it could not be country roads cross the rail at differhived. Others have claimed that it ent points. The bicycle used is of built its comb horizontally, while special build, and besides having the others said that the insect was an inwheel which takes the rail, has two corrigible nomad and bound to wansmaller ones below, which run along der every year, so that it could never on either side of the lower rail of the fence, thus keeping the bicycle on the be kept in an apiary. It is true that fence rail. There is but one track. they love the wilderness and build their combs on high tsees, choosing and when parties meet one has to get off and take his machine from the rail long, outstretching limbs from which to hang their long, single-tiered comb. so as to let the other pass. Notwithstanding this and other peculiarities They will also fight when molested by the wax hunter, whose usual method of the road, it pays, and in summer time pays handsomely. Besides three miles of country, a wide river and is to hold a torch under the comb and smoke out the bees, which fly about in great consternation and soon fall three large streams are traversed, via within the flame. Their wings are a single-rail bridge."-Washington

> Star. Making Coffee in Cuba.

thus burned off and they fall to the

ground to perish. . With a club the

our troops in the Philippines there

must be a few bee men who, under

the direction of the department, could

undertake the job of capturing queens

thousands of dead bees.

tion here.

hunter knocks down the coveted comb "The American people not only eat and gets away, leaving behind him and drink too fast," said an experienced world-trotter the other day, The giant bees, Mr. Benton says, "but they also prepare what they eat are splendid honey gatherers, and he and drink with too much hurry to do had no difficulty in handling them it properly. An admirable lesson without the use of smoke. The excould be learned from the Cubans that pectation is that these bees would get would lessen one national evil of ours nectar from a large variety of honeyvery materially. I refer to the makproducing plants that our native and ing of coffee, or rather the preparation Italian bees cannot forage upon beof coffee before being made. We buy cause of their smaller size. It is also our coffee roasted, and, frequently, not improbable that the apis dorsata both roasted and ground, in bulk, and would be of use to pollenize the large its essence is constantly escaping and blossoms of the red, alsike, buffalo diminishing its potency for future and mammoth clovers, and in this way strength. The Cubans never buy take up the work of our old friend their coffee except in the raw state, the bumble bec, who in the last few and the grains are roasted only a very years seems not to be as numerous short while before the coffee is to be and efficient as he once was. The fact. made. After being roasted, it is moreover, that the Indian bee is a ground or beaten into particles about very active wax gatherer adds to the as small as what we call ground coffee. likelihood of profit in his domestica-Then the Cubans roast this again thoroughly. After this second ronst-The method by which the big bee ing the particles are virtually pulveris to be brought over here has not yet ized. The coffee then made by the been decided upon. It is believed Cubans is the finest in the world. It that among all the many thousands of takes more time and trouble perhaps,

> ington Star. In Peril From Bres and Microbes.

but the delicious result would be

worth thrice as much of both.-Wash-

or entire colonies and sending them to this country. There would be little Bees sting the person who is afraid difficulty in sending the queens over, of them. They buzz harmlessly and cheerfully about one who feels neither but the colonies would take more care and some expense. They could fear nor anger in their presence. Probably fear and anger make the inbe sent across the Facific to southern sensible perspiration of the person in California, or they could come by way of Europe to be dymiciled in Florida. some way obnoxious to the bees. This may be an indication that fear and Compared with Italians, the Indian oces are about one-third larger. The anger predisposes one to the attacks meen is fully an inch long. The of microbes, at least by removing some drones are as large as our bumbleprotection which good-naturo and bee, but rather slender and wasplike. courage give.-Boston Christian Reg-The greatEastIndian bee is not banded | ister.

Lieutenant Havne, in transmitting this interesting document, states he can run nearly as fast as the fores. Mr. Maloney is anxious to get his dog would strongly recommend special quarantine measures against Philip- back, and has set a trap for it .- New pine plants, as there exists an immense York Press. number of very injurious parasites in

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have been insured now if you hadn't put me up to it.' "'But I never told you that wouldn't burn down if you had it insured.' "Yes, you did, too,' she insisted, 'for what is the good of insuring a house if

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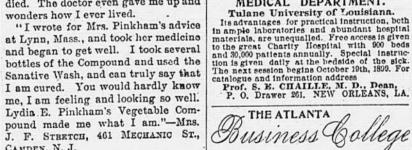
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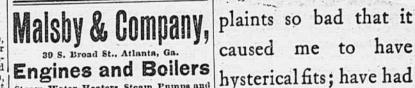
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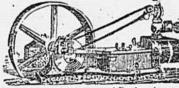
Where Royalty Ran Wild.

The czar was taught English, which he speaks without any accent, by a Mr. Heath, a gentleman who was very fond of boxing. An interesting picture is given by a French writer of the early life of the young ruler of the Russians. Nicholas and his brothers were brought up with very little ceremony, though they were well educated, particularly in religious matters. But their Sundays were not passed in a fashion which the old Puritans would have approved of, for on that partleular day they entertained at dinner their boy and girl friends, and very lively these banquets were. The manners at the table of the future czar and his brothers and friends remind one rather of the days of Peter the Great, and the way in which that monarch "carried on," for we are told that "there was no end to the tricks the hosts and their small guests played. From end to end of the table there used to be continuous firing of bread pellets, which were perpetually striking princely uoses or landing in royal mouths."-Chicago Times-Herald.

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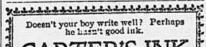
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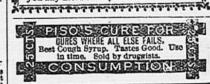


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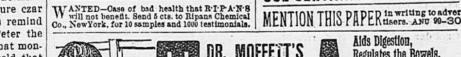


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