

woman's health and vigor.

As a tooth powder nothing equals it. lemoves Tartar, Hardens the Gums and white the teeth, makes a bad breath sweet and agr Thousands of letters from wom

ing of the contestants, is to learn what books published in the last wo or three years have been enjoyed by be better known.

If a somewhat bushier plant is desired, the vine can be trained to two instead of to a single stem.-Scientific American,

Love is delicate: "love is hurt with iar and fret." and you might as well expect a violin to remain in tune if roughly used as love to survive if chilled or driven into itself .- Sir John Lubbock.

"A week later several of the men be. He was one of the kind that peo- whose pocketbooks had been spared many recent raids for stray pennies on account of the free gorging of their

the tact of making others comfortable then she is endowed with the gift of making life happy. The gracious womtake luncheon together. One day, next morning a committee of three an shines through a collection of beauwhen Joe went into the bank at noon- called and told Joe what they proposed tiful qualities. She not only pleases the eye by her outward air of freshuess and health, but she charms the "'As an evidence of our appreciation of you,' said the spokesman, 'we mind by a characteristic worth. The have decided that all the boys born in cultivation of the physical or the body, this vicinity during the next two years produces the bloom of health; but quite as necessary in making a woman beaushall be called Joseph Webster.' "Joe fell over in a heap against the tiful is the cultivation of the intellect, which gives her the inimitable attraction of knowledge. Then there is the "Joe's way of taking their announcethe real situation. 'Can't do it,' said ment did not exactly appeal to the cultivation of the heart, which gives committee. 'You do not seem pleased,' her those gentle graces which are to

unsound condition and gave it away to the children of the neighborhood. "Yes, sir," repeated the man with | With the exception of a few cases of pulled through without any serious

idea and of poetry into our surroundings is to make them less commonplace and more congenial. If a woman has

mature their fruit. The art of pleasing consists in making our daily lives agreeable to others as well as to ourselves, says the Catholic Mirror. To throw a grain of the

## WORDS OF WISDOM.

is no danger of tomatoes rotting or

mildewing; they ripen seven or eight

Religion is not the conception of God,

o send him letters and photographs ler, Katherine M. Roof, Francis Livr drawings of what they find on the ingston. each in August. The Books and Readag Department invites brief articles Stories, Essays and Poems. rom its readers on "Some Recent Books for Young People.". The object

THE TOUCH. of this contest, aside from the train-"A sweet book!" she exclaimed. "Not a touch of materialism in it!" I opened the volume. On the first leaf I read: "\$2.50."

Duncan.

aders' powers of observation and

. Science asks the girls and boys

iscrimination. The editor of Nature

BUCKINGHAM'S DY





plants having a comparatively small leaf surface for transpiration do not require nearly so much moisture to

days earlier than if the plants are left to their own devices or stalked in the ordinary way, and it is practicable to get through the rows at any time and keep down objectionable weeds, and perhaps the most important, the

day.' When I asked him why he said he had forgotten something. 'It's bad luck,' he said, and was unceremoniousand seventcen pounds of stale candy. ly making tracks for the house when he said it. I suppose we all have those

little notions and beliefs, but we are when he was out his wife noticed its not conscious of them, and so we are apt to believe, and quite honestly, too, that we are not the least bit superstitious. But we are, just the same."-New Orleans Times-Democrat. Art of Pleasing.

popular!"

"You bet it is," said the man with the down-town market and bought five red mustache. "I never experienced bushels of speckled apples and oranges any inconvenience on that score myself, but I know other folks who have. He intended to sell all that truck at I know one fellow who was sent to jail | regular prices. but in the afternoon on account of his popularity."

## The bald-headed man ceased figuring. "Dear me!" he said, weakly.

the red mustache, "he was sent to jail. | cholera morbus, which the parents at-He just got out last week. I am tributed to causes other than the genglad he is out. Joe is a mighty good erosity of Joe's wife, the youngsters fellow. Good fellows are scarce these days, and it is a shame to keep one aches and pains, and from that day of them shut up in jail. I never saw Joe was solid with the old folks. such a popular fellow as Joe used to

ple name their babies after, and that is the very top notch of popularity.

## "His friend, Tom Curtis, began the offspring met in the shop under Joe's business. Tom clerks in a Nassau store and discussed plans for showing street bank. He is no end of a good Joe how much they thought of him. fellow, and he and Joe often used to | They finally agreed upon a way. The time, he found Tom with his face doing.

spread out in one solid grin. "'Hello,' said Joe,' 'what's the racket?

"'A boy,' said Tom. 'Arrived last night, and just guess, you old scalawag, what we are going to call him?' "Joe wasn't a bit stuck on himself in | Swiss cheese. 'Good Lord." he said. those days, and he never tumbled to he.

"'We're going,' said Tom, 'to call they said. him after the bravest, the kindest, the most affable gentleman in the world.' overcome with emotion. I appreciate through sore difficulties without repin-"Joe thought he saw a light. 'Ah!' your appreciation very much.' said he. 'Teddy, eh? Teddy R.?'

"'Not on your life,' said Tom. 'We are going to call him Joseph Webster.' natural gratitude and generosity got "Joe was new to that sort of flattery, the best of his common sense and he "consists in nothing more than making and it pleased him immensely. He made another rash promise. 'It is very a right use of my eyes." His friend steered Tom into a more expensive sweet of you to honor me so,' he said. restaurant than they usually patron- 'Of course I will reciprocate. "I will did so as follows: "In whatever state ized, and then both had more than give to the little Joseph Websters a I am, first of all I look up to Heaven, was good for them. While in that christening present of \$2 a head.' surcharged state Joe made the mistake

of his life. "'Tom,' said he, 'I am coming up to import kids. Never had Joe seen boys how small a place I shall occupy in it see that boy of yours, and I am going come to town in such overwhelming when I am dead and buried. I then to do the handsome thing by him.'

"Tom eyed Joe through a mist of real as soon as people got wind that the serve what multitudes there are who tears. 'I knew you would,' he said, stork was coming round they moved are in all respects more happy than 'and my wife said she knew you would. | into that neighborhood just to devil myself. Thus I learn where true hap-When I mentioned Joseph Webster to Joe. But he stood all the imposition, piness is placed, where all cares must her this morning as a possible handle and good-naturedly gave up a two- end, and what little reason I have to for the kid she said she was agreed, dollar bill at each christening till some repine or complain." because you were just the kind to do people down on Amsterdam avenue bethe square thing by your namesake. gan to ring in girls on him by calling It is a pleasure to learn, Joseph, that them Josepha. Then he thought it we were not mistaken in our estimate | time to kick.

"'How?' asked his wife.

of your character.' lantly. He did more than the square | put a stop to it." thing by young Curtis. He gave him a present of \$100 on the day of the christening. That was Joe's undoing. fix that all right.' Tom's wife had the habit of telling everything she knew; so of course she lawyer named Parks. 'I want to change my name,' said Joe. told that. In less than a week all Joe's friends as far away as the remotest edges of Brooklyn and Staten Island knew about that present. With- Usually he tried to argue them out of in six months every fellow with whom the notion. He tried to argue Joe Joe had ever swapped a cigar or a Webster out of it. yarn seemed to have been blessed with a new boy and had named him Joseph Webster. The worst of it was, every name in history-a name to be proud one of these happy fathers expected a of. Best of all, it is easily rememchristening offering of \$100. The first bered, and nobody need ever lose an half dozen got it, but after that Joe had to cut down expenses. First, he re-

duced the amount to \$50, then to \$20, name.' and finally to \$10. That made the mothers of the late comers mad. They called Joe stingy and said they would not have burdened their babies with such an ugly name as Joseph Webster if they had known that was all they were going to get out of it.

"Joe thought, when he dropped to the insist that the euphony and the unfive-dollar mark, that his friends would forgetability of the name of Webster are good things.' stop adding Joseph Websters to the

City Directory, but they kept up their infernal christening parties till they found he was dead broke. It took just two years to break him. When yourself? he asked. people began paying their respects to him in that expensive way he had Joe. 'I don't think they will get on to about \$5000 that his grandfather had that without a good deal of trouble.' left him and a nice little business that "'No,' said Parks, 'they won't, but cleared him an income of more than a I am afraid there are legal difficulties thousand a year. His namesakes de- in the way of your adopting a new voured it all-interest and principal name at present. When did your conalike. Finally, he closed up shop, and tract to pay the two-dollar christening with the proceeds derived from a cash | bills go into effect?'

"'Eighteen months ago,' said Joe. sale of the stock on hand he started "'It has still half a year to run,' a little combination stationery, tobacco, confectionery and delicatessen said Parks. 'You are under obligation store up on Sixty-fourth street. When to pay the bills for that length of he moved into that store Joe cut loose time. If you change your name and from all his old associates. His wife try to shirk your responsibility on the went with him, and aside from her he | ground that your name is not Webster. hoped never to see any one whom but Gabrilowitzski they can bring suit he had known in his days of affluence. against you on the ground of taking It would have been better if he could a new name while wound up in finanhave left her behind, too, but that was cial entanglements and can put you not convenient. She put bad notions in jail.' "'Very well,' said Joe, 'I will go to into Joe's head. "'I think,' said she, 'that we shall jail. Not another cent of christening drum up a pretty fair trade in this money will I pay. I have already been neighborhood if you can only make mulcted for baptismal offerings to 123 the Civil Engineer Corps of the Navy small boys, and I would rather lie in Department, each with a salary of yourself popular.' "For the first time in his life Joe jail than set the rest of them up for \$2700 attached, went begging this threw hard words at the partner of his life.' joys. 'Popular.' said he. 'Good heav- "Joe got his name changed and paint. tory applicants. The only explana-

her what the perfume is to the flower, A certain great bishop struggled "'Oh, yes, I am,' replied Joe. 'I am ing or manifesting impatience. A friend inquired how he could be so

"And then, even though Joe knew he was making a fool of himself, his cheerful under such circumstances. "My secret," replied the old bishop. asked him to explain, and the bishop and remember that my principal busi-

"The committee blessed Joe and went | ness here is to get there; I then look away. The next day they began to down upon the earth, and call to mind

numbers. They arrived in shoals. Just look abroad into the world and ob-

And Such is Fame. A short time ago some men were

seen in Pine street, near the Sub-Treas-"'No more of this namesake nonury. "How's that for an equalized "Joe lived up to his reputation gal- sense for me,' he said. "I am going to, political quartet?" remarked a veteran newspaper man to a well-known drygoods merchant who has lived in this

"'Never you mind,' said Joe. 'I will city ever since he was born, sixty-two years ago. "Who are they?" was the "In the afternoon Joe called on merchant's rejoinder. "Face of the small map is kind o' familiar." The newspaper man collapsed. The quar-

"Parks disapproved, on principle, of tet were Alcnzo B. Cornell, once Goverbis clients changing their names. nor; William F. Sheehan, once Lieutenant-Governor; Hamilton Fish, twice Speaker of the State Assembly, and

the "small man" was once Secretary of "'Why aren't you satisfied with your War, Dan Lamont. Of course, now. name?' he said. 'Webster is a great Fish is United States Assistant Treasurer and will be known for a while, for he is now again a man of to-day. Quite recently United States Senator opportunity to do you a favor on ac-Tom Platt was seen shaking hands count of being unable to recall your heartily with a white-haired gentleman

on Fifth avenue. Everybody knew "Webster doubled up his fist as Platt, because he is a man of to-day. he had half a mind to knock Parks "That's Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy." down. It was a formidable fist and remarked a passer-by, pointing to the the lawyer flinched. Joe forced a white-haired man. No person remempacificatory smile. 'Never mind,' he bered that he was Chauncey Depew's said. 'You are in no danger. When predecessor as the United States Senayou learn the facts you will no longer tor from this State. It happened one evening that three men were at the same theatre. No one in the theatre

but the manager knew who they were; "Then Joe gave Parks the facts no one recognized them going into the Even though a lawyer. Parks sympatheatre or coming out with the crowd. thized. 'What do you want to call Yet they were former Mayors of New York-Ely, Grant and Van Wyck, the "'Melancthon Gabrilowithzski,' said

latter being only out of office eighteen months .- New York Press.

> Has a Wonderful Timepiece. One of the most wonderful watches in the world is that owned and made by Major Dopping-Hepenstal, of the

Royal Engineers. It is a comparatively small watch, not much bigger than

but the love of Him. It is not the abstract idea of right, but the practical doing of right. It is not the absolute formula of truth, but the being true. The substance is more than the shadow.-Austin Garver.

If despair overwhelm thee in this abode of gloom, be wise and prepare for thyself a place of greater cheerfulness. Wishest thou the night of the grave to be luminous as day, carry along with thee ready trimmed the lamp of good works .- Saadi.

I see beginings in man, no end; wrestling, not achievement; unfolding, not maturity. Still he sighs for light. more light. Upon the borders of the grave he stands, and stretches out his hands to infinity and eternity for light. for progress, for new fields resplendent with everlasting light and glory .- Orville Dewey.

"Quench not the spirit." It is a word of deep wisdom and warning. It means, among other things, "Do thyself no harm." Preserve your individuality. Do not impair the life forces. Do not disqualify yourself for receiving impressions of reality from the world around or illuminations from the light within .- Charles G. Ames.

I do not in my best moods think of death, but of life. I would live as though there was no such thing in the world as death for me or for others. I would live with my thoughts amid things that endure, in work and duty and love, until death itself is consumed in life, the resurrection going on day by day, this mortal putting on immortality.-Horatio Stebbins.

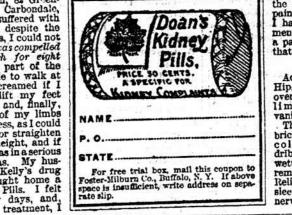
A Wonderful Rule.

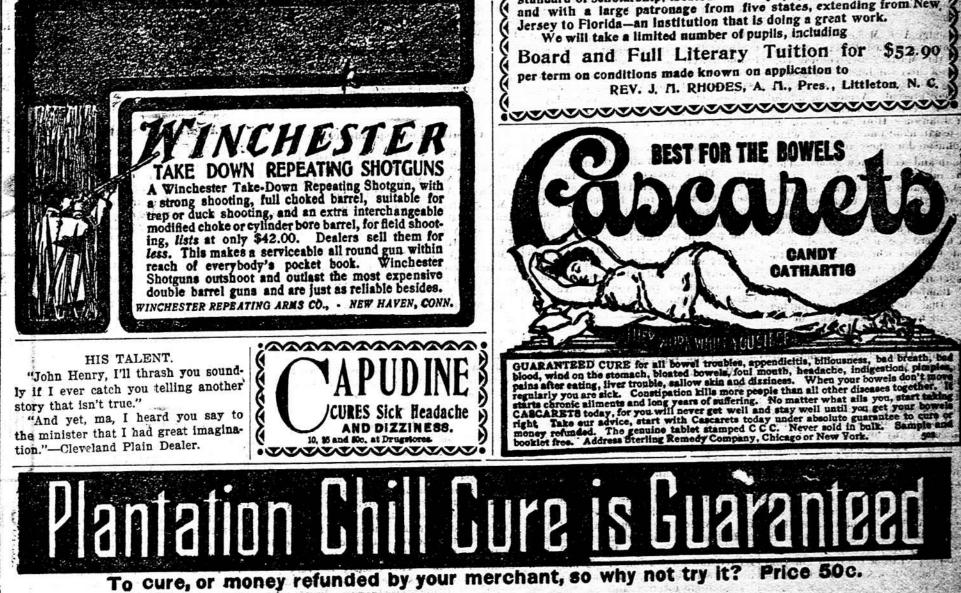
H. M. Jones, an architect of this city, has produced a remarkable invention in the shape of a mechanic's pocket measuring rule, on which he has been studying for several years. He has taken a cheap, common rule, and without increasing or diminishing its original size, weight, appearance or original usefulness or convenience, has produced a rule that will give the length and levels of the ends of all kinds of braces or rafters.

It will square off a board or square and lay out a cellar, make an octagon or square mitre. It will tell the height of any building or elevation, the depth of any valley or chasm, the width of any street or stream, or both. Anchor a boat in the middle of a river, and the rule will tell how far it is from the shore; a roofer can tell the dimensions of any roof while standing on the ground; it will measure anything in sight, whether in reach or not; it will give the length of any straight or slanting line, it solves all the problems in geometry and trigonometry the mechanic is ever called upon to solve. The improvement can be attached to all kinds of rules in. use, whether of the French or English systems, and to a new rule while making. One cent per rule will pay the cost of the improvements; to a rule already made it will cost two cents a rule.-Meridian Journal.

Had a Practical Proof.

Early in the sixteenth century the natives of Porto Rico plotted to kill an ordinary lever, but it performs a the Spanlards on the island. There variety of services in addition to tellwas much doubt, however, as to ing the time. It rings an alarm bell whether or not it was possible to kill in the morning to wake its owner, a Spaniard. Many of the natives inthen it proceeds to light a spirit lamp sisted that it was not. Finally it was and boil a kettle of water, and finally decided to make an experiment. A pours the boiling water into-a small young Spaniard who was passing teapot. The Prince of Wales witnessed through the Indian village was hosthe wonderful performance of this pitably received and fed and then a watch and partook of a cup of tea number of natives accompanied him which it made for his royal highness. on his journey. When he arrived at a river his companions offered to carry Governmental Positions Go Begging. him across. The young man accepted It is said that five life positions in and was taken up by two men and carried into the water on their shoulders. Arriving near the middle of the river they threw him in and held him down spring, because there were no satisfacuntil he ceased to struggle. Then they carried him ashore with profuse apologies, loudly proclaiming that they stumbled by accident and calling upon him to arise and continue his journey. But the young man did not move and finally the natives were convinced that he was actually dead. Having secured the proof they wanted the leaders of the rebellion at once began a general sttack upon the Spaniardy





ens, I don't want to be popular. I've ed a new sign on his windows and tion suggested is that there is so great been popular long enough. I want to awning. When he began to stand on a demand for eivil engineers in private make people hate me, and if I can his rights the parents of the would-be life that these Government places were devise any way to accomplish that Joseph Websters went to law. They not sufficiently attractive, and yet purpose I shall set about doing it at proved, as Parks had prophesied, that most persons would be likely to think once.' "'In that case,' said his wife, 'you witzski under false representations, after, especially as the pay is instarve to death.'

Joe had gained the name of Gabrilo- that they would be eagerly sought

will not sell anything, and we shall and he was sent to jail. Fortunately, creased after five years, and is made his time is up and he is free again. \$3500 after ten years