

Alexander Johnson of Fort Wayne, Ind., is general secretary of the National Conference of Charities and Correction. He has a wide knowledge of all the social and philanthropic work that is discussed in the conference, and is possessed of great executive ability, a genial disposition and a remarkable

Work Damaged in Transit Across

The Continent.

for a living? Preposterous

building of the exposition.

the exposition.

machine.

Seattle, Wash.-Winding watches

No, surest thing you know. Out at

It is one of the occupations which

has developed out of life, movement

and energy, which are the prominent

characteristics of the exhibits in Ma-

chinery hall and the Liberal Arts

A well-known watch company, in

conjunction with a model manufactur-

ing plant in its booth, has on display

some 1,200 watches which are keep-

ing time. Like most watches they

have to be wound each day. Ordinari-

ly the winding should be done by a

specially constructed machine, but in

shipment across the country and

through rough handling this delicate

piece of machinery has been damaged.

Five Scattle girls have been engaged

to do the work that was allotted to the

It takes practically two minutes to

wind a watch unless one is anxious to

send it to the repair man, and as

that it will take 2,400 minutes or 40

hours to do this work by hand. Five

girls working eight hours a day can

accomplish this seemingly simple

task, each girl winding as her share

some 240 watches. Such a job as this

might at first hand be thought to be

something of a snap, but stop and

think that for eight hours a day the

girls must do nothing but move their

fingers over the stem of a watch and

decide for yourself whether it won't

PROVES TO BE MAN OF HONOR

Arrested in San Francisco, Crosses

Continent to Surrender to New

New York.-Robert Leclerc, ar-

rested at San Francisco ten days ago.

is a prisoner at Hackensack, N. J.,

because he was too honorable to de-

When Lecierc was arrested Hacken-

sack officials decided it was too ex-

pensive to send an officer to the Pa-

cific coast to bring him back and ad-

vised the San Francisco police to re-

lease him. But the prisoner decided

that his honor was at stake and

agreed to return if the New Jersey

authorities would pay his railroad

fare and meals. This offer was ac-

cepted and Lecters came back to an-

swer a charge of obtaining \$1,500

under false protoness while noting as

a real estate agent. When he reached

Hackensack be west lumediately to

the prosecutor's office, surrendered,

Heir to Millione in Garret.

ported to have been confined for 12

years in a filthy garret room at 2

Wheatland, where he was found re-

cently by a constable, is one of the

heirs to the millions of Nancy Bebout,

who died a short time ago at St.

Frank Bebout, a brother of Charles,

who left his home at Wheatland many

years ago, and is now connected with

a St. Louis newspaper, employed an

attorney to find the other heirs of his

Charles Bebout is said to have been

slightly trrational and was kept locked

up in the garret by his mother. He

is now in the county house and is

Money Order Dealings Heavy.

tions in the post offices of the coun-

try have grown so that it is necessary

to maistein a force of approximately

760 accountants, bookkeepers, assort-

ers and examiners in the office of the

During the first three-quarters of the

inst flecal year, ended June 30, there

was an increase of 3,000,000 in money

erders issued. The value of the or-

dors tesued, however, was \$25,546,000

auditor of the post office department.

Washington -- Money order transac-

Sharon, Pa.--Charles Bebout, re-1

and was locked in jail.

aunt, Nancy Bebout.

Jersey Authorities.

become tedious.

ceive the officers.

BAR FINGER PRINTS GIRLS WIND 1,200 WATCHES

Method of Identification Refused by a London Jury.

Testimony of the Head of Scotland - Yard Record Department in Case of Man Charged with Theft to Rejected.

London.—In spite of the elaborate and expensive plant for the identification of criminals by finger prints at Bootland Yard, and in spite of the exposition of the system made in court, a London jury has declined to recognise as evidence identification made in this manner.

The case was that of James Francis Lawler, late head gardener to the duke of Norfolk, at Arandel, who pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with various thefts. He, however, denied that he was the man who, under the name of William Clark, was sentenced to ave years penal servitude

some years ago. inspector Munro of the finger print duced a set of finger prints taken at Postland in 1892 of the convict Clark, and those of the prisoner, taken at Brixton. The two, he said, were iden-

The withess said that he had been connected with the department since it was introduced at Scotland Yard. During that period the prints of 140,-000 persons had been recorded, and more than 45,000 identifications had hen made by meens of them without a pingle mistake.

The ridge characteristics on each of the two prints agreed exactly. These ridge characteristics did not alter in detail or general character during the whole course of a person's life, or even after death, until the skin began to de-CAJ.

Mr. Frampton said that the defendant obtained his position with the duke of Norfolk by means of recommendations which are now said to be forged. In regard to the present case he was stated to have obtained jewelry by means of checks which were subsequently dishonored.

in the meantime the prisoner disappeared from Arundel without giving notice, and he was traced and arrested Sentence of three years' penal pervitude was passed.

DOCTOR TOOK HIS MEDICINE.

Intended a Big Does of Croten Oil for Thioves, But by Mistake Get It Himself.

Hazelton, Pa.-A popular notion that physicians never take much of the medicine they prescribe for others does not hold good in the case of Dr. F. M. Brundage of Conygham, formerly United States consul to Aix-la-Chapelle, Germany. For some time the doctor noticed that unknown parties were getting the benefit of his fine strawberry petch, so he sprayed croton oil on one section of the patch, dosing some of the choicest berries with the oil and then awaited results.

Whether any of the parties who had previously invaded his premises got any of the fruit treated with the oil is not known, but the doctor has been obliged to admit that he did, despite the care he had taken to prevent just such an occurrence.

Millions of Lobster Eggs. Banger.—The United States fish commission steamer Ganactt is planting lobster fry off the coast. Thousands of seed lobeters have been procured, and when the season ends 14,000 of them will have been stripped at the batchery. These will produce millions of eggs. The lobster fry planted this year run late the bandred militons, and there are still over 100,000,000 oggs on hand in process of development

When the 100,000,000 ogge develop into lobsters practically all of them will live, although the experts allow for a certain number dying.

CUSTOMS ON BANKS' ISLANDS

Probably One of the Most Curious Is That Man's Aunt Decides Whom He Shall Marry.

In the second of two lectures on "The Secret Societies of the Banks" Islands," given at the Royal Institution, London, Eng., Mr. W. H. R. Rivers said that in one of the ceremonies of the secret societies they had a hundred dances and a hundred songs. Decorated men came in pairs from various directions. They carried bladders, which they dashed against the trees, making loud reports. Then they gave a special dance.

The three main features in the Kolokolo performance were dances, killing pigs and the payment of people taking part in the dance. To give a magnificent kolokolo was one of the best ways of obtaining social kudos. The people had no regular chiefs, and the men rose to the top through these secret organizations.

One function of these societies was the protection of property. A member of a society put up a certain sign, called a taboo, and that protected him from people not connected with his society. Societies, therefore, with few members were extremely popular, and in consequence tended to become large. That was one of the factors which led to the growth and increase

of the societies. If two men had a dispute about the ownership of land one of them would put the mark of his society on the land. The other man also put the mark of his society on the land. The result was that neither of them could go on it.

The sister of a man's father had absolute voice as to whom he should

The secret societies were called "Dead Men's Societies," and there were a large number of things which pointed to the ceremony of initiation being a simulation of death.

TURN FROM CAREER OF CRIME.

Well-Authenticated Fact That Children of Crooks Seldom Follow in Parents' Foosteps.

It is a curious fact-one all at variance with the doctrines of beredity, but borne out by police records-that the children of creoks, of all classes, rarely turn out to be crooks them: selves. Deeper study of the subject might reveal that they are possessed of the criminal instincts, but that the tragically close example of the punishment and wretchedness that attend a criminal carer has been a terrifying deterrent. The fact, at any rate, remains. The "Rogues' Galleries" of Scotland Yard, New York and Chicago may be studied in vain for the photographs of a father and a son.

Criminals are ever alert to keep lives. The rage of old, ugly "Mother" Mandelbaum, the famous receiver of stolen goods, was frightful when she found that her daughter, whom she had been at unstinted expense to educate, had secretly married "Sammy, the Jew"-Koehler, a thief with whom the old criminal had long traded. She disinherited the girl, and a flock of relations were the beneficiaries of her ill-gotten money. In her Chatham square headquarters "Mother" Mandelbaum maintained a room where thieves could smoke and drink, but she felled with a broase lamp a pickpocket who attempted one night to invade the private parior where she was overseeing her daughter's French studies.-Everybody's.

Bod Houses In Canada. If you read that a family lives in asod house, you may conclude that poverty compels it; but this is not true on the Canadian prairies, where sod houses are the advance agent of

prosperity. The homesteader who obtains a slice of that rich wheat land doesn't wait to grab riches from the soil. Even if he were minded to build he would have difficulty in doing it, for there is no lumber handy. So it is better to wait until the locomotive catches up.

If you start out from any of the towns which are springing up almost overnight in the fertile stretches of Baskatchewan or Alberta, you will strike first well ordered farms and substantial houses, but if you get away ten miles or more the sod houses will begin to appear.

It is not unusual to see signs of luxury about these sod houses. They are comfortable abiding places, cool in summer and warm in winter.

Not Interesting. "Have you heard the latest news?" inquired Mrs. Bisibod. "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "It's very shocking, isn't it?"

"You know the people--" "No. I haven't the slightest idea as to the identity of the people. Scandals are like humorous associotes about celebrities; the same old stories with different names introduced."

Against Telepathy. "De you take any interest in telepathy?" said the young man who was trying to make convenation. "No." answered Mics Cayenne. should never countenance a method

of communication by which people could introde their opinions on you without even going, to the trouble of lecking you up." Not Cuffe.

"He's a protty 'fly' sort of fellow, "He's trying to be, since he bought, elock." sen's bell

CAN'T BE TRAINED TO THINK.

Experiment Proved That Monkey Can Imitate, But He is Incapable of Thought.

This difference between the animal and the human idea of what consti tutes "knowing" comes out nicely in a piece of work done at Clark university, A. J. Kinnman's study of rhesus monkeys, the Bandar log of the "Jungle Book." The monkey, following the usual procedure, learned to get his food from a box, the lid of which fastened with a key. The key, however, could not be withdrawn from the lock. After the monkey had become familiar with the device, and could operate it as readily as a man could do, the experimenter took the key out of the lock and laid it on the floor in front of the box. The monkey picked up the key, played with it, but made no attempt to use it. Then the experimenter took up the key, and, 50 times in succession, with the monkey two feet away, watching every motion, he unlocked the box. The monkey would have starved before he imitated that simple act. He had learned to open the box by making certain movements; he had no idea of the key as an instrument in the process. We-sometimes-think instruments and means and causes; the animal thinks largely motions.-E. T. Brewster, in McClure's.

THE BOY AND HIS FATHER.

Dad. Ostensibly the Teacher, Admits That He is Learning Much from His Little Son.

"He has read a lot about angels." but the only one he ever saw is his mother," writes Truman A. DeWeese. in Suburban Life. "For some unaccountable reason," continues Mr. De-Weese, "my boy selected Chicago to be born in, and he arrived in the big. noisy city on a zero winter day-a proceeding in strange contrast to the warmth of his sunny nature and the peaceful seremity of his temperament. Having done this, however, he had the good sense to pick me for his father and that is the reason I have tried to give him some of the things he lost by not being born on a farm. I have made him almost my constant companion since he began to use hislittle legs to explore the mysteries of his little world. Of course, there is something of a seight motive in att this. I am sure I get more out of the boy than he gets out of me. To watch the leaves of his mind unfold in the epringtime of his life is a great joy. He doesn't know how much I am getting out of him. He thinks he is learning a lot from me; but the truth is. he is both teacher and interpreter."

Corn Products Entrained. The president of a western railread m was spending the week-end at the country house of a friend in New York, when one evening some reference was made by a layman touching the commercial greatness of the country as evidenced by railroad opera-

"What you say is quite true," observed the head of the big system. "Do you know that if the corn prodncts in this country for the year just ended were loaded into one train, the engine thereof would be entering the state of New Jersey just as the caboose was leaving Los Angeles."

At this remark a woman present could not suppress her astonishment and incredulity. "How you men do exaggerate!" she exclaimed. "You know very well that even two engines could not pull such a train!"-The Sunday Magazine.

Destroying a Color Scheme. The beach was a picture with its striped tents and its picturesque posple, men, wemen and children in their bathing suits of various colors, their beads wrapped in bright red kerchiefs, some incased in brilliant sweaters as they sunned themselves on the sands, others in white, all artistic and restful to the eye, when all at once there strode across the sands near to she water a man in a black freck coat, silk hat and patent leather shoes.

The artist pressed his hands to his eyes. Then springing up he turned landward and began to run, the woman trying hard to keep up with him. "What's the matter?" she cried.

"I can't stand it," the artist replied pantingly. "My sense of harmony! Oh, that man-where did he come from! And what was he doing there?"

An Innecueve Smoke. In an article on the hygiene of smoking published in the Munich Medical Weekly Dr. J. Bamberger says that the injury which may follow the use of tobacco differs with the manner of smoking. Those who use a mouthpiece, or if not are careful not to keep the end of the oight saturated with saliva, are much less apt to suffer from the absorption of the various products of the burning tobacco.

"Dry smokers" run much less risk of harming themselves than those who chew the ends of their cigars. Dr. Bamberger suggests that a bit of absorbest cetton saturated with chloride of irea be placed in the holder. and he glaims by doing this some of the harming products of combustion are rendered insecuous.

Disappointments That Souther ... "Semetimes our disapprintments said the ready-made philosopher.

"That's a fact," asswered the finpast person. "It's always a sweet relief to me to discover in the mern-Ing that I forgot to wind the elerm-

WANTED "SAHREY'S" SNUFF.

Would Have Liked Alcohol Also, But Rules of the City Prison "Forbade It.

"Is this the turnkey"

The small pinched face of a woman of indeterminate age looked up at Turnkey Gutches.

The turnkey of the city prison peered over his glasses at the bent form of the woman before him. "Yes," he answered.

"Is Sahrey still here?" asked the little creature. "Sahrey who?" asked the good-na-

tured jailer. "Why, our Sahrey," was the answer, and in the same breath the

woman mentioned "Sahrey's" last name. "She's gone over the river," said

the turnkey. The woman hesitated a moment, and then said: "Can I get the stuff

she left?" "What stuff?" "Some raw alcohol and tobacco." "We don't give back any liquor, but

here's a box of snuff we took from

her. You can have that." "Well, I wanted the bottle, but I suppose I'll take the snuff," complained the woman as she grasped it eagerly as the turnkey passed it out. Then she shuffled toward the door and started slowly up the steps.-

Columbus News. LAST OF A VANISHED RACE.

"Strongback," Once King of Detroit Dockwallopers, Exponent of a Type That Has Gone.

Last of his race is "Strongback," reminder of the days when dockwallopers were a vastly different class

from the industrious, peaceable men now employed along the water front. There isn't a man who has been identified with shipping interests in Detroit for any length of time who doesn't know "Strongback." And a still smaller number whose memories

run back to the time when he first made his appearance on the docks. John Droback is his name, but because of prodigious strength when in his prime he acquired the schriquet "Strongback," which has clung to him ever since. He admits having worked on the docks for 40 years, and no one essays to dispute his cinim, he having been a familiar figure when the first of the present generation of marine men arrived on the scene.

In his earlier days "Strongback" performed several feats, once saving a life by plunging into the river, and again preventing a disastrous conflagration in the D. & C. warehouses. Although only a shadow of his former self, he still retains much of his strength, and few would care to mix things with him.-Detroit Free Press.

The Country Telephone. "It may seem hard to you," said the weman from a small town visiting a New York friend, " to have a limited telephone service, but it saves you a great deal of anneyance. I wish my friends had to pay for every telephone call they make. In our little town we have, of course, an unlimited service, and some dear friend calls me up about every ten or fifteen minutes every day to ask how the baby is, or if I noticed what a queer gown Mrs. Blank had on at the lawn social, or what brand of oil I use for my salad dressing, or some other trivial question that she certainly would not ask if she had to pay five or ten cents for the privilege. My friends never seem to think my time is of any value. I should be money sheed if we all had to pay for our telephone service according to the number of calls or the

By Automobile Up Mount Ranier. United States Engineer Engene Richsesker colobrated Independence day by throwing open the government road in the Mount Ranier National park. Vehicles and horsemen now have an excellent thoroughfare from tidewater to Narada falls, near snow line in Paradice valley.

time used. That would waken my

friends to the value of time. I wish

they all lived on long distance lines.

It certainly would educate them as to

the value of time."

The road would have been ready weeks earlier had not beavy sagws in Paradise interfered. For a brief few days last fall the road was "roughed" open to Paradise, but only one automobile went over it. Mr. Ricksecker says that autos and wagons can now make the trip with comfort. The maximum grade on the road is four per cent. Nearly a score of automobiles, all loaded, went to the mountain .--Tacoma Correspondence Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Belgian Coal Miners. While coal is mined at a greater donth in Beigium than in most countries, the number of miners killed in nocidents is less in that country than in any other. For the ten-year peried from 1891 to 1900 the number of fatalities per 10,000 workmen was 16.54 per annum. In the metallic ere-mines the number of workmen who have been killed by accident is ondthird that in the coal minea.

An Unelsterly Avenuel. "Women would unquestionably emer cies a reflaing influence on politics," said the suffragetta.
"You," answered lifes Capense

wearily; "I have no doubt that convention bedges would be greatly in gressed in decorative value and that compaign: buttons; would be vastig more numerous."

THE TENDENCY TO BE QUEER

Every Community Has Individuals Whose One Idea is to Kick Over the Traces.

While the majority of people are inclined to think and act like one another, thus keeping the social order from violent convulsions, there is on the part of a great many a native tendency toward the queer; they are contented only outside of the traces. In every community small enough to be aware of its own individualities people in general know who are the "naturalborn" come-outers-which man and which woman is likely to take up with the newest fad in dress, doctoring, means of grace, political economy, "social science" and the true authorship of Shakespeare's plays

There are certain persons destined to progress from one so-called reform to another more extreme as quickly as the reform shows itself. They are pretty sure to box the compass of religions, passing by gradual or violent stages from absolute irreligion to the narrowest dogmatism, or with great rapidity the other way around. Or they gravitate once and for all into the most irrational and absurd "religion" which happens to be forced upon their attention, and stick contentedly to its extremest tenets and practices. The more "occult" and, to the ordinary mind, preposterous the new religion, the greater the attraction it has for certain minds. The new religion is apt to be founded on some one phase of the old-a phase of it which by very reiteration and use has become trite. In its new and famtastic dress the old principle strikes the new adept as something in the nature of a fresh revelation-Century.

THE COUNTRY'S MANY VOICES.

Neises of "Pastoral Repose" Responsible for Slang Term Applied to Londoners.

The city man came down to breakfast red-eyed and pale.

"A quiet country vacation?" he grumbled to the farmer's rosy daughter. "Why, the pandemonium was unexampled. Nothing like it is ever beard in town. Dogs barking, pigs grunting, sparrows chirping, crickets and tree frogs pegging away, roceters crowing, horses neighing-no, I didn't sleep a wink."

The pretty daughter of the farmer gave a merry laugh. "You city people have such nerves!"

she cried. "None of you can stand our pastoral repose. You are like the cock-

"What cockney?" he asked, sniffing at his soft-boiled ogg a little ann-

"The first, the original cockney," she replied. "He west out from Loudon, just like you, to spend his vacation in the country, and just like you the noises wouldn't let him sleep. He said at breakfast that the wild b rearing had been something frightful. And as he talked, a cock crowed.

"That's the one,' he said excitedly. 'That's the feller. He's been neighing like that all night." The intelligent young girl laughed.

'And ever since that time," she said. "Londoners have been called cock-neighs."—Buffale Express.

Two Apologies for a Hat. A Kansas City man, who had lost his hat at a public function in that metropolis, caused the following unique advertisement to be published in the local maners.

"The undersigned will deem it a great favor if the gentleman who imadvertently took the undersigned's new silk hat on the occasion of the reception of the Lets, slub, leaving an inferior headpiece instead, will have the goodness to retugn said silk hati Not only will the gantleman mostra the undersigned's warment thanks for his kindness, but the spelegies of the undersigned—the apology for the troubie the undersigned may have caused him, and 'the apology for a hat' which he has conferred upon the undersigned."-The Sunday Magasine.

Rushing Thom Off. "What's Zeke Creeby doing rushing down to the barn in such an excited state for?" drawled Hiram Heed

"Why, Zoke heard that one of his seven daughters is going to elege tenight with a suspenser boarder im Zoke's auto," whispered the hired

"Do tell. And I suppose Soke to running down to look the machine up so they can't get it?"

"Oh, no! Zeke's running down to greace it up and put the motors in order so it wen't break down and break up the elopopout,"-Chicage

Hint for, a Orsem-Eisel. If a groom-theet has not provided all. extra room to his house for storing his bride's lines he should build it is time, for in these days whenever a girl marries, her mother closes her lips grims ly, goes after pa's pecketbook, and does the right thing with nine doses. towels, 15 desen napkins, 84 pairs of shoots, etc. She doom't expect hem daughter to open a bearding bouse, but she has proper pride, and intends ta do the right thing by the girl, over

Draw the Lies. Mrs. Crawford—Did you manufe to cone your dector to recommend A. His to that mountain manufe you while to

if it breaks po.-Atchipps Globa

Mrs. Crabeloy—Kes; but I con't a few new dresses would do me d

L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLÉANS

Logislant d'finns bons lori Blade du Barl. De publiche alles donn bit communes has aventurent successioners. Pals de l'accommend in Paull's destille-se 20.0. Parde consensity \$4.06.. ...