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The Westminster Gazette says that 2,396 of Spurgeon's sermons have been printed and sold, and that the sum total of the sales reaches nearly 100,000,-000, an average of about 35,000 copies of

It has been found on investigation that only a small percentage of the Chicago school children have ever seen a "beef critter" or a lamb. And with the stock yards and the stock and produce exchanges so near!

Three Long Island City ministersone of them an archdeacon-called on Mayor Pat Gleason the other day to talk about Sunday baseball and about the impending exhibition of two prizefighters. The mayor told them that in his opinion it was a great gain to have the hoodlums at a ball game on Sunday instead of lounging around the streets. As for the sparring-match, he invited the ministers to witness it as his guests, and to bring their family physicians along with them.

That last year was a notable one in iron production is made clear in the statistics given out by Secretary James steel association. He places the production of pig-iron for 1895 at 9,446,308 gross tons in 1890, the year of largest previous output. Bessemer steel ingots to the amount of 4.909.128 tons were produced in larger quantity in 1895 than ever before, with the exception of steel rails, and cut nails which are being displaced by wire nails.

There has lately been some discussion in the English papers concerning the right of passengers to engage seats in railroad carriages by placing luggage upon them. Now a Glasgow man has patented a device for engaging a seat. The arrangement consists of a tin box. from which, by dropping in a copper, you get two tickets, one of which with the word "Engaged" upon it you hang above the seat on a peg provided, and the other you retain. The said other ticket enables you to claim your seat and also covers life insurance. The invention will be on all lines at an early

Among the later utterances of European men of science upon the influence of food and drink upon the human system is one by Professor Shutzenstein on the effect of tea and coffee on the processes of digestion. He finds that 94 per cent, of coagulated egg albumen will be digested in artificially prepared gastric juice, whereas if tea is added the proportion directed is reduced to 66 per cent., while of a decoction of coffee mixed with the albumen the gastric fluid was only able to digest 61 per cent. These percentages varied according to the strength of the infusions of tea and coffee. He attributes the deleterious effect of both to the presence of tannin extracted during the progress of making, and not to the presence of their and caffein.

"When is a woman old?" is a question which has been asked of all the leading actresses in Germany. The answers are worth presenting to the public. Marie Raisenhofer declares her opinion thus: "Woman is old when she begins to love reason and finds no love in return." Jennie Gross keeps to the safe side, saying: "Woman is as old as she looks." Frau Nuscha Butz is of the opinion that "a woman is only old when she tries by force to become young again." Rosa Bertens says: "A weman is old when she begins to ask herself, 'When is a woman old?' " But Clara Ziegler, the celebrated tragedienne, puts the best answer into these words: "When is a woman old? The conceited, never; the unhappy, too soon; the wise, at the right time."

Admiral W. T. Evashiutoff, of the Russian imperial navy, who is travelling on a year's leave of absence, is Barker, of Portland, Oregon. He is neries on Avatcha Bay according to the very latest methods. Plentiful does not resentative of the American Eagle. describe the abundance of salmon over there. The bays and rivers are simply about Minitser Breckinridge, but it is under a very light cover of crushed ice.

The Bournal and Courier | thing with me to establish a first class | the prevalence of bicycle and "gawf" | Pacific coast and even Europe-must be different departments will be Americanism. cans, probably men from the Columbia River. We are well fixed for a market for our goods, for, Russia being a silver-standard country, we can get abor THECARRINGTON PUBLISHING CO. ent situation.

ANCESTOR ADAM.

The Register makes affidavit that all in its "Society columns" have belonged turned down furnishes the collar, and to "proud possessors" whose or ginal ancestor was the very same ancestor as the ancestor of all the other recople whose names and titles have not appeared in its "Society columns." All we can say about this startling statement, admission or confession is, Who would have thought it?

THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS.

There are Sarsfield Guards in Mas-

sachusetts, as there are in Connecticut, and for aught we know there are also Emmet Guards in Massachuset's of whom the Sarsfields have "continpt." The Massachusetts Sarsfields Guards are a semi-military body of Roman Catholies who paraded with arms on St. Patrick's day last year at Boston in opposition to the statute limiting the right to carry arms to certain classes of men duly organized and specified. Their case was brought before a lower court and decided against them, and the Supreme court has affirmed the is lined with changeable slik. judgment. The main contention of the guards rested on the constitutional provision that "the people have a right to keep and bear arms for the common elaborateness. The prettiest are those defense." Judge Allen, who delivers of wash silk in a solid color set on a the opinion of the court, says on this yoke of dresden wash slik. The yoke fastens, but the rest of the jacket point: The right to keep and bear arms hangs free, and a high collar or a soft for the common defense does not influffy ruche is at the neck. These jackclude the right to associate together as ets are put to all sorts of a military organization, or to drill and parade with arms in cities and to vns. yoke has a ship-shape effect. Hard unless authorized so to do by law. This pushed society women find them invalis a matter affecting the public secur- uable for slipping on for the three or ity, quiet and good order, and it is four minutes rest that within the police powers of the legislature to regulate the bearing of arms so men are obliged to save their strength as to forbid such unauthorized trills and put themselves into a gown for dinand parades. The protection of a similar constitutional provision has often been sought by persons charged with saving the dainty elaboration of the carrying concealed weapons, and it has been almost universally held that the legislature may regulate and limit the mode of carrying arms.

It was further contended for the guards that the muskets they cal ried had been bored out and were ineffer tive as firearms, and hence were not fire- when the jacket goes to the wash. For arms in the meaning of the statute. But the court says this makes no difference. "With the exception of the an interview with the marketman or danger of being actually shot down, all seamstress, or even for an encounter the evils which the statute was int nded to remedy still existed in the parade in which the defendants took part '

ENEE BREBOHES, ETC.

ridge, is a citizen of Arkansas, and as good an American as there is, but he has had to conform to court usinges, agitator, says that he's wedded to his so far as attire is concerned, during work. Egbert-That settles it. the ceremonies attending the corona- riage is a failure!-Yonkers Statesman. tion of the Czar. Still, the costurie is and lost my umbrella at the last." far from presenting a gaudy appear- first one." "That's where I got it." ance. A black dress coat, with nietal Truth. buttons, white vest, knee breeches and silk stockings constitute his "make-up," while, on the other hand, the minfiters of other countries are able to present pose."-Harlem Life. a most dazzling picture in the uniforms as Minister Breckinridge's rig is in comparison with the rigs of most of the others who are officially attending the working by the day.-Truth. great show, it has brought out criticism from some who are such sticklers for "republican simplicity" that they would be glad to see our minister give the effete representatives of effete ron- Days."—Philadelphia Record. archies a lesson by appearing it a warm enough, in his shirtsleeves. The Bridgeport Farmer, which knows t hat true Americanism is and is also well courts, hopes that Captain Boutelle will fedders like a hen."-Philadelphia call the attention of congress to M alster Breckinridge's knee breeches and silk stockings. It says: Ambassudor Breckinridge had he been a "true American" would have insisted upon dress. particular things about those hogs." ing like one, or else staying away from the ceremonies. There was a real putand-out American once who used to to that, but I have known one of those toria to receive him at one of her drawing rooms in a costume that would I ave excluded him from a reception at one to dig it loose."-Truth. of New York's Four Hundred. Loutelle should not miss his opportunity to let Ambassador Breckinridge learn what is thought of such conduct a: he has been guilty of. It is no excust for him to allege, as he does, that he had Valette of Maryland, one of the largest to appear in breeches or stay outside shippers of the toothsome crustacean. of the show. A spirited intimation visiting his brother-in-law, Theodore from him to the master of ceremonies, that if the American ambassador t-ere thus quoted in the Oregonian: "I shall not received in that article of male atstay in Portland for some time, and tire which Teddy Roosevelt will no alwhile here I intend to investigate all low to be called "pants," our White the modern methods of the canning in- Squadron would bombard St. Petersdustry, so that I may establish my can- burg would have opened the 1 lost

It is perhaps too late to do much

cannery, and all the foremen of the breeches in this country will have on

FASHION NOZES.

Two Sorts of Jackets. Elaborate jacket bodices patterned at silver figures, and sell our product after the styles that prevailed during to England,getting the prices paid by a the reigns of the Louis are now so gold-basis country." The Admira says abundant that they are not as striking that Russia is greatly dissatisfied with as they were a few months ago, but



mode cloth gives the plain skirt, which A new kind of neglige jacket that is made very-boxy on a front and back yoke is appearing. They are of all sorts of material and of all degrees of though perfectly loose, they do not make the wearer seem baggy, because the comes between dinner and the early evening engagement. Of course wo ner that will serve for the theater, and over such a gown this jacket will slip, covering the bare neck and arms and waist from injury while Miladi lays her tired self down on the couch for a bit of a nap till Marie calls that Monsieur is waiting. Doesn't that sound nice! For the rest of us who have few evening gowns, no Marie and no Monsieur these jackets are quite as convenient They are made of dainty prints, with bows of fresh ribbon that come off breakfast they are a welcome change from the wrapper, and in one and a dark skirt, the housewife is ready for

FLORETTE.

LUCKY.

with the ubiquitous gas man

Our minister to Russia. Mr. Brecken- | day of the week on which to be born? "I don't know. I've only tried one."-Yonkers Statesman.

"I went to two receptions last night

"So you feel you cannot marry him? "Yes; I am fully decided." "Why, don't you like him?" "Oh, I like him well but I cannot get him to pro enough,

Coddling His Job. - Bloobumper a Spanish officer has been engaged for three months in examining the defenses

after the ceremony the organist struck "She May Have Seen Better

ready made "business suit," and if the other day and his mother said: "Sammy, why don't you be good?" "'Cause I'm afraid," was the prompt reply. "What are you afraid of?" reply. Good little boys get to be angels, and posted in the customs of European I don't want to be an angel and wear

Told in Chicago .- "You just ought to see the hogs we raise out in Iowa." "So big you have to kill half of one at a time?" "Well, no; let me tell you some time?" 'All right. So large, I suppose, that you can find them on the maps in the geographies." "Well, I don't know as brag of having compelled Queen | Vic- | hogs to start north where the meridians come closer together, and in ten hours get wedged in so tightly between a couple of those lines that it took a week

> The Commercial View of the Crustacean in His Period of Utter Defenceless

(From the Washington Post.) "The soft-shell crab season has opened in earnest," said Mr. A. T. La "My town of Crisfield, on the eastern shore of Maryland, with a population of about five hundred, furnishes more soft-shell crabs to the great cities of the country than all the other shipping The normal daily shipments of softshells from Crisfield amount to three car loads, and one firm during the height of the season sends out thousacred door of the Kremlin to the rep- sands of dozens daily.

"They are assorted as they are taken from the water, according to size and temperature, and packed in sea grass have seventy-one per cent. On an estialive with them. I shall take every- not too late to consider the effect that Those packed for long distances—the creased as much proportionately with-

selected of medium size and absolutely perfect in form, and placed in single layeds of the soft bed of grass two inches deep, in trays built like those of a trunk, and put inside the refrigerator, the top tray containing a slab of ice of thickness proportionate to

the distance. 'Upward of one thousand boats are used in the business at Crisfield, the crew consisting usually of a man and a boy, and, as many of them go ten or twelve miles from home, they generally a silver-standard monetary system, and they are still very handsome. It is a start out a little after midnight for the will get to the gold basis as som as good design of this sort, a Louis XVI. grassy plot selected for the day's work start out a little after midnight for the will get to the gold basis as sora as model, that is pictured here, its material being mode colored cheviot. The proposes to take advantage of the presare finished with a yellow ribbon ruffle. lively, and more can be gathered then White cloth covered with a jabot of spangled chiffon appears in the vest. The crabs are caught in scrapes, two and ruffles of Brussels lace finish the and three of which are dragged by each the names and titles that have app ared the wise at the wrists. boat, depending on the force of the White cloth stiffened with wire but wind. The scrapes are similar to the oyster dredge, with the difference that the iron bar next to the bottom is without teeth, and the bag is all twine net-

"The men are paid from one to four cents each for crabs, according to the catch, and the week's pay per man runs from five to forty dollars, the most expert and industrious averaging twenty-five dollars weekly. Those that have not left the hard shell, known us 'shedders,' are put in shallow floats drawing six inches of water. The crabs while in this dormant condition do not breed, and while lying in the warm surface water they 'shed,' that is, free themselves from their hard shells, growing to nearly twice their former size in a few hours after the transformation. The entire change from a 'shedder' to a soft-shell takes but a few minutes, and can be readily observed in the shallow floats."

FOR A MUNICIPAL STATE.

reater New York Partisans Dream of One to Come-The Multitude of People in the Greater City . Have the Same Representation at Washington as a Handful of Westerners, and a Separate State is Proposed.

(From the New York Sun.) Extreme partisans of the Greater New York now propose the inauguration of a movement to make this great municipality a free and independent state. The proposition, heard from time to time in the conversation of the agitators or put forward in the newspapers when the rural legislators become unusually oppressive in their mandates relating to this city, awakens high appreciation or shocks the state pride-the conservative New Yorker, according to the habit of mind, calling and the personal equation of the auditor.

has denied; that it arouses the perceptive faculties like a vast astronomical hypothesis with the resplendent quence of glorious achievement all acknowledge. The political effect, widely considered, of the enterprise involves a problem of statesmanship that so far has been only gingerly approached in the matter of detail. Aside from the desire to be rid of government by rural over and again by fretful citizens, another purpose about which not much has been heard has actuated the projectors of the separate state, the desire to procure "home-rule" representation at Washington, in accordance with the enormous population of the territory here affected." Three million persons are entitled to have their peculiar wants considered when they unite to ask a hearing of their desires. When by reason of contiguity of residence and interrelation or dependence of pur-"Which do you think is the lucklest suits they form a homogeneous community the justice of their demand for of her greatness and she would not proportionate representation in the Bacon-I see Debs, the western labor stract be denied. But three millions of frontage, and she would develop Austin people in something like one hundred square miles comprised in the Greater New York have only half as much to der the supreme jurisdiction of the Sec say in the higher legislative body at the national capital as 45.761 persons in Nevada. That was the population of that state in 1890. At the time of Nevada's greatest population, according to the Federal census reports, in 1880, she had only 62,266 inhabitants.

Three millions of people here have only half as much to say in the same branch of the congress as less than half a million people in Colorado, Colorado's population in 1890 was 412,198. In of their diplomatic corps. But medest What do you think of the story that other words, Colorado has in the senate six times the representation of the metropolitan community in the state of of New York? Spatts-He must be New York. The assessed valuation of property in the state of Colorado in There was an unfortunate break at 1890 was \$193,254,127.38. In the following the Frankfort wedding the other night. year the assessed valuation in the city Instead of playing the wedding march of New York alone (the then New York) was \$1,785,338, or nearly ten times as great as that of the whole Centenni-al state. Colorado put out, according A little four-year-old boy was bad to her own estimate, seventeen and one-third million dollars' worth of gold from her mines last year, and one of her leading papers expressed just pride in it. New York city, without her new acquisitions, spends nearly ten million dollars a year in charities alone, including public and private contributions. Private charitable institutions here represent a valuation of more than double the gold output of Colorado, or thirty-six million dollars. Nearly double the amount of Colorado's output of gold for last year is lying in one vault in New York-that of the Clearing House. The value of the enormous bulk of the foreign commerce of this city would probably make all the known contents of Colorado's mines look insignificant; yet a fifty-cents-onthe-dollar Colorado senator has as much to say in modifying the approprisenator representing New York.

ation for harbor improvements as the The greater New York has seven times the population of Rhode Island in one-tenth of the territory. In an area nearly three thousand times that of the new greater city, Texas has less than seventy-five per cent, of the population of the new municipality. The Greater New York has three-quarters of a million people more than the state of Massachusetts. California has only a little more than a third as many people as make up the population of the Greater New York, and all the mineral wealth taken from her mines since 1848 falls short of the assessed valuation of New York city by more than seven hundred

million dollars. Half a dozen years ago the cities o New York state had only about fifty per cent. of the state's population. It was stated before the senate cities committee last winter that the cities now York city proper, the Greater New York has forty-six per cent, of the state's people.

If the population of the Union were divided equally among the states, the new state of Manhattan would be enti-tled to one-forty-sixth of the whole. She would have within her narrow limits one-twenty-third of the whole. Her people now have one-ninetieth of the voice of the Federal senate, when they should have, according to numbers, one-twenty-third. The Nevada or the Colorado silverite, with nothing to lose, speaks for twenty-five thousand or a quarter of a million people, and the sound-money man, standing for the wealth and business stability of this port and the country as a whole and speaking for three millions of people, is obliged to weigh up in the balance with

These are indications of some of the phases of the question of an independent state. The vast aggregation that makes up the population of this great municipality is a number to be reckoned with. Three millions of people clamoring for self-government have stirred up considerable of a fuss before now. That's all there were in the colonies that followed up the Boston Tea ments for the British. Xerxes would bave to squeeze more tears than he shed for the army going on to Thermopylae-allowing a moderate discount on Herodotus-if he dropped one for each of us in the Greater New York. The whole population of England conquered by the bastard William, as he cheerfulcalled himself, would be swallowed up in the Greater New York, for it numbered only about two million

They were conquered indeed, a community of wood-builders by stonebuilding people, but the conditions would be reversed for the Conqueror who should come down on the Greater New York; the most advanced methods would be in operation against, not in behalf of him. The good countrymen sometimes say that it would not do for them to let the wicked city run away in its wickedness, forgetting that in their virtues people fall. They say the same thing in the Presbyterian church about Theological seminary located here, But the seminary in the New York way goes on its course and wins success and the rustics, religious and otherwise, hear the echo of Tweed, What are you going to do about it? The big city goes on irresistibly, as its institutions go on, in the way of triumph, increasing and multiplying, and the obstruction of the

untrymen is vain. "How many children have you got? a Catholic asked of a Protestant who had been arguing with him about the future of the country in regard to church influence. 'None." was the answer.

"Well. I have ten." his opponent said: 'our children will settle this."

That the proposal is audacious none The Greater New York is in popula tion within perhaps about six hundred thousand of the rest of the state Brooklyn gained that number of people in a generation prior to 1890.

The new state, if it were formed, would hold among the states about the same position as England does among the nations, in some respects. It would be a financial and manufacturing state. unable to feed itself from its own earth and a purchaser of food supplies always: a great commercial and moneta ry center, governing itself and devoting its talents to the furtherance of the trade relations of the world.

And the old state of New York would retain her greatness. Without the Greater New York she would have three times the population of Maryland, nearly half as many people again as Massachusetts, and as many as Ohio, which just now is seeking to im press her greatness upon an unwilling east. She would have the waterways that have been one of the chief means cease to be a maritime state. Eastern Long Island would give her ocean Corbin's great port scheme for Montauk Point, and the Hudson river, unretary of War as navigable water, would give her tide-water ports close to her capital. The natural attractions that have brought to her throngs of tourists greater than those moving by caravan in the east would still bring into her coffers the dollars of innumer-

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nal. "Doesn't it annoy you, Mr. Prooftext, to have people sleep under your teaching?" "Yes," was the reply, "it is rather humiliating, but then, there is this advantage-I can preach the same ser-mon several Sundays in succession without the fact being recognized by the congregation."-Tid-Bits.

verse or reverse?"-Indianapolis Jour-

A Campaign Lie.-"I have often wanted to ask you," said William Tell, "if it is a fact that you played on a violin while Rome was burning "That was a campaign lie," said Nero. The truth is, I played on the flames, along with other members of No. 1 Vol-unteer company, with a hose."-Indianapolis Journal.

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