NEW LINCOLN PORTRAIT.

That of an English Artist Recently

Brought to Light. There has just been resurrected from some out-of-the-way place in the Capitol an excellent portrait of President Lincoln, which for fifteen years has lain hidden away from general knowledge. It is a full length, life size painting, and has a somewhat remarkable history. It was painted by one W. F. Travis, an Englishman, who, as the story goes, came to this country during the war, with the hope of joining the Union forces. He was, however, somewhat crippled, and was refused admission to the army because of his physical disa-

bility. He then turned his attention to painting and sought a sitting from President Lincoln, but could not obtain an audience. Finally he was fortunate enough to meet the President in the street, and begged a sitting. The President said he had no time to grant sittings, but finally consented to one of fifteen minutes' duration. During that time Travis so interested the President that he secured other sittings and eventually completed a portrait, which Senator Hoar and others pronounce the finest likeness of Lincoln ever made. Travis was unable to sell his picture and took it back to England, where it was afterward bought by a man named Webster, who was at the time Register of Wills of the District of Columbia. Webster brought the portrait to the Centennial Exposition, and it is related that when Mrs. Lincoln came upon it suddenly the likeness was so striking that she fainted.' The picture was purchased from Webster's heirs.

Perhaps the most striking feature of the portrait, aside from the great likeness, is the infinite sadness which is shown on the countenance The detail is also perfectly worked out. Lincoln is shown standing by a chair, on which rests his hat, into which he has carelessly thrown one glove, the other having dropped to the floor. In the President's hand, which rests on a small desk, is a document which bears the title, "Constitutional Amendment Abolishing Slavery Throughout the Nation." Above the desk is a picture of Washington crossing the Delaware, and on top of the desk is a small bust of Washington .-New York Tribune.

HASTY SERMONS.

In our age women commonly preserve the publication of their good offices and their vehement affection toward their husbands until they have lost them or at least till then defer the testimonies of their good will. Yet we should willingly give them leave to laugh after we are dead provided they will smile upon us while we are alive. Montaigne

After treating her like a goddess the husband uses her like a woman. What is worse, the most abject flatterers degenerate into the greatest ty rants.-Addison.

He that hath wife and children hath given hostages to fortune; for they are impediments to great enterprises, either of virtue or mischief.-Lord Bacon.

I have hardly ever observed the married condition unhappy but for want of judgment or temper in the man .-Richard Steele.

Certainly wife and children are a kind of discipline of humanity.-Lord

He that loves not his wife and chilbreeds a nest of sorrows.—Jeremy

Wireless on Warships.

Taylor.

The rapid development of the wireless telgraph system in the Navy Yard was shown lately, shortly after the battleship Kentucky had gone down the bay to Tompkinsville, where she was to anchor before proceeding to Hampton Roads, says the Brooklyn Eagle. A question as to the disposition of some material came up in the commandant's office. It could be settled only by reference to the Kentucky. Then this dialogue occurred with a lieutenant at the commandant's end of the telephone.

"Hello, is this wireless?" "Give me the Kentucky. She ought to be off Governor's Island about this time."

"Pick her up in five minutes, eh? All right. Tell them the commandant's office wants to know about"--and then came the question which had something to do with hawsers.

Ten minutes later the lieutenant went to the 'phone again and this conversation with the wireless station in the yard occurred:

"Get the Alabama, off Forty-second street, and find out how she is getting along with her ammunition."

In a few minutes back came the information required. Many of the cultured in any part of the world. warships of the navy have the wireless system on board and, when thus equipped, if they are within reasonable distance, communication is by wireless, as the commandant's office that King Edward, on his recent visit has found that is the best way to reach the ships.

Wives at 6 Shillings.

Wives in Tanganyika are considered a luxury, and even in Zululand they cost from £30 to £160; but on the Tanganyika plateau one can be had 6s at the most.

Government Railroads.

Canada has altogether only 20,000 miles of railroad, of which about 1,000 miles are street and suburban lines. operated by trolley. Over 14,000 miles of steam railway are owned by the government and four companies.

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IN A MARRIAGE MARKET. Odd Custom in a Prominent Russian

Mart for Wives. Perhaps the best known of these Russians marriage markets is the one that takes place annually at Klui, near Moscow, and which has just been held with the usual success. It occurs during the week of Epiphany (Russian style), and all the young women that wish to get married in the course of the year are mustered in a long row young men who come to see and admire them they wear nearly all their belongings on their backs. Their finery does not consist only of their best family trinkets, sometimes valuable scarfs, cloaks and furs, heavy silver jewelry and necklaces, jackets showing rows of prettily ciselated or filigree silver buttons, and many of the girls bring even their linen and other domestic property along with them in gaudily painted chests and trunks, sitting on them like dragons watching a

treasure. After exposing themselves for hours to the close scrutiny of the in a procession to church, there to per- tom. form at the shrine of some saint parbliss, such as St. Chrysostom and St. the way to church it is not onlypermis-

to follow and accost one or the other of the girls in the way of conversation. If any two of the young people think they suit one another a formal visit is paid by the intended groom to the parents But before the actual marriage is arranged a number of interviews takes place between the respective parents, every item of the trousseau being exacted beforehand and noted down as part of the bride's dowry.--Harper's Weekly.

A Robin and a Rat.

The other day, while a gentleman of Porthollow, St. Keverne, was walking past a farm in the neighborhood, he was attracted by a robin, which flew about him, flapped its wings in his face some two or three times and appeared greatly excited and distressed. The gentleman's curiosity being arroused, he watched the robin for some time. It flew towards him and then back into the hedge a short distance away, uttering apparently cries of distress all the time. The gentleman walked toward the hedge where the bird seemed to wish him to come, and creeping up close he discovered a medium sized rat, which had got into the robin's nest and was devouring one of the little young walked away the robin seemed to chirp him her thanks. There were four young birds in the nest. One was killed, but the other three were free from injury.-London Globe.

The Martian "Canals."

After experimenting on the cracks and fissures that appear in cylinders and spheres subjected to pressure M. A. Baumann, an engineer of Zurich, Switzerland, has proposed the following explanation of the markings on the 24,15 knots. planet Mars, ordinarily known as "canals." Says the Revue Scientifique in a notice of M. Baumann's hypothesis: Mars may have a brittle, solid crust, with a more drastic nucleus, this difference of rigidity, depending simply on differences of temperature dren feeds a lioness at home and in the varios strata. When the planet cools contraction takes place, and the outer layers yields little by little to the pressure. In places where the pressure is greatest, cracks-always double, as shown by M. Baumann in his experiments—appear. It is possible that afterwards, by the intervention of living beings, the edges of these cracks may have been removed, so as to form canals. But the same result may follow from the progressive enlargement of small fissures. The rectilinear canals indicate a homogenous constitution of soil. Finally, the outer crust, now solid, may have remained long in a plastic state, which would have prevented the formation of mountains.—Literary Digest.

As to Pronunciation.

As a general thing, says the Mobile Register, the English tongue is more correctly used in the South than in any other part of the country, for the reason that there is a predominence of English stock in the South, and not the admixture of continental blood such as corrupts the language of the fnhabitants of the Eastern, Middle and Western States. Even that for which we are most rivaled in England —the soft, almost inaudible r final. The Southerner says "Sir" as if it were written S'r, and that is the English way. The Yankee says "Sirur-r," with a bold twist of the final r, unlike the pronunciation of English by the

The King Sets Fashions.

It was noted with mingled awe and delight by attentive English reporters to Ireland wore his hat slightly "tilted to the right." All loyal hats will now be worn slightly tilted to the right.

The Chinaman and Telephone, Wah Lee an Americanized Chinaman from San Francisco visiting in Hartford, Conn., expressed surprise for five or six goats. One goat equals when he learned that not one of his 8d to 1s. therefore one wife equals countrymen in Hartford has a tele-

> Pasteboard From Peat. Pasteboard made of 40 percent pear fiber and 60 percent wood shavings is a standard product both in Germany and Sweden, being stronger, lighter and cheaper than pasteboard made in

the ordinary way.

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time in its Completeness. The ice bridge of 1904 was the greatest in history. Some portions of other bridges have been more remarkable, but in no year has there been such a complete structure as the one of that winter. The scope of the jam can be imagined when it is said that on the 15th of February fifteen in the principal streets of that large and feet of ice had formed on the very straggling country town. In order to guard-rail of Prospect Point, placed make themselves attractive to the there for the protection of tourists viewing the Falls, and this rapidly increased in a few days to a height of twenty-six feet, forming a great mass of snow and ice from which Prospect clothes, but it includes a lot of old Point was not delivered until the 27th day of May.

For several years past there has been an annual thaw which caused a partial disintegration of the bridge, followed by a rebuilding of it, and these efforts on the part of nature have achieved some phenomenal effects. Great domes of ice covered with snow, having had the keys of their arches weakened, will collapse and leave abysses with the dark wawould-be benedicts the girls march off ter of the stream boiling at the bot

It is not unusual for huge humticularly potent in procuring connubial mocks to be split off at the lower end, leaving exposed stratae of differ-Nzitanzen, worshipful prayers On ent periods of formation, quite differ ent in color and convolutions. Again, able but good form for the young men | hidden, submerged forces combine to steadily raise a portion of the jam from a comparative level to a considerable altitude, a process which may go on for two or three days, rapid enough to be visible to a careful watcher and felt by any one daring enough to stand in such a spot during the transformation.-Broughton B:andenburg, in Harper's Weekly.

Czar Orders His New Navy.

St. Petersburg.—The Czar sanctioned the expenditure of \$800,000,000 in rebuilding the navy. The programme of construction will occupy ten years. The ships already decided upon, which are to be delivered within from three to five years, are eight battleships of the type of the Slava and eight of the type of the Andrei Pervosvanni, six cruisers of the type of the Bayan, six of the type of the Novik, improved, and six of the type of the Bogatyr, fifty 500-ton destroyers, 100 destroyers and torpedo boats of 150, 240 and 350 tons, ten mine laying steamships of the Yenesei type and four floating workshops of the type of the Kamschatka.

All the shares in the shipbuilding company of Lange & Sons, at Riga. birds. At the sight of the gentleman have been acquired by the Ministry the rat jumped out and was knocked of Commercial Marine, which is arsenseless on the road. When the robin ranging to control other leading shipsaw the rat lying on the road she flew yards in Russia. The Ministry will at it and pecked it victously. The rat direct the construction of the ships was killed and thrown over the hedge to be built in Russia, but by far the into the field, and as the gentleman greater portion of the new navy will

The Slava is a battleship of 13,500 tons and a speed of eighteen knots. The tonnage of the battleship Andrei Pervosvanni is 16,000 and her speed is 18 knots. The Bayan was an armored cruiser of 7,800 tons and 22 knots speed, the Novik a protected cruiser of 8,100 tons and 25 knots speed, and the Bogatyr a protected cruiser of 6,675 tons and a speed of

Deporting Boy Slaves.

Washington.-Immigration official: have been making wholesale deportations of small boys brought from Italy and other Mediterranean countries practically as slaves.

Inspectors for months have been seeking to ascertain the reason for the large number of boys coming to this country to "relatives." They were told that the boys were coming to learn trades, escape the military service in Europe and become good American citizens.

This was believed until Commissioner Sargent received word from Pittsburg that Greek boys had been discovered there who had been brought to this country by padrones and rented out to the owners of bootblack stands and to fruit merchants. There are twenty of these boys in Pittsburg alone. How many have gone to other cities is not yet known. In the meantime boys are being held up at all the ports. Forty odd are in custody at New York, and eighty have been held up at Boston. The latter have already been invstigated, and about sixty, who range from nine to seventeen years, will be sent back.

Old Maids' Marriage Club.

At the annual meeting of the Old Maids' League of Bristol four leading young women of the village were elected to membership. Before they were admitted to the mysteries of the organization each was forced to pledge herself to use all honorable means to become a wife during the next twelve months.

Th girls initiated under this obligation were Misses Lulu Rowbottom. Lydia Curtis and Jessie and Jennie Garland. It is said that none of the girla are engaged to be married, but the work of the league has been so successful in the past that wagers of two to one are made that all the girls will be married before the end of a year.

Page With Elm Leaf.

A clerk in a freight office at Worcester found a perfectly preserved elm leaf in a letter book the other day. When he tried to remove it he was surprised to find that it made up a part of the page. The only explanation is that the leaf fell into the vat containing the pulp and then got into the paper in the process of making.

Never mind a journey on Friday if Saturday is pay day.

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