Queer Scenes in Vera Cruz. A correspondent writes from Mexico:

There are two hotels in Vera Cruz, and travelers need not be particular in choosing between them, for one is in every re- the depth of plowing. When the soil is spect as bad as the other. In the one I shallow the gradual deepening of it went to they must have mistaken me for should be sought by the use of appropri- derskirt. a family traveling in disguise, for they ate materials for improvement until the gave me a room fully twenty feet square object is fully attained. The sub-soil and twelve feet high, containing three ought not, as a rule, to be brought out of beds, three washstands, a large table, its bed except in small quantities to be about nine rocking chairs and no soap. exposed to the atmosphere during the They do not furnish soap in the Mexican fall, winter and spring, or in a summer hotels, and if they give you more than fallow; nor even then except when such one candle they charge you extra. I fertilizers are applied as are necessary think they would feel grateful if you to put it at once into a productive conwould wet the wick to keep it from burn- dition. Two indifferent soils of opposite ing too fast, but such is not the custom. character, as a stiff clay and sliding The first taste of Mexican butter comes | sand, sometimes occupy the relation of in here. It is almost as white as lard, surface and sub-soil to each other, and and contains no salt, but it is very sweet when thoroughly mixed and subjected to and good. A fine large dish of snails is cultivation they will produce a soil of hips, made of the material of the dress, nearly always on the dinner table, and greatly increased value. although they look bad they taste and smell fifteen hundred times worse. Snails | ticultural purposes are often deepened to were made for terrible examples of slow- fifteen and even eighteen inches with ness-not to be eaten. They have no des- benefit, and those for general-tillage crop sert here, and put no fruit on the table, to about twelve inches with decided adalthough fruit grows on every bush; but | vantage. But whatever is the depth of they insist upon your taking cheese, and the soil the plow ought to turn up the give you great quantities of it. The floors entire mass if within its reach, and of the house are made of big square bricks what is beyond it should be broken up room a stone about a foot square has a sub-soil plow an increase in the crop trimmed with soft, crimped fringes, pas- any other-than that of the London Zoo. most effectual alterative, tonic and cathartic ring in it, and can be lifted up, revealing follows, as the hard earth below the a sluice, into which the dirty water is reach of the ordinary plow has been thrown. Yellow fever rolls through these loosened. This permits the escape of week's board for a single meal, you can which they procure additional nourish- shape. still afford to smoke. I went up to the ment and secure the crop against drought. "bar," at one end of the dining room The benefits of sub-soil plowing are (where they sell matches, soap, sapolio, most apparent in an impervious clay subwhisky and cigars, and have a small soil and least evident in loose and leachy lottery), and asked for a cigar, laying soils. down a Mexican reale, twelve and a half cents. The barkeeper held out a box of farmer prefers to see the furrow left on cigars. Each one was about the size of a edge exposed to the action of air and plump baby's arm. It was a good hour's harrow. Sandy or dry soil requires flat smoke to say the least, and I was doubt- plowing, which tends to consolidate the ful about the silver coin being big enough to pay for one of them. But I picked one As a rule those crops are the most proout, and the bartender still held the box ductive which are plowed the oftenest on the counter. He looked at me as if Caution must be used, however, especi-

FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD.

Common Sense Plowing.

Fashion Notes. The depth of soil can alone determine On some of the new walking suits the draped backs are made of two breadths of camel's hair twice as long as the un-

New linen collars and cuffs have tiny bands of chintz satteen, showing the minute rosebud of the pattern. Very pretty, long pockets are made of soft Indian silks brocaded in delicate

FOR THE FAIR SEX.

colors, and trimmed with white lace and ribbons. White vests for wear with summer dition of most of the animals. The seals embroidered and finished with ruffle and cascades of lace.

strings a girdle is now worn over the and trimmed to match, from the short

Soils appropriated to gardens and horends of which a pocket is suspended. Very pretty new neckties are of pale pink or blue Indian muslin, edged with plaitings of fine Breton lace upon the ends. Two rows of insertion and two rows of the plaited lace are requisite. Spring outdoor garments, as seen at Stewart's, in New York, are of fine camabout ten inches square, in the upper as by the sub-soil plow. When all circumwell as the lower story. In the dining stances are favorable to the use of the square ends in front. They are richly sementerie and lace.

Bege shades are very fashionable for spring costumes. They are trimmed with ditches like grain through a hopper. the water which falls on the surface, velvet put on as collar, vest, cuffs and They are never without it here summer the circulation of air and a more extend- bands upon the skirt, and finished with or winter. But if they charge you a ed range for the roots of the plants, by tortoise-shell buttons, a long oval in seal in condition." Of course seals are

The simplest and most elegant styles which have been received from Paris this season, have come from Worth. He has discontinued the panier now that modistes of less reputation have taken it On low or strong land the experienced up. A flat tablier trimmed across the bottom, more or less trimmed sides and a train, untrimmed but laid in a triple box-plait at the back, or draped in ser-

pentine waves; is the favorite basis for his designs, a basque beautifully molded to the figure completing the costume. he wanted me take another, so I took an- ally after the second plowing of corn, other. He still held out the box, and when a surface-plow is less liable to in-

ed to the public in July, 1874, yet it has long-established like institutions in Eutrons, unless we might mention the hippopotamus. At the last annual meeting the superintendent reported 434 mammals, 453 birds, fifty-eight batrachians and sixty-three reptiles; and every visitor can testify to the exceedingly fine con-

land structures, sleek, fat and apparently appetite and sleep.

Instead of tying the skirt back with as happy as seals can be. One of them manifested his vigor not long since by climbing over the railing around his pond-four feet high, I should say-and taking a promenade over to a neighboring seal pond, whose inclosure he also scaled. I envy the visitors present at the moment. It would certainly be interesta scientist of note.

The collection of seals in this garden all impurities, use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical is more extensive. I think, than that o Discovery and Pleasant Purgative Pellets, the certainly-and seals are very expensive luxuries. The superintendent of the Lon-

don Zoo says that "fourteen hundredweight of fish per annum is no more nature, that of secreting the bile, the liver than is absolutely necessary to keep a accustomed to eating their food alive.

and so difficult is the task of teaching them to eat dead fish that thirteen out of fifteen seals received at the Philadelphia garden died under the discipline. The general mortality among the seals, indeed, appears to be greater than anywhere else in the garden. One died in 1876 from peritonitis, and another under very distressing circumstances; this was a young female who "had the habit of it "this magnificent and to me so precious in-

a very cold night, early in the winter, she lost the air-hole she had kept open CHEW The new lace talmas and mantelets are to breathe through, and not having made with a foundation of stiff net, upon strength to break the ice which formed which is mounted lace or fringes, alter- over her, she was found in the morn-TOBACCO. THE PIONEER TOBACCO COMPANY, New York, Boston, and Chicago. A FAVORABLE NOTORIETY .- The good reputation of "Brown's Bronchial Troches" for sumes time it is economy to run the fur- cuffs of dark-brown velvet; the trim- of kangaroos. The kangaroos appear in the relief of Coughs, Colds and Throat Disexperiment has proven that the time lost ruchings or feather fringes, and flat pas-in turning short plots make a large item sementerie, in which all the shades are ones protruding from the maternal pouch Twenty-five cents a box. eases has given them a tavorable notoriety

The Philadelphia Zoo. The splendid zoological garden a Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, was open Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, was open certain to ensue. But it is easy to prevent the air and general appearance of famous these consequences, and remove their cause by a course of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which rope. Its collection of animals is already stimulates the biliary organ and regulates its very extensive, lacking hardly anything action. The direct result is a disappearance of of grand importance to the mass of pa- the pains beneath the ribs and through the shoulder blade, the nausea, headaches, yellowness of the skin, furred look of the tongue, and sour odor of the breath, which characterize liver complaint. Sound digestion and a regular habit of body are blessings also secured by the use of this celebrated restorative of health, which imparts a degree of vigor to the body which is its best guarantee of safety from masuits by young ladies will be of linen, and sea-lions disport themselves in the larial epidemics. Nerve weakness and overwater or sun themselves upon their is- tension are relieved by it, and it improves both

The Physical Paradox.

It has been said that "the blood is the source of life." It is as truly the source of disease and death. No life, that is to say, no healthy tissue can be generated from impure blood, no organ of the body can normally perform its functions when supplied with impure blood. The fluid that should carry life and health to ing to know how a seal could climb a Blood is the source of life only when it is pure. every part carries only weakness and disease. fence. I was told of this feat by the If it has become diseased, it must be cleansed superintendent himself-a gentleman of by proper medication, else every pulsation of distinguished manners, by-the-way, and the human heart sends a wave of disease through the system. To cleanse the blood of

remedy yet discovered. They are especially efficient in scrofulous diseases.

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Franz Liszt 18 among the most distinguishe of musicians in the world. He uses and prizes a Mason and Hamlin Cabinet Organ, and pronounces it "matchless," unrivaled," styling staying in the water at night. During strument." There could hardly be higher

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still had the wistful look. "Si, senor," said he.

So I took another. That made three. "Si, senor," he said again, and still looked at me. I took another, making four, with half a mind to reach for the box.

"Buena," said he, which is said to mean "good," and my four big cigars for twelve and a half cents were almost equal in the expense account.-New York mingled. to the Havana, and very much cheaper.

Vera Cruz is called one of the hottest places in the world, and it has solid claims to the distinction. When a norther comes like a living basis, the inhabitants go and steam two hours. Sweet sauce. shawls imagining themselves cold. The wind in a norther blows around some of buttermilk, four tablespoonfuls of mothe corners so that it is almost impossi- lasses, two tablespoonfuls of saleratus. sewers, and the draining is done by gut- breakfast. ters in the middle of the streets. The crosswalks at the corners are always about and half a cup of sugar beat together, half way up the street, so that a pedes- half a pint of molasses, one teaspoonful much cleaner than in New York-kept so thick; cut with a small wine-glass, and by the cheapest street cleaning depart- bake them hard. ment in the world-the zopilotes, or turkey buzzards. Dozens of these big blackbirds or crows are always at work in every block clearing away the filth. This would be all very well if they would at-butter: sage to the tester. Min well and tend strictly to business, and then go off to some secluded place or die. But they choose the most prominent spot for roosting places. On the top of the cathedral of course, is a big cross, and I don't think I ever saw that cross without a turkey buzzard sitting on top of it. There is a fine of five dollars for killing one o them.

The Prisoner of Rochelle.

Here is a scene from the vaudeville of at her work-table, abstractedly question him concerning matrimony. Leza. If a girl were to fall in love with

you, corporal, what would you do? Cartouch. Present arms! L. She would doubtless look to you

for-C. Support!

L. And then what a heavy burden you

would have to-C. Carry!

L. Your butcher and baker would have

C. Charge! L. Your prospects of course would

not-

C. Advance!

L. And you would have to-C. 'Bout face!

jure the roots than an ordinary one. cultivation after the bolls begin to form.

World.

Recipes.

APPLE PUDDING.—One cup milk, one tion of white satin with garnet velvet. egg, one teaspoonful cream-tartar, one- The tablier consists of five stripes of al-(and they come pretty often), and the half teaspoonful soda; flour to make a ternate satin and velvet, ornamented thermometer goes down to something batter. Pour this over quartered apples with ivy leaves cut out of two fabrics, the velvet arranged on the satin and about wrapped up in their cloaks and WIDOW'S CAKE .- Two cups Indian vice versa. The train was of garnet velmeal, three cups wheat flour, one pint vet. The basque was of velvet, filled in with a deep-puffed square of the satin in front, the puffings separated with bands. ble to walk against it. There are no To be eaten hot, with butter, for tea or on which were velvet leaves reduced in

GINGER-SNAPS .- Half a cup of butter which was rather low, and springing trian, in walking three or four blocks, of cream-tartar, two of soda, one cup of ing of lace, and kept in position by a describes a course like the battlements of milk, and flour enough to make a stiff wire upon the edge. The sleeves had a a castle. The streets are very clean- dough. Roll it about quarter of an inch puff of white satin at the elbow, upon

BEEF OMELET.-Three pounds of beef chopped fine; three eggs beaten together; duchesse. six crackers rolled fine; one tablespoonbutter; sage to the taste. Mix well and make like a loaf of bread. Put a little water and bits of butter into the pan; MILK SOUP.-Two new potatoes, one

half ounces fine sago or tapioca, one pint of milk; pepper and salt. Boil together in the water the fat, potatoes, pepper and Here is a scene from the vaudeville of the "Prisoner of Rochelle." Corporal salt. When the potatoes get soft, make them smooth with a wooden spoon; then Cartouch amuses himself by going add milk and tapioca or sago. Let the through the manual, while Leza, seated whole simmer for ten minutes. This is a very nice dish for children or sick persons.-Miss Dods.

ENGLISH CHEESE-CAKES .- Take two quarts of new milk: set it as for cheese and slowly whey it; then break it in a mortar; put to it the yolks of three and the whites of two eggs; sweeten to taste; add some nutmeg and rose-water; mix the whole together. Set a pint of cream over the fire, and make it into a hasty pudding. Mix all the ingredients well together; fill your patty pans; put them immediately into the oven. When they rise well up they are done.

On the Care of Infants.

arm than anything else; nurse an in- jects of art. She entertained magnififant a month or two old every two or cently, her guests being, of course, all three hours. Nurse an infant of six of the male sex, but including many of months and over five times in twenty- the artistic and social lights of Paris. four hours, and no more. If an infant Some years ago she was attacked with is thirsty give it pure water, or barley a paralysis of the muscles of one side water: no sugar. If the infant must be fed, boil a teaspoonful of powdered barley (ground in and also seriously affected her sight. a coffee-grinder) and a gill of water, She became gloomy and morose, and with a little salt, for fifteen minutes, for some time past has dwelt in seclustrain them, mix it with half as much sion. The last time that she was seen boiled milk, add a lump of white sugar, size of a walnut, and give it lukewarm Exhibition. Clad in a simple suit of from a nursing-bottle; keep bottle and woolen plaid that set off the perfect mouthpiece in a bowl of water when outlines of her still exquisite figure, not in use, to which a little soda she lingered on the balcony of the Palmay be added. For infants five or six ace of the Trocadero, looking vaguely months old, give half barley-water and abroad over the scene. The other day, half boiled milk, with salt and a lump on entering her superb dining-room, of sugar. For order infants give more she was seized with a sudden fit of milk than barley-water. For infants fury, and, snatching the crystal candelvery costive give oatmeal instead of abra from the table, she hurled them barley. Cook and strain as before. against the opposite wall. Force was When your breast-milk is only half found necessary to keep her from inenough, change off between breast-milk juring herself or those about her, and and this prepared food. In hot weather Dr. Blanche, the great doctor for the if blue litmus-paper, applied to the food, insane, on being called in declared turns red, the food is too acid, and you that her case was a hopeless one. So must make a fresh mess, or add a small ends that strange, checkered, romantic pinch of baking-soda. Infants of six career. It almost seems as though the months may have beef tea and beef soup legend which makes the opal a fatal once a day, by itself or mixed with gem to the wearer was proven true in other food; and when ten or twelve her case. months old a crust of bread and a piece of rare beef to suck. No child under two years ought to eat at your table. Give no candies-in fact, nothing that is not contained in these rules, without a doc-Of the late Louis A. Godey, who was a tor's orders. Summer complaints come ready-witted man, Colonel Forney refrom over-feeding and hot and foul air. | lates the following: Keep doors and windows open. Wash On one occasion, at an evening enteryour children well with cold water tainment at Godey's house, two angry twice a day, and oftener in the hot sea- disputants were facing each other, alson. Never neglect looseness of the most ready to resort to blows, when bowels in an infant; consult the family Godey picked up a huge carving-knife or dispensary physician at once, and he from the supper table and handed it to will give you rules about what it should | the most violent of the two. The latter take and how it should be nursed.- unconsciously received it, at the same Health and Home. time demanding of Godey, "What do

nating with folds or pipings of satin and | ing drowned.' Cotton, while requiring that the ground passementerie in embroidery patterns, Among the rare animals may be menbe stirred repeatedly, calls for care in its the styles of twenty-five years ago. Al- tioned two black leopards, a splendid mond and bege-colored wraps are fashion- rhinoceros weighing over three tons, As the turns made in plowing con- able as ever; the jackets have collars and three fine giraffes and a large number rows in the longest direction. Actual mings of the lighter garments are silk the most vigorous condition, and almost

-the distinctive characteristic of the marsupial family. There are, however,

The most elegant imported dress seen this season, in New York, is a combinasome fish that have a pouch for their young. The hippocampus, or sea-horse, is an example. No one, it seems, has ever witnessed the birth of the kangaroo; but it is certain that when first found in the pouch it is not more than an inch in length, and looks exceedingly Hogs-Live.....

board.

like the common garden "grub" worm. Structurally, indeed, the kangaroo is the most wonderful of animals. The collection of camels, deer, buffaoes and zebus is very large. The black size. This was carried round to the back, zebu (sacred bull of India) is a splen-

from it was a narrow upright collar of velvet lined with white satin, and plaitwhich were ivy leaves of velvet, and below a band of velvet upon which were

ivy leaves of satin, which formed a head- to be a "rage" for zebus, and the milk ing to exquisite ruffles of real point

Mme. Musard.

Lucy Hooper, writing from Paris, says: One of the jeweled celebrities of invert another pan over it; baste the Paris has, it is said, suddenly become seat of Gasconade, were a log store and omelet occasionally, bake an hour and a insane. This celebrated personage is quarter, and when cold slice very thin. | none other than the well-known Mme. Musard, whose partice of opals and quart cold water, one ounce dripping of diamonds was the most magnificent clarified fat, butter or lard, one and a one of its kind in the world. Years ter of a mile from the courthouse, sixty ago her jewels, her equipages, and the

> and her servants, made her the talk of Paris. She used to drive out to the Bois in an open landau, driving her four spirited horses herself with a skill that would have done honor to a professional charioteer. She was always

to be seen in her box at Les Italiens, magnificently dressed and blazing with jewels. An American by birth, and originally, I believe, from New England, her story reads like a strange and wild romance. She came to Paris with back. M. Musard nearly twenty years ago. She was, then in the first luster of her

two hours.

gift of an estate in Galicia, upon which petroleum was soon after discovered. made her one of the richest women in

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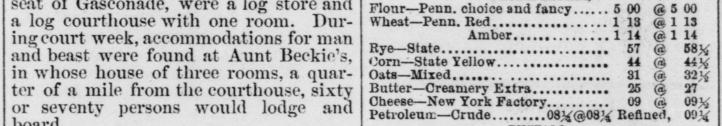
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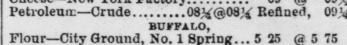
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Fifer's Testimony.

A writer in an exchange relates this story in praise of a wise dog which her father Bought for her, and which she learned to prize very highly. "Our cat," she says, "was missing one day, to the great grief of the servants, who did all they could to try and find her, for she was not only a great pet but a good mouser. Grandmamma at that time was living in New York.

"Days passed, and nothing was heard of the cat; but, about a week after, one of our servants saw puss basking in the sunshine in a neighboring lower window. He immediately rang the bell, said he was Mrs. —'s servant, and claimed the cat as his mistress' property But the servants of the house refused to give her up, and said:

"The cat is ours, and is such a good one we don't want to part with her. You can't prove she is yours.

"The man stood his ground, being quite sure he was not mistaken. Suddenly he bethought him of a proof of her identity. He ran home and fetched Fifer, our dog, who, the instant he saw his friend, made the most extravagant gestures of delight.

escaping from those who held her, teams occurs. As the fifth trip draws rushed into Fifer's embrace, and the two to a close, the sagacious animal stretches enchanted to meet again. Then Fifer relieve it, and if it does not see any waittook the cat in his mouth to carry her ing at the end of the route, begins to hame.

astounded. They could no longer dis- Herald wants to know is where that pute the claim, but, before letting puss street-car mule learnt its arithmetic, and this stange sight."

To be ble to bear provocation is an

you mean by this, sir?" The Salt Lake Herald tells of a remarkable mule that is driven on one of cut off the quarrel right here.' the street-car lines of Salt Lake City, and that is required to make five round "The cat was equally delighted, and, trips every morning before a change of it was stopped at once, the excited adanimals rolled over and over, perfectly its neck and looks for the team that is to of the host.—Harper's "Drawer." whinny in a way that is as intelligible as The servants of the house stood by, words could be. What the editor of the

makets.

from St. Louis, he placed it in front of the courthouse. Then making the culprit get under it, he summoned a posse of four fat men to sit upon it, and in this style carried out the sentence. The bystanders were much amused,

and so quizzed the poor prisoner that, of her face, which caused one eyelid to as soon as he was released, he fled from droop in a very unpleasant manner, the county.

A Novel Jail.

only buildings at Mt. Sterling, the county-

or seventy persons would lodge and

Her bill of fare included coffee sweet-

In the primitive days of Missouri, the

Making a Newspaper at Sea.

A new feature has been added to the sixteen months' cruise of the Woodruff scientific excursionists. In a certain convenient portion of that space which nautically known as "'tween decks" is to be established on board the steamship Werder an editorial sanctum with pressroom adjoining. From this perambulating newspaper office there will be issued each week during the long vogage a journal with the appropriate title of Around the World. Professor W. S. Clark himself will be the chief editor, and certainly from a ship-load

of student tourists will be able to gather ample editorial assistance. A specier ample editorial assistance. A speci-men copy of Around the World, as it will be, has been published and proves to be a neat four-page paper. In its prospectus it very truthfully observes: "The peripatetic editors of Around the World will possess at least one advantage-and a decidedly novel advantage-over their stationary, esteemed contemporaries on shore, in the fact that instead of being obliged to depend on cables, telegraphs, correspondents and news associations for news, the

editors of the traveling journal will go themselves in quest of news and take their entire establishment along with them.

A hand-press of the most approved design is being constructed for the ship, and "blow winds, come rocks," the paper, it is said, will always appear on time.-New York World.

Russia's Awful Condition.

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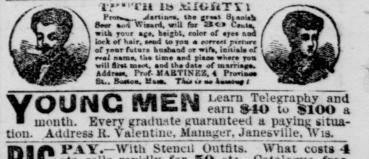
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