PROFESSIONAL SECRECY.

A Case Before a French Court in which it was l'ested in Life Insurance

We learn from The Union Medicale that a case was lately tried before a French court in which the secrety imposed upon medical men by the law was pleaded by a physician as his justification for refusing to certify as to the nature and duration of the last illness of a man who had insured his life in the sum of 10,000 francs. The life insurance company demanded the certificate as one of the conditions on which it would pay over the amount to the estate, and it appears that the heirs, for their part, united in absolving the physician from the obligation of secrecy. But the doctor held that it was not within the legal power of any representative or heir of the deceased to dissolve the obligation—that, he contended, was a function vested only in the sick person up to the time of death, and one that could not pass into other hands after the death. He held also that he was not at libquant. He had also that he was not at he-erly to use his own discretion in the matter, but was absolutely bound to secrecy. He laid the question before his professional brethren of Havre, the town in which the

case was tried, and they sustained him. Furthermore, the court affirmed the validity of the position taken. It was laid down that, admitting that a patient might in certain cases relieve his medical advisor of the obligation of secrecy, that power was absolutely personal and could not be transmitted to the heirs; also, that the physician must be the sole judge as to whether or not, in any given case, he had been consulted under the seal of

The writer in the French journal expre the hope that these points may be sustained on appeal, and thus the rule of procedure be definitely settled. It might work hardship in exceptional instances, unless the insurance companies were compelled to pay regardless of the cause of death, but it certainly seems as if in the generality of cases nothing but the public good would be promoted by enforcing the points put forward in this case.— New York Medical Journal.

Troubled in His Lungs.

I had occasion last week to call on a man of business in the Standard Oil building. I found him in his private office, with the end of a section of rubber pipe, such as is used on extension gas lights, in his mouth. The other end fitted in a metal plate in one of the panes of the window nearest to his desk. He appeared to be sucking away at the rubber tube as if it was the stem of a tobacco pipe, and was writing letters with great speed and decisiveness of hand. He emptied his mouth to talk, but ever and anon, in intervals of conversation, seized the tube again and took another whiff at it. This singular proceeding so completely demoralized me that I at last asked him, point blank, what it meant.
"Only fresh air," he replied; "I have been

troubled in my lungs for some time, and the high temperature of these steam heated offices nearly kills me. By this means I can breathe fresh air all the time I am at work. It's the greatest invention of the age. It ought to be in every office building in New

It is not uninteresting, as illustrating the average consistency of mankind, that this gentleman, who sucks in a steady stream of cold air while at his desk, as a sanitary measure, wears a respirator in the street, to keep the harsh breath of out of doors from his delicate lungs. The invention he dis-played to me is, I believe, of European origin and was imported by him.—Alfred Trumble in New York News.

Phonomenal Growth of a Town.

Durham, N. C., is another southern town which has find phenomenal growth. In 1870 its population was only 250; now it has a population of 6,500, with 2,000 or 3,000 just outside the corporate limits. The property assessed for taxation in 1870 amounted to \$50,000; it is now \$3,500,000. The amount assessed in manufactures in 1870 was \$25,000; now, \$2,250,000. The retail trade of merchants in 1885 was \$950,000; wholesale, \$200,-000; cotton and fertilizers, \$250,000. There are two banks, with resources of \$800,000. There are twenty odd tobacco factories in successful operation, with an annual value of products amounting to more than \$3,000,000. In addition, there is a large cotton factory of 6,000 spindles, and a wooden mill turning out thousands of shuttles, boobins and other necessary articles. There are employed in the above factories alone about 1,100 whites and 500 blacks. A contract has been awarded for water works, and there are electric lights on all the principal streets.—Chicago Herald.

Photography by Phosphorescence. The researches of M. Ch. Zenger have shown that many substances absorb luminous rays during the day and at night emit these rays in such a manner as to impress photo-graphic plates, although they may not be perceptible to the eye. He has succeeded not only in photographing the visible night phos-phorescence of Mont Blanc's summit, but has even secured an impression of an invisible midnight landscape on the terrace of the astronomical observatory at Prague.

In another experiment a piece of printed white paper was left in the sunlight for an hour and then put in the dark in contact with ordinary sensitive paper, and so good a transfer being produced—the black parts in white and the white in black-that the process has since been adopted for copying bills and -Arkansaw Traveler.

Gold Mines in South Africa.

Marvelous accounts are given by the English papers of the richness of the gold mines in South Africa. The Sheba mine is apparently enough to supply the world with the precious metal ferever. The formation on one side of a thirty-five foot reef has been carried away, leaving exposed a mass of gold quartz, which, at a rough calculation of six-teen cubic feet to the ton, will yield 1,000,000 tons of "payable" stone without sinking one single inch below the level of its exposed base. Visible gold shows freely wherever the quartz is chipped, and it is asserted that nowhere in the whole of the known minin; world can such a marvelous deposit be matched.—Cleveland Leader.

A Boston man makes the following calculations in regard to the 250,000 edition of The "The weight would be 187,500 pounds, or about ninety-four tons. The mag-azines, piled one over another, would make a pile 8,312 feet high, fifteen times as high as the Washington monument, or fifty-five times as high as Bartholdi's Liberty. Placed end to end the magazines would reach a distance of thirty-nine miles. The sheets of white paper, before folding, would cover 307 acres, or placed end to end would extend 1,186 miles. way across the continent. A cylinder press making 10,000 impressions daily of an eight page form would be kept busy for over two years in printing the edition."—New York Tribune.

Whitelaw Reid's new Madison avenue house in New York resembles a royal palace more than anything else. It is a mass of costly marbles, cedar, mother-of-pearl and rich frescoes.—Chicago Herald.

Father Beckx, the generalissimo of the Jesuits, is still hale and hearty, although he

is now in his 92d year. Have you paid the Printer?

A SCENE FOR AN ARTIST.

A Sharply Drawn Contrast Between

Hopeless Uselessness and Industry. Clouds of smoke belched from a gravel heap on Fifth avenue, opposite Deknonico's. A furious fire was roaring in a section of fron tubing under the heap, which it was heating to a proper degree of caloric to be of use to the street paving men. Around the glowing mound gathered as squalid and miserable a group as ever camped by the roadside over in Jersey. Swaddled in rags and shuddering in the cold wind they cracked their cold knuckles over the hot pile, and two or three gnawed fragments of food like hungry

With the smoke billowing up in whirling clouds of dun and black commingled, the piles of Belgian blocks, the smoking pitch boilers, the carts and wagons of the contrac-tors, and the bare park dripping in the November drizzle, the picture was one that no artist could have passed by unnoticed. But it is not the tramps alone who find comfort in the contractor's fires. When the workmen knock off for dinner they gather about them

in picturesque groups.

If you want to note the contrast between absolute and hopeless uselessness and patient industry you can do it with a glance at these contrasted groups of the men who work and earn their bread and those who do not. The laborers view their squalid neighbors with small favor. The sight of these hulking idlers, with their hands in their pockets, looking sullenly at better men sarning their hon-est living is not calculated to make the better men good tempered. As one of them put it, "God knows, sir, its no crime to be out of work in this town. But to be willing to be out of work, like those vagabonds, is enough to make any decent man tired. That big fellow there was offered a job to handle dirt this morning. What do you think he told the boss! That he was not a ditch digger. But for three days he has hung about her and not been too proud to pick up the scraps we throw away."—Cor. New York News.

White Hands Coming into Fashion. The remarkable discovery has recently been made that "white hands are coming into fashion again." It would seem that hands have been growing less white than they used to be, and have suffered from too great attachment in ladies to lawn tennis and boating and other masculine accomplishments "Chapped and red hands are never pretty, and these, of course, invariably follow on out door exercise. The evil is, happily, not be yond remedy, and, to effect this purpose, 'the daughters of fashion,' as many of them will learn with surprise, now have dishes of hot water shaped like a flower leaf on their toilet table, in which they steep their hands for a while before going to bed, then anoist them with vaseline and put on gloves lined with a preparation of cold cream. These gloves should be of wash leather and several sizes too large for the hand."—Argonaut.

Queer Business Ideas.

A Georgia newspaper illustrates the average southern negro's poor business ability by telling of one who asked the price of coats in a store. The store keeper offered him various garments cheap for cash, but the darky would not buy, and finally the merchant picked out a coat that cost him \$1.65 and offered it to the negro for \$10, agreeing to take \$2 in cash t him for the bulance. The customer and trust him for the bulence. The customer jumped at the offer, and without even trying on the coat, paid the \$2 and went away happy in his ability to owe \$8. The store keeper will not worry if he does not get the money.

A Leaky Barrel.

I. C. Gorsuch caught a lot of cels in fish pots in the Susquehanna, put them in a bar-rel, and started to carry them up the bank. The bottom of the barrel fell out, and, despite Mr. Gorsuch's best efforts, every eel wriggled back into the river, and he now knows what he's talking about when he says "as slippery

Smelted by a Lightning Stroke.

The applications of electricity become more varied every day. Air pressure, heat, steam pressure and water stages at distant points are now recorded by its use, and now a California electrician has invented a process whereby gold, silver and copper can be instantly smelted by a lightning stroke.-Bos-

Cost of Being Fashionable.

Kate Field says that the woman who aims to be fashionable might as well commit suicide at the start. She must neglect home, husband children, put away comfort and convenience, be a first class hypocrite and a good slanderer, and at the end of ten years become a physical wreck.-Detroit Free

Power for Arc Lights.

It is estimated that at the present time not less than 14,000 horse power, derived from water falls, is in use in the United States and Canada for driving dynamo machines. Nearly the whole of this power is employed for arc lights.—New York Mail.

Japan's Grant Mementoes.

The Grant mementoes and the pieces of useful and ornamental art contributed by the Japanese government, and low on their way hither, belong in the National museum at Washington, but its director cannot find room for them.—Harper's Bazar.

A Famous Girl. The nurse of the baby Alfonso XIII of Spain is a famous girl now. When the royal youngster received his three decorations from the King of Portugal she exclaimed: "Now I trust his little majesty will keep

The Captain was Surprised.

The latest case against a sea captain is for putting a man in irons for seventy days and confining him in a space so small that he could not lie down. The captain was sur-prised when the man finally died.—Exchange.

An Unusual Honor.

Miss Dora Wheeler, daughter of Mrs. T. M. Wheeler, of the Associated Artists, and recipient of several art prizes, has been elected a member of the Society of American Artists -a very unusual honor.—Harper's Bazar.

Fish for Winter Storage.

Last year the owner of a refrigerating es tablishment at Sturgeon bay, Wis., froze fifty tons of fish for winter storage. This year he expects to freeze twice as many .-Chicago Herald.

Mr. Wilson Barrett's first performance of "Hamlet" in Boston was critically observed by four of that city's most expert brain doctors, who by odd chance were seated side by

Mr. William Blaikie, of stroke oar renown at Harvard, tells the White Cross society that a pure mind dwells best in a well trained body.

The libel law of Texas is more stringent than any of the other states of the Union A newspaper can be sued in every county where it circulates.

Have you paid the Preacher?

SHAVING A DEAD MAN.

A Lequacious Brooklyn Barber Gives a Bit of His Experience.

A loquacious barber informs me that his most trying experience is in shaving dead people. He says on this cheerful subject: You would be surprised to notice how fastidious some people are about the tonsorial treatment of their dead. Last week I was summoned to shave the face of a deceased dry goods salesman. In life he was a very fash-ionable person, vain of his good looks and possessed of the notion that he made an irresistible impression upon susceptible female

"His weakness was shown by his desire to linger in the barber's chair. He always insisted upon having his hair dressed to perfec-tion, and there was great trouble unless his mustache was curled with the nicety of execution of which the most skilled artists in my line alone are capable. Well, when I went to attend him after death his widow, who had been extremely proud of her handsome hus-band, insisted that he should be made as attractive as he was before he relinquished the care of existence.

"I worked over him for more than two hours before she was satisfied. Every resource of my profession was brought play, including a liberal expenditure of bay rum, hair tonic, cosmetic and brillianting, 'He looks real nice,' was the widow's com-ment when I had finished. She was so well pleased that she never demurred when I charged her the rather stiff price of \$5 for the job. For work of this kind the rate ordinarily runs from fifty cents to \$2."-Brooklyn Eagla

A New Way to Get an Appetite. This morning a dyspectic looking man entered a blackshifth slop at Rondont. He waited that the blackshifth put a hot shoe to the foot of the horse that was being shod, when he bent and drew in with his nostrils several draughts of sinoke that rose from the burning hoof. After the man left the shop a reporter of The Freeman asked the blacksmith if the man who had just taken his departure was craty. "Oh, no," responded the blacksmith, "he is only working up an appetite. Strange as it may appear to you, yet the fact is true that inimitation into the lungs of smoke from a horse's hoof when it is being shod is the best appetizer in the world. That man you saw here will now go home and eat a good square meal. He came into the shop for an appetite and went away hungry. I have on an average five patients a day who visit my shop for an appetizer."-Kingston (N. Y.) Freeman.

A New Society Wrinkle.

The society young man will surprise the girls with a new wrinkle this winter. Let it be only faintly whispered, but they will powder their hair. To be prematurely gray is to be in the height of fashion. If you have a florid face so much the better, but gray you must be and still look young. A fushionable hairdresser has been besigged with applica-tions for a lotion which will bring about the desired result, but he has failed to produce anything satisfactory as yet, although he has sold large quantities of stuff which he claims will bring the "silver threads." Those who are impatient have given up its use, however, and will powder their hair.-Cleveland

Why the Vanderbift Gallery is Closed. It is a well known fact that Mr. Vanderbilt had to close his gallery to the public on ac-count of the way the privilege of visiting it was abused. Although he only admitted the public by card, and the people who visited his galleries were supposed to belong to the ber ter class, they were so rude and so recales in the treatment of his property that he was obliged to close his doors against them. They even went so far as to try to push their way into the private apartments of his house, And on several occasions it took actual force to keep some apparently decent people from bursting uninvited into his dining room.— New York Cor. Philadelphia Record.

The Giant Tramp.

William Dunn, the gigantic tramp who was locked in the "dead man's room" in the City hospital because he refused to crack stone for three hours, was released this morning. William not only refused to crack stone but also to eat or sleep. He would not eat because he had not earned the food, he said and he would not sleep because he feared the bed was not clean. He is believed to be a specimen of a new genu official figures show that William is 6 feet 7 inches in height.—Elmira Gazette

Educative to the Masses.

George M. Pullman was lately asked whether he did not think the railway carringes so numerously built for the general public by his workmen unnecessarily elegant and rich. "I consider such cars educative to the musses," was his reply. "To many a man or woman it is a look at comfort and luxury that is their ideal. They dress themselves better to travel, behave more courteously in a handsome vehicle than a tasteless and cheap one."—Boston Budget.

A Rich Man's Sensitiveness.

After the death of S. H. Thompson, a well known restaurant keeper of Chicago, \$134,000 in bills were found in his safety deposit vault. He could not write, and it is thought that his sensitiveness on this point led him to keep his money in bills rather than let it be known that he could not write a check. If the old gentleman had not thus tied up his fortune it is thought that he would have been worth \$500,000.—New York Sun.

When the Ex-Empress Smiled.

John S. Barbour, of Virginia, has been talking to George Alfred Townsend. He said that Mrs. James Brown Potter created a good deal of a sensation on the other side of the water. She went to Osborne to read to the queen and ex-Empress Eugenie by invita-tion. Mr. Barbour said that it was stated in London that Eugenie, who had seldom smiled or laughed since the death of her son, did both when Mrs. Potter read.—New York World.

How Would They Know?

Some New Yorkers want church bell ringing abolished. How would a man and his wife who are punctually in their seats at the opera three or four nights a week, fifteen minutes before the curtain rises, know when to start for church if it were not for the ringing of the church bells?-Norristown Herald.

Tallest Boy in the Country.

George Kersey, the son of Dr. Kersey, of Lancaster, Pa., is said to be the tallest boy in the country. Ho is 13 years old and seven feet high, and he has an older brother who measures six feet three inches. The father and mother are each six feet tall .- Detroit

Turned On the Gas.

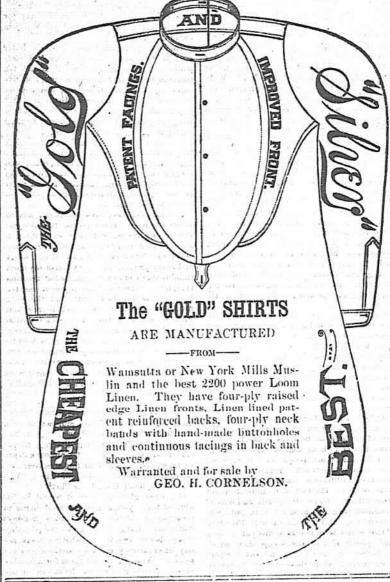
A young man in Lancaster, Pa., before boing to bed the other night hung his pantaloons upon the gas jet. The weight of the clothes opened the stop, letting the gas out, and the young man was found dead the next morning.—Chicago Times.

The emigration into Kansas this year equals the population of Baltimore Don't borrow your neighbor's paper.

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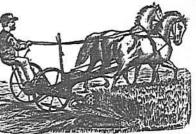
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