

School convention which recently met in Rome, Italy.

AIR IS TO FEED THE FARM.

Edison Predicts Success' of New Fer-

tilizing Process.

New York.-Thomas A. Edison is

quoted in an interview as predicting

that before long science will enable

the farmer to enrich his lands by

means of nitrogen from the air. He

"Until recently the utilization of at-

Business men said it would never be

obtained cheaply enough to sell to the

farmer as fertilizer. In Norway a

plant has been established which has

been conducted with such good results

that I expect to see atmospheric fer-

tilizer on the market in this country

"That such a product will soon be

imperatively necessary there is no

doubt. Every shipload of wheat and

corn which goes abroad leaves the

United States so much poorer, not in

I expect to see before I die," contin-

ued Mr. Edison, "is the direct genera-

tion of electricity from coal. This has

mental way. I have heard of several

quences! At the present time nine-

tenths of the power obtained from

coal is lost by the use of boilers.

wheels and dynamos. With the direct

generation of the electrical current,

therefore, the world will have ten

times more energy than now."

CURE FOR SPINAL MENINGITIS.

New Serum Discovered by Berlin Pro-

fessor Gives Surprising Results.

Berlin -- Marked success has been

attained with a cure for spinal menin-

gitis in Berlin with the aid of a new

serum discovered by Prof. Wasser-

man successor of Prof. Koch as the

chief authority on infectious diseases.

direction of Dr. Herman Schmidt,

Berlin, in the case of a soldier lying

at death's door. The worst features

one week. The serum was obtained

from horses after the animals were in-

oculated with large quantities of men-

ingococci, or germs responsible for

spinal meningitis. The curative action

takes places following contact be-

tween meningecocci and so-called leu-

cocytes, or white corpuscles of the

Similar experiments, likewise suc-

cessful, are reported to Wasserman

Village Joker in a Washington Town

Almost Caused a Wreck.

train was stolen the other night from

Cutcheon threw open the throttle and

The train crew rushed for the

speeder and followed until it was dis-

covered that the man at the valve had

south. He had the train under full

speed, and it was only by a narrow

margin that the pursuing crew was

able to get off the track: McCutcheon

later stopped the train, bringing it to

McCutcheon, who is about 22 years

old, was very much pleased with his

an abrunt stop.

nrison and locked up.

Bellingham, Wash. - The Great

blood.

scientists.

The cure was effected under the

"Imagine what will be the conse-

aiready been achieved in an experi

"Another scientific discovery which

within the next ten years.

gold, but in nitrogen.

men who have done it.

y a laboratory demonstration

PROF. HALL TAKES CENSUS FROM HAPPY YOUNG COUPLES.

Learns That Eyes, Hair and Sometimes Freckles Attract Young Ladies-Says Half of College mespheric nitrogen was regarded as Women Don't Marry.

Boston.-Precisely what it is-what attribute or physical characteristic, in the youth or maiden, the man or woman, that most attracts one of the opposite sex, is the problem of which Dr. G. Stanley Hall, professor of psychology in and president of Clark university, Worcester, Mass., has set out to and the solution.

To this end he has taken a census of young, lovers, with a view to learnming what in each case has most endeared to him or her the particular object of the affections.

It was Dr. Hall who recently declared that 50 per cent. of college women failed to marry, thus contributing to race spicide. The complete of this census of sweethearts Dr. Hall has not yet given to the public, but he has made known an abstract of what he has learned.

With hundreds of sweethearts heard from, Dr. Hall states that the characteristics specified by them are, in the order of their frequency, as follows:

Eyes, hair, size or stature feet. brows, complexion, cheeks, form of head, throat, ears, chin, hands, neck, nose, finger nails and contour of face.

Which is to say that more of those lovers interrogated have found the loved one's eyes or hair the chief at-Araction than anything else.

The women replying to Dr. Hall's questions have also specified these charms in the men they loved best: Regular teeth, broad shoulders, and white teeth; and most popular among

men have long lashes and arched - According to some of those replying, a retrousse nose, freckles and a long, chief of the First Army hospital, of

neck have been the chief charms. The voice cuts an important figure among the charms. With some it is a of the allment disappeared after three high voice; with others a low voice. Injections of the serum given within Even a liep has been stated as a charm. Laughter, carriage, gait, gesture, movements of the eye, poses of the head and shoulders have also been specified in the replies.

FINDS MORE SPOTS ON SUN.

Latest Discovered Group Has Length of 82,000 Miles.

Washington.—An enormous group of from New York in the newly founded solar spots has been observed for the Rockefeller institute for medical refirst time by Prof. George H. Peters of search by Prof. Simon Plexner, one of the United States naval observatory the best known American medical with the photo-hellograph.

"They probably appeared on the sun's eastern edge two or three days STOLE A TRAIN FOR A LARK. ago," said Prof. Peters, "but owing to clouds the observations were unobtainable here until now.

"The group at present consists of two large spots connected by a somewhat smaller one. There are a few Northern - Seattle - Bellingham local outlying spots. The total length of the group is \$2,000 miles, while its the depot where it was left for a few breadth is about 36,000 miles. It is minutes while the crew went to lunch nearly one-tenta the apparent diameter by Barkley McCutcheon, a town charof the sum and can be easily seen acter. Jumping into the cab, Mcthrough smoked or colored glass.

"This group is in the southern away the train shot, going north at hemisphere in the part known as the high speed. The bell was ringing and the whistle blowing. sun spot sone, as was the enormous group announced last February."

Carnegie Gives More Libraries. New York. - Andrew Carnegie reversed the train and was returning has notified the trustees of the New York public library that they may increase the number of branch library buildings erected under his saft of \$5,500,000 by 28, and he will pay the bill. This will bring the total of his gift to the city up to \$5,750,000, and will increase the numher of branch library buildings from experience. He was taken to the city 38 to 180

blem of Homecoming Week.

Boston Women Objected to It as Em-

BEAN POT NOT IN FAVOR.

Boston is not to be represented by a flaring red label and a pot of presumably superb Boston baked beans, says the Post of that city. That is, only partially will she be represented

Certain of the clubwomen of the city have faithfully considered the city's reputation of culture and quality and have decided that it would be folly to send out stickers giving the vulgar world to understand that our culture lay in the baking of beans.

Delegates from all the women's patriotic societies met Wednesday afternoon in the Twentieth Century club and discussed things connected, with the celebration of Old Home week in Boston.

The Indian sign was put on the mayor's pet baked-bean stickers. It was suggested that a sticker bearing a representation of Faneuil hall be used instead and at this point Thomas Anderson of Mayor Fitzgerald's publicity bureau arose and made haste to explain that the quick ones had been quicker to see that the baked-beans stickers had fallen flat and that stickers of a more dignified character were

in preparation. Neat little bundles of the pot and beans stickers were passed around, but the delegates gracefully repudiated them by saying that they guessed they would wait until the Faneuil ball kind made their appearance.

KNEW THERE WAS A TRICK.

Suspicious Countryman Found His Worst Fears Were Justified.

"A trust conference—any kind of a conference, for that matter—is a good thing," said Gov. Sheldon, of Nebras-

"To be unfair, to be prejudiced, to be suspicius, is always to judge wrongly. The suspicious man; falls into error and makes a fool of himself.

ka, "if it is conducted fairly.

"There was a very suspicious countryman who went to New York to see the sights. Coming to the Metropolitan Museum, he was amazed to find that the admission to this splendid building cost nothing. He mounted the steps and entered.

"Your umbrella, sir, said the uniformed official, extending his hand. "The countryman jerked back his umbrella, laughed scornfully and turned on his beel.

'I knowed there was some cheat about it when ye got in free,' he said."

Origin of Typhoid Fever. President Mayo said at the last meeting of the American Medical association that a sufferer from typhoid fever has as good a right to sue the city where he contracted the filthy complaint as though he had hurt himself by a fall on a defective pavement, and yet we read in the r papers of epidemics of typhoid fever broken out in Cincinnati, Newark and other places. Were it outbreak of rinderpest or foot-and-mouth disease, stringent means would be at once taken to stop it, and all the forces of the government would be enlisted to save cattle or sheep that have a market value. But human beings may die of typhold fever, as our soldiers did in Camp Thomas, and no one be called to account.-Dr. Richard Cole Newton in the Popular Science Monthly.

A Paradox in Age. At an entertainment provided by the Woman's Philharmonic society the most widely advertised attraction was a dancer who, so it was whispered, "had become too old to teach in the public schools and had taken to dancing for a living." That remarkable announcement drew a crowd of curious persons who were anxious to see what a woman looked like who was too old to teach but young enough to practice the terpsichorean art in public. Also, everybody wanted to know what that topsyturvy age might be, but of course, no one found out.

Beeing All the Town. There was a whole family of children, and they were only to spend one day in the city with their aunt and

cousins. Upon their return home a friend asked: "What did you see in the city?"

"Oh, we saw all of it," was the

reply. "All of it! In one day?"

"Yes, you see we've lots of cousins, so one of them took one of us to one place, another cousin took another of us to some other place, and so on. Each of us went to a different place, but the family of us saw pretty nearly the whole city."

Lucid. Finally Archimedes, who for an hour had been patiently guiding the mind

of his pupil through a demonstration of an abstruse mathematical problem, was rewarded by the gleam of intelligence that appeared in the young Athenian's eye. "And dost thou see the light, lad?" "Perfectly," was the enthusiastic

response. "It had me stumped at

first, I'll admit, but it's really absurd-

ly simple. The whole thing is like Greek to me."-Puck. A Head for Business. Dat automobile done killed five chickens while it was goin' down de

road," said Miss Miami Brown. "Yes," answered Mr. Erastus Pinkley, "but de fus' cost of de machine is teo much to make de invos'ment prefitSIZED HIM UP WRONG. It Will Stand on the Shore of the

Fistic Encounter Did Not Turn Out as It Was Planned.

"It was this way, you see," said the young man with the black eye and skinned nose, and a gap in his mouth where two fromt teeth used to be. "I was elbowed by a feller on a street car and we had some words. I determined to lick that man or die. I could have hit him with a stone or club or hired some ruffian to waylay him, but I wanted to polish him off scientifically. I wanted to daily with him-to jab and uppercut him and straight punch until I made a pulp of him."

"And so you took boxing lessons?" was queried.

That's what I did-24 of them. When I had finished my instructor said I could knock out any man twice my weight in America. I had kept an eye on the elbow man and when I got good and ready I threw myself in his way. He gave me the elbow again. I called him a ruffian and a coward and in vited him to step off the car."

"And the bluffer didn't dare do it, of course?"

"But he did dare. Yes, sir, he got down lively. . I squared off at him and let go with my right. It missed. Then I let go with my laft. It missed. Then I swung on him. He wans't there. Then-then-"

"Then you caught him an awful wallop and killed him stone dead?"

"Not quite. Bomething came booming along and hit me over the face and I went down and awoke in an ambulance."

"But you had taken 24 lessons in boxing. "I had, but ass lafterward found out

the other feller had taken 48."

"PLANT STONES" OF VALUE.

Germs That Aire Occasionally Found in Certain 'Vegetable Growths.

Among the many strange things to be found in the Philippine Islands are the so-called "plant stones" encountered now and again in certain vegetable growths.

The bamboo, for instance, according o Kultur and Natur, contains a stone very similar to the opal, but on account of the rurity with which it is found, much more costly than the onal.

in many thousand cane stalks cut down and carefully examined there may perhaps be one in which this beautiful greenish-pink scintillating stone has been formed from the minute particles of sillicious deposit that imparts its intense hardness to the outer covering of the cane. The bamboocane stone is known as Tabashirs.

in the interior of some cocoanuts a stone-like secretion is found that is not inferior in brilliancy to the most beautiful genuine pearl.

i True Phonetic 3 The child is the true phonetic speller. Mr. Roosevelt, as Kipling might say, is a bloomin' amateur beside him-or her. Little Eslle had been staying in a quiet woodland place—the Cockney girlie was convalescent from a severe illness. Her letters home were full of the joys of country life, and reckless spelling. "The lanes and meddoes (she wrote to a girl friend in London) is crammed wiv luvly flours. I got bote hands full. Bootiful Star Annie Moans, Prim Roses, Daliseys and Butter Cups and Jhon Quills-o my!" And the adult into whose hands the artiess letter fell wondered if spelling were not a vastly over-rated accomplish-

Palace Smoking Room. A quite small chamber was the one room in all Wimdsor castle where the hate queen permitted smoking.

A self-colored blue gray paper was on the walls, and the single billiard table was lightled by six oil lamps until quite the last years of Queen Victoria's reign.

It was indeed a homely apartment, says the Throne, but if the walls could speak they could tell strange stories of empewors and kings, princes, commoners, ministers of state, poets, bishops and the endless procession of great and important people who passed an hour there to smoke a last cigar.

Her Pather's Child.

A lawyer well known for his ready wit in adapting himself to circumstances and circumstances to his case has a young disughter who bids fair to be life matc:h. Lucy was told she should have no more candy, and the dish was placed on a high shelf, out of the child's reach. Left alone in the room, Lucy pushed a chair to the shelf and climb-ed upon the chair. Just as she touched the dish her father entered. "Why, what is papa's little girl do-

ing?" he exclaimed. "Getting a candy for papa," explained Lucy, promptly.-Lippincott's Magazine.

This Exception. "I have come a long way to personally offer you some of my humorous stuff," said: the seedy looking man as he proffered the manuscript.

"But my dear sir," snapped the ed-

itor, "we can't accept any far fetched

witticisms."—Kansas City Times. .The Bame Species. "Did you ship that load of ele-

phants' ears to the florist on the suburban express "" "No. I thought it would be more

in order to send them on the trunk line."--Baltimore American.

THE MONUMENT TO SHELLEY. A MIND AT PEACE.

Gulf of Spezzia, Italy.

A colossal monument to Percy

Bysshe Shelley, the poet, is shortly to

be erected near San Terenzo, Italy,

where he passed the last of his life.

The entire design is to be about 45

feet high, and it is to be attached to

a citff facing the Sasa Magni, in which

he and later Byron Hved, says the

The work is being executed by the

Italian sculptor Fontana. The key-

note is taken from Shelley's tragedy

"Prometheus Unbound." It displays

the figure of the Titian writing on the

rock with the lightning which, like

Jupiter, he grasps in his hand, this in-

scription: "To Shelley from the World

Shelley's heart, snatched from his

funeral pyre by Trelawny, is buried

in the Protestant cemetery at Rome,

of which he wrote: "It might make

one in love with death to think that

it would make one in love with so

sweet a place." But the character

of the place and the surroundings

made it undesirable to locate any

great monument there. At Viareggio,

where his body came ashore on July

18, 1822—ten days after he was

drowned on his way from Leghorn

to San Terenso-and where it was

burned while Leigh Hunt poured wine

and incense on it and Lord Byron

read poetry there is sirestly a Shelley

monument and besides, the flat coast

affords no opportunity for Fontana's

design. The shore of the gulf of

Spessia and the neighborhood of his

last abiding place were therefore

chosen for this greatest tribute to his

FLOATED OVER 3,000 MILES.

Gets Back from Scotland Note Set

Adrift Last Year.

Edward C. Reed, of 47 Tichenor

street, Newark, N. J., received through

the mails from Scotland last Saturday

a letter inclosing another missive that

had taken a sea voyage of more than

2.000 miles in a common bottle, says

Reed, returning from a trip to the

south on May 10, last year, on the

City of Macon, when off Cape Hatteras

threw overboard a small sealed buttle

that had contained medicine. Inside

the boftle he had placed a note asking

the finder of the bottle to return the

hearing from the bottle again, when

the mails brought him word that it

had traveled all the way across the

ocean and had drifted ashore at Scot-

land. The return message contained

"Found at Northtown, South Harris.

on the 26th of March, 1907, by Chris-

topher McRate, Obbie, South Harris,

Common Nest for Cat and Hen.

their sagacity, but it remains for the

intelligent feline owned by Mrs. Sam-

nel Donnell of that town to cap the

"Our cat has taken a strange place

to rear her last kittens," Mrs. Donnell

told the Journal Friday. "Her chil-

dren were born in a hen's nest and

ever since she has persisted in keep-

ing them there. The queer part of it

is the philosoppical way in which the

she pecks at the kittens, who are too

small to resent it, and if the mother

is near she pushes them gently from

the nest. Just as soon as the hen

has laid her egg the cat grabs the kit-

tens and puts them in the nest again

and it is no unusual thing for the

cat, kittens, eggs and hen to be all

together in one glorious mixup."---

Baby's Share of Blame.

the total cost of which was nearly

She had been fitted for two gowns,

"Now." she said to the saleswoman,

"Certainly," was the prompt re-

The customer colored deeply. "I

want you to make out the bill partly

The saleswoman was used to the

whims of fashionable women, but this

was something she was a little slow

in comprehending. The customer ex-

"You see," she said, "my husband

is very fond of our baby, and if he

sees that the bill is partly for dresses

for her-well, he won't mind so

Breaking Up the Gloom.

so strange that they appear to be the

outcome of deep-laid design. For ex-

ample, in a long funeral procession

that drove away from a West side

church every other carriage was

drawn by a pair of white horses. The

funeral director declared that this

odd-and-even arrangement of black

and white horses was purely acci-

dental, but it certainly did look

Millions, But-

to get me interested in a land boom

in New Jersey.

but mosquitoes.

lions in it."

Markley-Skinner has been trying

Wiseman-Pshaw! that tract of his

Markley-Ah! I guess that's what

he meant; he told me there were "mil-

is practically worthless. I don't be-

lieve anything could ever live there

Many things that "just happen" are

for gowns for me and partly for baby

"I want you to do me a favor."

dresses and a baby's cloak."

Kennebec Journal.

\$600.

sponse.

plained.

much."

"When she wants to lay an egg

hen seems to take the matter.

Bowdoinham cats are noted for

by Portree Scotland."

this inscription written on the back.

Reed had given up all hope of ever

note to him at his Newark address.

the New York World.

New York Bun.

Unbound.'

memory.

Truly Said to Lend Grateful Music by Every Passer-by.

The influences of a mind at peace are beyond all calculating. Those who understand that the laws of the subtler matters work through thought functions know that thoughts are things and go whithersoever we send them, that they build real atmospheres around us, and hover in clouds above and about our friends. The barmonized and loving mind distills its peace through all the mental atmosphere, wafting waves of contentment and pleasure as far as they reach. We know what sweet wholesomeress seems to be exhaled by the mere presence of some people. It is the inner harmonies of their minds permeating the mental and moral atmosphere.

It is by the power of such gentle and healthful influences as these that we give our finest sympathy to the distressed. In our presence the wilting flower raises its drooping head. Strength is imparted to the sad and weary heart, courage to the despairing, heart vitality to the loveless and lonely. Proof ourselves against disaster, we mend the ills of others.

The mind that is a mansion filled with all sweet sounds and harmonies lends ith grateful music to every passer.by.

HAD HIS EXCUSE READY.

Private's Good Reason for Salling Under Distinguished Alias.

Walter Wellman, the noted explorer, journalist and aeronaut, was discussing on the Carmania, on the way to America, an English aeroplane that had failed.

"The machine," Mr. Wellman said. "is no good, and it never will be any good. Its inventor's excuse for its Tailure—he blamed the wind, the motor, a loose screw-begged the question as the prevate did in the civil war. "This private escaped from camp

one night, visited town, and in returning was waylaid by a sentry. 'Who goes there?' the sentry called

in the darkness. 'Gen. Grant,' the private answered in the voice of one who has consumed 11 beers and nine whiskies. "And thereupon the disgusted sea

try knocked the man down with his musket butt. "'Jim Jobbins,' the sentry exclaimed, recognizing the private as he belped him up, 'how dare you to say

that you are Gen. Grant?' "The private tied his handkerchief around his bead.

'Well,' he stammered, 'if you'd do this to Gen. Grant, what wouldn't you have done to Jim Jobbins?"

Thinking Aloud. The philanthropic coal dealer was dictating a circular letter of friendly advice to be addressed to his customers.

"Dear sir," he said, "from our knowledge of the supply on hand at the various centers, and from the conditions governing the market, we feet warranted in assuring you that coalis now at the lowest notch at which it will be sold this year, and therefore now is the time to lay in your supply for next winter. The price will probably advance next month. By the lord mayor of London and the seven wise men of Greece, we know it will! Hold on!" he added hastily, looking over his stenographer's shoulder. "You needn't put that last sentence down. My mind was wandering for a moment."-Chicago Tribune.

Beyond the Dreams of Avarica. The wealth is one of the most comparative of terms was aptly illustrated by an old celored "mammy" in Chariston, S. C. She had been doing the laundry work of a certain family for quite awhile, but, deciding to leave the neighborhood, she had come to tell them that she would no longer

be able to perform these duties. The lady of the house, wishing to secure another good washerwoman, inquired of the old woman as to the reliability of another negress who she happened to know lived next door to the first.

"Laws, missus," replied the old darkey, "dat woman doan' do ne washin'; sh's rich, she is. She's got a doorbell to her house."

If One Only Could. A group of New York brokers were talking about John W. Gates' rooms in the new Plaza hotel, rooms for which he pays \$46,000 a year.

"Well," said an elderly bachelor, "M Mr. Gates' business had all been conducted with women, as so much of mine is, he wouldn't be living in such rooms as those.

"Mr. Gates was discussing women's ideas about husiness the other night. He said a woman whom he knew once mailed her broker this note: 'Please buy for my account 1,000

shares of P. D. & Q. at 75. Sell at 100, and be sure to send me the profits by noon to-morrow, as I am going out of town.' "

The Brute. "I do everything I possibly can te make your daughter happy." "You do, to hear you tell it."

"Well, what on earth do I do te make her unhappy?" "Well, some nights you are gone

half the night and other nights you don't stir away from home."

The Idea! Theepian (who has been asked for a trifle on account) — Money, Mrs. Spearmint! What is money? Is it a herb?--Harper's Weekly.

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS

Baltien nebdemeinten \$5.00.2