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old methods. - Fan Francisco Argopput.

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how much is the boat?" "Sure, your honor, the boat'll be in the bill. Your honor'll give the boatman what you please."

"But what is generally given?" "Well, your honor, some'll give two shillings, and some eighteen pince. A tailor'd be for giving eighteen pince." How much the passenger gave is not known, but surely he was not inclined to be classed with stay-at-home tailors, not accustomed to "sport."

The World's Pelegraph Lines. The actual length of the telegraph lines of the world is 7,900,000 kilometers-not including nearly 300,000 kilometers of submarine cable. This total is divided as follows: America, 4,050,-000 kilometers; Europe, 2,840,000; Asia, 500,000; Australia, 350,000; Africa, 160,-000. The entire length of all these wires joined together would permit of the establishment of twenty lines of telegraph between the earth and the

The Local Flavor. An American, who had left his native country to travel in Europe, with the maxim, "When in Rome do as the Romans do," well in mind, found himself in Marseilles. He wanted some See cream and went into a restaurant and ordered it. "What flavor will you have?" asked

the waiter. The American hesitated a moment, and then remembered his maxim. "Oh, garlie, I suppose," he answered.

Leprosy in France.

osy, which has just been brought to a conclusion at Berlin, the startling fact was elicited that the disease is very improved so that income would be prevalent in France, especially in the northern districts thereof, and that it is on the increase. This discovery and the data furnished by the French medical authorities contributed in no small measure to the resolution voted by the Congress to the effect that leprosy is contagious. Swearing Won't Help It.

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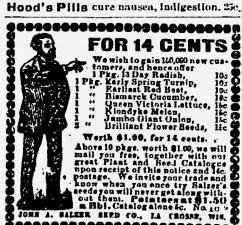
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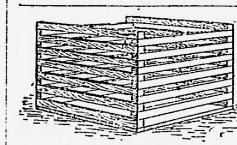
Protecting Trees Against Rabbits. While there are innumerable remedies recommended and used for the protection of young trees against the better and more reliable than smallmeshed wire netting wound around the tree and tied together with a wire. It is inexpousive, durable, does not keep out light and air, and is in every way preferable to tarred paper, tin nd any of the close coverings recommended.—American Agriculturist.

Evergreens in Winter. In the planting of lawns and pleasure grounds in general there is rarely much thought given to their appearance in winter, and yet to those who live in the country the year round this is a matter of no small consideration. The proper disposition of a few handsome evergreen trees will often effect a complete and pleasing change in the character of one's grounds, and give brightness and cheer to otherwise bare and dreary surroundings. Winter is the proper time to note the places where such trees would be most effective, and to mark the spots with a stake as a guide land Homestead.

The Meadows.

Hay was not a profitable crop to many farmers last year, and this fact was due in part to carelessness and too large acreage. Weedy meadows were allowed to stand everywhere. The owner of a small farm, holding each field to account, was master of the situation. Where the grass was fairly promising, excepting on account of white-top and other like weeds, the fields were cleaned of filth with hoe or seythe before the growth of grass tons would have been better, and, best of all, a rast acreage of land would have been put into better shape for the future, instead of remaining covered with a mass of weed-seeds.

An Easily Made Crate. Where one has access to a mill, and can procure an abundance of inchsquare edging, he can make a dozen or more crates very easily, after the manner shown in the sketch. A few wire



HANDY FARM CRATE.

nails secure the corners. Let these be two and a half inches long. The bottom may be of board or of slats, as preferred. A board cover can also be | York Commercial Advertiser. fitted to the top, if needed. Such a contrivance makes an exceedingly strong and convenient crate, well adapted for gathering the potato and apple crops. It is much better to pick the potatoes or apples into such a receptacle and load a wagon with some dozens of them, than to gather the crop and turn it loose into the wagon box, from which the fruit or tubers must be picked out or shoveled out again. Crates thus save much handling and consequent bruising .- Orange Judd Farmer.

Cutting Up a Hog. This is to be done skillfully to make the carcass is halved by splitting the through the rib bones, leaving a long has a collection of specimens worth a strip from each side, which may after- | king's rausom. She keeps them in a ward be cut into pieces as may be desirable. So says the Montreal Herald. boiling. The head and feet are well worth serving, being cleaned and mania for collecting the gloves and kinds of food to be eaten cold. If Catherine of Russia. ome chickens are cut up and cooked with the meat, it is much improved. are much improved by smoking. The meat keeps better during the summer and a moderate smoking with small twigs add much to the flavor of

light, and is best done by the simple rubbing of the meat. The meat, being cut into convenient pieces, is laid upon a bench with the skin down and a mixture of seven pounds of fine salt, four ounces of saltpetre and two pounds of sugar, of the quality known as coffee sugar, is well mixed. Sometimes spice of various kinds is added, and on the whole is desirable: To the quantity of salt and sugar mentioned one onnce each of ground ginger, allspice and cinnamon may be added. These quantities are for 100 bounds of meat. The mixture is rubbed on the ment on the flesh side, not all at once, but at intervals of a week, the meat being left to drain during the intervals. To prevent drying of the meat the pieces are piled one upon the other and a weighted piece of board is laid on the top. Three weeks of this curing is sufficient when the meat is hung in a smokehouse for final curing by the smoke. The most important part of this process is the coolness of the smoke and the absence of fire heat on the meat. The smokehouse should be tight, and to keep out mes it should be med und fine wire gauze. The fire is best made outside of the house in a pit, keep out flies it should be lined with having a stovepipe laid so as to carry the smoke into the house through the floor. The smoke is thus cooled and gives a much more pleasant flavor to the meat. Half an hour's smoking twice a week for four weeks will be sufficient, and this is better than to smoke the ment every day. If the smokehouse is made impregnable to the meat flies and beetles, it will be the best place for keeping the ment Bordeaux red make the favorite mauntil the warm weather is about to terials. arrive in the spring. Then the meat should be wrapped in paper, or tied popular this winter, and is used in the common paper bags and hung every conceivable way and in all sorts in a dry place, or if perfectly dry it of garmonts. Young and old wear it sixty acres, at a loss of \$1,000,000 an

WOMAN'S WORLD

Therules that apply to ordinary calling are equally inforce for bridal calls. On these occasions the bride should depredations of rabbits, mice and follow them as any other married lady other animals, there is nothing would do. It is quite an obselete idea to suppose that a bride must remain at home day after day to receive those who may happen to call. If the "at | in clean water. Wet the goods before home" is strictly observed there will putting them to soak. be no need for this sacrifice.

Active Western Woman. Miss Estelle Reel has been very successful as superintendent of inschool lands. Under her administra- the corners must be tucked in. tion the income of the State from this source has increased from \$100 to \$1,000 a week.

At Least Two Waists Needed. Dressmakers and tailors have agreed hat no costume is complete unless its skirt is accompanied by two or more waists. For example, every one of the best tailor dresses is made with where to plant next spring .- New Eng- | a tight-fitting basque and shirt waists, that the wearer may alternate between the close and the easy body as she pleases, while the evening dresses are made with as many as three waists. One decollete, one high in throat and sleeves for receptions and small dinners and one loose, levely shirt, simple or ornate as desired.

Sleeveless Blouses For the Slender. Loose satin blouses without sleeves or yokes are becoming to the woman sufficiently slender to trifle with the whimsies of fashion. They are made like the children's gamp waist, a band was hurt. Where the meadow was of jetted satin or velvet passing over not worth the labor of cleaning the the shoulder, and a ceinture of satin, growth of grass and weeds was turned | jewels or velvet drawing in a part of under for manure, and the field was the fulness at the waist. The yokes At the international congress of lep- put into shape for profitable crops in and sleeves worn with these blonses the future. There was income from a at the waist. The yokes and sleeves clean meadow, or a field was being worn with these blouses are usually of a different color and of lighter magotten as soon as possible. The foul terial. Tucked mousseline or chiffon. meadow, hardly worth the labor of beaded tulle, net, lace or silk are cutting, did not, or should not, exist used. The combinations of tints posas a source of loss. Could this course sible with this style of bodice are as have been pursued generally, fewer beautiful as they are bewildering. An evening freck for reception, theatre or dinner has a cansouk bodice -sleeveless blouse - of pale blue velvet the front is embroidered with a delicate design executed in pearls. The narrow velvet bands, which hold the cansouk on the shoulders, are sewn with pearls, and pearl loops hang from them and rest on the rucked sleeves of soft white brocade glowing with pale pink roses. The high standpearls, and has a tiny round yoke of

> softly rucked brocade. A blouse of black satin is edged all around the top with a design in finest cut iet. The voke and sleeves are of finely plaited black tulle overlaid with medallions of point lace outlined with gold thread. The effect is extremely

Cloth gowns with braided cansonks and yokes and sleeves of corded silk, nousseline, crepe or velvet are very pretty, and the style is one of the most becoming of the season.-New

Royal Girls' Hobbies. As a girl of seven Queen Victoria was devoted to horticulture, and Lord Albemarle was fond of telling how impartially she divided the contents of her watering-pot between her flowers and her own little feet. She was especially fond of her donkey, too, and divided her attention between it and her natural history museum, which was crammed with specimens mostly collected by her own hand. Princess Beatrice (Princess Henry

of Battenberg) early made a hobby of wood carving, in which work she evinced great original talent, and it is the best uses of the meat, depending not generally known that the Princess on the way it is to be used. First, of Wales mastered the art with very considerable success. This popular backbone. If bacon is to be made, lady is also greatly interested in the the side is sawed down so as to cut subject of lacemaking and lace. She serapbook with ivory corners, pasting them in herself, with accompanying The shoulders and hams are cut out notes. She cares little for jewels and and trimmed, and the rib pieces are uses instead lovely lace for adornment. eserved for roasts or to be salted for | It is well known that in her youth the Queen of Italy contracted quite a boiled and chopped into small pieces, 'shoes of sovereigns past and present. hence once more brought to a boiling. At the present day she has quite a reat and then poured out into moulds valuable collection, among her treaso set into a solid jelly, when it be- ures being the shoes of Marie Antoincomes what is commonly known as ette, Mary Stuart, the Empress Josebrawn, one of the most agreeable phine, Queen Anne and the Empress

The Princess May (Duchess of York) as a girl was especially fond of sketch-The thin meat, shoulders and hams ing, and, in addition, made herself quite a specialist in precious stones. Queen Christina, of Spain, as a girl chose the study of scientific matters as corn cobs or hickory bark with the a hobby; she was particularly interested in aeronautics, and is probably the only Queen who has been up in a For smoking the salting should be

balloon The Czarina, when still the Princess Alix, made crazy patchwork her favorite hobby, and very handsome worl was turned out by her deft fingers. At the present moment the children of Princess Waldemar, of Denmark, are trying various hobbies, though

perhaps they are most likely to adopt photography, which has also been greatly in favor at the British court. Another follower of this pastime, Crewn Princess of Sweden, has been a most skillful photographer since she was unite a child

Fashion Notes. Belts of all kinds and conditions are worn, but one of the prettiest fancies is the belt of finely tucked black satin or colored velvet.

It is announced that ginghams are to occupy an important position in the line of spring cotton goods. Small plaids will be a favorite design. Mode color promises to be again popular. Six new and especially

pretty shades have recently appeared

in Paris and were at once sought for their dyeing. mand for the coming season. Light- ment that there are only four of these the range of color and variety of de- them is not accounted for is erroneous,

charming gown. With the skirts of black silk more the British Museum is not the owner blouse jackets than any other wraps of one, as stated. Mr. Ten Eyck has are seen, and velvet in black, Siberian one of the best collections of rare coins green and dark blue, with smoothfaced cloth in gray, dark green and

Velvet in all colors is immensely burned over 436 acres, destroying at may be packed in boxes or barrels in dry bran. If it is stored in a cool, dry place, it will keep in excellent condition without moulding until the natronly woman, finds special favor acrt. If the same fire occurred today it would cost, at the very lowest been relegated to the wardrobe of the matronly woman, finds special favor burned over was over \$85,000 000.

In 1893 the cabbage heads. A single flower has been known to weigh more than twenty would over was over \$85,000 000.

HOUSEHOLD MATTERS.

To remove mildew from white cotton materials dissolve one and a half ounces of chloride of lime in a quar of boiling water. Strain the liquid through a thick cloth and soak the mildewed spots in this liquid for several hours and then rinse thoroughly

The Law on Pfllows. Perhaps you didn't know that fashion dictated as arbitrarily about cushions as about costumes. Just now repair. struction in Wyoming. All the as. she says that no frilled pillows shall be sistants in her office are women. used on divans. They are reserved Just now she is trying to get a longer for arm-chairs and settees. Not less tenure of office for teachers. As State than nine cushions are considered cor-Superintendent of Schools she had rect for a couch. They must be charge of leasing and selling the State | twenty or thirty inches square, and

One cup of sugar, one egg, on scaut cup of milk, one tablespoonful of butter or lard, one teaspoonful of baking powder, flour enough to roll. They should be as soft as possible, so do not make the mistake of using too much flour. Have the pan of fat smoking hot before dropping in the doughnuts, and drop in a few at a time, so that the temperature of the fat will not be reduced too quickly.

Wash-Day in the Window Garden. Cleanliness is as necessary to the health of plants as it is to our own bodies, and a weekly wash day is as important in the window garden as in the laundry. On days when the outdoor temperature is above fifty degrees the easiest and best way to wash the plants is to take them outdoors and give them two or three thorough sprinklings with water but little warmer than the air.

If the state of the weather does not permit this the small plants may be ment of the private property adjoinand the larger ones should have their | which would so instill patriotism and leaves brushed or sponged off at least love of home and country as perfecting once a week.-New England Home-

Borax in the Laundry. Half a pound of borax is sufficient to soften ten gallons of warm water. It not only saves labor, but it saves BORD. half the quantity of borax given. Shake out the soiled garments loosely, rub soap on the specially soiled parts, one, and rub them on the board. ing collar is of white satin sewn with clothes boil up once in the boiler, roadway, and in some instances the white satin outlined with the same | cold water. Add a teaspoonful of | side of it, to be used in good weather. white jewels. The larger yoke is of | borax to every gallon of water used in | It is remarkable, on roads built in this the rinsing.

> The Sweet Potato Vine. If one is short of suitable vines for the sunny window garden, the sweet potato will produce a vine as handsome as an ivy, and of much more rapid growth. Take a quart fruit jar of glass and bend two wires so that they will cross each other, the ends resting on the inside rim of the jar; the wires should be bent so that they bucds wolls bus otato and allow about

one-half of its length to be out of the jar. Fill the jar or can with water, elect a potato which is of good size and perfectly sound, set it in the can resting on the wire and then keep in a lark room or closet until the roots reach the bottom of the can, then bring into the light and sun and the top will grow rapidly and may be rained on strings or on a trellis. -Atanta Journal.

Dainty Refreshments. Peanut Sandwiches-Be sure that our peanuts are freshly roasted, then shell and rub off the red skins. Pound to a paste or chop fine and add enough boiled salad dressing so that it can be spread easily. Peanut Sandwich Dressing-One

ablespoon batter, two tablespoons sugar, one dessertspoon flour, volks of three eggs, half cup vinegar, a pinch of salt. Cook in a double kettle until it thickens and is creamy. English Walnut Sandwiches-Chop ery fine, or what is better pound, half a pound of English walnuts and mix with enough melted butter or

easily spread between thin slices of buttered bread. Celery Sandwiches-Chop crisp, white stalks of celery very fine and mix with it some of the salad dressing mentioned above and spread between vour sandwiches. These are particuiarly appetizing for traveling lunches,

sweet cream so that the paste can be

is they keep moist so long. Lettuce Sandwiches-Let your lettuce lie in cold water or the ice box or at least an hour before using, then lry thoroughly with a clean towel, Spread thin slices of buttered bread tender, crisp lettuce leaves.

While Indian Commissioner Pray as at one of the agencies a number of young men drank whiskey and became unruly. They disturbed the seace. They were tried and convicted und sentenced to do a certain number of day's work on the highways.

The next morning the Indians under sentence, without guard of any kind. went to the place designated and did their day's work. The next day they he is to receive aid from people whom did the same, and so on until the terms he has formerly believed had very litof their sentences had been fulfilled. They never shirked, and nothing was required from them except their word that they would fulfill the conditions of the sentence. Is the word of an Indian more than the word of a white man?--lowa State Register.

Silver Dollar That Is Valued at \$6,000. A silver dollar of the issue of 1804 is owned by James Ten Eyek of Albany, N. Y., a Past Grand Master of Masons. He purchased it in New York city in 1888 for \$100, and secured with it the necessary papers to prove its authenti-Some time ago he refused was named for a reunion of the fambecause of the beauty and softness of 33,000 for the coin. A dollar of this ily. Three generations have grown In silks moires will be in great de-and for the coming season. Light. issue has been stated to be worth over Challenge of the season. Light. weight silks will be much worn and coins in existence and that one of standing before her people, opened sign make it easy for one to select a for there is a reliable record of the existence of seven of them. He says in the country.—New York Sun.

> Cost of Great Fires? In 1666 the great fire in London

GOOD ROADS NOTES.

Roads Need Constant Care. A road is miserable just after ordidary repairs are made on it; then it becomes passable, and, finally, perhaps, good for a time. After that it deteriorates till it is wretched again. and the process is repeated. By repairing a road annually, or at long periods, it is strictly good at no time. It needs a system of constant care and

Setting the Tramps at Work. The good roads of New Jersey, and the position of the State between the last night? He—That wasn't what the great cities of New York and Philadelphia, make it a favorite stampingground for tramps, and it is over-run with them. The freeholders of Camden County propose to set them at work breaking stones for the roads. If all other counties would do likewise. an insufferable nuisance and source of many assaults and thefts would be abated.—L. A. W. Bulletin.

Good Roads and Public Spirit. A town's streets should be the pubic lawns and public parks. They should be to the corporation as a whole what the grass plot in front of the house is to the individual resident. There is no higher evidence of the taste and refinement, enterprise and intelligence of a community, than well-paved streets, bordered with fine boulevards and handsome shade trees. Ill-kept, badly-laid-out streets speak of public poverty and narrowness, an utter absence of that spirit which should possess every citizen loyal to his town's interests and wisely attentive to his own. Public streets, substantially paved and boulevarded. will in turn encourage a similar treattreated similarly in a wash or bathtub, ing them. There is no departure our streets and highways. These sentiments of the Ontario (Canada) Commissioner of Roads, are as good in the States as in the Dominion.

Good Combination Roads. At a dinner given to General Stone. Dissolve the borax in the in St. Louis, at the time of the recent water. If the water is soft, use only Good Roads Convention, the general speke, as follows, concerning what is a good road for general purposes:

"The science of road-building i and immerse them in the borax and steadily developing and, so far, experiwater. After stirring them thor- ence has shown that the very best road oughly let them lie over night. In | in the world, in good weather, is the the morning lift the pieces out one by dirt road. When it is either dry or frozen it makes the best road known. Throw them into a boiler of cold For this reason it is the rule on the water in which a half pound of dis- most modern roadways to have a dirt solved soap has been stirred. Let the road running alongside of the paved then lift them out and rinse them in paved rondway has a dirt road on each fashion, how many days in the year the dirt roads do the best possible service, and the wear and tear on the man habbin his own opinion of he saved. Besides this, wet weather is the time when travel over the paved | it."-Washington Star. road does it the least harm, for the them, and by being used only in bad

weather, it lasts much longer. "There is another argument in favor of building roads in this way, and that is that instead of a paved or graveled roadway, sixteen or more feet in width. it is only necessary to build it eight feet wide. This reduces the original cost of building the roads just onehalf, and it has been found to answer the purpose just as well, if not better than a road twice its width. How about wagons passing each other? That is a natural question and simply answered. One wagon turns out on the dirt road where two wagons meet; but, as two wagons seldom or never meet in exactly the same place, there is no danger of wearing a deep hole or rut in the dirt road.

"The cost of building a first-class road of this kind recently, in Philadelphia, with inexperienced hands, and other unfavorable conditions, was \$1200 a mile. The same kind of road has been built for \$900, and even as low as \$800 a mile. The railroads everywhere appreciate the direct benefit that good roads are to the freight traffic on their lines, and have, in nearly every instance, when called upon, given the movement their hearty aid and co-operation. The Southern Railroad Company assured me that it would be glad to haul the rock needed for constructing the road ways, to stations along its lines, at the bare cost of hauling the cars. "In collecting data on the \$600,

000,000 annually, which bad roads

cost this country, I sent out ten thou-sand letters, both in this country and abroad, and the figures are given only after a very careful estimate. In the State of Iowa the farmer hauls thirty bushels in a load when, if the roads were good, he ought to haul 100 in one load. That single instance with salad dressing made from the | tells the story in a greater or less deabove rule and place between them gree of the bad roads throughout the country. That \$600,000,000 loss every year, through bad roads, is a tax, not only on the farmer, but on everybody. I find, in my experience, that one of the most difficult things which the promoters of good roads have to do, and especially those who live in the cities, is to prove to the farmers that their interest in good roads in the country is a real and personal one. The farmer has paid the tax of bad roads, and has suffered from it so long that he finds it difficult to believe that tle real interest in them.'

Silent Fifty Years; Now Cannot Speak.

Miss Experience Guilford, of Blue. Hill, Me., made a vow more than half: century ago that if she were not allowed to marry the man of her choice she would not speak a word to anyone though she lived to be fifty years old. Her father, and then her mother, died, and her home was changed several times, but throughout all this period she kept her word. The fifty years of silence was to have come to an end one day last week. The day her mouth to speak. But though she made a violent effort, and grew red in the face in the attempt, she could not utter a word. Her vocal muscles had become atrophied from long disuse and refused to work. She is now undergoing treatment in a Boston hospital to restore her speech.—New York World.

A Blossom a Yard in Diameter. A five-petaled blossom, nearly yard in diameter, is accessible to the Philippine Islander who wishes to startle his friends with a unique bouFLASHES OF FUN.

At thirty he published a book-Not poetry-he had got wisdom-A volume on "Aids to the Cook." -Philadelphia North American. A Juvenile Logician-Ma, is there any ple left in the pantry?" "There is one plece, but you can't have it." "You are

mistaken, ma, I've had it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer. "We're got to economize," said Mr. Gargoyle to his wife. "Very well, dear," and which was very painful, and exhibited replied the good woman, cheerfully. all the symptoms of ordinary neurslgia, "You shave yourself and I'll cut your did her no good whatever. She was dis-

hair."-Harlem Life. She-Did you see that bird of para-

dise on Mrs. Styles' hat at the theater last night? He—That wasn't what the fellow, who sat behind her called it.—

known pin was recommended (Dr. vin jams' Pink Pills for Pale People).

She supplied herself with a quantity of them and had not taken them two weeks when she noticed a marked improvement Yonkers Statesman. Mrs. Passay-Everybody says my daughter got her beauty from me.

What do you say to that? Mr. Witts-Well. I think it was very unkind of her to take it from you.-Up to Date. "One 'er de troubles 'bout dishere life," said Uncle Eben, "is dat by de time a man hab a realizin' sense dat he orter learn sumpin', he feels like he's too old ter staht in."-Washington Star. Mr. Figg-"Happy is the country that

has no history"-do you understan l

that, Tommy? Tommy-I guess it

don't have to study it.-Indianapolis Journal. Bostonian-Is this friend that you wish to bring to dinner much of a raconteur? Chicago Man-Blamed if I Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People a comknow; but, say, you'll die laughin' if we | plete care has been made. get him to tellin' stories. -Cleveland

Leader. Willis-Parker's salary was doubled a short time ago, so I hear. Wallace-Yes, it was; but it got him in lots of trouble. Willis-How's that? Wallace—His wife found it out.—Town Topics.

Hungry Higgins-What do you think this here foot-ball, anyway? Weary shaped piece of metal which slips over Watkins-There is something in it called a rush line, ain't they? "Yaas." either end, with a screw to draw them "Well,( that ain't my line."-Indianapolis Journal.

Deacon Hamby-We're going to have a reformed prizefighter talk at the temperance meeting Thursday night. The Deacon's Son-How is it possible that he can be reformed if he still talks?-Chicago News. "I get tired writing jokes lay after

day," said the amateur humorist "Don't you care," replied his friend consolingly. "Think hew tired the people tilization, are who read them."-Philadelphia North American. "I asked the young woman in front of me to remove her big hat, so I could larger grain are sure to result see the stage." "Did she do it?" "No:

she couldn't see the stage herself."-Chicago Record. "Sometimes," sald Uncle Eben, "dar wouldn't be so much objection to a didn't persist in goin' aroun' an' tryl

ter gib ebberybody else a clear title to "Great men," remarked the thoughtvehicles then press down the rock and | ful youth, "are frequently misunderstone into place, instead of scattering | stood by the public." "That," replied Senator Sorghum, gravely, "is very true. And mighty lucky it is for some

of them."--Washington Star. . . Jay Green (sourly)-If them people don't do different about it, blamed if I'll go to the party to-morrow night. Josh Medders-What do you want 'em to do in order to get you to go? Jay Green-Invite me.-Boston Traveler. "You mean to tell me that you don't hink foot-ball ought to be suppressed? Just look how many get naimed and killed in the game." "It doesn't main and kill anybody except coot-ball players."—Cincinnati En-

"I won't submit to being turned tway," said the disappointed arrival it the hotel. "See here-I'm flush!" And he displayed a roll of bills. "I know," responded the clerk; "but I've got a full house."-Philadelphia North Amer Old Gentleman (dictating indiguant etter)-"Sir: My stenographer, being

a lady, cannot take down what I think of you. I, being a gentleman, cannot think it; but you, being neither, can easily guess my thoughts."-Brooklyn Different Point of View .- "Well. what's the use of arguing?" said the shiftless individual; "talk is cheap." "My dear sir," said the taxpayer, "did

Show us a man who has malaria, and we will show you a man who eats too

you never take into consideration the

actual cost of a session of Congress?"

-Chicago News.

An Afflicted Mother. From the Times, Paw Paw, Il. A resident of this town who has lost two

children during the past siz years, by vio-lent deaths has been utterly prostrated by the shock, and seriously sick as a result of it. One child (aged 9) was killed by a cy-clone in '80 while at school; another, three years later was run over by a Burlington R. R. train. That griefs and misfortunes may physical disorders has been well demon-strated in this case. As a result of them, her health was shattered and she has been a constant sufferer since 1890. Her principal trouble has been neuralgia of the stomcouraged and abandoned all hope of get-ting well. Finally, however, a certain well known pill was recommended (Dr. Will-



A Constant Sufferer. in her condition. She continued taking the pills until seven or eight boxes had means the kids are happy, 'cause they been consumed and she considered herself entirely cures. She can now cat all kinds of food, which is something she has not been able to do for years. She is not troubled in the least with nervousness as she was during the time of her stomach troubles. She is now well and all because of Dr. If any one would like to hear more of the details of her suffering and relief gained by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People they may be obtained prob-ably, by writing the lady direct. She is

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