CHARACTER DOLL IS LATEST

Each Type is Made After the Portrai or Photograph of a Real Child.

Perhaps the most interesting feat tire about the jointed child dolls it the fact that each type is made after the portrait or photograph of a rea child, and is often a copy of a living model. One traces the incentive to realism in doll manufacture to a love ly elderly lady in Munich She is at artist, and one with a deep love for childhood it seemed to her that when one considered all the passion of love which a doll inspires in the breast of its owner, that little gir ought to have a pet that looked more human than dolls have been wont to look. With this idea she developed in plaster, dolls that were exact imitations of the various peasant folk who came to Munich from Bavarian and other provinces of a Sunday The holiday attire of each native village was represented. These delightful little figures of peasant life attracted the attention of the Empress of Germany three years ago-at the time when they first appeared—and she made Christmas presents of them to children of the royal household. She was delighted with the human-looking manikins, and this fact did not take long to spread throughout the Empire and reach the ears of Americans Now the artist in Munich has several artist assistants to aid her in developing new peasant faces and types, and factories eagerly await models from her studio to dress according to her designs — Harper's Bazar.

SOME NOVEL FRENCH CANES

Handles of Walking Sticks are Receptacles for Coins, Matches and Other Things.

The ingenuity of the Frenchman has not been confined to the making of weapons out of apparently harmless canes. In fact there is quite a variety of uses which the cane is

made to serve.

One of the canes is fitted with a coin box and a match box, these being contained in the head, which is provided with a carefully concealed lid. The coin box is arranged to permit of depositing and easily removing the coin by a slight pressure of the thumb, thus obviating the neces-

Another cane handle contains a complete outfit of the game known as Petits Chevaux. When the lid is open betting can begin and the horse crossing the wire first wins the stakes. One of the latest Parisian novelties consists in a ladies' parasol handle containing a roulette wheel which can be used for gambling at any place

or moment.

These handles have become very popular. They are of fine workmanship and generally of gold or silver.

One handle contains almost every-

thing that one would be likely to need.

A long sheet of paper is wound around the rod, from which pieces may be torn off for taking notes.

When the lid is opened penknife, pencil, nail file, combs and looking glass are disclosed. These objects are small, but large enough for practical use.—Scientific American.

Smoking in the Dark. According to experts in the tobacco business the prevailing impression that a man cannot enjoy a st oke in the dark is erroneous. It all depends on the cigar. According to the best authority, sight plays no part in the enjoyment of a smoke, and it is pointed out that blind men are most inveterate smokers; in fact, blind men are expert in telling a good cigar from a poor one, as their sense of smell is so well developed. A New York cigar dealer says that one of his best customers is a blind man and he can tell a good cigar from a bad one by his sense of smell, even when standing a yard or more from his counter.

Most smokers do not like to smoke in the dark. They say it is necessary, to watch the smoke ascend and to see the rings curl in order to thoroughly enjoy it, but cigar dealers say the enjoyment is really in the taste and not in the odor, and the sense of taste needs no light to make smoking enjoy-

About the Putterer.

The art of puttering consists of doing for yourself slowly and inefficiently what you can pay some one else to do for you quickly and well. It is hard work that you do not have to do, strenuous loafing that invites the

The putterer works in pure love, and if the produce prove a poor thing it is at least his own. To be a perfect putterer is to achieve a liberal education.

Puttering is a tonic relaxation from the mechanical efficiency of our professional selves, a corrective of the axtreme specialization that otherwise would result in our becoming all foot or hand or head. The putterer makes laws and breaks laws and breaks the laws he makes. He produces startling variations from type. An inspired fool he is a true creator.—From the Atlantic.

Same Thing.

"And he said he was willing to die

for me?"

"Not exactly in those words, but that was the impression he was evidently trying to convey."

"What did he say?"

TOWER OF ENEMIES' HEADS

Monument of Modern Barbarism Erected by the Turks in 1809 at Nish, Servia.

A strange monument of modern barbarism still survives at Nish in southeast Servia. During the war of independence in 1809 the Servian gar rison here exploded a powder magazine and perished therein rather than full into the hands of the Turks.

fall into the hands of the Turks. A battle had previously taken place and the Turks commemorated their victory by erecting a rude tower, ornamented with the heads of their enemies. Old people will tell you that there were once 1.200 heads, but as the tower was never more than 25 feet high, this is probably an exaggeration. Lamartine and other travelers relate that they saw hair still clinging to the skulls, which must have formed a grewsome spectacle. During many years visitors were in the habit of carrying off skulls as souvenirs, but when Nish became Servian the remainder were taken away for decent burial, all save a few that were too deeply imbedded. Recently the remains of the tower have been covered over with a roof to protect them against the elements and they are regarded as a pious object of patriotic pilgrimage.-Wide World Magazine.

STONES THAT ARE SOCIABLE

Traveling-Pebbles of Nevada When Separated Move Rapidly Toward a Common Center.

"Traveling stones," from the size of a pea to six inches in diameter, are found in Nevada.

When distributed on a floor or other level surface, within two or three feet of one another, they immediately begin to travel toward a common center, and there lie huddled like a clutch of eggs in a nest.

A single stone removed to a distance of three and a half feet, upon being released, at once started with wonderful and somewhat comical celerity to join its fellows.

These queer stones are found in a region that is comparatively level and little more than bare rock. Scattered over this barren region are little basins, from a few feet to a rod or two in diameter, and it is in the bottom of

these that the rolling stones are found.

The cause for the strange conduct of these stones is doubtless to be found in the material of which they are composed, which appears to be lodestone or magnetic iron ore.—Harper's Weekly.

Good in Low-Voiced Reply. We have discovered in our home that if the table talk gets too noisy one of the family may bring the rest to order by speaking in a sudden whisper. Parents often sacrifice much to lessons, but the most lovely accomplishment of all, a soft and pleasantspeaking voice, is something they may themselves develop in the children. I find that a child reflects almost instantly the tone of voice of one who speaks to him. A very gentle and low-voiced reply to an excited or angry child reduces his next remark to half in volume. To answer the vexation of a little child in a whisper catches attention, often brings a laugh and is far better than to stamp the fretful tone deeper by mimicking it. as parents sometimes do. Example is better than precent. Parents who have themselves learned self-control, and that it is never necessary to raise one's voice in order to speak with dignity and authority, are teaching their children priceless lessons. That a soft answer turneth away wrath is a cardinal maxim for the household.-Good Housekeeping.

Brer Rabbit, the Hero.

The folklore tales of the south and of the West Indies are often similar. the only difference being in the hero of the plot. Brer Rabbit is the hero! of southern folklore tales; Bo Anancy; takes the leading part in the West Indian epic. Geographical dissimilarity of origin explains the difference; the rabbit stories are of Congolese or Bantu origin; Anancy stories originated on the gold coast. The rabbit was the totem from which the Bantus were supposed to be descended, while the Tshi-speaking tribes, from whom West Indian negroes trace their descent, had the anancy, or spider, as their totem. In the Anancy stories wild animals have the gift of speech; they converse freely with men and live on easy social terms with them.--Samuel B. Jones, in the Southern Workman.

in the Garden of Eden.
"Did you know this was my birth-

day?" asked Eve.
"Could I forget it?" answered Adam.
"Let's see—how old are you, this year—now don't answer—let me guess.

Your are—ah—seven!"
"You hateful wretch!" cried Eve.

"I'm only five, and you know it.

"But that is just like you men—
you try to pretend that the time is
dragging and that your wives are
growing old! Just because you are
over six, and have lots of gray hairs,
you think you can insult your wife!"
Edem was never the same after that

At a Disadvantage.
"I suppose you will miss your boy

while he is at college."

"Yep," replied Farmer Corntossel.

"I dunno what I will do without him.

He got the live stock so they wouldn't

move unless he give 'em the college
yell, an' I can't remember it."

IS PROTECTING !TS INDIANS

Government of Brazil Treats Them With Solicitude and the Results Are Cood.

The Brazilian government appears to have found a way of dealing with its indians which is altogether different from that so extensively employed in North America where the "civilizers" proceeded on the assumption that "all good Indians are dead Indians."

"The government of Brazil," says L'Ttoile du Sud of Rio de Janeiro, "is always occupied with more or less solicitude in the amelioration of the lot of the natives, who are yet numerous in a great part of the country. In a short space of time the most encouraging results have been obtained. A great number of tribes, protected by the administration, are becoming civilized little by little. The result of this is an increased production of cultivated foods offering superior advantages to an industry, consisting only of hunting and fishing which has been the sole resource of many indigenous tribes. In the state of Parana the Indians belonging for the most part to the nation of the Caincangus are cultivating their lands in maize, rice and sweet potatoes. The natives of the valley of the river Tibagy have recently constructed five sugar mills, very crude it is true, but nevertheless a great step in their prog-

SAN SALVADOR'S NAME LOST

Identity of Island on Which Columbus First Landed Is No Longer
Certain.

San Salvador is perhaps the most interesting historical point on the American side of the world, as it is the island upon which Columbus first landed. Yet it has lost its name. In view of the history not only of the Bahamas group, but of the American continents as well, it is far from surprising that the identity of the famous island should have been long lost; or that the re-identification should have been delayed until the middle of the last century, when Captain Becher of the British navy, by application of the description, contained in Columbus' journal, to the course from Gomera to the Bahamas, determined clearly that Watling's Island alone met all requirements of the case.

To Brighten the Eyes.

Bright eyes are among the most radiant of beauty's jewels, since they give animation and light to the entire face. A dull eye means a heavy, drooping expression, a condition to be avoided by the employment of extreme measures on the part of the girl who would attract.

A harmless and generally satisfactory way to bring brightness to the eyes is to bathe them with a solution of boracic acid and tepid water. Put in a basin full of tepid water as much boracic acid as can be placed on a dime. When it has entirely dissolved bathe the eyes gently. Do not be afraid to allow the water to get into/the eye, as it will remove all inflammation and tend to make this important beauty feature clear and brilliant, at the same rime giving a restful and strengthening effect.

Impervious to Hard Knocks.

All stories about the hardness negroes' skulls were put into the background by two happenings which occurred the other day. Following a quarrel, a negro, Henry Lewis, was shot four times in the head at a range of less than five feet. After penetrating the fiesh the bullets flattened and dropped to the floor. The man was taken to hospital, but was soon permitted to go to his home. His assailant escaped. Another colored man, William Puffen, while harnessing a mule, was kicked on the head and knocked down. Getting to his feet, he discovered the mule lying on the ground. Examination showed that its leg was broken. Puffen was taken to the Germantown hospital, where six stitches were put in his scalp.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Happy Microbe.

The microbe is tenacious of life, for Miguia found the bacillus leposporus placed on a sheet of glass-lived for five years. Germs of potato disease sealed in a tube were living after a period of eight years, In 1879 Bail, of Prague, after a lapse of eighteen years, infected a mouse fatally with some bacilli. Nestler investigated clod of earth stored in a herbarium for over half a century, and found 89,200 living spores to the gramme. Some earth wrapped in paper since 1824, and protected from atmospheric germs, showed on examination 19,000 bacteria to the gramme. Eighty-seven years is a ripe age even for a

Continuous Tungsten.

After three years' research work, a British concern has succeeded, so it is said, in producing tungsten in such a form that it could be drawn into a continuous wire one-thousandth of an inch in thickness, used in any length or bent to any shape. At the same time, its tensile strength has been increased.

Hitherto tungsten has only been producible in short lengths. The new discovery makes it possible to use a continuous wire in the lamp, so that the risk of breakage is reduced to a minimum and the life of the lamp considerably extended.

WEALTH IN HER WEEK-ENDS

How Widowed Society Woman Has Managed to Make Entertaining Pay Very Well.

Not long ago a charming society woman was thrown high and dry on the barren shores of reduced circumstances by the death of her husband, who left her almost penniless. This suited her not at all, so being clever she thought and planned until she hit upon a money-making scheme very near affluence. This is how she "arrived."

A year ago she leased a charming place on Long Island hired an efficient corps of servants, a fine chef, stocked the larder with the best in the market, and then sent out cards to her friends and acquaintances that she was prepared to entertain them for a day or two or three, at so much per entertainment

The idea caught on at once. Within a few weeks her modest menage was so overrun that those who wi-hed to spend the time from Saturday to Monday had to make their arrangements weeks in advance.

No one without the best of reference was admitted. Mrs. Widow managed affairs admirably. Everything was up to date, and yet informally formal, so to speak.

Her season lasted from October to June, since when she has been taking things easy, with plenty of money and the owner of an automobile, hired at the beginning on a "shoestring"

She's now making arrangements for the coming season, and is already booked up to the holidays.

SHE NEEDED THE EXERCISE

How Man Dodged Criticism for Allowing Lady of Ample Proportions to Row Him.

Allen had been visiting friends on their houseboat, moored off Edgewater, on the Jersey side. When it came time to leave Mr and Mrs. Wilson volunteered to row Allen and Miss Wilson, sister of the husband, to a dock near the Fort Lee ferry.

Mrs. Wilson and Miss Wilson are of ample proportions, and Allen didn't like the idea of allowing his hostess to row, especially as it was rough and the tide was coming in. So he protested. "No, I must row," he said.

"Couldn't think of it returned Mrs. Wilson smiling. "I need the exercise, you know. I don't get exercise on the houseboat." And she had taken the second pair of oars and settled herself in the seat behind her husband before Allen could bestow himself and baggage and assist Miss Wilson to a seat in the stern.

"What will those fishermen think of me, allowing a woman to row me?" he protested. "I'm going to explain it to them as we pass. I don't want to get in bad."

Sure enough as the boat passed the fishermen on the piers Allen called out: "The lady needs exercise!" And the fishermen, appreciating the situation, grinned, and by their demeanor indicated they absolved Allen from appearing to take it easy.—New York Herald.

Why We Shake Hands.

A writer in the New York Sun ?

A writer in the New York Sun has unearthed the following explanation of a common custom: How many of us, for instance, know

why friends shake hands when they meet? The Chinese are said to shake their own hands in greeting, with an air of cordial delight. Why do people of the so-called civilized nations prefer to shake each other by the hand? We are told that it is an old Roman custom, spread by the Romans throughout the countries of their dominion. Shaking hands means, "You are my friend. Believe it for the excellent reason that if you were not I should draw my sword. And how could I draw my sword with my shield upon my left arm and my right hand firmly clasped in yours?" So when we shake hands we are merely saying in the pantomime of ancient Rome: "There is peace and good will between us, for our swords are in their scabbards."

Care of the Eyes.

If a woman has the slightest difficulty with her sight, she should lose no time in consulting an oculist. Nothing will bring undesirable crows' feet more quickly than straining the eyes, and local treatment to prevent the lines will be inefficacious if the seat of the trouble is not attended to. It is far better to wear glasses when sewing and writing than to let the whole face have a drawn and aged look.

Of course, massaging about the corners of the eyes will make a tremendous improvement in a woman's appearance, but the work will be without results unless she does it regularly every night. Also, if she is trying to smooth away crows' feet, she must remember that stroking is not to be done so severely as to loosen the skin, which would cause bagginess, but merely that friction is to stimulate circulation, nourishing the skin tissues.

Economy of Nature.

"Nature knew what she was doing when she deprived fishes of a voice.."

"How do you make that out?"

"What of a fish had to cackle over every egg it laid?"

Naturally.
"Beauty doctors are superficial men."

"Why are they?"
"Because they always take people at their face value."

SAVED HIS RASCALLY SON

How Mansard Carne to Construct the Great Hail at Arles Without Central Pillar.

The great hall of the Hotel de Ville of Arles France, designed by Mansard, is the wonder and admiration of every one who has seen it on account of the groined roof.

In regard to this a neighboring cafetier tells a somewhat grim story. King Louis XIV, happened to be passing through the city just at the time Mansard was superintending the completion of his creation. The roof was supported by a powerful pillor. The monarch admired the work and congratulated the architect on his design. At that moment the architect was passing through great domestic tribulation. He had a son under sentence of death, so he thought it would be a good opportunity to intercede on behalf of the lad.

Mansard threw himself at the feet of the king and said: 'Your majesty sees in the center that massive column? If you will spare flooding son I will remove the "msightly pillar and the roof shall stand without support" "Mansard," replied the king, "if you accemplish that moracle I will pardon your son, but if you fail I will hang you with him."

The architect removed the pillar without great difficulty and with the result desired. The cafetier is a philosopher and he concludes his story with the reflection that had not Mansard's son been a scamp the hall at Aires would be just like any other hall.

SMALL COURTESIES ARE LOST

These Things That Make Life Really
Worth While Seem to Be
Forgotten.

Small courtesies of life seem to be entirely lost in the rush for big things. This leaving off of the little,things that go to make living worth the while is a well-known and recognized fact to women who crave those gracious attentions so easy in the giving when the thought is right.

Many men no longer consider it necessary to rise when a lady enters the room. If they proffer a chair, it is seldom done with the old-time alacrity, and a few trips on a city car will be sufficient to convince the veriest skeptic of the truth of courtesy's decadence.

Be it said in favor of man, continually on the rack regarding these omissions, that he is by no means the greatest offender. Women who entertain will tell you of scores of invitations to which they have never even received the courtesy of an acknowledgment. "R. S. V. P." at the end of a card or note means nothing to women too thoughtless or too ill-bred to take five minutes for a reply. Such treatment of a social courtesy is an offense garish enough to cause the offender's name to be struck from the social list of the hoatess

The small courtesies of woman to woman are fully as important as those from man to woman, or woman to man.

Propagating Carp.
Isador Loewy, formerly a rabbi but in late years employed as a police court interpreter, hurried into night court in a state of perplexity.

"Does anybody here know how to

"What's a carp?" asked the attendant.

It's a fish," answered Loewy, "and it's fine. Three pounds it weighs, My wife she bought three carp at the market and brought them home. One was alive and I put it in the bath tub. The other two I ate.

"I don't want that fish to die. In eight days I will eat him, but not before, and I want him to live and grow fat."

"Where are you going to keep it all this time?" was asked.

"In the bath tub, sure. Where else?" Loewy answered.—New York World.

A short time ago 150 gold coins, dating from the period of the Roman occupation of Britain, were found in a bronze jar about one foot below the surface of the ground three miles from Hexham, England, on the site of the ancient Roman city of Corstopitum.

A coroner's inquest has been held to determine their ownership. The jury, however, was unable to agree as to whether the coins were treasure trove or not, the contention of the owner of the land being that the coins had been left on an ancient highway and abandoned during a raid by the Caledonians against the Romans. The corner therefore agreed to keep the coins for a week to see if some arrangement could be made with the treasury as to their disposal.

Many "Holy Lands."
Christians use the term Holy

Land to designate Palestine, as being the scene of the birth, ministry and death of Christ, but, interestingly enough, other religious sects employ the same term for places sacred to them from association. Thus the Mohammedans speak of Mecca as the Holy Land, it being the birthplace of Mohammed. The Chinese Buddhists call India the Holy Land, because the founder of their religion was born there, while the Greeks bestow this same title on Ells, where was situated the temple of Olympian Zeus.

INSTRUCTIONS OF A PIPER

Ingenious Method of Teaching His Pupil Adopted by the Highland

Mus.cian.

A Highland piper who had a pupil to teach originated a method by which he succeeded in reducing the difficulties of the task to a minimum, and at the same time fixed his lesson

"Here, Donald," said he, "tak yer pipes lad, an gle us a blast.

in the pupil's mind

"So" Verra weel blawn, indeed, but what's a sound, Donald, whout making You may blaw forever whout making a tune o't, if I dinna tell ye how the queer things on the paper maun help ye

"Ye see that big fellow wi' a round open face"—pointing to meem brev— "between two lines of a bar? He moves slowly from that line to this, while ye heat one wi' yer fist an gle a long blast

"If ye put a leg to him, ye mak twa o' him, an' he'll move twice as fast.

"If, now, ye black his face, he'll run four times faster tikin, the fellow wi' the whose face; and if, after blacking his face, ye'll bend his knee or tie his leg, he'll hop eight times faster 'han the white faced chap I showed ye first.

"Now." concluded the piper, sententiously, "whene'er ye blaw your pipes, Donald, remember this: that the tighter those fellows' legs are tied, the faster they'll run, and the quicker they're sure to dance."

ARE YOU ON OPPOSITE SIDE?

Frank Crane Thinks the "Standing Minority Report" Necessary to Keep Mankind Honest.

Doubtless each of us knows someone in his circle of acquaintances who is intellectually contrary. Such a one delights to take on every occasion the opposite side

sion the opposite side.

If he is in a religious community he will take his stand firmly for atheism; if he is among scoffers he will argue just as valiantly for the church. He is a standing minority report. He is a crooked stick that will not lie in the woodpile. Like Goethe's devil he is the spirit who constantly de-

nies

This class of persons is a steady, normal crop in the field of humanity. We would not get along without them. They keep the kettle of things stirred, which otherwise would settle and spoil. These are they that keep the course of social life pure as a running stream and prevent it from be-

coming like a green, stagnant pool.

They supply ginger for political campaigns. They are the party out of power. They are the watchdogs of progress. Without them religion would harden into a cruel tyranny of superstition, falsehoods would be crystallized in power and ancient fraud live forever. They harass mankind into being honest—Frank Crane.

Unwelcome Wedding Guest.

The origin of a black cat that at intervals makes his appearance in St. Regis, is somewhat of a mystery, but he always shows up, according to the entertainment department, when a wedding reception is going on, relates the New York Sun. His last appearance was at a reception the other day. The guests had all congratulated the bride and bridegroom and were sampling the buffet when from apparently nowhere in particular Master Tomappeared apparently feeling very much at home and trying to fraternize with the invited guests. A horrifled employe removed him, but Tom found his way back, and then again until he was conveyed to the street. Orders have been issued to bar Tome from the next reception, even should he bring a card with him.

The Everglades.

The region known as the Everglades of Florida is about 60 miles long by 55 miles broad, and is one vast swamp, studded with islands of from a quarter of an acre to hundreds of acres in extent. These islands are generally covered with dense thickets of shrubbery or vines, and occasionally with lofty pines and palmettos. The water is from one to six feet deep, the bottom, as a rule, covered with a growth of rank grains. During the rainy season, from July to October, the district comprised in the Evergiades is practically impenetrable. The vegetable deposits of the Everglades is considered well adapted to the growth of banana and other fruits, and when properly drained the region will undoubtedly be one of the most fertile-on earth.

Whence the "Grass Widow."

To give positively the origin of the expression "grass widow" appears to be impossible. The authorities do not agree on this point. One contends that a woman who said to her friends that her husband "had gone to grass" following a separation is entitled to

the credit of coining the expression.

Other writers have attempted to find an explanation of it in the French word "grace," signifying a widow by courtesy. In the Scandinavian languages the prefix "grass" being in common use, others have conjectured that it comes from the word "grading," meaning greedy; this signifying a woman who longs for the husband

who is gone.

These give a wide enough choics.

Friendly Advice.
"We surprised all our friends by getling maried."

"Good enough. Now surprise 'em bg staying married."—Kansas City Jour-

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLÉANS

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