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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

## People Will Talk.

You may get through the world, but 'twill be very slow, If you listen to all that is said as you go; You'll be worried and fretted, and kept in a stew,

For meddlesome tongues will have something to do-

### For people will talk.

It quiet and modest, you'll have it presumed That your humble position is only assumed: You're a wolf in sheep's clothing, or else you're a tool-But don't get excited, keep perfectly cool-For people will talk. If generous and noble, they'll vent out their

spleen You'll hear some loud hints that you're selfish

and mean.

It upright, honest, and fair as the day, They'll call you a rogue in a sly, sneaking way'

For people will talk.

And then if you show the least boldness of

Or a slight inclination to take your own part, They will call you an upstart. conceited and

But keep straight ahead, don't stop to explain,

For people will talk.

If threadbare your dress, or old-fashioned your hat, Some one will surely take notice of that,

up in houses, I hope, mamma, I am made a strange brightness. not irreverent," she added, as she step-ped from the terrace into the breakfast-room.

with the words:

her mother's countenance as she con-cluded the letter. rid of me, I suppose, even though at your expense. I hope I have not intrud-

his immediate presence at home. I sup-pose," she added, thoughtfully, "that he "It nothing about it in the note." Grace's fair face, as she received her

no great expression of interest.

him," she said, quietly. "You forget that we have no escort," wondered what it could mean.

remarked the mother. pose that either Mr. Somers-or Mr. spirit, and that, somehow, the April day "strike a lead."

avoid than seek our company."

exceptional match."

suffused with tears.

"Oh. mamma!"

"He is so old, mamma!"

of such a conquest; and let me assure

you that he has paid you a great compli-

ment in fancying a young girl such as

There was something so appealing and

Temple-will also go." and Mr. Temple excused himself from

light roll with white and jeweled fingers,

"It is possible that he may be in love

accepting the Haroldson's invitation. upon the terrace, Mrs. Courtenay and He probably thought that the colonel's her friend, Mrs. Somers, were talking

mosphere as this, instead of being shut eyes, in which a kind of troubled joy

which the servant had just brought in, strings; yet the words which he spoke to Dick Booker." were commonplace enough.

"No answer, ma'am." "Any bad news, mamma?" inquired Grace, observing the grave expression of "Mrs. Courtenay has been kind enough to send me in search of you. Herself and Mrs. Somers wished to get

"Only a note from Colonel Barksdale. ed upon your romantic retirement?"

the Haroldson's to-morrow. He has re- ing differently now from when you were have made independent fortunes in Leadceived this morning a letter requiring last here. And what a lovely day it has ville, Col.

I hope, in our lives, Grace. met before; but in them now was a way across the continent, and finally system so widely practiced among the

in dying was leaving for her a glory Meanwhile, in the parlor opening out

"I am almost afraid," whispered Mrs. Somers, as Grace seated herself at the

Mrs. Courtenay did not reply. She the hand which she unconsciously gave "He will not have cause to regret it," everything is for the moment porcine. had seated herself before the coffee-urn, was clasped in one whose lingering Mrs. Courtenay replied. "Indeed, I and was now breaking the seal of a letter touch seemed to thrill her very heart- think we have all reason to be grateful

And she favored him with a special invitation to the wedding festivities.

# From Poverty to Opulence.

Peter Finerty, Richard and Patrick phrase goes, in coming out of it all so Dillon are the names of three gentlemen Regrets that he cannot accompany us to "Oh, no. You find the garden look- who may be classed among the few who

The first named came to this country 134 species of Japanese fish, being very "It was winter when I was last here; about ten years ago, penniless. The Dilwill return after a while; though he says it is spring now, not only in nature, but, lon brothers were too poor, six years known species in that empire. The specihope, in our lives, Grace." Something in his tone made her look lantic, so they shipped as deck hands. coffee from her mother's hand, betrayed up. Their eyes met, as they had often After landing they started to work their lish. They come under the exchange

"We can enjoy ourselves without light, as of joy and promise, which she had never before seen there, and she They worked in the mines with varying success, but managed to remain as to the Tokio museum a collection of They sauntered up and down the al- poor as when they left the old country. North American birds, equaled by only "Why, mamma, is not Mrs. Somers leys as the golden sunshine faded away Their lot was in no way different from three similar collections in this country, going with us? and-" she bent her face into the far west. But little was spoken that of thousands of other miners about and to the museum of the educational rather lower than was necessary as she between them, and yet Grace felt that them. They were shrewd, however, department a collection, also very comsipped her coffee-" in that case, I sup- the shadow had passed away from her and persisted in their laborious efforts to plete, of South American birds.

They staked out their claims in proper "Mr. Somers will be away to-morrow, which it had not known in its dawning. form, and secured themselves against all Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and comers.

Finally, fortune smiled upon them. They discovered one of the best paying their parents. One case is mentioned in mines in Leadville. There were then four in partnership, having five children similarly afflicted. almost as soon as Arthur Temple had of one of the partners, and he, with the other families with five children each, precious ore. The Leadville excitement came on, deaf-mute children were each descendants and thousands flocked to the place either of first cousins. A total of ninety-seven to work in the mines or to buy them for families are reported having one hundred

TIMELY TOPICS. Little pigs in gold and silver are now worn by everybody in Vienna as jewelry.

Pins, charms, bracelets, stick handles-The court began, and the rest of the world naturally followed the lead. The fashion has come from Germany, and was introduced to commemorate the happy escape of the Emperor William from all risks and dangers he has lately run, and his "Schweins' gluck," or pigs' luck-meaning splendid luck-as the German well.

Tragedy on a Steamboat. A recent Cincinnati dispatch says:

Another bloody killing occurred on the steamboat Vigo, at Gratz, on the Kentucky river. At Lockport, four miles above, a young man named Newt suits. Abrams took passage, intending to go to Carrollton, on the Ohio river. At Gratz, midni Ky., the boat was boarded by an old man named George Roberts, with his brother and nephew. An old feud existed between Roberts and Abrams, which had once caused a shocking affray. As soon as Roberts, who was a stout, wiry man, able for any one, despite his sixty years, |ly every country, saw Abrams he announced his intention of whipping him forthwith. With this intention he caught Abrams, and at-tempted to throw him down. Abrams The Smithsonian Institution at Washington has just received a collection of backed into a corner, placed his head nearly a complete collection of all the

against Roberts' breast, and, pushing him back, attempted to draw a pistol from his hip pocket. Roberts divined it. his purpose and caught his arm, and the pair went around and around the cabin

in their efforts to get the best of each sir. other. When half way down the cabin Abrams succeeded in getting his pistol out of his pocket, and placing its muzzle under his adversary's left ear, he discharged the contents of one of its chambers into his head. Roberts dropped, and as he was falling Abrams fired another chamber of his weapon, but the

ball went wide of its mark, owing to The annual report of the Western Roberts rolling over on the floor. A both its wings. moment later Abrams came forward to When you wake up at night and hear Dumb presents some notable instances of the affliction entailed upon children by

He was advised to return immediately to

A Miner's Luck.

Missing men-Bad marksmen. A home-stretch-Over a mother's knee. Lawyers are out in their new spring

Suicides are still buried in England at midnight.

Of all natural men, Audubon was the naturalist.

Lake county, Oregon, is troubled with Indian beggars.

The pansy has some pet name in near

Aim high; but not so high as not to be able to hit anything.

Appearances are sometimes deceitful. So are disappearances.

Chimney sweeping must be a good business; it soots everybody who tries.

Was Boreas ever married? Shakespeare writes of the merry wives of wind-

It is a singular thing that no railroad man has ever applied for a patent on the day-break.

A contemporary says: "For 'spring pests' in our issue of yesterday, read spring poets.'

Byron, the dramatist, says that the best way to make an army fly is to break

where the terror-stricken passengers of the baby crying, look out for dangerthe boat were huddled, smoke still curl- for there is a rock ahead.

And hint rather strong that you can't pay your

way-

But don't get excited whatever they say-For people will talk.

It you dress in the fashion, don't think to

For they criticise then in a different shape; You're ahead of your means, or your tailor's cheek. She looked down and broke her

unpaid-

while her mother furtively watched But mind your own business, there's naught to be made--

For people will talk.

Now, the best thing to do is to do as you please, For your mind, if you have one, will then be

at ease.

Of course you will meet with all sorts of abuse, But don't think to stop them, it ain't any use-For people will talk.

- Wallingford Forum.

AN APRIL FOOL.

"First of April!" said young Mr Richard Booker, as he turned up the corresponding card in the office-register it its place above the mantel-piece. "Why, I declare I had forgotten all you-as he openly shows that he does." about it. Ain't it jolly? I say, Jenkins, we'll have some fun before the day's out. Lucky, ain't it. that the governor's away?

"Better look sharp, or you'll get your self into another scrape," responded the clerk, who, at the opposite desk, was almost pathetic in the expression, that preparing for the day's work. You Mrs. Courtenay was touched, despite the haven't forgotten last April, when you vexation that betrayed itself as she coldwrote that proposal of marriage to Miss | ly said : Winterbottom from the old doctor? Why, the old lady glared at you only | wish to force or control your inclinations. yesterday, as though she could have But, as I said, Colonel Barksdale is a

scratched your eves out." "Oh, I'll not play off on the fair sex | exceptional character, and calculated to this time. I'll confine myself to the less make any woman happy. You know that sensitive and vindictive portion of hu- he is paying you most special and markmanity. Hello! There's the Oaklands ed attention, and I confess that I should phaeton stopping at the postoffice. Mr. be very happy in seeing my daughter so Arthur Temple and that insufferable, advantageously married and settled in exasperating prig, Colonel Barksdale. | life.

Grace attempted to speak, but her voice They'll be over here in a minute, and, by Jove! won't I play off on the colonel! failed her. She pushed away her plate, He, he! Temple, too. He's a good fel- played nervously with her spoon, and low, and won't mind it. Now, Jenk, finally, looking up and meeting her don't you say a word, or I'll let on to mother's eyes, her self-control gave way. She arose, and, gliding behind her the governor about that lark last night."

The promising young scion of the law mother's chair, put her arm around her looked preternaturally serious and pre- neck, laid her cheek against hers, and occupied as the distinguished-looking | said, falteringly:

"Dear mamma, I hope that I shall colonel entered the office. Jenkins, as a simple matter of self- never make you unhappy; only, if you defence in view of possible future con- would not speak of this just now, and tingencies, had slipped into the back appear so anxious to get rid of your daughter, who does not wish to leave

What passed between the colonel and you"wherein the latter was delivering to the that it is entirely for your own good and have so imposed upon the colonel. And

escort would be sufficient. But I ob- earnestly. "I could not rest until I had seen you," serve that he is very much changed of

late, and seems quite to have lost his the latter said, with a strange tenderness but all too poor to work the mine to ad- Another case where the parents were reformer good spirits and taste for society. in her voice and moisture in her eyes, vantage. Finerty bought out the share lated had three deaf-mute children, two He has been here but once in two weeks, and, at Oakland's, seems now rather to left them. "I felt so grieved for you Dillon brothers, continued to work the and another with two children, all deafand Gracie. I hope that the dear child A faint blush tinged the young girl's does not take it much to heart."

Mrs. Courtenay flushed. "Really," said she, with dignity, "I am at a loss to understand why you speculative purposes. should be grieved or troubled on our

Barksdale's abrupt departure"-

with that pretty Miss Neilson," Mrs. "To Colonel Barksdale? Certainly Courtenay continued, carelessly. "That not. I do not now consider Colonel would account for the change in him; Barksdale worthy of a moment's con- mine, and they accepted his bid. as, of course, he must know how impossideration from either you or Grace. My sible it is that he could marry on the little property he possesses. Miss Neilson bankers, Stokes." would not encourage him. Indeed it

struck me that she at first rather fancied papers, though how that can affect us I | 000 in government bonds. the colonel. Not surprising, for he is cannot imagine. certainly an elegant man and a most un-

"Why, Caroline, you surprise me. Was not the whole, or the greater part, of Grace's fortune in the hands of the "Only thirty-four-just old enough to be settled and thoroughly reliable. Indeed, Grace, any woman might be proud

almost total loss to her?" "You are strangely mistaken. Gracie's fortune is all safe with the trustees with life. whom her grandfather left it until she such false information?

Grace looked up suddenly with a half-Mrs. Somers drew a long sigh of relief. startled glance, and her blue eyes became nel Barksdale this morning.

"That is strange, considering that his father is our lawyer here, and knows "I knew that, and it was for this very

reason that we so readily credited young "Understand, Grace, that I do not Booker's report. But what could have induced him to make such an unfounded assertion? He mentioned it to the colobrilliant match, and is, moreover, of un-"That, then," said Mrs. Courtenay,

with a deep flush mounting to each cheek -"that explains his sudden departure and his peculiar note.' She turned her head aside to hide the tears of mortification and indignant scorn. "I am so exceedingly sorry!" began

Mrs. Somers. "And I am exceedingly glad!" returned her friend, with decision. "Not for the world would I have my child throw herself away upon so utterly selfish and her," she added, in a softened voice, " and would make a good and devoted husband. before it would have 'been too late.' " "I agree with you entirely," said her

friend. "But," she added, "what puzmanity.

Many offers were made to the partners of them evidently the result of imprudent account. If you allude to Colonel to sell their claim, and finally they con- marriages. cluded to do so.

J. V. Farwell, of this city, offered them \$300,000 for their most valuable allusion was to the failure of the great transaction with Mr. Farwell, and after gains with his patients, and, it is said,

with an "X. Finerty, as his share of the proceeds arriving at the house, not wishing to of the sale, received \$150,000, and the exert himself more than was necessary, Messrs. Stokes? And if so, is it not an Dillon brothers \$75,000 each-enough to he stopped at the foot of the stairs and secure any reasonable person in comfort- | called: "Whose child is sick up there?" able circumstances for the rest of his "Mine," said the mother, coming to the

When they called at the bank they down two dollars," said the doctor. The marries. Who could have given you were dressed in the latest and most con- money was brought, and the doctor then not, however, tarry longer than necessa- told, he said: "Oh, give it a dose of cas-"Young Mr. Richard Booker told Colo-ry in the city, but departed at once for tor oil," and went his way. Leadville on the evening train.

It is said that they own a number of

Mr. Farwell bought.-Chicago Times.-

## April Fool's Day in New York.

April Fool's Day! The gamin was in his glory. He was an early bird in the nel in confidence, desiring him not to re- morning, looking for some miserable hupeat it; and it was almost by accident man worm upon whom he could prey.

amine every passer-by. Woe betide the white, milky, or rather creamy juice, he was only too glad to escape minus a may be susceptible of chemical preparafew feathers.

him caused him to stop. In a moment tine, however, pervades the fruit.

g from the muzzle of his pistol, and which the parents were deaf and dumb, said, as he replaced the weapon in his pocket, "Gentlemen, I am sorry, but this is something that I had to do sooner or later." No attempt to arrest him was made, as he had acted in self-defence. A doctor was summoned from the town, mutes. The parents of a family of three who examined the wounded man's inand passengers of the boat, asking their and eighteen children thus afflicted, most give himself up to the officers of the law.

his home and await results. He took The Boston Journal says that a certain the advice and walked home. Roberts physician in that city, whose practice is lived on a farm, a little way back from almost entirely among the poorer people; the river, about a mile below the town. They came to Chicago to settle the has the reputation of driving hard bar-When the boat arrived at his landing he was placed on a cot and sent to his house, it was over dropped in at the Union always requires them to pay his fee be-"Yes. I read of it yesterday in the National bank and invested about \$150,- fore giving them a prescription. The story is told of him that a short time ago he One of the partners signed his name was called to attend a sick child whose of the town, "Over behind that hill lie parents live in a tenement house. On

twelve men who died with their boots on in fights with the Roberts family."

head of the stairs. "Well, bring me

The race of bonanza kings has not yet run itself out, and those of the Atlantic spicious style from top to toe. They did inquired the symptoms, which being slope are likely to rival those of the Pa- is devoid of meat?" an inquisitive ex-

Pike's Peak furore of 1859 - and none A German naturalist, Herr Wittmach, were so poor as to do him reverence. Tomore about Gracie's affairs than any one which may be as valuable as the one paper, recently been making experiments day he is mayor of the city of Leadville, whose 16,000 population is growing at a with the tropical fruit known as the papaw (cerica papaya), the juice of which | rate of 400 daily; treasurer of Lake counis found to possess the curious property ty, postmaster, president of the bank of Leadville, Lieutenant-Governor of Colowhen boiled with tough meat of rendering it tender. If the unripe fruit be rado, and last month he received from a placed in the water in which the tough- single one of his numerous mines a net est meat is to be cooked, it is found to income of over \$1,500 a day. Even this effectually soften it and render it perfect only covered the actual dividend after a that we discovered it from him before he And he found him without much diffi- ly digestible; and the same results are large surplus had been withheld for the culty. Standing at street corners, he observed if the meat be merely washed purchase of new and heavy machinery. and his compatriots would curiously ex- with the juice of the fruit. The thick, Largely interested in over two dozen mines, this latest and busiest of bohanza natty youth who, dressed up in flashing when extracted from the unripe papaw, kings came to New York to buy more. style, looked superciliously at the crowd. n fact, contains properties similar to If anything could add to the marvelous Forthwith he was "taken down," and those of pepsine, and it is possible that it romance of the man and his life it would be the fact that all his wealth and that of tion and become a valuable medicine. thousands of others has been taken from The favorite dodge was for one of the Hard-boiled albumen, or white of egg, the carburet earths, which can be shovboys to rush up to a man, with a hand- to which a few drops of dilute juice have eled as free as sand, handled almost withkerchief in his hand, and to jerk it as if been added has been found, after twenty- out expense, and which were walked he had just snatched it out of the vic- four hours, to be perfectly soft and easily over and passed by as worthless by ex- his secret, and it proved to be worth the

tim's pocket. Of course the man would broken up, having undergone, in fact, perienced miners for twenty years. sum to the others to know it.-American mercenary a man. I thought he loved run after the supposed thief, and be pur- the same process as food digested in the When the ten thousand miners, who sued in his turn by the brotherhood. natural way. If taken in too large doses, struggled after golden sand in California Fortunate for him if he recollected the the substance is dangerous, having the Gulch, drifted despondently away over Thank God that this discovery has come day and stopped short to laugh good- effect of permeating and actually destroy- fifteen years ago, and that name became ried and fee officers employed by the naturedly, for otherwise he might have ing the thin mucous membrane of the a camp by-word, they left stranded, raced for a long time yet, only to find stomach and intestines. In Quito the among others, a couple of German shoehimself a laughing-stock, in addition to use of the juice as a means of rendering makers and the merchant Tabor. These Mr. Richard Booker in the few moments "Very well, my dear. Only remember zles me is that Richard Booker could a tired-out, breathless apology for hu- meat tender is very general. To sailors three became partners to carry out the and others whose dietary largely consists small trader's carburet vision, and the 355 per annum. The votes polled in A rich scene was witnessed in Park of hard "junk," this fact is of great in- Little Pittsburg was their first find. called, no one could tell; but it was ob- go and practice your new song, and we also have deceived Arthur. I had not row. A man was slowly walking along, terest, salt meat being affected in precise- where there are now thirty paying and served by Miss Winterbottom, who lived will see what we can do about going to intended to mention it so soon, but this apparently in deep thought. Suddenly ly the same manner as fresh meat. The 160 prospective mines. German number morning, at the same time that the colo- a bootblack ran past him, striking the papaw fruit, when fully ripe, is about one grasped gladly at the \$100,000 ofnel received this information concerning gentleman's pocket, and then putting his seven or eight inches long, of a bright fered for his share, as soon as their diser's office, he looked so grave and altered in saying that she chiefly desired her Gracie's loss of fortune, Arthur also re- hand in his own pocket, as if he had yellow color, somewhat resembling a cit- covery was known. A week later Gerdaughter's welfare and happiness. But ceived a note-an inclosure from Mr. John stolen something and stowed it away. ron or remon, of the flavor of which it man number two went away with \$262,- In the spring the young eds.' fancies who the The man didn't stop to examine his partakes in a small degree; an unpleasant 500. The Yankee remained, and he and was Mr. Arthur Temple, who, on read- in her own opinion, very much upon Temple had died and left her fortune to pocket, but pursued the urchin. He had taste of petroleum, or, as described by Senator Chaffee to-day own jointly 73- Lightly turn to versifying, lightly turn to versifyi ing a note which was delivered him by her marrying so very unexceptional a Arthur, and desiring that it should be run but a few paces when a yell behind some persons, of India-rubber or turpen- 100 of this mine which, in its consolidated form, pays for itself over and over again every month, and which has over \$5,000,000 worth of ore in plain sight.— A Double Sabbath. New York Graphic.

People who fish for compliments do not need long lines. They will get their best bites in shallow water.

A correspondent wishes to know whether a circulating library ought to be kept in a stationery store.

A little boy, when reproved for breakjuries, and pronounced them fatal. ing a new rocking-horse, said: "What's Abrams then consulted with the officers | the good of a horse till its broke?"

The soldiers on the plains dig holes advice as to whether or not he should in the ground at their barracks, and sleep in these subterranean nests during cold weather.

> It is proposed to buy the site of the cottage at Sandgate, Kent, in which John B. Gough was born, and to erect on it a coffee tavern.

It is not until the flower has fallen off that the fruit begins to ripen. So in where he died soon after. The doctor who life, it is when the romance is past that attended the dying man remarked to some passengers, as he pointed to a knoll back the practical usefulness begins.

The product of honey in California has grown from a single hive of bees, imported into that country thirty years ago, to 35,000,000 pounds a year.

During the first three months of this year 8,498 emigrants arrived in New York-an increase of 2,360 over last year's returns for the same time

"Why does a dog chew a bone after it cific. Four years ago H. A. W. Tabor | change asks. That is easy to answer; was a merchant-one of the sort who you've often heard of "bread in the were left in California Gulch after the bone," and it's the bread the dog's after.

> If you think no one cares for you in this cold world, just tell your neighbors that you propose to keep hens. You will be surprised to see what an immediate interest they will manifest in you. Stillwater Lumberman. The sneezes fall on ears of all, And handkerchiefs are kept a-going; Full many a head feels full of lead, Full many a nose is sore with blowing.

Blow, bugles, blow, and set the wild echoes flying,

And answer, optics, answer, crying, crying, erving

One of the best investments ever made by a large sign-painting firm in this city many years ago, was to pay a mani Jersey City \$600 for his secret preparation, by which he applied gold leaf in some kind of gilding. The man received the \$600, took up a piece of glass. licked it with his tongue, and the gold leaf adhered beautifully. "Saliva" was Agriculturist.

There are in New York city 6,561 salapolice officers, school teachers and officials, or firemen. The salaries, fees not included, they receive amount to \$3,122,-New York in 1878 amounted to 142,353, which sum, divided by the number of officeholders, shows that there is one city official to every twenty-one voters. leaving out the officers and teachers of the board of education.

other very promising mines, each of has, says the Colonies and India news-

opposite, that the colonel must certainly the Haroldson's to-morrow." have been taken ill while in Mr. Book- Mrs. Courtenay had spoken the truth when he came out.

the office-boy, as he sat in the phaeton, man as Colonel Barksdale. fairly brightened up into a different be- She was not scheming for money, for And Caroline," she added, with tears in appointment of college professor for erate, and, besides, Grace had enough of of her friend-"the poor boy was so which he had been applying; but what her own to enable them to be independ- happy-hearing of Gracie's loss and his surd that people stopped and laughed on earth had cast down the colonel so ent of that consideration. Grace's father own good fortune-that it will be the suddenly?

Everybody knew he was courting Miss and rather miserly old gentleman, who a mere joke.' Grace Courtenay, and that she would no dying after his son, had bequeathed to The tears rushed also in Mrs. Courtedoubt accept him; and he had looked so his grandaughter the whole of his prop- nay's eyes, confident and self-satisfied until the mo- erty, including this fine old place at ment when, issuing from the office-door, which they resided. be together on a visit.

About two hours later, on the same good husband, if only Grace could be marry my Grace.' country house,

whose branches birds were singing a light made long tree-shadows on the accompany us?" perfect jubilee, while drops of dew fresh, green turf, Grace Courtenay saunthough during the night the earth had alleys, where already the rich jonquils ing. been sprinkled with a shower of dia- and the many-hued hyacinths burdened clouds. Never had the sweet month of morning?

apart. A stately and still handsome lady, a sudden thrill-Mrs. Somers' nephew, near, after watching her for a moment, would not be called into the house. pointed." called

"Grace, dear, come in to breakfast."

now. Was ever such a lovely day? Barksdale had singled her out for his at-Surely Eden itself could scarcely have tentions and on all occasions monopolized been fairer.

Mrs. Courtenay smiled at her daughter's enthusiasm. Though nearly twenty, he would not have given her up so with us? We have some early straw-Grace had still much of the freshness | readily. and sweetness of childhood about her The garden-gate opened and shut. mingled with the grace of early woman-Somebody was coming along the walk-

hood "Come, dear. Even in Eden, Adam her to the visitors. and Eve were not above eating."

"Unfortunately," said Grace, with a so quick, so light and firm, yet so eager, elders were touched, and the mother's little sigh; "else we might be now living as it were-that she instinctively turned, voice melted into unwonted tenderness is intolerably damp, says it is "because out of doors in just such a delicious at- 1 with bated breath and full, expectant 1 as she addressed them:

former some papers for which he had happiness that I am concerned. So now now that I think of it, I fear that he may

And then, on the other hand, there just at this time that welfare depended, Booker now absent-stating that old Miss

kept a profound secret until his return. No doubt he had just gotten that the colonel's means she knew to be mod- her eyes, as she laid her hand upon that had been the only child of a very wealthy cruelest of fates should it turn out to be

"What a contrast between those two,"

she said, softly. "The man who could he had re-entered the phaeton, and, with | Colonel Barksdale, steady, reliable, in- | weigh money against the purity and Mr. Temple, driven straight back to fluential and devotedly attached to sweetness of my child is no fitting mate Oaklands, where they both happened to Grace, as he appeared, would secure to for her. He may discover his mistake her a brilliant position, and make her a and seek to undo it; but he shall never

morning of the first of April, a lovely brought to love him; for Mrs. Courte- A portly gentleman, riding up the young girl stood with her clasped hands nay, who had herself married for love, avenue dismounted in front of the house, resting on the balustrade of a terrace did not by any means ignore this first and smilingly lifted his hat to the ladies which extended in front of a fine old requisite to a woman-happiness in at the window.

"Why, there is Mr. Somers!" said his marriag An extensive lawn sloped to the river, The balmy April day wore to an end. wife. "What could have brought him shaded by groups of stately trees, in The sun sank low, and as the golden here, when he was just now too busy to

Evidently nothing serious was the glistened on every leaf and flower, as tered slowly up and down the garden matter, for Mr. Somers came in laugh-

"I feared that there would be some monds. The fresh morning air was rich the air with an oriental perfume. Her trouble about this matter of Gracie's with the odorous breath of flowers, and head ached, and there was a vague, dull fortune," he said; "so, after seeing Dick the deep blue sky, overarching all was pain at her heart. Where had all the Booker, I have come straight to let you flecked with light wisps of silvery joy and brightness of her life fled since know that it was only a joke of his-an April fool, he calls it. He was very

April been ushered in by a more lovely The sound of wheels on the graveled sorry in learning the trouble it had avenue caused her to look around, and caused us, and begged that I would not The young girl stood drinking in the through the blossoming lilac-boughs she let on about it to his father; 'because,'

beauty of the scene with clear blue eyes, saw a phaeton approaching, wherein sat said he, 'I'll get such an awful wigging full of happiness, and dewy red lips her mother's friend and-her heart gave from the governor, you know." "As he richly deserves," Mrs. Somers

standing at the low French window Arthur Temple. She hoped that she said. "Poor Arthur will be so disap-Somehow she shrank from meeting him. "Oh, never mind Arthur-he wil

He had been so changed of late, so differmake his own fortune in time, depend "Oh, mamma, I feel above eating just ent from what he appeared before Colonel upon it. Where is he now, and where is my little Gracie?"

"They are both in the garden. I will call them in, as it is getting late. And If Mr. Temple had really cared for her, you will not refuse to spend the evening berries, and Gracie will give you some

new music. As the young couple entered there the servant, doubtless, sent to summon was such a radiance about them-such a glory such as only beauty, youth and

But there was something in the step- love can bestow-that the hearts of the

he was surrounded by a party of bootblacks, each of whom leveled a little toy pistol at him. The scene was so abwanted to fight him fair."

garments.-New York Express.

## Willow Trees.

Of a willow tree cut down in a Troy cemetery recently, Mr. John S. Perry of which was the Sabbath in Japan and Perry many years ago that about 1799 he cut a willow cane in the locality where the ground on the spot where the large

Subsequently he discovered the cane had taken root, and finally it developed into the magnificent shade tree which, until it began to decay, was admired by everybody." Willow trees are long-lived and easy to root. The large one on Domi-

nick street, a short distance west of the Wood creek bridge, which in summer spreads its foliage wonderfully, was set out similarly to the one in Troy. Isaac Van Arnam, of this city, cut a willow cane one summer day many years ago.

During a stroll he stopped in front of the house where the tree now is, and, leaning

over the fence, engaged in conversation with some of the inmates of the dwelling. While talking, he stuck the cane into the ground. It was allowed to remain as he left it, and it took root, flourished and grew to be the magnificent tree it now is. Willow trees are very hardy and rapid

growing.-Rome (N. Y.) Sentinel.

A Western editor, in response to a subscriber who grumbles that his paper there is so much due on it.

Rev. Dr. Field once kept a double Sabtill the tears rolled down their cheeks. bath. In crossing the Pacific, it becomes The stranger, instead of taking the joke necessary to alter the reckoning of the in good part, grew angry, but this only days to conform to that of the eastern and spurred the boys on to further efforts. western hemisphere, according as a In vain he tried to capture one of his ship is sailing in one direction or the tormentors. They were like eels. Fi- other. In going to Japan, when the 180th nally, as a climax, one of the bootblacks degree of longitude is reached (which came up with a lordly air and offered is just half way around the world from the him a pistol, saying that "the boys Royal Observatory at Greenwich, England, from which longitude is reckoned), Down town the frisky broker played | a day is dropped, and in returning one is innumerable jokes, and many bags of added. The ship in which the doctor four were scattered over their natty was sailing crossed the meridian on the 8th of June, and so two days were put

down on the vessel's calendar as the 8th of June. Now, as it happened that this was Sunday, the crew and passengers had two Sabbaths succeeding each other-one

gives this history: "Col. Charles B. Pres- in all Asia, and the other the Sabbath in cott, who died in 1862, informed Mr. America and in Europe. Some of the ship's company were puzzled to know which to keep; but the doctor did not the county house now stands, and on re- think it would do him any harm to keep turning to the village stuck the sprig into them both, and he says he shall always remember with pleasure his double Sabtree of St. John's afterward towered. bath on the sea.

## Weights and Measures.

measures given below will be found con- forests.

venient: About sixty drops of any thin liquid will fill a common sized teaspoon. Four tablespoonfuls, or half a gill, will

fill a common sized wine-glass. coffee-cup.

fore they are broken. Eight large ones will weigh one pound.

about one ounce. One pint of water or milk will weigh one pound.

One pint of molasses will weigh one and one-quarter pounds. Three tablespoonfuls of baking pow-

der should weigh one ounce. One quart of flour weighs one pound. and a quarter pounds. Enquirer.

## **Destruction of Forest Trees.**

A writer who has been making a study of forest trees, their rapid destruction in this country, and their effect on climate and health, says, that since 1835 the forest area of the Western hemisphere has decreased at the yearly average rate of 7,600,000 acres, or about 11,000 square miles, and that this rate in the United States alone has advanced from 1,600 square miles in 1835 to 7,000 in 1855, and have scarcely been less exhaustive. Statistics for eighty years previous to

1835 show that we have been wasting the supply of moisture to American soil at the average rate of seven per cent. for

It is quite likely that we shall suffer zation advanced, and the manufacture

piquant peneils wield

jingle yield,

And ten thousand variations on mose lines from "Locksley Hall,"

Like to this somewhat in meter, on the stricken country fall.

Mr. T. B. Read's portrait group of Mr. Longfellow's daughters, it will be remembered, was so arranged that the arms of one of the young girls were concealed by those of her sisters, and this gave rise to an absurd story that she had no arms at all. Mr. Longfellow relates that his friend Lowell, while riding past his house one day, heard a lady informing friends in the car that "Longfellow's second daughter had no arms." He at once said, "I beg pardon, madam, but I am well acquainted with the family, and know that such is not the case." "Beg your pardon, sir," said the lady, loftily. 8,400 in 1876, while the last two years "but I live in Boston, and have it op the best authority."

### Machinery.

Prof. Kennedy, of London, delivered a each quarter of a century during the last lecture on "The Babyhood of Machin-125 years, and that we are now approach- ery." He considered the fire drill, which ing the limit beyond which any further is still in use among savage races, as decrease will materially influence the probably the oldest implement in the climate of the entire continent. Many world. From this drill, used to produce Eastern regions, such as Afghanistan, fire by friction, the boring drill was a Persia, India and Asia Minor, once simple development, as strings had only possessed of a fine climate and abundant to be added. Of course, when the propharvest, are now often scourged by pes- erties of the metals were ascertained, tilence and famine, and it is altogether iron or some other metal would be sub-All families are not supplied with probable that their misfortunes began stituted for the wooden or bone bit. scales and weights, and therefore the with the disappearance of their native The bow-handle hand-lathe was a mere adaptation of the boring drill. As civili-

in climate, fertility and health before a of pottery passed from the hands of the great while if we continue to destroy our women to those of the men, mechanical trees as recklessly as we have done, and ingenuity would be called into play to it behooves us to be warned in time. expedite the production of household Four wine-glasses will fill a half pint | What has happened elsewhere may cer- utensils, and the potter's wheel-the measure, a common tumbler, or a large tainly happen here. Indeed, there is next oldest machine-would be brought great danger of it, for we know by ex- into existence. The lever was neces-Ten eggs usually weigh one pound be- perience that fertile lands have grown sarily also a very ancient appliance. sterile by loss of trees, and that sterile The lecturer held that the conversion of lands have in turn become fertile by sys- reciprocal, or-to-and-fro, motion into ro-A tablespoonful of salt will weigh tematic planting. A certain proportion tary or continuous circular motion, was of well-wooded, as well as of arable and secured only in modern times. Thibet pasture lands, is essential to our material and Egypt claim the honor of being the prosperity, and this proportion can never first countries to furnish examples of be kept up unless regular tree-planting circular motion. In the former country be adopted as a set-off to the excessive a water-wheel was employed to turn a destruction incessantly going on. For prayer-mill-a sort of drum having a 150 years we have been felling the forest; prayer on its outer or convex side. But for the next 150 we should try to restore the Egyptians had, at a period equally One quart of Indian-meal weighs one what we have taken away.-Philadelphia remote, turned the water-wheel to much better account in irrigating their fields.