Two women set out, with vicious intent. The patience of man to exhaust. And their wits to every corner were ent Regardless of labor and cost.

They visited shops, but saw nothing to buy And only sample: took home; Then street car conductors with questions

did ply, But simply got "yes m" and "no m." So none of these schemes seemed to work

as they should. For clerks and conductors were seared And every device, from the bad to the good. Had failed up to date, it appeared.

But at last an idea was evolved from the Of these feminine seekers for fame,

Deciding them soon an occasion to find For giving a test to the same.

Its success was complete, a "star" was to play;
The box office till was a mine— They squabbled ten minutes o'er seats and s

And soured fifty men in the line. -J. B. Allen in Boston Transcript.

Carlyle's Love for His Sister. When Thomas Carlyle died, in 1881, he left to Mrs. Hanning property sufficient to render her independent for the remainder of her life, writes Louise Markscheffel in an interesting article on "The Last of the Carlyles," with illustrations, in the May Ladies' Home Journal. For three years after her husband's death Mrs. Hanning retained her home, but finally relinquished it to reside with her daughter, Mrs. Leslie.

Since 1881, therefore, Mrs. Hanning has made her home with her daughter and her daughter's husband in their delightful farm at Drumquin, Ontario, Canada, which is named after "Comely her own apartment, and in it sits, day pretty little house in West Kensing-in and day out, with her books and ton, where she has a remarkable colher thoughts.

ing the affection which he bore and difficulty in writing showed the sister from whom he was so widely separated.

"From her affectionate brother, T. Carlyle," is the usual form of signa-

Baroness Wilson's American Tour.

Baroness Wilson, a celebrated Spanish writer, has completed her second tour through South America, Mexico, Central America and the United States. The baroness is a great traveler as well as a writer, and spent fifteen years in those countries, studying the people and their history. As a result, she has published a series of valuable travels and historical works. The governments of all the countries she visited showered attentions on her, and every means in their power was placed within her reach to enable her to pursue her historical researches. The government of Venezuela raised an appropriation of \$15,000 from Congress for her contingent expenses. She is an honcontingent expenses. She is an hon-orary member of the principal literary Thus, if M Savarin's conclusions are percha. The yearly supply from a full-America. She was also appointed a member of the international congress what ought to have been their es- half ounce, as from the old method. it sounds for so universally recognized of Americanists held in Madrid in 1892. The baroness is a native of Granada. She was educated in Paris, and on leaving the convent married an Englishman, Baron Wilson, who died a few years later

English Women in Politics

During the recent elections English women have been more actively engaged than ever in political work. They have descended into the arena of practical politics, as one writer has said, and are endeavoring to sweep it clean with the brooms of their intelligence. Whenever meetings have been held they have appeared upon platforms and taken part in the speeches; while in clubs and in committee-rooms, in alleys and by streets, or over the sparsely settled districts they have in all sorts of weather worked with devoted zeal. They prepare canvass books, organize meetings, raise funds for the conflict, help build club-houses for the men, provide them with books and newspapers, canvass and conduct voters to the polls, toil all day and write far into the night for the cause public. they love, and when it is over the parliament of men assemble at Westminster and enact laws which sex does not prohibit a woman from obeying, but prevents her formulating.

Miss Amalie Kussner's Miniatures. Miss Amalie Kussner's miniature aintings are beginning to be famous throughout the country, and her New York studio is filled with a stream of sitters. There has been a revival of miniature painting abroad for several years and Americans who have run home bewitching specimens of the haif-forgotten art. And it was a French miniature painter who perent in that direction. The now best to bring it to perfection. She paints with fairy-like brushes on thin pieces of ivory, using extremely delicate colors. It is pleasant to know that her faithful labors are rewarded by an income of about \$5,000 a year.

Aid for the Harvard Annex. About \$70,000 has been promised toward the \$250,000 endowment fund Presidentablist requires of the Woman's Education Society before he can recommend the incorporation of the Harvard

annex with the university to the directors of the institution. It is now thirteen years since the Society for the Collegiate Education of Women, known as the Harvard Annex, was established at Cambridge, and it is now a school of 300 women, its studies the same as those of Harvard College, and its classes taught by Harvard professors in time not claimed by the college. Students taking regular or special courses receive certificates from their professors as testimony of satisfactory work, but as the annex has no official connection with the university its students cannot receive Harvard de

Native Courtesy of Women. Ledyard, the great traveler, says that among all nations women adorn themselves more than men, but that whenever found they are the same kind, civil, humane and tender beings, inclined to be cheerful. timorous and modest. He has found the women on the plains of inhospitable Denmark, through honest Sweden, frozen Lapland, churlish Finland and unprincipled Russia more hospitable and generous than men, full of courtesy, fond of society, but industrious, economical and ingenious. And whenever the traveler, in the language of decency and friendship, has asked a question of any woman, civilized or savage, he has always received a decent and friendly answer, while with men it is often otherwise.

Schumann's Wife as Teacher.

Mme. Schumann teaches most of Schumann, Beethoven and Bach; she dislikes pyrotechnics in music; she likes the music of the heart, expressing the emotions of life; she is an ardent admirer of all that is great and beautiful in art; her heart is tender and great, her mind is vast, and she lives in an atmosphere far removed from all envy or petty jealousies, writes Mathilde Wurm in an article entitled "With Schumann's Wife as My Teacher" in the May Ladies' Home Journal. Before playing Schumann in public she always read over again some of the old love-letters which he wrote her during the days of their courtship. They fill her with a better understanding of his music and help her to interpret the spirit of his words

Miss Florence Marryat.

Miss Florence Marryat, daughter of the famous writer, has always made literature a profession. She lives Bank," at Craiginputtock. She has alone, attended by two servants, at a lection of "pets" - dogs, birds and The books which form her library flowers. Miss Marryatt is reputed to are many and valuable, and in most be very kind to young authors, of cases have the added interest of being | whom she has a good number among gifts from her brother. Her collection | her friends. She is ever ready to disof Carlyle's published works is com- cuss a "character" or a plot with them. plete, and was given her volume by | She has even been known to help the volume, as published by Carlyle him- lame dog over the stile by writing a self. On the title page of each is an | chapter in a novel, which, somehow or autograph inscription, always breath- other, the author found insuperable the engine-room to the forecastle there

A Girl Amateur Journalist.

Ethel Stout, ten years old, of Melbourne, Fla., has for two years edited the Midget, a paper for children. The subscription is 10 cents a year. She also has a quarterly publication, the Midget Magazine, costing 25 cents a year. She sets her own type. She learned her letters from type, and learned to set it when five years old. By means of her publications she raised hearly \$200 for the Temperance Temple in Chicago. Ethel's great desire is to found a home or hospital for children, when she is old enough.

Frenchwomen as Administrators.

The Auditor at the Conseil d'Etat in Paris, M. Fleury-Savarin, has lately dried leaves may be taken from the The government officers present repronounced himself to be decidedly in tree without injury, which yield from garded the new process as highly sucfavor of the posts of administrators of 8 to 9 per cent of the raw material; this cessful. the different "Bureaux de bienfalls- material, tested in a laboratory in societies in Spain as well as South adopted, Frenchwomen will be at last grown tree is from thirty-two to hind the waist; so runs the latest fashadmitted into the management of thirty-six ounces; instead of one-ion mandate, which isn't as absurd as special province the admin stration Even of withered leaves from a is the fact that a fine carriage is one of of those public moneys which are de- tree whose trunk will yield no more the essentials of a prepossessing apvoted to the relief of the poor.

Notes by the Way.

Holland has many women dentists. land, and she is always affable and courteous on such occasions.

All the members of the English royal family have a great fancy for de-

Rockland, Maine, quite an extensive segments diametrically opposed form business usually restricted to men- a part. This cylinder is rapidly rethat of a shipping office, from which | volved by means of a crank and train she furnishes seamen in any desired of gears connected to the armature.

President John F. Goucher of the

Baltimore Woman's College, announces that the college has just received a grift of \$10,000 in the form of a check from a freird, whose name is not yet made Lady Glasgow, wife of the Governor

of New Zealand, has established in that country a mothers' union, "to awaken in mothers a sense of their great responsibility in the training of their boys and girls."

Taglioni, the great dancer, was a beauty of the Queen Anne type. She lived to be as old as Mrs. Keeley, and was fond of saying that dancing was the healthiest exercise possible and that she never had a headache.

Mrs. John D Rockefeller has brought across to Paris have often brought up her daughters very sensibly. They home bewitching specimens of the teach in Mission Sunday Schools, and one, when a student at Vassar, used her pocket money to defray the expensuaded Miss Kussner to turn her tal- ses of a poor girl at the some college.

Mrs. Dow, who owns and manages fashionable young artist who, by a coincidence, is herself of rather the
minister type, is a most painstaking
worker and does not let a portrait
leave her hands until she has done her
leave her hands until she has done her is said to be not only a business wothe possessor of property worth about \$200,000.

A friend visiting a well-known physician over Sunday, found him very busy on that day with his patients.

"Don't they allow you to rest on Sunday?" asked the friend.
"Sunday!" exclaimed the physician.
"Why, that's the only day that the

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How Electricity Makes Light.

A great number of people have but very obscure idea of the principle of the arc and incandescent lamp, respectively. It may be stated that in the arc lamp electric discharge takes place between two pieces of hard conducting carbon, separated from each other by an interval which is kept as nearly as possible constant by automatic devices. An arc light of intense brilliancy, called the voltaic arc, is thus obtained. The carbons, being raised to an exceedingly high temperature and exposed to the air, suffer waste by combustion, and hence require renewal. There is also a transference of particles in the direction of the current, the negative carbon increasing at the expense of the positive one. With the view of obviating inconveniences arising from this cause, arrangements are often made for alternating the direction of the current. It is desirable both for the diffusion of light, and for the lessening of its oth-

lamp, a filament of carbon inclosed in a globe exhausted of air by a mercury pump serves as a path along which the current passes. The resistance the electricity meets with in passing through this filament is sufficient to raise the latter to incandescence, and a light is thus obtained more suitable for domestic purposes and the illumination of interiors generally than that afforded by the arc

erwise painful and injurious intensity,

that a globe of ground glass should be

used. In the glow or incandescent

English Whaleback.

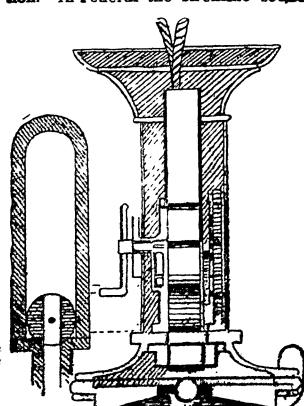
One of the novelties of the past year in shipbuilding is the turret deck steamer built by W. Doxford & Sons of Sunderland, England, which is practically a modification of the whaleback type now largely used on the lakes. In the only vessel of this design yet built the hull is shaped like most other vessels from keel to water line, but from the water line the shell is rounded off upward and inward until it terminates at the upright deck level in an upright structure, misnamed a turret, running fore and aft. The

a perfectly straight line fore and aft. thick and strong like that of the hull ing it. proper, so that the whole skin of the vessel above and below is of the same thickness. The engines are placed aft, as in whaleback steamers, so that from with only by the necessary bulkheads. placed as usual under the bridge for-

Gutta Percha from Leaves. If the statement of Mr. Serullas of France may be relied upon, the guttapercha industry may be almost revolutionized. From experiments made one-foot of the plate. The water was by Mr. Yungfleisch, in Java, he finds that the raw material may be obtained from the leaves of the iseondra tree. instead of from the trunk, as at presmaterial, while by the new method, every six months 200 pounds of the oil baths, there to remain thirty hours. juice one-half as much material pearance that the smart woman carcan be obtained as from live trees, ries her head high, her chest well Trees 4 to 5 years old yield nine ounces thrown out, and her elbows necesfrom one harvest of leaves. He states i sarily fall well back out of the way. that old trees which are of no use to | This is particularly true of city women, Mrs. Levi P. Morton has been as free the natives at present can yet be made, who realize that the woman who makes quently interviewed as any lady in the by this means to yield a large amount the best effect is always the woman

Novel Telephone Call.

A special arrangement for a telephone call has been used with the signing jewelry, and, as a rule, design | Siemens bipolar telephone instead of all the presents they give to each the usual magnetic call bell. This device, known as a siren call, contains a Miss May Raulett has built up at | brass cylinder of which two soft iron The Electrical Engineer of London describes the action of the instrument as follows: "This rotation causes a rapid introduction and removal of the armature from the magnetic field below the soft iron pole pieces, and a corresponding magnetic change in their cores which affects the home as well as the distant telephone diaphragms, setting them both into vibration. In general the sirenlike sound



emitted by the telephone alone is quite sufficient for the purpose of a telephone Sunday?" asked the friend.

"Sunday!" exclaimed the physician, why, that's the only day that the ing on the disphragm; it is brought poor can afford to be sick on heaven help them!"

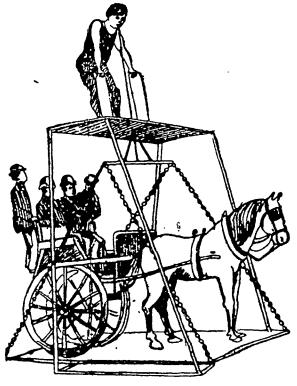
tion of the latter, and acts as an inten-sifier of the telephonic sound emitted. "The armature if left to itself would take up a position across the field be-lew the poles, and weaken the mag-netic field through the disphragm. In order to avoid this, when the telephone is used for conversation, it is necessary that the armature be always brought into its neutral position and locked there. This is done by a special spring catch dropping a pin into a pinhole, which arrests the armsture in the proper position. When a call is given, this pin is first drawn out of action by a cam with a milled head, which together with the crank handle for rotating the armature, projects outside the telephone casing."

No More Incrusted Bollers.

At a recent meeting of the Scientists' Association of Saxony one of its members recommended the use of carbonic acid in its liquid state as a preventative against incrustation of boilers. The boiler which is to be treated is filled with cold water, into which carbonic acid is allowed to flow from a receptacle near by. As soon as the water has become thoroughly permeated with the acid it dissolves the carbonate of lime which is the principal cause of the crust forming around the boiler, and precipitates the parget with which it is allied without the least injury to the inner sides of the

A Wonderful Jaw.

Mr. Dan Sullivan, who lifts a horse and cart and four men with his teeth. is the latest attraction at the Royal Aquarium, London. Sullivan is a wellmade man, who looks several inches



vessel has no sheer, the deck reaching in | taller than the five feet eight inches The plating, running inward from taken from a sketch, shows how Sullithe water line to the turret deck, is van arranges his burden before lift-

> Tempering Large Armor Plates. A new process of tempering a four-

teen-inch Harveyizing armorplate was tested at Bethlehem, Pa., recently. is a long, continuous hold, interfered Heretofore this was done by ejecting ice water against a red hot plate in a The boat's accommodations for engin- vertical position, with the result that eers an a crew are all abaft the engine- the water was made boiling the inroom, but the Captain and officers are stant it touched the upper end of the plate, and the heated water did not have the proper effect on the rest of the plate. In the new process the plate was laid down in a specially prepared frame, the water was made ice cold by treating it with salt, and was then led to a large sprinkler lowered within forced through the sprinkler under great pressure, while the under side of the sprinkler was kept cool by water running over it from a fixed spigot. ent. By the old method a tree, at the | The sprinkling continued for one and gost of its life, gives four ounces of the one-half hours, and the plate was then

> The Woman Who Attracts Attention. The elbows are now worn quite bewho carries herself well. On closer acquaintance the pretty face begins to tell, and somewhere between the two the dress comes in for a share of attention as to details with men. And it is to please men that women dress, exto aggravate other women.

What Alled Him.

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Beating Dame Nature.

Drummer-It just beats all. I'm traveling for an umbrella house, and every place I've struck has been suffering from drought.

Inventor-I am traveling with a rainproducing apparatus, and every town | TELEPHONE 390. I've struck was kneedeep in mud. Drummer-I say, let's travel to-

Improving Exercise.

Papa—See here, sir! The policeman tells me you are one of the boys who jump on and off railroad trains at the

Small Son-Oh, that's real improving exercise. When I grow up mebby I can get on an' off street cars without getting killed.

Losing Interest.

Small Boy-I think our teacher is losin' interest in us. Father-Why so?

Small Boy-It's most two weeks since she reminded us boys that we might grow up to be President, if we studied hard.

Rather Mard. Bright Boy-How is Hawaii pre-

mounced? Teacher-Um-ask your father, and then you'll remember. Bright Boy-I did, and he teld we to ask you so I'd remember.

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