A Seng.

Is any one sad in the world I wonder? es any one weep on a day like this? With the sun above and the green earth under, Why, what is life but a dream of bliss'

With the sun, and the skies, and the birds Birds that sing as they wheel and fly-With the wirds that follow and say they love

Who could be lonely? O ho, not I.

Somebody said in the street this morning, As I opened my window to let in the light, That the darkest day of the world was dawning, But I locked, and the east was a gorgeous sight.

One who claims that he knows about it Tells the the earth is a vale of sin; but land the bees, and the birds we doubt it, And I think it a world worth living in.

Some one says that hearts are fickle, That have is sorrow and life is care. And the reaper. Death, with his shining sickle Gathers whatever is bright and fair.

I told the thrush and we laughed together, Laughed till the woods wer-all a-ring;
And he said to me, as he plumed each feather,
Well, people must croak if they cannot

lew, but his song, remaining, Rang like a hell in my heart all day, And silenc d the voices of weak complaining. That pipe like insects along the way.

Oh world of light! Oh world of beauty! Where are tre pleasures so sweet as thine? Yes: life is love, and love is duty; And what neart sorrows? Oh ho, not mine? - Ella Wheeler-Wilco.

TO SLEEP IN A COFFIN.

Scor. s of Young Men Respond to an Undertaker's Advertisement. YOUNG MAN TO SLEEP AND MAKE isheelf useful in uncertaker office; wages Call at 1,20 Breadway.

The above interesting invitation appeared in the Herald yesterday morning, and strange as it may appear the undertaker was besteged with applicants desirous of sleeping in a pine box and answering the night beli of the undertaker's establish. ment. I saw the proprietor of the funeral office, and he told me that he had almost lost his patience, so numerous were the young men who were willing to rest their weary himbs amid snen ghostly surround. great number of young Englishmen sleep in a coffin, but they find it away brought to California a large supply of

He Cometh Not, She wild.

She is waiting in the darkness, she is and she hears the night-bird crying, and advanced the wages of the married hands, the wailing of the trees, and upon her fev. and told the single men that unless they breeze; but in vain she stands and batens they would be discharged. Marriage was for the adming of the one who to her is made the condition of retention in employprince and hero, who is brighter than the ment at an increased salary. With such sun. Close the depr. O weeping lady, original and enterprising employers within moan; to the screaming of the night bird, tation after the 1900 census small have been to the sobbing of the rain, as it falls like taken. tears from heaven, pushing on the window pane. Let your eyes this night be rivers paint the city and the peelers ran him in .-Nebraska State Journal

Friends of the Farmer.

it may be an advantage to point out some of the friends of the farmer, which, consequently, no farmer should destroy these are toads, which are, under all the shipping trade in which sailing ships circumstances, the farmer's friend; moles and field mice, probably, do a vast deal more of good than harm; all birds, especially robins, wrens, thrushes, orioles, cuckoos, phebes, blue birds, woodpeckers, swallows and cat birds. The destruction of all these and many others, except for building of sailing ships a specialty, for the scientific purposes, should be made, under very heavy penalties, illegal in every State. The house sparrow, known better as the English sparrow, is to be rated an exception. This bird is now universally regarded as a nuisance, first, because of its grain and vegetable destroying propensities; secondly, because it drives away insectdestroying birds. Among insects, many wasps are friends, especially those with a more or less protruding horn or sting at the insects, especially plant lice and scale insects, and should never be destroyed. Dragon flies, or devil's darning-needles, are also useful as well as harmless. - Bulletin a. New Jersey, A. C. E. S.

Romance of Crime.

One of a recent party of convicts bound for Siberia was a baroness and her husesch to twenty years' servitude. The baroness was married when young to an as these old man, and she fell in love with his foot. man. She poisoned her husband and was arrested, but the footman eagaged. She subsequently escaped from the hospital Adam Smith, author of the "Wealth of University College, London. First get rid where she was confined, sought out her Nations, a native of the town, is taking of the kidney disease by using Warner's footman lover, and married him. They settled in Kovno, and were only recently discovered there, living in abject poverty.

Northwest Rivers Dry Up.

The Saskatchewan is nearly run out and has hardly enough water to merit the name of a river. Sandbars everywhere meet the eye and cover a greater area of the bed of and a committee was appointed to draw up anyhow, dealers say, and satin, both plain the river than does the water. At Pitt the a report, to be submitted to a public meet-South Branch it is so low that it is found impossible to operate the ferry at Saskatoon, and fording the river has to be resorted to. Rafts are beached all along the river, and movements in the lumber interests are impossible. Battle River is also very low .- Battleford Herald.

-If none but bakers played the game of

CURRENT TOPICS.

THE Germans are still greatly interested n the larynx. At the Surgical Congress in Berlin recently more than one instance was shown of the entire removal of the larynx and subsequent ability to speak.

THE largest cat's-eye in the world arrived at London this week from Ceylon. Its present weight cut is 170 carats, and it is insured for 30,000 rupees. It is wonder ton. The Arran scenery, both on the coast fully beautiful, the gem giving out a wide, warm beam of opalescent light. Cat's-eyes of the first-class are now as valuable as diamonds.

How. W. E. GLADSTONE, in reply to an series of articles, writes: "At my age the stock of brain power does not wax but wanes, and public calls upon my time leave me only a fluctuating residue to beyond my power to embrace."

LOBD BRASSEY has just fitted up and furnished a most interesting addition to his house in the shape of a collection of valuable curiosities gathered by him and Lady Brassey during their voyages around the world in the Sunbeam. The decorations and panelings of the room are made of sandalwood and teak. The room is deliciously fragrant, while the subdued colors of the walls and aisles form a beautiful background.

CHARLES WHITTMEYER, an eccentric German living at Mount Holly, N. J., created a sensation by announcing that he has offered his will for probate in order to have his estate settled during his lifetime. A clause in the will provides that one-half of how a man professing to be a servant of his estate shall ge to his wife Betsy so long as she remains his widow, and when she place. Clifford has been nursing his wrath, marries again the other hair shall be paid to her, "as it costs more to keep two than one.

THE parasitio insects which have been You see," he said, "there are a imported from Austrana to prey upon the grooms, valets and what not-who come country cushion-scale, the most serious preacher. Berry's offence lay in appearing over here and have no place to sleep at enemy of the orange in California, are night, and when they see an advertisement, arready multiplying rapidly in Los Angeles like mine, that offers them shelter and beer and sweep the scale before them, as has money, why, they jump at ite. They may been the aperience in Australia. Mr. say 'ugh' outside, and swearthey wouldn't kneepele, the agent or government, has ahead of a bench in the Park - New York these preciaceons beetles and will distribute them wherever the scale is troublesome.

Our in Minnesota they have novel expedients for increasing the population waiting by the door, and one hears the sad Lately in Dulate the employees of a broom sea moaning as it beats the sandy shore; factory s ruck, whereupon the proprietor ered forehead gently blows the southern were marked before the and of the month ing of the pranches to the ocean's sullen pects to couble her Congressional represen-

FRANK CARPENTER Writes from Darjeeling. and your hair a monthing veil, let your India: "I note some curious anomaites soul float out to heaven in a wild despair. nere in these old Himalayas. Many of the not echo on the shore, and to-night von'll rude hats, which are of the same style as never see him though you're waiting by the they have been for a thousand years or door; and you will not hear the music of more, are rooted with galvanized iron, and the voice you love so well, you will only the sides of some of them are sheeted over hear the moaning of the ocean's restless with square pieces of tin. his tin comes swell. Close the door, O weeping lady, from Philadelphia oil cans, and some of look no more for him you love, better look the mountain hute are lighted by the Standfor hope and comfort to the sombre sky ard Oil Company's oil. Calico from Engabove: to your side your love and hero all land is coming into use among the natives, your watching cannot win, for he tried to and many of the idols upon being inverted are found to have sunken into their brass bottoms the trade-marks of the Birmingham manufactories."

THE preference of shipowners for large cargo-carrying vessels is becoming more and more pronounced, and the companies or allow to be destroyed. Among more particularly engaged in the part of are worked seem to vie with each other in securing "the largest ship affoat." Intimation is made this week that a contract has been placed on behalf of Messrs. Ant. Dom. Bordes & Son, Paris and Bordeaux, with a firm on the Clyde, who make the construction of a five-masted steel sailing ship to carry 6,000 tons deadweight. Not only will it be the first five-master, but it will be the largest sailing ship affoat.

SPEAKING of the run across the Atlantic in less than six days made by the City of Paris, the Philadelphia Telegraph says: This new and undisputed Queen of the Seas is practically an American vessel: end of the abdomen. Lady bugs and lace. she is indeed to all intents a Philadelphia wing flies live entirely upon destructive property, a controlling amount of her ownership being central in this city : yet by our perverse laws she is forced to fly the British flag. More than this, her submission to England is so absolute that she could, in the contingency of war between England and the United States, be converted by our enemy into a cruiser to bombard our ports and prey upon our commerce, the while she is virtually our own band, formerly her footman, sentenced property." And yet they call it a "pro- special attention will be given to the duntective " policy which produces such results geon where the Duke of Rothes y was

THE movement to erect a memorial at Kirkcaldy, Fifeshire, Scotland, in honor of practical shape. A preliminary meeting of Magistrates and others, presided over by Provost Beveridge, has come to a strong opinion in favor of the movement. The idea is to build a large memorial hall, with accommodation for a free library, etc., at attention. a cost of about £50,000. The meeting of the inhabitants to be held at an early day, when arrangements having in view the raising of the fund will be discussed, and also probable sites for the proposed building.

THE Duke of Hamilton's decision to let Arran has caused much excitement in the Firth of Clyde district, as it is regarded, at 21 mills. baseball one might readily account for the says a London newspaper, as only a preliminary step to selling the island. The men.

shootings extend to 70,000 acres, and the estimated bag is 5,000 brace of grouse, 50 stags and 30 hinds, while in winter the island affords some of the best woodcock shooting in great Britain. The rent asked for the whole is £7,000 a season. The whole of Arran belongs to the Duke, except the estates of Kilmichael and White farland, which are the property of the Misses Fullarton, whose family have been settled on the island since 1307, and the shooting over the estates is leased by the Duke of Hamil-

and among the hills, is magnificent. THE simplest way to moderate the glare of the light of incandescent lamps without losing too much of its lighting power is offer from an american syndicate for a according to the Electrische Anzeiger, to give the globes a thin coating of collodion. With a little practice the uniform distribution of the collodion coating over the whole surface is soon achieved. Besides simdispose of. All idea of a series of efforts plicity and cheapness this method presents is therefore, I have finally decided, wholly the additional advantage that the coat is easy to remove with water. In connection with this communication the Polytechnische Notizblatt recommends to paint the lamps over with a solution of a salt, whereby they are covered by a coat of fine crystals. These innumerable crystals affect a diffusion of the light without materially diminishing its intensity. Salts of lead and tin are thought to be the most suitable for this purpose, but other materials may be found more convenient.

> LAST week there was a great stir in the English religious world. Mr. Spurgeon opened with a vigorous attack upon Rev. Dr. Clifford, President of the Baptist Union, for attending service in South Place Chapel, Moncure Conway's old headquarters, now chiefly used by Compteists and secularists. Er. Spurgeon wonders Christ could associate himself with such a and on Sunday, from his own pulpit, de livered a reply. The other matter, according to a cablegram, is a personal quarrel between Rev. Charles Berry, who was offered the pastorate of the Brooklyn Chapel, and Rev. Dr. Parker, the famous Congregational on a political platform with Mr. Bradthat side to drag personalities and other taining for perhaps an hour or two pre straneous matter. So far us the quadruple ight has gone. Spurgeon and Berry have had decidedly the better of it.

Latest from Scotland.

statue of Burns to Mr. W. B. Rhind, sculptor, Edinburgh.

Last year £584 497-an increase on the revious year of £59 298 —was expended on ducation in Scotland. At the Bank House, Leith, aged 60 years,

assed away John Aitken White, agent. nion Bank of Scotland. The name of Dr. Marcus Dods is men-

ioned in connection with the vacant proessorship in the New College. Both Dr. A. K. H. Boyd and Cameron Lees have received the degree of LL. D.

from St. Andrew's University. Rev. Arch. Henderson, Lathones, on en-

and who is retiring, has been presented with an address and £360. During a thunderstorm on the 28th ult. the canteen at Blackness Castle, Linlith-

building was much damaged. B. McGinn has just died in Arbroath Infirmary from some milk having turned into a hard substance in his stomach. Before taking it he had been drinking heavily.

Rev. John Robertson, Stonehaven, minster Confession, because he never read

The freedom of the royal burgh of Falk the last honorary burgess was added to the ham Palace. - London Truth. roll.

An old ledger has recently been brought to light in Edinburgh. It belonged to a merchant of the sixteenth century. At the top of the inside board, the bookkeeper had and keip me and it honest."

Bishop Wordsworth preached in St Giles', Edinburgh, in connection with the graduation ceremony. This is the first time an Episcopalian dignitary has appeared in the pulpit of St. Giles since the day on which Jenny Geddes made her name historic.

The foundations of what was the Castle of Macduff. Thane of Fife, are at present her beau. in the course of being uncovered in the explorations at old Falkland House, and starved to death.

" Bright's Disease has no symptoms of its own," says Dr. Frederick Roberts, of Safe Cure, then the effects of the symptoms will be removed.

who have attempted to fill Josh Billings shoes, not one has succeeded in attracting

Plush and tapestry coverings for fine and brocaded, is taking their place.

The Queen of Greece amuses herself by writing poetry. The gentle wave of a lace-edged pockethandkerchief has carried more poor fellows

to their doom than the mighty breakers at St. Catharines tax rate has been struck

STAINS ON BRICKS.

The Ugly White Coating Can be Prevented "Many a noble building is half ruined almost as soon as completed," said a contractor yesterday, "and many another will go on suffering this same process for a long time to come. Early in their career. quantities of brick structures become coated with a white frosty covering by some mysterious process, and once stained their beauty is lost forever. Stone buildings enjoy no immunity from this unsightly coating, and a number of the finest brown stone edifices in New England have been by their means robbed of a portion of their grace. The most noticeable stains are generaily upon walls that have a northern or eastern exposure and are most subjected to rain storms. They become soaked with moisture, and the white coating forms upon their surface while they are drying off. About the chimneys, along the lines of leaky water spouts and upon the bricks that form or lie near the payment the stains are apt to be especially prevalent, as in such spots to find just what has given that delicate the dampness dries most rapidly, and thus the ugliness of the coating is hastened and accentuated. The excrescence is derived from both the brick and the mortar, and is a combination of sulphates of lime and inconsistent creature, man, realizes but magnesia, which is formed during the process of burning. If proper precautions were observed in the erection of prominently exposed buildings these effects might be minimized. For instance, lime that is absolutely devoid of magnesia should be used for mortar, and in the manufacture of bricks wood should be the fuel, as the sulphurous vapor arising from a coal fire is sure to mingle to some extent with the burnt clay. With these ingredients, sulphur and magnesia, removed there can be little danger of disfigured walls. Yet it will be many a day before builders will come to learn this. They Bagot, Renfrew; Cloudslee, Lefroy, Al would rather manufacture their materials goma; Eagle's Nest, Brantford, Brant in the present slipshod fashion, and let Hesson, Mornington, Perth; New Flos the owner take his chances as to subsequent disfigurement by wind and Muskoka; Whitehall, McMurrich, Musweather."

Mind-Reader Bishop's Peculiarities.

Washington Irving Bishop, who died the other day, seemed always to belong to laugh, the Radical atheist and member for the darkness and the night. It was very Northampton. Mr. Berry defended him- unusual to see him about in the day time. self with much vigor, and wound up by At the Gedney House, where he scopped remarking that Parker is a man who before his last trip to California, be usually makes emphasis do duty for originality—a occupied his room until 4 or 5 o'clock in statement which those who heard the rev. the afternoon, when he got up and took loctor preach in America will be able to breakfast. Then he was to be found around appreciate. Dr. Parker has just made a town all the evening and until for 5 or omewhat incoherent reply to what he even 6 c'clock the next morning. It was terms an unwarrantable and commemptible the most commen thing in the world to go attack, and he also will have more to say into any of the cafes along Broadway at 3 on the subject next Sunday from the o'clock and find Bishop the centre of an pulpit, into which it is now fashionable on admiring crowd, which he had been enterviously. When he got into the exhiberated condition resulting from frequent potations he was in the habit of making the most extraordinary statements concerning himself. I remember him one night in e has given a commission for a Milligan's announcing as an important secret that Sadie Martinot was his sister. chief attraction, of course, was Madame However this may be, it is true that T. Carnot, in a grey faille with embroidered Brigham Bishop, the ralented bucket-shop side-panels as ornaments. A shoulder cape man and the composer of "Pretty as a of black lace reached to the waist, elabor-Picture." is his brother, and in some relately covered with garlands of black jet. A as the late mind-reader. - New York World.

Decorations at Balmoral.

A variety of alterations and improvements are to be carried out at Balmoral of black thread lace. during the next two months. It has been decided that a number of the jubilee presents are to be sent to Balmoral, and they will be arranged in the drawing-room and library, and in the entrance hall and cortering the 50th year of his pastorate there ridor, which are now pretty well filled with statues and busts of various members of the Royal family, including Theed's white marble statue of the Prince Consort, who is represented in Highland dress; and of gowshire, was struck by lightning and the this work a gigantic replica, in bronze, is a prominent object in the grounds. The sitting rooms at Balmoral are principally decorated and furnished in Stuart tartan, of which the Queen is very fond; and the walls are adorned with the heads of stags and other sporting trophies, and hung with engravings and photographs representing across the way asked me who was our family preaching in Glasgow the other day, said Highland scenes, and a few portraits; but physician." He believed every word of the West- there are very few pictures, and none of are never sick, and we have not needed any merit, as Her Majesty's large collection i.e., those which are her own private property) is divided between Osborne and land was conferred on the 1st inst. on the the private apartments at Windsor, except "We don't have one, and we are never Marquis of Bute. It is sixty years since a few pictures which are kept at Bucking-

Fancies About Figures.

The seven days of creation led to a septenary division of time in all ages. Nine knots made in a black woollen inscribed the words "God blis this buik thread formerly served as a charm in case of a sprain.

Women who wish to preserve the slimness and contour of their figures are advised to learn to stand well. In many parts of England and in the

Inited States an odd number of eggs is put under a setting hen. When a servant maid finds nine green peas in one pod she lays it on the window sill, and the first man who enters will be

There is a well-known superstition, current since the days of Ovid, that particular virtue, strength or danger lies in the ninth wave of a series.

Why He Flirted.

An Atchison man whose wife was quite during her rise to poetical fame. fat was caught flirting, and he made a rather novel explanation of his conduct. "The great ambition of your life," he said to his wife, after being caught at it, " was to become slender. Knowing that there Of the fifty or more ambitious writers was no efficacy in the stuff known as Anti-Fat, I resolved to flirt away your superfluous flesh. It wrung my heart to do it, but I was willing to make any sacrifice for people, both physiologically and feelingly, your happiness. So I flirted, and you began to lose flesh. You are now as spirituelle as you ever wished to be. Come to my arms, and say you never doubted me." Atchison Globe.

Kept His Word While Dying.

Israel Stoops, who a few days ago fel from a roof, died to-day. Shortly before his dissolution the man said to his wife : When my soul leaves my body and enters the other world I will let you know by crossing my hands upon my breast." He giving the sign .- Los Angeles despatch.

WOMEN MAKING UP.

Their Doing So Pleases the Men-411 Nonsense to say They Should Not Do So. It is all nonsense to tell women not to 'make up," says the Philadelphia Inquirer. They will do it, and we must confess that

some are positively repulsive mostly because they endeavor to do away entirely with all the dainty accessories so necessary to a charming and attractive toilette. The trouble is that so many silly women, in their anxiety for self-improvement, overreach the mark which divides refined elegance from grotesque vulgarity. The fault lies not so much in the use of some one or more articles to improve defects, but the way in which they are used. Ah! the men are so fearfully inconsistent. That is the trouble. How often they are heard to declare, in terms most emphatic, that woman's greatest charm is in being perfectly natural. Now watch them, please, when introduced to a fascinating bit of femininity. Do they stop to study up causes and effects tinge of color to the pretty white cheek, to inquire why the eyes look so dark and brilliant as they dance and sparkle beneath the curly, fluffy bang? Of course not. The one thing. The girl is lovely, and he who is so ready to condemn is also the first to admire. The cute little woman laughs in her sleeve and goes on her way rejoicing, feeling quite repaid for the extra attention given to her skilful and artistic make up.

ONTARIO POSTAL NEWS.

New Offices Opened in Ontario-Others Closed-Changes in Names.

During the first three months of this year the following new post offices have been opened in Ontario: Barryvale Flos, Simcoe; Parkersville, Stephenson, koka.

These post offices have been closed : Bal tie's Corners, Glengarry County; Pattereon, York County; Rabbit Mountain, Algoma County.

Changes have been made in the names of post offices thus: Credit to Springfield-onthe Credit; Farmersville to Athens; Red Rock to Nepigon; Serpent River to Cook's dills, and Stewart Station to Port Caldwell.

The Milford Bay post office, in Simcoe cunty, established as a summer office only, s now kept open all the year round. The following new money order offices

vere established in Ontario on April 1st : Baden, Deemerton, Dundalk, Hepworth, Nepigon, Schreiber, South Woodslee, pringfield-on-the-Credit.

Latest Fashion Gossip.

A Paris despatch says that on Saturday uffalo Bill gave a reception at his sho at which 15,000 attended. The ladies small black lace bonnet was trimmed with scarlet poppies.

Miss Marie VanZandt's gown was noticeable for its simplicity. It was made a la Princesse, of black poult-de-soie, with a front

A Distinction With a Difference.

It was at a fancy dress ball that a very handsome woman approached the usher to be announced. As the usher laid his hand onthe door he asked, " What name shall I announce?" "On," was the response, lady in dress of the period of Queen Anne; no particular character." usher flung wide the door, and in stentorian tones announced, "A lady in a dress of the period of Queen Anne-without any character.

Little Dick's Report.

Little Cick-" Mamma, that new doctor one." The New Doctor (next day)-" Well. my little fellow, did you find out the name sick."-New York Weekly.

After Luncheon.

Edith (at Delmonico's, comparing assets with Ethel)-What shall we do? We haven't enough to pay the bill! (A pause of dismay) Ethel (brightening)-Why, I see what we can do! We'll have the bill sent C. O. D.—Puck.

Very Appropriately Named.

She (romantic)—Oh, how beautifully significant those Indian names are! Alabama, for instance, "Here let us

He (unromantic, but determined to go her one better)—Yes, and there s—er—Monongahela. "Here let us drink!" A pause follows.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox's husband is on the road a great deal selling goods, while his wife is at home writing poetry. He carries in his travelling value 27 pictures of his wife, taken by different photographers

Mrs. Krarer is a three-foot high Esquimaux woman now lecturing in the States

-A well-known doctor says that babies cry for water and are crammed to repletion with milk instead, and cry the more, for which they get paregoric, nauseous oil. etc. They need water as much as older and should be regularly supplied with all they will drink.

-Garden and Forest quotes this simple method of testing the quality of a pear: Write a name with pen and ink upon the dry skin of the fruit. If the ink is quickly absorbed, leaving clear, sharp lines, the quality of the fruit is good. If the skin does not absorb the ink quickly, and the

lines are blotted, the quality is inferior. -We do not trade with a disagreeable person unless we are obliged to; we often buy articles we did not expect to purchase, kept his word, and died immediately after just because the man who waited on us was pleasant. - Dry Goods Chronicle.