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hing lessy of the socalled "blind readers" of the Fomen are made the wardens of the walts ot ot malls- the leters that no postmaster or or letter
carrier can deliver because, try sa they may
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misspelling, but more often the puzziling letter
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eign country who could not get through his heand
 states and who mixes things up so that no orral
nary thalvidual could make head or tan out of
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rience and which they cannot themselves ex. rience and whleb they cannot themselves ex
plainin they decipher the writtng and set the letter on tits way to the proper destination.
Uhcle Sam has s number of verry clever women artiste on his roster and though you may never
have heard the names of any of them you have. mot of ou seen and admired the work they do.
For one thing they palint those splendaly realis. For one thing they palint those splendidy realise-
Fic pictures of truit and brids and tineects, etce.






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some years past.
Entitled to recognttion along with these artists
 mann to a o portratt sculptor of no mean ability, as
$i f$ amply attested by her recentiy completed bust fo amply atested by her recenty completed bust
of Clara Barton the founder to the Red Cross
the socletra Hortonere, her work for Uncle Sam Is
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of buza.
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than a maris head and there is consequenty op than a manis Read and ost accuracy of detall and
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will well withund the shocka inclicent to shlp Amons other odd jobs in, the government ser lee hald by wommen are thore of two "wasto bas Thece vomen are paic 480 a year aech hust
pull orer the ecrupe of paper, red tape and othe dicarded artclees mat And their way into the

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 on earth) is Mrs. Margare V. Killy, who is ex ex
aminer of the Untted states mints and who re
celves the fancy deserres it, however, because she has spent many more about the amantistrtaton on oncle Sam
coin factories than any other living person.

## Mr. Howells and Reporters

gr. Howells does not shun publietts, and he
gets his share of tity He says he used formerly greatly to enjoy favorable press notices of his
books and owns to having carried them about ilke love letters. Having once been a pewspaper man, he has a soft place in his heart for the reporter.
a journalist who sought an interview with him A journalist who sought an intervew with him "What there is
charm of "A Modern Instan who have felt the thized with the mute yearnings of "Silias Lapham," enfoy reading a newspaper page in which
Mr. Howella talks of hts work, and they see nothing immodest in it. The present writer never
could understand why so many modern writers so obviously affect to to soro many modern own work and refrain from speaking about it, for nearly all
writers are proud of their literary performancen and of whatever distrinction they may have gainenh
Stevenson had no timidities of this sort Stevenson had no timidities of this sort.
know what pleasare is," he says frankly, "for have done good work.", He was a proud man, but
not a vain one. The silly statement made by not a vain one. The sily statement made by
w. w . Henley that Stevenson could not pass a
wither mirror withortit looking finto it proceeeded from a
heart full of the jealously or art Stevenson was not a much photographed man, but I have ween
no an album of plectures of him taken amid various scenes, and in none of them was there anything
inge pose. In many of the photographs his head
is is modestly lowered and his eyes are on the photers his hese
gronnd ground or otherwise averted. Where he sppear in a group you would hardy stiggle him out
se the person whom the photographer moen

## Who is the man "A coal dealc:"

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 Looking Upward.
(In 1999) - MMarie, bring out the
aeroarabulator, and take baby up for
 The total fire loss for the year 1911
is expected to total at $\$ 200,000,000$ in



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 The fellow who shoots oft hts mouth
doesn't always hit the mark.

## Women's Secrets





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Botifalo, N. World DR. PHERCNE VVOMS
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There Are Melons and Melons-

## POTASH

to insure normal ripening with rapid sugar formation.



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