#### Mistakes That Mr. Wilkinson Will Not Repeat.

Has Practically Given Up Idea That Telephone Girl Can Be Induced to Acknowledge That She Has Made Mistake.

Mr. Wilkinson had just fallen into a sound sleep when at 11:45 his wife shook him, saying:

"William, William! Hurry-get wy-The telephone's ringing." "Let it ring," Mr. Wilkinson sleep-

fly replied. "No. no! Hurry and answer it. It may be long distance. I'm so afraid mother may be werse she might be dead! Please hurry! I'm so frightened I don't know what to do."

Mr. Wilkinson reluctantly crawled out of bed and stumbled through the darkness to the electric switch. While he was turning on the light the telephone bell rang again.

"Please hurry," Mrs. Wilkinson implored. "They may not wait." "I am hurrying." Wilkinson grumbled. "If they don't want to wait let em go to the dickens."

At last he got down into the hall and took the receiver from the fork. "Well?" he asked, "what is it?" There was no immediate reply.

"Hello!" he exclaimed. Still there was no response. Then he jiggled the arm a few times and presently a sweet voice

"Number, please." "Number nothin'!" Teplied William Wilkinson. "Who's calling us?" "Number, please."

"I say, who's calling us?" "Nobody is calling you." "This bell has been ringing."

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"Nobody is calling you." "Well, what do you mean by getting people out of bed at this time of

might?" Number, please." "I say, what do you mean by ringing us up at this time of night if

nobody wants us?" "Did you wish to call anyhody?" "Didn't you ring this phone just

now?" "Number, please." "Has anybody been trying to get

"Nobody is calling you." "The bell has been ringing for the past ten minutes." "Has it? The wires must be

\*crossed." While he was lying awake during the next two hours William Wilkinson arrived at the philosophical conclusion that it was useless to try to get a telephone girl to acknowledge a mistake.—Chicago Record Herald.

> The Vandal. Senator Depew was deprecating at

contemplated certain Baratoga changes in the Constitution. "To break up the venerable Constitution like that," he said with a smile, "smacks of vandalism, and recalls

Tom Tunkin to my mind. "Tom, traveling in Italy with a friend, said one day in Naples: 'Well, we've done Naples thoroughly-Aquarium and Arcade, Pompeti

and Vesuvius. Let's get on to Flor-"'Oh, the deuce with Florence,' his

friend growled. There's no cafe life there, nor nothin'.' 'Look here,' said Tom Tunkin

sternly, 'a man tours Europe for something a little bit more elevating than cafe life. I'm going on to Florence if I go alone. I've got to get a chunk off of Michael Angelo's famous statue of David for my souvenir collection."

Two Thrusts. Congressman Henry was deprecatging in Washington an international "marriage de convenance."

"Two men were talking about this marriage cynically but truthfully," he said. "The first man remarked: " 'Of course the earl won't be able

to support Miss Lotta Golde in the style she's been accustomed to.' "'Oh,' said the other, 'her father will make allowances for that," Congressman Henry gave a grim

laugh and resumed. "The first man looked thoughtful for a moment. Then he said: Despite the stories about the

earl's past, it does seem to me that he's Miss Golde's devoted slave." 'Oh, yes,' was the other man's reply, he's eager for the bonds. all

Child Labor and Health. "Child labor predisposes to tubercu flosis. This does not apply exclusively to child labor in the factory. In many cases child labor in the home is as had as in the factory, and the danger from tuberculosis is just as great." These are among the statements made in a paper before the recent Congress on Hygiene and Demography in Washington by Dr. S. Adolphus Knopf of New York. "Tuberculosis is a social disease in the final analysis. It can not be eradicated until we have social "fustice."

Of Course He Deesn't. "Do you find your husband much of m help?" asked the lady who was a

candidate for the legislature. "Yes," replied the one who was running for mayor, "I really don't know how I should be able to get along without him. He listens to all my speeches before I make them in public."

"Does he ever criticize them?" "Never. That is what gives me confidence in myself."

#### AIDED IN DEATH OF WOMAN

Man Surrenders to Police, Declaring That His Conscionce Has Been Troubling Him.

New York.—Evan Evanson of 1425 Bath avenue, Bath Beach, an elderly man of impressive appearance, criled at police headquarters in Manhattan and asked to see the person in charge, If there were any one on duty so late at night and it was not too much trouble.

Lieut, James Dunn, who lately has grown a little sensitive to criticism of the difficulties which persons who desire to surrender for crime or give testimony against criminals are said to have experienced, sent out word that Mr. Evanson was to come right

"Fifteen years ago," said Mr. Evan son, "I was responsible for the death of a woman, Margaret Lens, in Brooklyn. My conscience troubles me in my old age and I wish to surrender."

The telephone helped to find two detectives in Brooklyn who were willing to come over and take charge of him, and Mr. Evanson was locked up in the Adams street station over night.

When he was arraigned before Magistrate Dodd. Assistant District Attorney Lee, who had been looking up the death of Margaret Lens, told the magistrate that the health department books showed that Margaret Lens died July 38, 1898, of Bright's disease and that Coroner Delapha had so certified.

"I know that," said Evanson. "I am not exactly a murderer. But I want to tell the grand jury how I am responsible."

Magistrate Dodd committed Mr. Evanson to the Kings county hospital for observation for five days.

# FORTUNE FOR ILLEGAL SON

Father Advertises for Kin, Now Fiftytwo Years Old, Whom He Plans to Give \$60,000.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The following advertisement in the newspapers tells a remarkable tale of an old wrong, with the attempt of the father to right himself after fifty years of silence:

"In the spring of 1860, a few miles from Lancaster, a boy child was born to a German girl named Caroline, who a short time after died, but the shild lived. If any one can give any information about this kindly write to C. J. Nyholm, 478 North Third street, Philadelphia."

Mr. Nyholm is an insurance brokerand at his home he told the story of an aged and grief-stricken old man who in his reclining years desires to give the child of whom he is the father 60,000. He has not seen the child since 1888, when it is thought that the young man went to Lancaster, being somewhere in the farming section at that time. The father intended to marry the mother of his offspring, but went to the Civil war, and when he was mustered out be fould the had died during his absence.

### PIN IN LIVER 20 YEARS; DIES

Operatión Apparently Successful, But Brooklyn Girl's Strength Fails-First Case of Kind.

New York.-Miss Kathryn Roche, Brooklyn, died in the Prospect Heights hospital and a surgical examination into the cause of her mysterious illness revealed the fact that for 20 years a small pin had been in her

No similar case has ever come to the knowledge of New York surgeons. Twenty years ago Miss Roche was taken to Seney hospital. It was then thought that she was suffering from an ordinary stomach malady and the doctors sent her home. 'A recent operation was apparently successful, but the vitality of the patient was not sufficient to carry her through the reactionary period.

### MOVING HABIT DIVORCE PLEA

Minneapolis Man Says His Wife Has Changed Abode Twentynine Times.

Minneapolis, Minn.—If a man is compelled by his wife to move twenty-nine times in the seventeen years of his married life, is it ground for

a divorce? W. P. Crawley of this city believes it is, and has asked that the court grant him freedom. In his petition he declares that the "moving habit"; formed by his wife has become unbearable; that she "beat him up" with a broom, and that he gave all his earnings to his wife, who spent them, forcing him to borrow from his brother to provide for his needs.

Weds His Grandniece. Poughkeepsle, N. Y.-Stephen Scuttl seventy-five years old, a wealthy rest dent of Dutchess couty, has married his grandniece, Miss Alice See, twenty ty-two years old. They had never seen each other until a few days ago.

Cleveland to Bar Loafers, Cleveland.-Because the faces on public square beaches had become familiar through hot days and nights. Police Chief Kohler has ordered hahitnal loafers barred from the city's downtown breathing places.

Supposed Body to Dummy. Chicago.-A horrified crowd ran to the front of the Y. W. C. A. building on Michigan averue after the body of a woman hit the sidewalk with a deli thud. They found a dummy dressed in an old skirt and jacket.

### OLD FAD IS AGAIN REVIVED

England and America Follow France in Digging Up Inexpensive and Entertaining Practice.

Boston.-A quarter of a century ago our mothers and our fathers had their pictures taken "en schouette." It was a fad that caught the country and had a brief reign. Some persons acquired considerable skill with shears and screen and lamp and made the most outrageously amusing shadow caricatures of their friends. Many had albums in which they glued their pictures.

Everybody soon forgot these galleries of silhousties. Now the last has been revived and it is quite the proper thing to entertain one's friends with silhouette parties at which prizes are awarded for the cleverest outline pictures produced.

England, copying France, has taken up the silhouette fad with a vim, and America, not to be outdone, is making new collections in shadow piotures.

The fad has much to recommend it as a diversion for the summer months. It is an inexpensive form of entertainment and it provides much amusement

Shadow sculpture gets its name from a French minister of finance whose parsimony in public expenditures arouses the resentment of the people. Outline pictures of him in black cardboard were hawked about Paris streets in 1758, and not long aft erward he lost his portfolio.

#### IN PLEA FOR GUADALOUPE

Henry Beranger, French Senator, Sees Great Future for Colony in the Antilles.

Paris.—Henry Beranger, the French senator representing Guadaloupe, the French island colony in the Lesser Antilles group in the Atlantic, has issued a public appeal in behalf of that island, which he has just visited.

Senator Beranger foresces a great industrial and agricultural future for Guadaloupe, but he declares that the island is now too heavily burdened

He points out that in the last ten years the population has increased from 180,000 to 220,000, and Guadaloupe has maintained her output of sugar, the coffee production has tripled and the production of fruit flavorings has steadily mounted.

What Guadaloupe needs, says Senator Beranger, is a chance to work by herself and for herself. She needs to be freed from excessive taxes levied by the mother country and the great variety of fiscal charges which stiffe the efforts of planters and fishermen 'and which together constitute a burenthusiasm of the islanders to develop into a successful and brilliant colony.

### FISH HIRES SAFE CRACKERS

Thina and Silver is Locked Up at Newport Villa and Combination Cannot Be Worked.

Boston.—Safe-breaking experts employed by a firm of manufacturers here have been summoned to Newport to open the family safe at the villa of Mr. and Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish. Before Mr. and Mrs. Fish left their estate at Garrisons, N. Y., they sent on their most valuable china and silver, with orders that it be locked in the safe. This was done, but upon the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Fish the

combination could not be worked. Locksmiths were called, but acknowledged that they could not open the safe without the use of explosives. This drastic method Mrs. Fish would not permit, fearing the concussion might destroy the china and silver. It was then that Mr. Fish decided to call upon the expert safe breakers, who are now on their way to Newport.

### DOG SAVES BOY, IS KILLED

Canine Drags Child From in Front of 4 Auto, but is Crushed to Death.

Cincinnati.—To save his master, five-year-old Clarence Whitney, the youngster's pet dog gave up his own life under the wheels of an automobile. The boy was crossing Madison road near the home of Senator Foraker, and did not see an automobile driven by Miss Margaret Payne, of Carlisle avenue, rapidly approaching. The dog seized his master by the trousers and tried to drag him out of the path of danger. The machine was so close that the animal was unable to get the child entirely? out of the road. The lad was struck a glancing blow that knocked him down, but did not cause any serious injury. The dog was caught under the wheels and crushed to death.

### **BOLT TRACES TREE ON MAN**

Lightning Kills Two In New York-Freak Lightning Draws Picture on Victim's Back.

New York.—Five deaths, two as a result of lightning, and numerous prostrations were the tolls claimed here by the excessive heat. The two men killed by lightning had sought relief from the heat under a tree in the Bronx when a bolt demolished the tree and caused instant death to the men. The clothing was torn from the back of one of the victims and a picture of the tree under which he was killed traced on his back. Two other men and a six-months-old infant complets the list of dead.

### PENGUIN OIL INDUSTRY

BIRDS ARE CAPTURED AND BRED FOR PROFIT.

Macquarie Island, Between Tasmania and the Antarctic Continent, is the Center of a Promising Commercial Enterprise.

What is probably the most southerly industry of the world is being carried on at Macquarie island, about halfway between Tasmania and the Antarctic continent, in capture of penguins for their oil. Macquarie island belongs to the state of Tasmania, and has an area of about 25,000 nores, being about twenty-five miles long and five miles wide. The island is leased by the Tasmania government to Joseph Hatch, who has established a penguin off industry there. Recently meeting Mr. Hatch, I obtained the following particulars from him:

There are probably 80,000,000 penguins on the island, so that the stock to be drawn from seems almost limitless. There are also a large number of sea elephants about the shores of this island. The oil is obtained from the penguins by boiling the carcasses in digesters capable of dealing with 800 birds at a time. The tops of the digesters are fastened down and steam applied until about twenty-five pounds pressure is abtained. The steam is then turned off and water pumped into the bottoms of the digesters, this causing the oil to rise, when it is

takken off the top by a tap. The oil is placed in barrels and sold to binder twine makers in Australia and New Zealand. There is a good market for all the oil that is produced here, but the industry has met with several severe losses through wreck of ships attempting to visit the island. There is no harbor about the island. so that vessels have to lie about half a mile off the rocky coast, and all material has to be conveyed to and from the shore on rafts formed of casks. Owing to the roughness of the open roadstead, it is impossible to obtain insurance for vessels trading

Macquarie island is about 750 miles southeast of Hobart. The island is barren, being covered only with tussocky grass. Whaling ships visiting there introduced rabbits and Maori hens, which are now quite prolific. The Mawson Antarctic expedition from Australia has established a wireless station there, and daily messages are now being received at Hobart. It was the intention of this expedition to use Macquarie island as a means of sending messages all the way from their base at Adelie land to Hobart, but unfortunately the wireless station established at Adelie land has been unable to communicate with Macquarie island, owing, it is supposed, to being too near the magnetic disturbances caused by the proximity of the south magnetic pole. The station at Macquarie Island, however, has already proved of considerable value to shipping in Australian waters by giving warning of storms coming up from the south.-Consul Henry D Baker, Hobart, Tasmania.

American "Aristocracy." If gilt were only gold, or sugar candy common sense, what a fine thing our society would be! If to lavish money upon objects de vertu. to wear the most costly dresses and always to have them cut in the height of fashion; to build houses 30 feet broad as if they were palaces; to fur nish them with all the luxurious devices of a Persian genius; to give superb banquets at which your guests laugh and which make you miserable: to drive a fine carriage and ape European liveries and crests and coats of arms; to resent the friendly advances of your baker's wife and the lady of your butcher (you being yourself a cobbler's daughter); to talk much of the "old families" and of your aristocratic foreign friends; to despise labor; to prate of "good society;" to travesty and parody, in every conceivable way, a society which we know only in books and by the superficial observation of foreign travel, which arises out of a social organization entirely unknown to us, and which is opposed to our fundamental and essential principles; if all these were fine, what a prodigiously fine society would ours be!-George William Curtis.

Drunken Monkeys. According to a recent letter from the Congo region on the west coast of Africa, the monkeys there are inordinately fond of a kind of beer made by the natives, who use the begerage to capture their poor relations. Having placed quantities of the beer

where the monkeys can get it, the natives wait until their victims are in various degrees of inebriation, and when they then mingle with them the poor creatures are too much fuddled to recognize the difference between negro and ane.

When a negro takes the hand of one of them to lead him off, some other fond creature clings to the hand of the latter one, and another one to his hand; thus a single negro may sometimes be seen earrying off a string of staggering monkeys.

When secured the beer is administered in decreasing quantities, so that they may only gradually awaken to the sad results of their spree.

Deserved Protest.

A French newspaper refers to the members of the stock exchange singing "God shave the king." "We must protest against this total misrepresentation of our national aspirations. observes Punch,

### LOWER TAX ON SPITE HOUSE

Declares She Purposely Decreased Property Value in Revenge for Neighbor's Wall.

For when a woman will she will, you may depend on't; And when she won't she won't, and there's an end on't.

Chicago.-Mrs. A. Spiskel, of 526 Aldine avenue, asserted in the office of the board of review that she is the sort of woman who will; also she prophesied with some emphasis that the owner of a flat building next door to her apartment house at 4447 North Paulina street will discover, to his. financial sorrow, just what degree of will she possesses. The bone of contention in this case is a rough brick wall, which Mrs. Spiskel says her foe put up facing her property, greatly to its detriment.

"He broke the building line and now I am going to break him if I have to take in washing to do it," said Mrs. Spiskel, and her lips became a thin line as she uttered the threat. Reviewer Thomas Webb, who was listening to her plea for a lower assessment, felt no doubt of her sincerity.

"That man just laughed when I protested against that wall," said Mrs. Spiskel, "and so I advertised for negro tenants and now my house is full of them. I'm getting less rent and so is he. I'll fight him as long as I live. Eventually my house will be a home for superannuated colored people."

Mrs. Spiskel had photographs, of both buildings with her and she finally succeeded in having the valuation of her home reduced from \$6,650 to

### HORSE KICKS UP 148 COINS

Money Discovered in Canada by Animal Believed Lost Eighty Years Ago.

Ogdensburg, N. Y .- A horse kicked a remarkable treasure trove into view on John McEwen's farm on the Canadian side of the St. Lawrence river. Six pieces of silver flew from the horse's hoof when the animal was being driven across a field. The driver jumped into the horse's tracks and. digging with his hands, turned up 148 coins-three Spanish pieces, one British, one five-franc piece, and 143 United States half-dollars.

By English law treasure trove goes to the crown, so the coins have been turned over to the police. They date from 1805 to 1828 and they were found buried in straight rows standing on

edge, only three inches under ground. Workmen who built the Rideau canal were paid in American silver, it being part of the indemnity paid by the United States to Great Britain. This money was sent to the canal district in kegs, some of which were stolen and never recovered. It is believed the money found is some of that lost eighty years ago.

## CHURCH CLOCKS AS TARGETS

London Steeplejack Says He Has Found Bullet Holes in Many of Them.

London.-With reference to the story telegraphed to the New York Times of the Irishmen of Strabane making a practice of shooting at the dial of the town clock, a well-known steeplejack named Larkins writes to the Daily Mail, pointing out that "sport" of this description is fairly A COLD MICH. common.

He says that in each of the following buildings he found, while repairing steeples, bullet holes either in the face of the clock or in the weathercock overhead:

East Molesey church, Hampton Court, Flaxley Abbey church, Gloucestershire; Heyope church, Radnor; Llangorwen church, Aberystwyth, Stock church, Ingatestone, Essex; Nevill Holt church, Leicestershire; Withington church, Hereford; Castlecary church. Somersetshire; Ayton church, North Berwick; Middleton Chene church, Banbury, and Eator Bishop church, Herefordshire.

## MISER VICTIM OF POISON

Farmer, Worth \$200,000, Dies. and Housekeeper Made III From Drug Placed in Coffee.

Richmond, Va.-Strychnine was the poison placed in the coffee of George M. Nicholas, a wealthy Rockingham county farmer, who died suddenly. This fact was determined by a chemical analysis of the stomach by the state chemist, Dr. W. H. Taylor.

The motive for the crime is a mystery, Jane Hopkins, who was his housekeeper for 25 years, drank from the same pot of coffee and was desperately ill. She may die. These two were the only occupants of the

Although Nicholas was worth more than \$200,000, he lived like a miser and dressed in rags.

Footpade' Novel Methods

Warsaw.-Foodpads who infest the suburbs of this town have hit on a novel way of robbing peasants' carts as they drive in laden with provisions. The peasant drives while his wife gits at the back of the cart to keep guard. The thieves jump onto the cart, put their arms round the woman's waist, kiss her and hustle her off with endearing terms. Off runs the outraged husband to catch his wife. Meanwhile the Don Juan's accomplices take away the provisions and

disappear into the forest. When the peasant finally gets back his wife he finds be has been robbed of all but the cart. The trick is practiced with great success.

## BLIND CHARLEY GOZS AWAY

Beggar Takes a Whirl at Coney Island and Then Doesn't Dare Return to His Old Corner.

New York.—Wall street has just lost one of its most interesting and best known characters, and at the same time is minus a flourishing business. The character in question is known as Blind Charley, and the business is that of begging, by which he has accumulated a fortune of more than \$100,000.

Kind-hearted brokers, fresh from & successful turn in the market, have been cheerful contributors to the battered tin cup of the blind beggar, and so generous have been gifts that there is apparently no reason why Blind Charley should not have run his fortune up to the half-million mark if he had only used a bit of discretion. The trouble began when Charley started out for Coney Island last week, all dressed up. He looked about as much like a beggar as Andrew Carnegie or John D. Rockefeller might look if they ever took it in their heads to give Coney a whirl. The little boy who led the way had on a new suit and a bright silk necktie.

They were out for a good time and they didn't let expense stand in the way. They rode on the merry-goround, bumped the bumps and looped the loop, and occasionally Charley would break a five-dollar bill to purchase a bag of peanuts. Naturally they attracted a good deal of attention. People were interested at the sight of an old blind man and a little boy doing Coney together.

One man, who on more than one occasion had dropped a dime in Charley's battered cup, was so interested that he notified the police. As a result the fact was brought to light that Charley was wealthier than many of those who had contributed to his fortune, and consequently he has disappeared from his wonted stand. While Wall street will miss his queer personality, the sting is made still sharper by the realization of many brokers that they let a man with \$100,000 in cold cash invade their stronghold without ever making a single investment in the securities in which they

### MAN 70 YEARS YOUNG SKATES

Gay Old Boy Just Whirls Around to Get an Appetite-Gets It, Too.

Tacoma.-Clerks and others arriving late at their offices have recontly been giving an excuse that they have been watching an old man

As they reach a certain street they hear the whirr of rollers on the asphalt paving. Rounding a corner. they see a little old man, with long chin whiskers, sunken eyesockets, but very bright eyes, speeding along at a reckies rate. His ball-bearing rollers he manipulates with the dexterity

of a fourteen-year-old veteran. A reporter approached the septuagenarian skater and was received with

"Don't get it into your head that I'm doing this to revive ice-skating." he said. "This is a very healthy way of spending spare time. I get out here in the early morning and whirl around and have the finest appetite for breakfast you ever saw. And I'm nearly seventy.

"I used to skate a lot in Holland. The doctor says it's a great thing for me, and I know it is, so that's al' there is to it."

### BETTER EYES, BETTER MAN

California Prison Warden Has a Theory Along the Lines of Reform.

Sacramento, Cal.-To carry out his theory that steps for all-around betterment of prisoners should be taken, beginning with physical conditions, Warden Johnston of Folsom penitentiary has had thirty-two prisoners ex-

amined by eye and ear specialists. Jake Oppenheimer, "the Hyena," under sentence of death, will be fitted with a pair of glasses. The warden said that Oppenheimer was pleased with the result, as his vision had been much impaired in the preparation of a book he is now writing, entitled "The Thoughts of a Condemned Man."

Another prisoner will be fitted with an artificial eye, on the theory that any improvement in a prisoner's looks will heighten his self-respect and make him more amenable to efforts for his reform.

### BOY LOVER HANGS HIMSELF

Heboken (N. J.) Youngster Couldny Give Up infatuation for Grownup Cousin.

Hoboken, N. J.-Infatuation for his pretty twenty-year-old cousin, Mary Bussanich, is believed to have led James Bussanich, twelve years old, to commit suicide by hanging in his father's carpenter shop.

body when she was searching for the boy to take him home. For some time the boy had displayed a violent liking for the cousin, and no amount of talking would cause him to refrain from a display of his infatuation, which she tried to repel.

The young woman herself found the

Boys Dynamite a Church. Huntington, W. Va.-Dynamite was touched off against the Church of Christ by boys who had been chased away from the grounds. The explosion rocked the building and broke up the meeting.

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