Sneezing as an Omen. A sneeze in the days of old Greece was a matter of great concern and import. There was then a god of sneezing, and great undertakings would even be abandoned if a man sneezed at an inappropriate moment. the act being looked upon as the oracle of the god. A sneeze between midnight and noon was looked upon as a fortunate sign, but between noon and midnight it betokened great misfortune. To sneeze to your right was lucky, to the left unlucky. Two or four sneezes were lucky, one or three very unlucky, and any undertaking in hand should, if possible, be abandoned. More than four sneezes did not count. There is a saying in many parts of England today, "Once a wish, twice a kiss, three times a letter, four times something better." If people sneezed together it was a good sign. particularly if they happened to be

London Globe.

discussing business.

One of Bismarck's Roars. On one occasion at luncheon in Ber-In General Sir E. Hamley was sitting close to Bismarck, with the old Emperor William not far off. Bismarck, talking rather loudly, described the old afraid the emperor will hear you." Fleet Street."

The Traveler's Test.

happened that when dining out one day at a friend's house one of the for firemen to get near a celluloid blaze guests observed that it was impossi- in a building. ble that the natives of Abyssinia could eat raw meat. Without making any reply Bruce forthwith left the table and before long returned from the kitchen with a piece of raw beefsteak, peppered and salted in the Abyssinian fashion. Placing this in front of the guest who had doubted his word. he said, "Sir, you will eat that or fight me!" The guest preferred the former alternative. Thereupon Bruce calmly observed, "Now, sir, you will never say again that it is impossible."

Chaucer's Face in a Stone. In the geological branch of the British museum the visitor is shown a wonderful specimen of natural imitation in a small "ribbon jasper." This stone, the material of which is not unlike that of other banded agates, has upon its surface a perfect miniature portrait of the poet Chaucer. Every detail is startlingly correct. There are the white face, the pouting lips, the broad, low forehead and even the whites of the slightly upturned eyes. The attendants say that it is utterly impossible to convince even some of the educated visitors that it is not an artificial production.

Stumped. "I want you to introduce me for

membership at the Union club, old man," more than insinuated one fellow to our acquaintance. "I'd like to," answered the other, "but they're awfully particular, you

"That's your flattering way of putting It," responded the first, "but I

know better. Ain't you a member?"-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

New to Him.

After he had tried for a moment to get his key inserted in the keyhole he stepped back and leaned against the side of the vestibule. Then he scratched his head in perplexity and said: "It'sh shtrange! I never knew before that we had one of theshe revõlvin' doorsh here."-Judge.

Before and After. www does this noted healer, who cures his patients by touching them,

differ from a regular physician?" "Why, he touches them before he cures them."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

More Than Polite. She I hope you were polite to papa dear? He-Indeed I was. I gave him a cordial invitation to make his house

Streets of London, What is the some of discomfort to which a pedestrian can be subject in Lordon? In a morning walk this writer encountered in close proximity the following nuisances and dangers: The delivery of coal through a coal hole in the pavement. Next door beer was being lowered by an almost unseen rope into a yawning gulf-the public house cellars. The dustman was collecting at the next house, and close by the asphalt pavement was being repaired and turned the walker into the road, where he was splashed by the passing motorbus.-London Chronicle.

Knew What He Could Do.

The lawyer of the convicted pickpocket took the fine imposed upon his

client very much to heart. "Twenty-five dollars!" he expostulated. "Your honor, where is this poor unfortunate man to get \$25?" His honor did not know, or if he did he refrained from saving so, but

the prisoner was less discreet. "Just let me out of here for ten or fifteen minutes," he said, "and I'll show you."-New York Sun.



Burning Celluloid. Burning celluloid is one of the most difficult and daugerous kinds of fire to court, Judge Shipp presiding, the trial while the substance does not ignite monarch as being generous, but very spontaneously, decomposition continforgetful. Hamley got nervous, as he ues after the flames of a piece of burn- the jury, thought to arouse them, so be thought the emperor would hear. "For ing celluloid are extinguished and does said, "Gentlemen, I will tell you an instance," continued Bismarck, "I not cease even when the material is anecdote." Instantly the judge, the pleased him the other day, and he ask- plunged into a vessel of carbonic acid jury and the few spectators pricked ed me what he could do for me. I said, or steam. Oxygen from the air not be. up their ears and were all attention, as Give me a dozen of that Tokay you ing necessary for decomposition, water have in your cellars,' and he said he and ordinary chemical extinguishers had a fund of anecdotes and no one would But," added Bismarck, rais- have little effect on celluloid fires. De- could tell them better. But he soon ing his voice still higher, "he hasn't composition takes place at temperadone it." Here Hamley hastily broke tures between 220 degrees and 365 dein, "I beg your pardon, but I am really grees F., and may be started by an open flame or even a hot stove. When want him to hear me!" roared Bis- slowly heated the celluloid first softens, marck. "That's just what I want." then blisters and finally decomposes
And a smile broke over the face of suddenly, sometimes bursting into of that joke." "Nor I either," replied his imperial master.—"Fifty Years of faces." his imperial master.-"Fifty Years of flame. The products are gases, liquids the witty counsel. "But your honor The eminent traveler James Bruce tain poisonous carbon monoxide and concluded to give the joke a trial by was highly touchy whenever his ve- nitrogen oxides. As these gases, exracity was called into question. It plosive and irrespirable, are intensely hot, moreover, it is almost impossible

Is an almost certain result of kidney trouble. D Toomey, 803 E. Olive St., Bloomington, Ill., says: "I suffered with backabhe and pains in my kidneys which were almost unbearable. I gave Foley Kidney Pills a good trial, and they done wonders for me. Today I can lo a hard day's work and not feel the effects." Dickson's Drug Store.

A Correct Answer. committee to examine candidates for admission to the bar in Dallas county, Tex. In the case of one candidate Mr. Bailey reported to the judge presiding that in his opinion the aspirant for lequestions put to him.

"Only one question?" a sed the judge. "Well, what was that one?" "I asked him what a freehold estate is," replied Bailey.

"An important question," commented the judge. "And what was his reply?" "He made it without the least hesitation," observed Bailey with a slight "The fact is, of course, in his "Well, what did he say?" demanded

the judge impatiently. "He said," responded the chairman, "that he didn't know."-New York

How Cold Causes Kidney Disease.

Partly by driving blood from the surace and congesting the kidneys, and partly by throwing too much work upon Foley Kidney Pills strengthen the kidneys, give tone to the urinary organs and restore the normal action of the bladder. They are tonic in action, quick in results. Try them. Dickson's Drug Store.

Pretty Certain. A well known millionaire was saying to his confidential clerk one day, "Now I've arranged those papers for my wife and children all right, so that if I

"If you die?" interrupted the secretary. "Say when you die; there's no if about dying."

Full Deck. Irate Wife-That's the fifty-second falsehood you've told me this week Unabashed Husband-Well, now, you can see what is meant by the expression "a pack of lies."-Pittsburgh Post

Never Finished. He (anxiously) - About how long, darling, will it take to complete your trousseau? She-All the rest of my married life.-Life.

TIRED RUN-DOWN PEOPLE

A North Carolina Man Suggests a Remedy

Greensboro, N. C .- "For a long time I was so run down and debilitated that I could hardly drag around. My appetite was poor and I could not sleep nights. I had tried different socalled tonics without benefit. I was advised to try your cod liver and iron tonic. Vinol, and I am so glad I did, for it gave me a hearty appetite, I soon commenced to sleep soundly, and I feel strong, well and more active than I have for years. Every rundown or debilitated person should just give Vinol a trial." K. Allsbrook.

What Vinol did for Mr. Allsbrook t will do for every weak, run-down or debilitated person in this vicinity. To show our faith we will furnish the medicine free if it does not do as we claim. Come in and get_a bottle on Courier. these terms.

Trying a Joke. Some years ago in a North Carolina

extinguish. An investigation by Dr. of a cause had been protracted till near Panzer of Vienna has shown that, midnight. The jury were tired and sleepy and showed flagging attention. Willie Murchison, who was addressing Murchison was admirable in that line, proceeded to tell one of the dullest, prosiest and most pointless jokes possible. Everybody looked disappointed. The judge, leaning over, said in an unmistakable tone of disappointment, and carbon. The white fumes from told it to me on our way down here. combustion form an explosive mixture and as I thought the lack of appreciawith air, and the colorless gases con- tion must be due to my obtuseness I

Louis de Boufflers, who lived in the sixteenth century, could break a bar of iron with his hands. The strongest man could not take from him a ball which he held between his thumb and first finger. While standing up, with no support whatever, four strong soldiers could not move him. He remained as firm as a rock. Sometimes he amused himself by taking on his shoulders his own horse, fully harnessed, and with that heavy load he promenaded the public square, to the great delight of the inhabitants. At about the same time there lived a Spaniard Senator Bailey once was chairman of named Piedro, who could break the strongest handcuffs that could be put around his wrists. He folded his arms on his chest, and ten men pulling in different directions with ropes could not unfold them. Augustus II., elector gal honors had not duly qualified, hav- of Saxony, was a man of great strength. ing answered correctly but one of the He could carry a man in his open

Remarkable Feats of Strength.

The Puppy's Fauit,

An enthusiastic feminist is entertaining friends by reading the lines which Sheridan indited to the puppy with a canister tied to its tail. Lord Erskine, it appears, had likened wives to that same canister, and, Lady Erskine being justly annoyed by the remark, Sheridan dashed off the following impromptu:

Lord Erskine, at woman presuming to

Seems hurt at his lordship's degrading But wherefore degrading, considered

aright? canister's polished and useful bright, And should dirt its original purity hide, That's the fault of the puppy to whom it

is tied. Flying Powers of Birds.

The rate at which some birds can migrate under favorable conditions is extraordinary, and as one listens to their plaintive cries coming from the darkness overhead it is difficult to realize that in a few hours these same birds may be within the arctic circle and a little later may be even crossing the pole itself. . . Less is known of the actual dates of the departure of the migratory birds in autumn than of those of their arrival earlier in the year, and this for obvious reasons. The way in which our most charming songsters silently skulk out of the country in the autumn is very different from that in which they make their triumphal entry in the spring. when every wood and copse resounds with their melodies.-Windsor Maga-

Mrs. Washington's Gowns. General Washington wore at his inhandlwork of his own household. At Life. a ball given in New Jersey in honor of Mrs. Washington she wore a "simple russet gown" and white handkerchief about her neck. On one occasion she gave the best proof of her success in domestic manufactures by the exhibition of two of her dresses, which were composed of cotton, striped with silk and entirely homemade. The silk stripes in the fabric were woven from the ravelings of brown silk stockings and old crimson chair covers.

Musical Note. "What's the matter over there in the

horn part?" asked Dr. Strauss at a re-"I'm sorry, Dr. Strauss," replied the horn player, "but I can not play this passage on the horn. It may be all

right on the piano, but"-"Don't worry yourself," answered the composer-conductor. "It is equally impossible on the piano."- Musical

Formerly there was no hissing in the theater. The benevolent audience was content to yawn and fall asleep. The invention of hissing is no older than 1680 and took place at the first representation of "Aspar." a tragedy of Fontenelle, so we are told by the poet Roi in his "Brevet de la Calotte." A farce was produced in Bennister's time onder the title of "Fire and Water." "I predict its fate," said Bannister. "What fate?" whispered the anxious author at his side. "What fate?" said Bannister. "Why, what can fire and water

produce but a hiss?"

Always a Way.
"I am beginning to fear," said the Rev. Mr. Goodman, "that I may be injecting too much humor into my ser mons. The congregation may fall into the habit of neglecting to take me se riously."

"Oh, don't worry about that, dear," his wife replied. "Whenever you begin to notice that they are not taking you seriously just ask them to raise your salary."-Chicago Record-Herald.

The Name Kentucky. It is the opinion of many authorities that the Indian word Kentuckee did not signify "dark and bloody battleground." as many have supposed. They incline to the belief that the word means "at the head of a river" and that it was used to designate the place where the Indians gathered previous to migration southward. This spot was near the source of the Kentucky river.-New York Press.

Why He Laughed

Harduppe - Poor cold Brownsmith's memory is a complete blank. He can't remember a thing. Borrowell-Sa, ha-Ho, ho, ho! Harduppe-What are you laughing about? Borrowell-I can't help it. I owed him \$10. Ha, ha, ha! -Philadelphia Record.

The Keynote. Knicker-I thought simplicity wasto be the keynote of your gowns. Mrs. Knicker-It is. I have simply got to have them -- New York Sun

The Usual Course. She-What would you do if you had money enough to supply your needs? He-I'd make a lot more to supply my wants.-Variety Life.

A Cold, LaGrippe, Then Pneumonia

too often the fatal sequence, and coughs that hang on weaken the system and lower the vital resistance. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound is a reliable medicine that stops the couph promptly by healing the cause; soothes the inflamed air passages, and checks the cold. Keep always on hand. Refuse substitules. Dickson's Drug Store.

A Tyrant and a Terror. It has been said the life of Frederick the Great as a boy under his father, Frederick I., first king of Prussia, was worse than that of Oliver Twist or Smike at Dotheboys Hall. The old king was a tyrant of the worst description, and his own family experienced him at his worst. Frederick as a boy received instruction in music and French from refugees in Berlin, but when the king karned of it he stopped the music peremptorily.

without having any clear idea of what his own theology really was. Once in a rage the king almost strangled his son with a window cord, and at length matters were brought to your policy today. a crisis by the prince running away. It was only through diplomatic intervention that Frederick's life was spared, for he was a soldier, and he had been guilty of desertion. In his father's eyes this was a heinous offense and so grave that a friend who was associated with the prince in his "rebellion" suffered the extreme pen-

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llance committee, but it's no go. They auguration a full suit of fine cloth, the phoned me to hang up the receiver."-One Day. Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could Some

> Wise men change their minds if they grow wiser.-Life.

> blunders and absurdities no doubt crept

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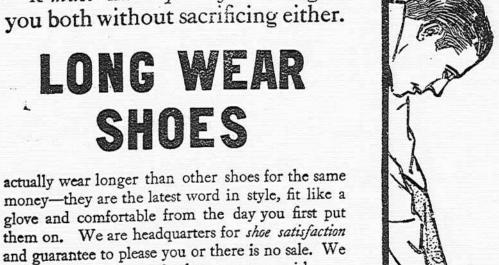
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,

Clarendon County.
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

Fork Land & Timber Company, Plaintiff

John W. Ridgill, Charles L. Ridgill, Mrs. Mary Barrett, R. C. Broadway, Nonie Leonora McLeod, John H. Broadway, Alice Eugenia Ardis, Robert Lee Broadway, the last three named being minors over the age of fourteen years; Richard Broadway, Alfonso Broadway and Eva Broadway, the inst three named being minors over the age of fourteen years; Richard Broadway, Alfonso Broadway and Eva Broadway, the inst three named being minors over the age of the control of

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of fourteen years; Henry Napoleon Ridgill, the last named being a minor

under the age of fourteen years; George A. Ridgill, Mrs. Egeria Mims, Mrs. Lou Ella Williams, O. W. Mc-

age of fourteen years; Mary Rebecca Boswell, Robert Orvin Walker, Fannie E. Walker, John Thomas Walker, the last three named being minors over the age of fourteen years; Willie Sincler Walker, Susan Bertha Waiker, the last two named being minors under the age of fourteen years; Charles Walker, and all persons whomsoever unknown to the plaintiff herein claiming as heirs, devisees or otherwise, by, from or under Robert D. Ridgill, Henry R. Ridgill, William T. Ridgill, otherwise known as W. J. W. Ridgill, Henry Kelly and Morti-mer A. Ridgill, or either them, Defendants.
UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A judgement order of the Court of Com-

mon Pleas for Clarendon county, dated

the 13th day of March 1912, I will sell

to the highest bidder for cash, on Mon-

Pauline Childers, a minor under the

day the first day of April 1912, the same being salesday, in front of the court house at Manning, in said county, with-in legal hours of sale, the following real estate:
All that piece, parcel or tract of land in Black River Swamp, in Claration of the control of the contro endon county, in the state aforesaid, formerly owned by James Ridgill, Wil-liam Ridgill and Robert Ridgill, bounded on the North by lands of D. W. Alderman; bounded on the East by lands formerly of James Gamble; bounded on the South by lands of the estate of Moses Levi, lands of C. R. Sprott, lands

iginally granted to Robert Ridgill and Richard Ridgill.

Clarendon County.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

R. D. Lee, I. C. Strauss and Davis D. Moise, Executors of the Last Will and Testament of Marion Moise, Plaintiffs.

Against
Essyannah Pinkney, Mary A. Pinkney, Louellen Pinkney, B. H. D. Pinkney, R. B. H. Pinkney, Jethro U. Pinkney, Israel Pinkney and Bernice Pinkney, Defendants. UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF A Judgment Order of the Court of Common Pleas, in the above stated action, to me directed, bearing date of January 31st, 1912, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, at Clarendon Court House, at Manning, in said county, within the legal hours for judicial

sales, on Monday, the 1st day of April, 1912, being salesday, the fol-lowing described real estate: All that tract of land in the county All that tract of land in the county of Clarendon in the State of South Carolina, containing thirty acres, more or less, bounded on the North by land of W. S. Strong; East by public road leading from Charieston to Camden; South by lands of Salina Mason and West by land now, formely of O. D. Harvin.

erly of O. D. Harvin. Purchaser to pay for papers. E. B. GAMBLE, Sheriff Clarendon County.

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