THE WHISTLING WORKMAN.

Mistaken Belief That They Are Thought to be Best Workers.

"'Tis sad to puncture an old maxim." said the employer of a large number of men, "but my experience with other men enables me to let a little of the air of fallacy out of an old saw which grinds out a platitude that the 'whistling workman' is the best, or that the 'singing cook makes the best sauce.'

"From early childhood we are taught to place the workman who whistles and sings at the beach or over his work as the ideal of his kind. In theory perhaps this idea holds good, but from an experience of thirty years in the handling of men I will pass the whistling fellow by for the one who does not whistle or sing while at work. And I have found this true in cierical pursuits as well as those involving manual labor

When a man is not working whistling or singing produces a certain amount of mental relaxation; it denotes a certain vacancy of mind. It is impossible for a man to whistle or sing if the mental faculties are at all absorbed in work. It requires mental concentration, though the concentration may, by reason of a perfect knowledge of the work being turned out, have become mechanical on the part of the work man The singing or the humming of a tune produces still greater mental vacancy It is in these moments that workmen make mistakes, often costly ones to 'hemselves or to their employers." -Washington Star.

Astigmatism Statistics.

Out of about 3,000 cases of astigmarism, 32 per cent were affected with simple hypermetropic astigmatism. 26 per cent. with compound hypermetropic astigmatism, 25 per cent with simple myopic astigmatism, and 6 per cent with mixed astigmatism The meridian of greatest refraction was horizontal in 1 081 cases, vertical in 349, and obsique in 164. It is claimed by Mr Van de Borg, who made the report, that even in cases where the astigmatte error was of only 1,000 diopter the visual acuity was seldom cuite normal after correction, with a very rapid decrease in visual acuity with increase of error As a rule, the improvement of vision was greatest when the meridian of greatest refraction was horizontal It appears strange that normal visual acuity could not be obtained in cases wherein the error amounts to only 1.00 diopter, and it seems safe to say that had a careful test been made and properly ground and adjusted lenses been supplied, the visual scutty, in these cases would have been brought up to normal without difficulty.

Old Site For Window Boxes.

When Charles Dudley Warner wrote his volume of "Saunterings" he committed himself to a great deal of admiration over the window boxes adorned the facades of business houses abroad and also to the Bfalement that if the same thing was tried here the credit of the firm attempting it would suffer There is one old shopping district that has decided to frun that risk apparently, across the front of the second and third stories of its white-fronted building it has aranged two lines of green window boxes filled and hanging over with shop. -New York Sun.

Nebraska Soap Mountain.

R. H. Mitchell, a ranchman at Belden. Neb., has discovered a small hill, which Mitchell calls "Soap Hill," is composed of a fine and very white sand, which, when mixed with water, greatly resembles sapollo. The people good use of the natural sapolio, ac--Des Moines Register.

The Making of a Hero.

ers hailed out. There in that prove office. ince plain living and high thinking; and, above all, devotion to the country and emperor almost reaches alreligion.

A Token of Gratitude.

sing its humorous columns."

A turtle died the other day in was thought to be at least 350 years try in the world, not excepting Petu.

QUEER FEATS IN MOROCCO.

Preceded by Fasting, Praying, Killing No Marriage Can be Solemnized and Devouring Animals.

A traveler writes: "In Morocco the Nazarine can never tell how time stands in relation to the Moorish year. The Mohammedan calendar knows but 354 days; so, as the Moors lose some eleven days in the year, their festivals are constantly varying in date. The most important, of course, is Ramadan when Moslems fast from the rising to the setting of the sun during the month. The Moor fasts all day and feasts all night, and throughtou the small hours in certain Moorish cities officials pass down the

streets in solemn procession, armed with musical instruments, and one at their head calls upon the servants of God' to at and drink before the advent of the dawn. On one night toward the end of namedan it is well known that the gates of heaven are opened in order that the prayers of the faithful may be heard, and it is equally certain that all the devils and genii are kept in some prison of the underworld throughout the month.

"Another least of importance is the Aid el Kabeer, which takes place on the tenth day of the last month of the Mohammedan year It celebrates the sacrifice of Isnmael (not Isaac) by Abraham on Mount Moriah. Certain prayers are said in the mosques, and after these the cadi, standing in tome prominent position, cuts the throat of a sheep that is then carried tu a basket at headlong speed to the town's chief mosque. If the sleep he alive when it reaches the mosque. the ensuing year will be a prosperous one for the town. By means of gun fire and trumpet call all the city is unformed that, the sacrifice has been killed, and then every householder kills a sheep on the threshold of his own home Ihis sheep has been bought on the previous day and tied up in readiness for the feast.

"Still another festival of great importance in Morocco is the Moolud. which takes place in the month that is called the 'spring of flowers.' It is ushered in by singing and dancing and music and seems to founded on some old forgotten native festival. When the Moolud comes round a blue mark is placed between the eyebrows of young children in order that the evil eye may be averted from them The festival is also notorious by reason of the performances of the Aisawi, the followers of Mohammed bin Assa of Mequinez, the patron saint of anake charmers

"These Alsawi may be compared with dancing dervishes of orther Mohammedan countries The Alsawi are accustomed to repeat aloud a sentence that contains the master word or dian Ocean, and gives it as his opin. pariments for the exes. their order, and they how it until the ion that at one time there was some Modeled on an English design is a sound is not comparable to anythink one has heard before. In moments of extreme frenzy the devotees are known o seize sheep or even dogs and lear then to pieces with their hands fore | siderable variety of deep sea fish were filled with blooming plants that may be seen devouring a sheep before brought up," he says. "At least hair it is dead "

The White House of France. Rue Fauborg Saint-Honore, is a cross business house in the Broad way between a country house and a hotel, says the London Tatler It has not One of the most interesting discoveries a chequered career since its erection | we made was that floating life is exin 1718 and has harbored some queer | ceedingly abundant a all depths characters Louis XV presented it how many lettres de cachet went out oms deep. By floating life I mean aniscarlet geraniums. The effect is of the gates to imprison those who mals which form the food of whales charming and adds not a little to the lampooned her? Under Louis XVI it and deep ocean fish, and which up to arraction of the whole front of the was called the Elysee Bourbon Dur- the present have been believed to live ing the revolution it became national the directoire there were gay doings | Some of these latter were blind, while mountain of soap near Savage The in the fine old rooms, and the Mer- others had huge eyes, but nearly all of gambled from sunset to sunrise.

who made a large fortune out of the almost total darkness prevails. The of the vicinity have been making speculation. Since then the place has blind varieties had enormous feelers, been occupied by Murat, Napolon I, or antennae, some of them extending cording to Mr. Mitchell, who mays Louis Bonaparte and Queen Hortense, to twice the length of their bodies. that it has been carted away by the Alexander the First of Russia, and wagonload for the scrubing of farm- the Duc de Berri. After the revoluhouse floors, polishing of metal and tion of 1830 it remained unoccupied earthenware, and even as a toilet until Louis Napoleon made it his soap for the hands. Mr. Mitchell was residence while he was president of seven hundred fathoms."—Dundes Adin Sioux City recently, bringing a the Republic. Nearly all the subsesample of the sand here for analysis, quent presidents of the present republic have added to it. The large glass awning, seen from the Faubourg-called by the scoffers "the One generation does not make a monkey parece"-was the work of man like Togo. And also one gen- Carnot. His also is the large balleration does not make the fellows room. The left wing was built by who went into the terrible golf of Louis Napoleon, and Green added a death in Manchuria and on the East room overlooking the garden. None ern seas. The Japanese culture and of the presidents seem to funcy its atmosphere made them thus. I pray state bedroom, nor do they write at that they will remain so, as they are. the Louis XVI table ornamented with Already there is a whisper of degen- brasswork chiselled by Gouttiere. eration and sophistication in Japan of They have one and all preferred to to-day. Togo is the best model of the furnish small rooms away from the Satsums province, whence Marquis solemn state apartments, and use an Oyama, Admiral Kamimura and oth ordinary desk such as we find in any

Passing of a Famous Saloon. The passing of the "Silver Dollar Saloon" of New York city recalls to many the source from which it derived its name. The saloon became ta-A rare example of discerning mous because of the fact that the floor gratitude is given by the late Mar- was paved with silver dollars. In chioness Isabella Lucini of Pavia, the center of each block of marble who has left a legacy of \$3,000 to a was iniaid a five-dollar gold piece local comic paper to which she had and at the four corners silver dollars been a lifelong subscriber. Her will were embedded. It is estimated that also directed that \$300 in addition the wealth sunk in the floor amountshould be spent on a sumptuous ban- ed to \$1,000. Silver Dollar Smith, the quet to which the staff of the paper original proprietor of the place, watchshould be entertained "in recognition the precious floor with the greatest so the will textually reads, "of the care, but when he died his widow had many pleasant hours spent in peru- the gold and silver removed, but because of wear she got only about hair the original value.

Zoological Gardens, London, which Mexico is the richest mineral coun-

IN ZION CITY "

Without Authorities' Consent.

The queerest applications for marriage licenses comes from Zion City. according to the ataches of the cadaty clerk's office at Wankegan, says the Chicago Tribune. Not long 150 1 young man presented a wedding tovitation at the clerk's office. Acr bs the face of the invitation was written the words: "By permission of the First Apostle."

No marriage in Zion takes place until the powers that be have passed on them and signed the permission "in ink." When the candidates for nuptial ties apply for the liceense they come bringing the permission with

The authorities at Zion City have a perfect system in keeping track of marriages, births and deaths. The county court people say that it is as elaborate as that prescribed by the law for county offices.

Zion City sends down to Wankegan a good proportion of its marriage business, but none of the ceremonies 18 performed outside of the lines of Dowle's town. It is claimed that a large proportion of the Zionites who seek marriage licenses are beyond the average age. More middle aged peopie, and even old people, apply for licenses than from any other section.

Marriages at Waukegan average sixty a month. The number is increasing right along. The place has always been considered a Gretna Green, but there is no blowing of trumpets about it Chicago sends a big contingent. Many who apply for licenses are married before they leave the county clerk's office. A justice of the peace is called, and he performs the ceremony and pockets \$2, and more if the groom is disposed to be liberal. rew

ministers are called, but a large pro-

portion of the couples are married by the ring evremony. it takes some little time to issue marriage license. About three we '. ago the county clerk himself was notired to be spending a great deal of time on one He seemed to be writing one letter at a time, and he had to have fresh ink for each stroke The girls were so consumed by curiosit) as to why he was putting so much time on the document that one or them looked over his shoulder. Thea

she tiptoed away and whispered it to all the other girls in the court house The clerk had been writting a mar-

Wonders of the Sea.

riage .icense for-nimself.

J. Stanley Gardiner, of Cambrid.e University, has been exploring the inconnection between Caylon and Madagascar. But it is in describing the wonders of the deep that his report grows most interesting. "A very conthe number we secured seem quite new specimens, and, I believe, are not described in any textbook. Some of The Elysee Palace situated in the these had enormous eyes, some uni, rudimentary eyes, the size of a pin's head, while some had no eyes at 211 down to about twelve hundred fainto Mme de Pompacour Who knows oms in seas twenty-five hundred fathon or very close to the surface A property, was put up for sale, found variety of enormous squids were fishno purchaser and was turned into ed out, as well as jelly fish, and gia government printing office. During gantic sprawns fully six inches long. veilleuses and Incroyables danced and them had phosphorescent organs, which would naturally be due to the The rooms were let to a syndicate fact that they live at a depth where Some forms, such as the water fles, which is only about the size of a pin's head in surface water, we discovered six or ten times that size in six or

The Dreadnought's Ancestors. The first Dreadnought of the Brit-

vertiger.

ish navy was launched about 1573. She was of 400 tons burden, and carried 200 men. This founder of the Dreadnought family took part in the overthrow of the "Invincible Armada." The second generation was represented by a 735-ton vessel carrying sixtytwo guns and 346 men. She was lost with the greater part of her men ou

the North Foreland in 1690. The third bearer of the name took part in Sir George Byng's victory off Cape Passaro in 1718. In the year 1742 a fourth Dreadnought of 938 tons and sixty guns was built at Portsmouth. This vessel, commanded by Nelson's uncle, Captain Maurice Suckling, took part in an angagement with the French off Cape Francois, San Domingo, in 1757. In 1801 this vessel was sent to the scrap heap, and a new three-decker of ninety-eight guns building at Portsmouth was christenen

with the famous name. This Dreadnought took part in the tattle of Trafaigar. In 1831 she was turned over to the Seaman's hospital Society, and lay anchored in the Thames until 1857. She was broken up some time in the seventies. The immediate predecessor of the present bearer of the name, which is the seventh Dreadnought in direct descent. was an iron-clad turret ship launched in 1875. This vessel is still in existence, and now lies in the Kýles of Bute, preparatory to being sold for old

SIMPLE ART OF SOUP MAKING

By Which All Nutritive Principles Are Extracted From the Meat.

The word stock comes from stician, which means to stick or stay by. Soup stock is the juice of meat extracted by slow, gentle heat and in such a way that it may be kept for some time and then be used as the basis for various kinds of soups. It is not necessary, as many think, that stock must be made wholly from fresh meat. Cooked meat and hones such as are left from women are peculiarly successful. It roasts and steaks may also be added.

lected from such parts as will yield being indoor much of the time, and most nutriment. These are found in the woman who can fit up a spare. the poorer and tougher cuts such as room, or an attic, for these animals. shin bone, shoulder, neck, etc. should be able to make several hun- fare and two styles of axtures Bones, which contain much gelatine dred dollars during a year with reals and mineral matter, should also be ly little more trouble than would be used.

The soup pot is best when of York Telegram. earthen ware or granite; as meat in a disagreeable taste.

with a dump cloth; cut as finely as lines! possible, as the more cut surafces. According to one of the most sucexposed to the action of the water cessful women cat raisers in the goes in, brown it in a pan first. In prize winners is a paying business, the soup kettle put first bones, then and one that means but little outment, then water, adding one quart purchased. for each pound of meat and bone. the fire to heat gradually.

The liquid is first reddish, then do not to into it extensively." cloudy, then brownish and clear. Do not skim; the sour soon falls to the ditton from eight to tan kittens bottom as sediment, and as it is nu- should be raised each year, and if tritive can be served in any but a thea are sold for from \$50 upward clear soup. When the figuid begins the income from one pet would be to simmer draw gradually saids from \$300 up. And as two or three where the same temperature a are little more trouble than one pet, slow simmer-may be maintained an income of \$1,000 is within the for from four to seven hours; reach of any woman who can sucshould the stock fail to readily simmer it will quickly sour. An hour before removing from the fire add highly strung and so delicately conthe cut vegetables, salt herbs and stituted that the greatest care must spices desired. When done strain be taken never to frighten them by and stand in a cool place. The fat suddenly dashing into a room or will harden and is then easily re- grabbing them and playing with moved before the stock is used.

Table Novelties.

Particular folk like to boll their to make coffee under their own su- just stop beating and death will be pervision, and to suit this famoy a silver egg boiler is one of the recent additions to the household list. A apirit lamp of sultable size is at. accompaniment and inside the boiler. as here nictured, there are four com-



ver which differs somewhat from the ordinary type in that it is grooved in the center, as shown in illustra- linen, batlete, lawn and all the mate- aunt of a south Asra tion, to permit of the gravy's running into the little cup whaped depression at one side. The ornamentation of this dish is simple and effective, and the silver is of the bright, shining variety. A dish such as this costs \$48.

HOUSEHOLD SUGGESTIONS.

A vanilla bean kept in a box of

spots on the skirt below.

No excuse for fragments to lodge in corners and crevices of the refrigerator when skewers will dislodge them so quickly.

cup before pouring in the bullion though the thimble would be more gives the liquid an added and pleas in evidence than the been for ing flavor. Coarse salt and vinegar will clean enameled ware that has been burn-

ed or discolored. The same will

clean brass or copper. . An authority on fine laundering says that hot water should not be used in washing fine table linen or embriodered doilles. Cold water, white soap and borax, if not a borax soap, should be used instead.

In Baking Pies.

In baking an apple-ple to make the juice of the fruit so it will not run from the pie, after the pie is all prepared for the oven cut from clean white cotton cloth a strip about 3 inches wide and pin entirely around oven to bake. When the pie is done cloth must be packed with great and put in disk and take strip of and the fulces are take strip of and the juices are re care, and, although cashners

WOMEN RAISE CATS FIND IT A PROPITABLE BUSE

NESS SUPPLYING DEMAND.

Thoroughbred Persians Sell For Unit Hundred Dollars Aptech-These High Strung Animals Subject to Hysteria-Require Unusual Care.

Cat rateing has become a money making business and one in which is a work to which they are canecis-Fresh meat for soup should be se- ally adapted, too, for it necessitates | beside the economy of space, in the taken with one pet, says the New

To establish a business worth juices are acid and the long. slow while thoroughbred Persian cats cooking in a metal pot would result that sell for \$100 and \$200 a place at the age of five and six months The following general directions should be raised, and not the shortwill apply to all soups and stocks baired variety that at the best brings with a meat basis: Wipe the meat but 110 to 220 for full grown for

the better. When cooked meat also country on a small scale, breeding cut meat, then browned and cut lay after the first suimals have been

"I began with one cat-a fine Per-Cover and let stand for at least one slan-four years ago, and just now hour. Then place on a cool part of my "cattery" in worth several thousands of dollars," said she. "And I

"With a Persian cat in good concosafully raise kittens.

"These thoroughbreds are them as with the ordinary abort baired ont, or they will go off tato h steries and often become really ill. Even a sudden unexpected noise will eggs at the table just as they prefer so shock them that their hearts will instantaneous.

Chemise Night-Gown.

Such a loose, simple night-sown as this one is among the best liked, and. In addition to being thoroughly comfortable and graceful. involves - Curle desette a teath the least possible labor in the mak. right and wrose, new meat dish in heavily plated spl- lng. As shown it is made of nate. self-confidence.



sook with trimming of Valenciennes lace shif insertion; but Paris mushin, little tried dels shop to rials that are liked for underwest who it is seld, an of are equally appropriate.

NEEDLEWORK NOTES.

In making napking the initial or

monogram is still put in the corner, though an occasional housewife prefers marking them in the center. May Many women in poor a vanifils bean kept in a box of such with hell in leight sugar will impart a delicate flavor to waste and sowns there days alm a pron well starched will prevent feetle formula a marker of seeds An olive placed in each boullion tainly from all indications it looks as

> many years. The newest mattresses and nillows are covered with bright colored chintz. When the bed is put to air

or the bed clothes changed, one now gazes upon flowered chintz instead generation you will have to the of old-teshioned blue and white coy- ant for present ering that was such a horror to a beauty-loving housekeeper, ... If you clery, choose your fown for its do not wish to go to the expense of furness. Think of the weight having the mattresses and pillows you have seen that have seen recovered, slip covers can be very of money and been worn easily made of chints.

In Packing a Trunk.

Use lots of tissue paper with tallor-made suits, fold them carefully. and pack as much like a man's suit with cold water and as possible.

orumples, it soon shakes out

bject the utilization of all is the kitches today in the th banging lary which are di cocupy the space under the and in this manner making an both sides of the shelves avail and mearly doubling their s eapaolty. These are designed auch materials an rice, average coffee and similar commodities. additional advantage of this select the contents are protected mointure, dust and insects.

There are several sizes of the by which the jar is suspended from



the under aide of the shelf and the other by which it is hang on the To fill them, the Jare are led moved all turned upaids down which brings the mouth to the log The metal bead is then unercover in the same manner as that of a preserve jar, and thus it is filled. The top is fitted with a valve operated by a knob, and when the jar is replace the contents will now herefrom b their own weight, when the lands The work of filling one recentacie from such as a sugar bowl or salk sellar is done without exposing the contents of the jar to the contami nating sotion of the air of the kitchen.

Charleson and the Auburg beir meens a kindly, w pathette salere. Biratani ball indicates more s

er to severe these easty bear. Strateht black hales are

der and industry than mental pe Fine brown hair only accomment excellent minds; generally the er has intellectual tendencies. Had ball'in strongly observed by

no ball-way business there. usually indicates a quiet temp though there are exceptions. Benutlful golden halr is vari seen on persons of a gross pakel Its owner loves the arts and p sound exquisite sensibilities. Hair and eyebrows differing

color are said to meet unber worthiness, They indicate race n ture, and bespeak a wavering, we steady mature. At a fule, smooth,

waving helr belokens quistiess, neether. Dans straight hair alves water mass, hypothey.

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money inducements to ness and retire. the li dependent and refuse paratire wealth. An open marriage ma

future income. Down to 1 Unless you are to go much

possibly twice. THE COLUMN When anything purus regetable, meat or sauce