nodded significantly to Tomaso. The latter raised his eyebrows perceptibly and smiled his thanks for the warning. It was evident that the duelist had arrived. "I was at your hotel," he said, raising his hat amiably, "but you had out gone; and so I come here." The gambler pulled my sleeve and told me in a hearse whisper to wake up, but the suggestion was not needed, for I saw by the movement in the trowd that we "Haw!" said the Englishman, fixing his glass in his eye and beaming through it upon the young Cuban, "I'm shuah we're always glad to see you—indeed, we—ah—we are vawally indebed to you already for so many agreeable attentions"—"Indeed," said the Cuban, with a deprecatory wave of the hand, "it is I' that am complimented by meeting men of the woold." were in for the row at last. A crowd of coun men and loungers surged in on the floor, and with them was the hero of the hour, with his face whiter than ever and his hig eyes rolling from face to face. The Englishman had evidently been thinking deeply and he was very much perturbed. As the little group of rounders pushed their way on the floor he arose and leaned over the young Cuban with a more fatherly aft than I had ever seen him exhibit before

The gambler nodded to him sagely, and patted his shoulder with a thin, white hand, on which glittered a diamond as hig as an acorn. Having passed creditably through the complimentary stage of the conversation—an absolute necessity in the ics—we wandered over to the big vre case. Here the Cuban told us of nasked ball that was on that night. As as we could make out it was a sort near as we could make out it was a sort of half way respectable dance, where one might expect to meet almost anything. There was always more or less mystery in our talk, as the Cuban spoke very little English. He, however, knew some German—the gambler knew the tongue well—and was admirable in French. The British nobleman's knowledge of the language of the merry Gaul was on the same exemptic scale as my cwn, and we all knew. entric scale as my own, and we all knew.

a little Spanish. The talk was commonly, therefore, a touching mixture of French, Spanish, German and English.

"And I rawther like it, too, d'ye know!" the Englishman remarked that night. "I—ah—nevah really understand what people are talking about in my own tungue, and I'm quite ahunh no one has the alightest idea what—ah—what I happen to be prating about, though we all keep up such a tremendous seeming, you know. This way it doesn't make"—

There was a sudden movement in the crowd, a chair was overturned and fell but Hearned the reason from one of them as we walked along. He said that as Tomaso had deliberately chosen foreigners, meaning us, for his associates in the trouble, they thought it would only be courtesy to respect his wishes, but that they all held themselves at his services at any time. This I was told to communicate to him by the speaker, whose good breeding apparently prevented him from approaching Tomaso himself. We moved down the broad flight of states and into the open crowd, a chair was overturned and fell with a crash on the floor, and the Cuban at our table sprang to his feet and glared savagely at a sallow faced man who stood savegely at a sallow faced man who stood twenty feet away with his blaxing eyes fixed on the Cuban's face. Neither man moved. The space between them was cleared instantly, and every man in the room was on his feet except the nobleman, the gambler and myself.

"There's goin' t' be shootin', "muttered he Chicago man softly

"Tooks that way," said the Englishman lacontcally, as he turned his hand-some and imperturbable face more toward the stranger. When the Cuban jumped the stranger. the stranger. When the Cuban jumped to his feet his hand fell mechanically on my shoulder, and his grip tightened as ha stared at his foe till I thought his nalls would bore through my coat. Thus he stood for awhile, and then the statuesque went the room was surrounded by it was a fractioner. The state of the wait-nis cent and lighted a cigarette, the wait-ers moved alertly about and I rubbed my

'Well, we'll just g' over with you t' your house till you get in shape, see! I don't know much, you unerstan', but I men take care o' themselves, an' I know th' look of a man that'H shoot. If that white livered snipe gets the drop on you, "Good," said the boy—he was but 21— T will go arm myself, but I go alone— lies I seem coward. Will join you here

oler watched him closely. Then the ghted a cigar nervously, moved his big

on't you think I had better go with Memodded again and he slid out of the door and moved hurriedly across to the park in the direction taken by the young chean. The Englishman pulled himself together and told me of the trouble hetween our Cuban triend and the sailow faced man who had glared ab him in such

jesting him, turned to me and raised his bat with a meaning smile. I suddenly discovered that I had been selected as a second in a duel. The tall Spaniard bowed and we approached each other while the crowd fell back and the gambler hurried "That chap," said the lord, with a nod Tomaso off toward the entrance. They drove to our hotel and the Spaniard, his brother, the Englishman and myself went out on the Prada, stepped into a carriage and drove rapidly down to an all night man had stood, "is one of the best swords-men in Havana. He is the head of a fan-ily that's very well known here, and he's fought a number of duels both in Paris, Madrid and at home. He has a surly dis-position, but his skill with the pistol and club—which was the only one open at that hour—where we arranged the prefoil has made him more or less famous, and he is a good deal of a local hero. He was to be 7 o'clock that same morning at a quiet place on the beach two miles from the cemetery. The Spaniard agreed to bring a surgeon, which made three spec-tators on each side, not including the principals. The Spaniards were courteous and decedingly polite in making all the se than five hours' standing. They were playing ecarte after breakfast to-day; there was some dispute, and the boy here threw the cards in the duelist's face. Theory of it all in the clubs this afterarrangements, and the whole matter was settled within ten minutes. We parted to m while you were asleep. Several of maso's friends have tried to get him meet again within four hours.

The Englishman and I drove back to the away, but the boy has the right spirit, and he's a good deal more of an Anglo-Saxon than most of the people here. I rather think that is the reason that he where we discovered the man from Chi-cago still amoking and leaning against the railings ontside of his room. He looked at us and then said:

followed us to the park to night, and it, was certainly the reason that I was glad to see him when he told me so. His countrymen are very excitable, and he is gifted with a good deal of coolness. I suppose he findans the same way. I cannot say that I am particularly gratified with the turn affairs have taken, though, for I rather thought that one of the three of us was booked when that big eyed fire eater crowl claring at us?

there is an element of uncertainty, not to say unensiness, about it when you find yourself in the situation of lying around town in a strange country near midnight with a companion for whom somebody is

time that the affair was no longer a farce. earching with murderous intent.
Presently Temaso returned, but before o'clock, by which time we had succeeded he entered the louvre the gambler slipped in ahead of him, and I doubt if he knows in finding a fencing master, and then we it to this day that he had a vigilant, sharp round to the gymnast's apartments in Acquila street. We had discovered that eyed and cool headed guard in his lonely eyed and cool headed guard in his lonely walk through the park that night and back again to the crowded cafe. The gambler moved his chair against the wall, crossed his legs, lighted another of his innumerable cigars, and all three of us chatted in a desultory way, while Tomaso moved from table to table, nodding to this friend and shaking, hands with that as he approached. News of the trouble had apparently got abroad, for the cafe Tomaso had never held a foil in his hand. He was taught two things—how to thrust and how to parry. For an hour he exer-cised there, and then we all drank coffee, took two backs and drove out on the sea

road. I have never seen a more thoroughly self contained and well balanced man in my life than the young Cuban, who sat by my side smoking cigarettes in had apparently got abroad, for the cafe was crowded and every eye was fixed on There was a gantle breeze blowing in from the sea, over which the sun's rays and the few laborers we passed nodded and smiled with the conventional cour-

about town, clubman, yachtsman, and dandy. His shoes were russet leather with high heels and tied with tiny bits of blue ribbon, affording a glimpse of silken hose. His coat, waistcoat and trousers were white fiannel, cut by a Parisian tailor and almost molded to his alim figure, in gold worked in the top of the crown, was pushed lack on the top of his head. He wore the snowiest of linens, and the general whiteness of his attire was relieved by a brilliant scarlet scarf in which enamel. He wore several showy rings.
There was something that relieved his appearance of all suggestions of effectively, and I think it was the steady gaze of his eyes. His face was clean cut and regular, the mouth firm and the expression very winning when he chose to smile. He was the only son of a rich widow, had the entree to the best houses in Havana, and was more of a favorite among men. f

"It is beyond 12 o'clock, and so we go duelist straight down to the neck. Then to the balk" When we got to the Tacon theatre, blade of his sword clasped in his left hand staring at his astounded foe. It was the where the masked ball was going on, the floor was crowded by men and women in quickest thing I ever saw. The wound carnival attire danting a turious and sug-gestive Cuban Waltz. We went in the box immediately over the governor genwas a disfiguring one, but by no means dangerous. The presence of blood satisfied the honor that had been so violently outraged that night. There was a conbox immediately over the governor gen-eral's, in the second tier. In an instant head in the room was turned toventional hand shaking and a moment later we were rolling back to town. I don't think we had been out of the car-There was nothing new about the ball. riage six minutes. The amazement of the duelist was so complete that I doubt if he realizes to this day what had occurred, It was the same old series of wriggles and contortions which invariably characterize the Cuban dance, and which make it in its vulgar form the grossest of known public amusements. We had all been up late the night before, and I am afraid I and the bilarity of the three Anglo-Saxons who had made up the party of the young Cuban extended far into the following was rather sleepy. At all events, I dozed off a bit at the back of the box, while the saved him, for no man with a knowledge of fencing would have exposed himself as strummed away monotonously. The others talked and watched the crowd. he did in that furious onslaught.—Blakely Hall in New York World. It must have been nearly 2 o'clock, when a young yachtsman pulled open the door of the box, stuck a half scared face in and

boy," he said, with a half sullen and half husky voice. "I feel like a criminal. I

ought to have spanked you and put you to bed three hours ago. The trouble is that

the duel is such a recognized institution in these countries than an outsider can

never interfere, but it is a pity that you have to get into any sort of a scrimmage

with that white faced cut down there on

tendency to shirk I would be cut by every friend and relative on the island."

but I learned the reason from one of them as

broad flight of stairs and into the open court adjoining the Tacon theatre. At the same moment the other party hurried tumultuously out of the further door, and we heard occasional slurs and gibes leveled

at Americans and Englishmen, including four or five imitations of how we spoke Spanish. The imitations were so deftly and cleverly made that both the English-man and I grinned, but the gambler and

Tomaso were apparently quite unconscious of the fusilade of remarks that were leveled

for more of a row than we had at first

for more of a row than we had at first supposed. We were walking directly toward the growd, and in the front rank stood the diellist, with a sort of stage smile on his this lips, and his eyes fixed directly on the alim boy who was walking by the gambler's side.

I had rather have had that famous Chi-

cago faro dealer and gambler for a guard at that moment than a regiment of the car's imperial guards. There was some-thing about his immovable face and the

protecting manner in which he hovered about the boy that caused even the hot blooded and half tipsy crowd that we

were approaching to moderate their voices.

crowd, when Tomaso, without a word of

warning to us or any one else, sprang forward like a cat directly into the crowd, and, with a single back handed motion, slapped the duelist in the face with his left and stood where he landed, staring at

him. The face turned crimson, and the

man gasped from sheer amazement and stepped back a pace. Then there was a howl from the crowd, and the men and women from the ball poured out of doors into the open court. The duelist was so amazed by the suddenness of the attack—

for he evidently expected that he would have to provoke the quarrel—that he pointed angrily to a tall Spaniard by his side, turned on his heel and pushed his

way back into the theatre without a word.

east by the crowd that was pushing and

"They are to fight at 7 o'clock."

Both of us grinned, but the gambler

seemed perfectly serious. "Because," he continued, "if there are any stakes I want

to back this youngster right here, and I'll

show you why."

He pulled back the fluttering curtain of

stretched out upon the bed sleeping as

"That's what I call nerve," said the Chicago man, "and that's what I like to

I think it dawned on all of us at that

We were five minutes late, for the oth

ers were there when we arrived. The

duelist looked more ghastly by daylight than he had the night before, but he

bowed pleasantly to us all. I told his seconds that Tomaso had had no expe-rience with the sword, but they shrugged

said something about the fortunes of war.

principal was also acquainted with the con-dition of affairs. To tell the truth, this

was rather a source of satisfaction to me,

for I did not believe the duelist would

butcher the young Cuban outright, but

would probably exercise his skill in giv-

ing him some slight wound which would satisfy the demands of honor.

I was wrong. A quicker duel was never

om. We looked in and saw Tomaso

roached within five feet of the

Buffalo Bill on the Cowbov. I should greatly like to say a few words respecting a topic which I much regret to find is understood in the inverse propor-tion to which it is discussed. I refer to that unique specimen of humanity, the cowboy of today. In order to be brief I will, like a cowboy, take the bull by the horns, and lay down the axiom, once for all, and most emphatically, that a cowboy is not a blackguard; nay, more, he is in nine cases out of ten better than his fellows, more especially as in nine cases out of ten his fellows are the offspring of an effete civilization. He has certain attri butes that commend him to creation. He is manly, generous and brave. He is not merely a creature of impulse, but uses the gifts given him by his Maker with a discretion which might well be copied by more of us. In putting in these few be understood to be admired. I speak after years of study resulting in a conviction

Yes, there is such a thing as "soldiering" in a band, and it frequently happens the floor."

"It must be, you know," said the youngster resignedly. "It is the custom of the country, and if I showed the least tendency to shirk I would be cut by every

that there are several of the players engaged in it at the same time. In a large band it is a very easy matter for a player to hold the end of his instrument to his mouth and create the impression that he is playing his part when he is not. In parades a great deal of this is done. It is The Englishman sank back again into his seat. Then I proposed a walk through the corridors. We moved out slowly with the gambler beside Tomaso, and the Englishman and I walking together beside them. I was rather surprised to see that none of the Cubans came to Tomaso's side, but I learned the reason from one of them. also practiced largely in string bands. The man whose duty it was to manipulate the big bass violin in Gilmore's band sol-diered throughout the whole perform-ance.—Musician in Globe-Democrat.

Shakespeare did not smoke, while Mark Twain uses 300 cigars a month. As Mark Twain has made more money by his writings than Shakespeare ever saw, the impecunious author has here a strong argument in favor of smoking.—New York

Brass Signs and Door Plates. New ways of making a living continue to present themselves. The professional brass sign polisher dropped in to solicit a job from me this week. He carried his kit under his arm and was willing to contract to keep the brass sign which I might own, but do not, dazzling to the eye for a fixed sum per month. He looked as if the trade was not a bad one, for he was decently dressed and fingled some money in his pocket. I saw him next day busy on a store front where there are seven signs and noticed that he worked quite expeditiously and effectively. As brass signs tarnish over night and are as numerous as wooden ones once were here, I should not be astonished if my visitor

Speaking of brass signs, how completely the door plate has gone out of fashion. When I came to New York to work for a living a door plate was as essential an insignia of gentility as a bank account, and shops where they were sold were to be found everywhere. On the residence streets of the better class at a certain hour every morning you would see a servant on every stoop polishing the plate up before its owner had his breakfast. The door plate was with us what the marble delphia's front steps are there yet. Our door plates have become things of the past, found only on old fashioned houses without pretensions to style. Their places have probably been taken by the coats of arms which fashionable New York now pays a clever Frenchman to invent or borrow for it.—Alfred Trumble in New York News.

He Wanted to Say. "I came in here a few weeks ago," said a stranger to the proprietor of a place on Michigan avenue, "to buy some candy, and a cross eyed woman with a stuck up.

plied the proprietor as he moved along the "Ah! Excuse me! But there was girl here. She was a tall, slab sided young woman with red hair, and had "That was my daughter, sir, and how

dare you talk that way!" "Oh, it was! Beg your pardon, sirbeg a dozen pardons. The boy that waited on me had a mouth as big as a pumpkin pie, and I don't believe he knew enough to last him over" "That was my son, sir! Have you come in here to deliberately insult my family?" shouted the proprietor,

of pardons. What I wanted to say was''—
"You get out! You came here to give me a hit about an old man with dyed whiskers who had married his third wife and walked with a game leg, and I won't injury inside of a minute."—Detroit Free

The Fascinating Gypsy Woman. I marvel if there exists another of human kind so wise in all unwisdom, so knowing in all that beclouds others, so cunning in all that is valueless to the world, so adept in all that bewilders the ignorant, so keen in all that blunts and dulls those that yield to her spells, so fascinating in all that which, sorted and sifted for human service, is so utterly trivial and unwholesome. In contemplating the gypsy woman through years of study, I have never been able to get away from the notion of her likeness to a splendid wild animal, a leopard or a tigress, trained to matchless de mureness and humility by some Hindoo magician, still under the lash of the black art master, capable of strangest attraction in wondrous eyes and supple movement, and possessing a charm of mystery, of power, of suppressed ferocity and a deadly fascination which magically sway and hold in such subtle way as can only be felt, and can never be told. Thing of the night and mystery she certainly is. Human, as we weigh humanity, she is not.-Edgar L. Wakeman's Letter.

The "Buckeye" and the "Papaw." Originally Arkansaw had 45,000 square miles of timber land and about 900 square miles of prairie. She has no need of an "arbor day" yet. Among her trees are some which have peculiar properties, the Ohio buckeye, for instance. The fruit Ohio buckeye, for instance. The fruit and roots of this tree are used by Indians on their fishing excursions. They put the roots and fruit in a bag, and drag the latter through the water. In an hour or so the fish rise to the surface dead. Cattle die after cating of the fruit or leaves. Man eats the fruit of the papaw; hogs bark. The fruit and bark of the bay tree are used for medicinal purposes. They are supposed to be a cure for rheumatism rmittent fever -New York Times.

"Yes," said the gentleman from Texas as he put his feet up on our desk and leaned back, "they say there is no advancement in the southwest, that progress in that region is unknown, but there's where they're mistaken. You know Texas railroad conductors used to yell, 'Twenty minutes for robbery-have your valuables ready! but that's all out of stumbled upon. A note of the piano was date now. The robbers meet the train at struck in front of a telephone, and the robbery while the train is running twelve or thirteen miles an hour. I tell you, Texas doesn't lag in the great march of civilization so much as you might think."

and was more of a favorite among men than among women. This is the best recommendation any man can have. I had methim in New York, and so posed as his oldest friend among the queerly constituted trio that night, but we had all been in Havana a month, and we had been together constantly, so that he was quite as well acquainted with the English nobleman and the Chicago gambler as with me.

When he finally got to our table he miled out this little jeweled watch and said.

The men faced each other and stood for a moment with their swords to said the dealst, who, by the way, was as agile and firm a swordsman as I ever saw, made a conventional thrust at the boy. Tomaso parried it and sprang forward again precisely as he had done in the attack after the theatre. His teeth were set and his eyes gleamed. His onsignt was so unexpected and fierce that his antagonist threw his sword too high for the parry, and the point of Tomaso's sword swept under it with a flash like little jeweled watch and stood for a moment with their swords to seem the Belgian government is inclined to ignore the anti-gambling law passed by the Frere-Orban ministry about five years ago. Spa, which ever since has had rather indifferent seasons, is filling up fast now that a new banker is said to have been found in the person of the rich Count of 300,000 fraces a season for the privilege of opening a roulette and trente et quarante table at the Casino.—Paris Registrante and the Casino of the privilege of opening a roulette and trente et quarante table at the Casino.—Paris Registrante and the Casino of the privilege of opening a roulette and trente et quarante table at the Casino of the privilege of opening a roulette and trente et quarante table at the Casino of the privilege of opening a roulette and trente et quarante table at the Casino of the privilege of opening a roulette and trente et quarante table at the Casino of the privilege of opening a roulette and trente et quarante table at the Casino of the privilege of opening a roulette and trente a

FIZZ, POP AND BANG. THE PRESENTATION OF POINTS PECULIAR TO PYROTECHNY.

and more into the way of resorting to the How Spectacular Combustion Finds eyes atter a night of dissipation. I know Market-Fireworks No Longer Monopoa girl whose complexion is of the clearest, lized by the Fourth of July-Collections

One does not have to overhaul his memory to any great extent to reach back to the time when Independence day was the one day of the year when skyrockets and pinwheels asserted themselves as a symbol of our country's greatness. Along in the fall, it is true, when candidates for public office sought the suffrage of their fellow citizens; the Roman candle supple mented the oil torch as an adjunct of political processions. But, as a general rule, the fireworks that were not burned on Fourth of July night were carefully packed away for next year. It is not so any more. Pyrotechnic displays are prom-inent attractions at summer resorts all through the season, and the father of a family who takes his boys and girls in the country to pass the heated months not unfrequently adds a box of fireworks to the Lares and Penates that he carries along.
"This fireworks package business has torture, fifteen frightful and the last five grown to some considerable proportions, of the twenty minutes were simply im-

hasn't it?" asked the truth seeker "Well, I guess you'd think so," replied plan of putting up these box collections about sixteen years ago, and it has been growing more popular every year. Want to know why? Well, most people who buy fireworks for a Fourth of July celebration very naturally put off the purchase until the last minute. For that matter, most purchasers of any kind of goods do the same thing, but just stop and think how the rule applies to fireworks when you consider what they are. It is not to be expected that a man would want a box of them lying around loose in his house for two or three weeks. Yes, if there's anything that's bought at the eleventh hour, its fireworks. Then, again, not one person in twenty knows what he wants. There is a general desire for something that will make a show, and

perhaps make a noise, but the average

man knows only the commonplace names

of pieces that will produce certain effects.

They know what bengola lights, triangles and mines are, but we can't expect the

president of a bank, or a man who has made a fortune in potatoes, to expend his

valuable time in trying to learn the difference between a saucisson mine and a tourbillion rocket. So we, as it were, do their thinking for them, and put up a collection according to our knowledge of results consistent with the price charged for it. It's very much cheaper for the purchaser, too. Now there's a collection packed ready for de-livery. We charge 50 cents for it just as it stands. It contains thirty pieces-none of them very elaborate, it is true, but what do you suppose you'd have to pay for them if you came in here and puttered around our stock, selecting this one here and that one there, and wasting at least half an hour's time in doing it? Well, here's our catalogue, and you can see at once that, if you bought each one of those thirty pieces at retail, you'd have to pay something over \$1 for the lot, and they wouldn't be so compactly packed for de-livery either. How could they be, under

"How expensive a collection do you put "To any amount that a customer wants for that matter, with corresponding rates of discount as between wholesale and retail prices, but for regular catalogue goods we have a \$100 collection. This is adequate to a complete town or corporation celebration, and contains goods that would cost, at retail, just double the money. There are pieces in it whose prices range

"What do you mean by 'corporation "I'll tell you. There are lot year and buy a collection of fireworks for their mills up in the country. Only the other day a mill superintendent came in and gave me a \$50 order. 'It keeps the their money right in town instead of coming to Boston. Very frequently the local areworks display for this reason.

from \$5 to \$15 when purchased singly.

"But, of course, we don't have to debusiness. You know it has become the regular thing to have pyrotechnic displays at the summer resorts, and excursion parties often consider a box of fireworks is necessary to a good time as a basket of

"What have you to say about fire "Fire crackers are no object to our trade nowadays. We have to keep them, of course, because they are bound to be popular, but there is no profit in them. Have you seen that American cannon cracker, by the way, that was introduced last year? There's one point about them that's worth consideration. Not the noise especially—of course we expect that

attends their use. When they go off they

the Chinese in this respect at least."-Boston Herald. The monotony of farm life and its at-

tendant dangers are well shown by the fact that the large majority of the inmates or their wives. The never ending round of work, with no opportunities for amuse-ment, are the predominant features of such life. The dangers to physical health are also many. The water supply is too taining decomposing animal and vegetable matters, while the sleeping rooms, in winter especially, are too frequently badly ventilated, and too warm or too cold. The need of change of scene, of air and of his family as for the merchant and the society lady.-Globe-Democrat.

The Perilons Bar. It is a source of mortification to the 'old salts" of New York city that their steamer in distress to reach a point of disabled and leaky Britannic was detained outside a long time because she draws arisen she would probably have been sunk

Robert T. Lincoln's law firm is said to have an income of \$60,000 a year, and he declares that he will never hold another

Mai. Poore owed his admirable sense of color in reporting to some study of the Paris papers, when the graphic quality was well appreciated. He had training as a journalist both in London and Paris, and began as a society reporter. No one throw in the touches which distinguish a live narrative from a dead one. He once came near missing a very momentous and had been at his office in Washington late getting off his dispatches, and finally car was getting well out of the city, a nation of Lincoln at Ford's theatre.-

A firm of Birmingham music dealers impracticable to bring the instruments sound was so accurately transmitted to the distant tuner that he was soon able to accomplish his task, and the organ was the piano in a concert.-Arkansaw Trav

When He's First Married. A guide who has conducted many bridal couples through the Capitol at Washington declares that they are his best customers, because "if a man is ever going to throw away money on his wife, it's when he's first married."-Harper's

The Planet Uranus. Two astronomers of the Grand Ducal observator, Carlsruhe, have made the remarkable observation that the disc of the planet Uranus appears distinctly elliptical instead of perfectly circular.

but who has left the ballroom many a time as early as 3 o'clock, so fearful is she of injuring her greatest charm. She circuses, and Josiah said : heard of the Turkish bath, and therefore risked dancing until 5 and after the other morning. From the ballroom she went directly to the bathing establishment, it won't hurt a boy." feeling as if the entire world saw her inflamed eyes and sunken cheeks. From the office she was conducted to a box of a room about as large as a section in a leeping car. When my friend had removed her garments she was led into an iron walled room, where the air was so circus, Tirzah Ann goes too." hot that the perspiration started at once from every pore. She was told to sit down-there were several chairs for the purpose-and to wait until called for. The heat was surprisingly great, but after a moment it produced that languid feeling that is perfectly delicious to a tired body. The attendant returned shortly and bound a wet towel about the new customer's head. It began to steam and smokin' tobacco, I shall buy Tirzah almost immediately. Five minutes of this and it became uncomfortable, ten a

TURKISH BATHS AND BEAUTY.

The Art of Dancing All Night and Go

ing Home Fresh in the Morning.

measurable suffering. Then a strong, motherly looking woman came in. She had on a loose gown that had no sleeves and fell only to the knees. "How long must I stay here?" ex-claimed the suffering customer. The attendant ran her hand along the dear girl's back and limbs, and said: "You seem to have sweated pretty vell; I guess you can come along now. They went into a room adjoining. It was nearly as hot as the first. There was a table in it on which the parboiled girl was requested to lie down. Then the stalwart attendant went at her in a hammer and lathered her for several minutes, and scraped her with a brush, and kneaded her flesh until it seemed as if her very hones must have felt, the cleansing effect of the operation. The attendant was and blowing from the exertion when she told the customer to sit up, and went to a hose that lay innocently coiled up at one end of the room. Without more than a "sit still now, please," she began to play a cooling stream of water on the lathered and glowing girl. The word cooling is used advisedly, for as it played it rapidly grew chilly, and presently the dear girl was spluttering a helpless plea

for a change. The contrast with the intense heat she had endured was tremenwhen she thought best, but before the poor innocent customer could rejoice at the relief she was being pounded with the icy cold blows of a shower bath. It was agony itself, and it seemed as if every inch of her glistening cuticle were being overlaid with pricking icicles. But this, too, had its end, and the novice was all but the attendant led her into another room and began to dry her. When the water had been entirely removed from her body, she was wrapped in a blanket and taken to her room. "How long will you sleep?" asked the

"Why, I don't want to sleep at all," re-plied the customer. "I want to go home." But she was told she would have to lie there a while any way, and that she would surely fall asleep, so she would better say when she wanted to get up. She named her hour and was tucked up in her bunk, she was still perspiring, and in two minutes was sound asleep. She was awakened promptly, and her eyes feeling heavy and her body weary, was told to get into a tank of water sunk in the floor of still another room, into which she had was glad to get out of it hastily. It was the last torture. She was rubbed with anobserved and promptly appeared in the ous as if she had had a full night's sleep, and betraying not the slightest sign of her dissipation.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"For fourteen years," said the dinlomatist, "Boulanger had, as a subordinate officer, chafed and fretted that he could not carry out plans of reorganization of stant study since the iron entered his soul at the battle of Sedan, in witnessing the overthrow, he felt, was due to the short-comings of the French soldier and the could give those plans a trial, and the speed with which they were put in operation showed how long and carefully he had studied out the details of his scheme. He is a wonderful organizer, and I am sure his only ambition lies in the desire to redeem the military reputation of the French people by restoring the prestige of their soldiers."—New York Graphic.

A Car Coupler Wanted. Among railroad men it is universally go for good and all, leaving no vestige of a spark behind them. We're ahead of admitted that the common method of dangerous to life and limb as can be devised, and that the man who invents a proper substitute for it will reap both fame and fortune. The patent office has issued over 3,000 patents for improved and automatic couplers, and yet none has been invented which seems to be perfect under all the requirements of railroading. Many men have spent the best portions of their lives in devising couplers only to find when they were subjected to practical use that they had defects that were fatal and could not be corrected. Said an inventor: "There are plenty of couplers that are practical and safe, but the great trouble is that their first cost is a little more than that of the ordinary man killer, and as money is dear and brakemen are cheap they won't adopt

roads," responded a third. "In my opinion, the great obstacle to the adoption of automatic couplers is the lack of uniformity in the height of cars. The master car builders have adopted a standard, but they have no means of enforcing it on roads. If all the cars could be made of one uniform height, there would be but little difficulty in devising an automatic coupler that would work; but at present you might as well try to make a straight stick without two ends as a coupler that will do the work required by present circumstances."-New York Sun.

Water Will Not Burn. It is a matter of general belief that by certain chemical processes water can be made oxygen, and water is a completely oxidized body; that is, all the affinities of the hydrogen have been combined with an equal number of those of oxygen. The chemical reaction which would be accompanied with heat and light has already taken place, and cannot be repeated. It is true that we can decompose water into its con-stituent gases, and produce the phenomenon of combustion by recombining them; but it is not the water which is burned in such a case, but the hydrogen gas obtained from it. The man who "was born to set the river on fire" must be classed with other mythical personages. - Popular

Tobacco and the Eyes. "Cigarette smoking is doing more inury to the eyes than anything I know of," said an optician recently to a re-

but there is something in the paper with which the cigarette is rolled that is very men and boys wearing glasses now than I have ever known before, and I attribute it all to excess in tobacco smoking. Nine out of ten Germans wear spectacles. They are inveterate smokers."—New York

Not So Humble, Perhaps.

himself.-Boston Transcript.

One Standard for Both Sexes.

Josiah Allen's children have been Ladies in New York are getting more is just as bad in a man as in a woman; bad for a woman to go was bad for a color to the cheeks and brightness to the

little feller, he was bewitched to go to too costly. "Better let him go, Samantha; it hain't no place for wimmin or girls, but

Says I, "Josiah Allen, the Lord made Thomas Jefferson with jes as pure a heart as Tirzah Ann, and no bigger ears and eyes, and if Thomas J. goes to the That stopped that. And then he was son, S. C.

bewitched to get with other boys that smoked and chewed tobacco, and Josiah was just that easy turn that he would have let him go with 'em. But says I: "Josiah Allen, if Thomas Jefferson goes with those boys and gets to chewin'

Ann a pipe." And that stopped that. "And about drinkin'," says I, "Thomas Jefferson, if it should be the will of Providence to charge you into wild bear, I will chain you up, and do the best I can by you. But if you ever do it yourself, turn yourself into a wild beast by drinkin', I will run away; for I never could stand it, never! And," I continued, "if I ever see you bangin' 'round bar rooms and tavern doors, Tirzah Ann shall bang

Josiah argued with me. Says he: "It doesn't look so bad for a boy as it does

Says I, "Custom makes the difference; we are more used to seeing men. But says I, "when liquor goes to work to make a fool and a brute of anybody, it don't stop to ask the sex, it makes a wild beast and idiot of a man or woman, and to look down from heaven, I guess a man looks as bad layin' dead drunk as a

Says I, "Things look differently from up there than what they do to us-it is a more sightly place. And you talk about looks, Josiah Allen. I don't go on clear looks, I go on principle. Will the Lord say to me in the last day, 'Josiah Allen's wife, how is it with the soul of Tirzha Ann-, as for Thomas Jefferson's soul, he bein' a boy, it hain't of no account?' No! I shall have to give an accout to him for my dealin's with both of these souls, male and female. And I should feel guilty if I brought him up to think that what was impure for a woman was pure for a man. If a man has a greater desire to do wrong-which I won't dispute," says I lookin' keenly onto Josiah-"he has greater strength to resist temptation. And so," says I, in mild accents, but firm as old Plymouth Rock, "If Thomas J. hangs, Tirzah Ann shall hang too."

I have brought thomas Jefferson up to think that it was just as bad for him to listen to a had story or song as for been led. The water was chilly and she | girl, or worse, for he had more strength to run away, and that it was a disgrace alcohol to prevent her from taking cold | for him to talk or listen to any stuff that and then permitted to dress. When the he would be ashamed to have Tirzah dear girl got home it was just her time for breakfast. She slipped into the house up to think that manimess didn't consist | dining room, feeling as bright and vigor- in having a cigar in his mouth, and his hat on one side, and swearin', and slang phrases, and a knowledge of questionable amusements, but in layin' holt of every duty that comes to him, with a brave heart and a cheerful face ; and helpin' to mind and the soul God had given him. In short, I have brought him up to think that purity and virtue are both feminine and masculine, and that God's angels are want of thorough organization of the rench army. As minister of war he Allen.

been giving exhibitions of what he calls his sympathetic etheric motor during the past week in Philadelphia, has been so bothered by the questions of puzzled spectators that he has prepared a printed statement in which he says that he is now graduating his engine, and is at work on the fifth octave. His system, he says, is founded on sympathetic vibration, in haustion, and all the power is generated the engines run and the cannon fired through a mine. When the present process of adjustment shall be completed, and when he shall be protected by patents. Keely says that he will give an explanation of his power, a knowledge of which can be more easily acquired than that necessary for the operation of a

- In Marion lives a colored woman who s older than the ninteenth century. She has the reputation of being inordinately fond of "filthy lacre," and when her aged fingers close over a dime its mission in the money world is for the time being ended. Some time ago revival services were being conducted in the church to which this old woman belongs. At one of the experience meetings held by the congregation the old woman was mightily wrought upon and was led into a narration of her experience. "Brudren and sistern," she said, "I has been a mos' 'sistent membah ob de church now gwine mighty nigh onto eighty yeah, an, bless cent yet." It is said that the congregation now want to turn the old woman out of the church. Further developments are awaited with interest .- Marion Index

- The Island of Johanna, Comoro Islands, has some very peculiar customs. The natives are je; black, but nest and clean. The girls after marriage are not no one but their husbands. Rich men are allowed four wives, poor men one. When a poor man gets poorer he can sell a half share in his wife for so much money, regulated by law. A native belle, before her marriage, makes a fine display on the fashionable streets of Johanna in this rig -- a red calico Mother Hubboard gown, printed with a pattern of banana leaves, reaching to her kneesno shoes or stockings, and for headgear a wide rimmed, blue china teacup, worn with the bandle on one side for conve-- Attorney General Earle has made

investments in real estate in Birmingham and is seriously thinking of removing there in the near future. We are all in hopes, however, that he will remain in Sumter, as it would be a great loss to our people for him to go. We doubt if South Carolina has a son to whom she can point with more pride than the general. A man of decided opinions and who is Arrive Savannah .... 6 53 p m never slow or afraid to make them known or any occasion, Sumter county will never forget her debt of gratitude to him for his aid in ridding this county of the radicals in '76, and loses no opportunity to honor herself in honoring him .- Co-

man from Maine in a recent conversation It is easy enough to call one's self names. Those self depreciating mortals said: "Mr. Blaine will not return until said: "Mr. who are so fond of calling themselves miserable sinners and worms of the dust | tion. His absence will relieve him from would fiare up instanter if anybody should presume to corroborate their statements; would accept the nomination for Presiment of saying whether he would accept the nomination for Presiment of Saying whether he had been barrassment of saying whether he would accept the nomination for Presiment of Saying whether he had been barrassment of saying whether he had been and it is just possible that the poor publi- dent again. Of course, if in his absence can, with all his humility, would not have his friends should insist upon renominatbeen overpleased had somebody at hand are ling him he could hardly do less than called him the names he bestowed upon accept the responsibility. Mr. Blaine, I accept the responsibility. Mr. Blaine, I understand, will make a circuit of the globe. When he lands in San Francisco Gordon Cumming likened an African next summer he will probably receive the jungle to a forest of fish hooks relieved by news that he has been renominated for President by the Republican party."

- Among the visitors at the Vassar College commencement was a graduate who has made \$10,000 in a unique manbrought up to think that sin of any kind ner. Upon her graduation she was is just as had in a man as in a woman: cent she earned by working et anything and any place of amusement that was She accepted the offer, and, entering factory, where she obtained six dollars a week, kept on working until her father had paid her \$10,000 and broke the contract because his little joke was becoming

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