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three miles, and return. He is the recipient-sof many newspapers, dailies, and weeklies, sent him by admiring friends. Mr. Allen served under the Duke of Wellington, in the war with Yapoleon; under General Scott, in the war with Mapoleon; under General Scott, in the war with Mexico, and entered and served in the war of the rebellion on the Union side. At the time of his last enlistment he was 72 years old, but his physical appearance so belied his years that he had no difficulty in passing muster as on the lesser enu of 45. The old man has undoubted written evidence not only of his great age, but of his history as a soldier. He says that the last time he heard from his father was some time during the last war, when he was still living, at the great age of 101 years. His mother died at the age of 89 years. The old man looks as if he would be able to tackle another decade or two before 'going over the range,"

over the range."

Mrs. Robert Johnson, of Sonoma, chattheas 200 high-bred Angora cats, and three servants devote their entire time to them. Mrs. Johnson is a widow to whom money is no object, she being worth several millions. The San Francisco Examiner says that besides the cats Mrs. Johnson has a lot of other pers. There are parrots from all over the world. Cockatoos and paroquêts perch on high stands or if a place is a feathered pandemonium. Then in another huge cage are a large number of canary birds which sing to each other all the while. Outside the mansion are a lot of kennets in which dwell some very well-known prize-winners among dogs. These dogs are smeoth or wo dly, large or tiny, and have two keep ris in charge of them. Then there are a lot of Japanese donkeys and some angulid language of them.

Bootland a very extraordinary shot was made by Sir Charies Ross's puntsman. A large number of birds were seen sitting A large number of birds were seen sitting on the ice, and the puntamen successfuling etting within about sixty yards of them. Some of the birds rose as the gan was fired, but the total number killed by the dischards was 149; they included street species but the majority were seen. Fas gan was 14 inches in bore,

SOMEWHAT STRANGE.

and the charge 4 ounces of powder and 14 ounces of No. 3 shot. The shot was doubtless rendered much more destructive than it would otherwise have been owing to the pellets skilding along on the flat surface of the ice.

singular cyclonic phenomenon was visible. A small cloud was noticed in visible. A small cloud was noticed in the northwest, moving in a southeasterly direction, whirling and twisting like a writhing serpent. Immediately in front of the cloud was amouster crane, which was being borne along by the force behind it, and in apparent enjoyment of the situation until it encountered a tree and was killed, and the tree snapped in twain an instant later.

upon its rotting timbers.

A BENARY NEE curiosity, showing of durability of Washington cedar, can seen on the Austia ranch on Lake Wheom, Washington. It is a cedar log t feet in diameter, over which has grown a spruce tree four feet in diameter. Of the main root of this and directly of the log is another cedar tree three findiameter. All the trees, including the log, are perfectly sound. The lass probably lain there soveral hundres.

THE Empress of Austria, who is mak have two keep rs in charge of them. Then there are a lot of Japanese donkeys and some splendid specimens of Holstein cattle and Jersey cows with soft eves. A hundred horsest and mares of Electioner stock complete Mrs. Johnson's menageric.

Defined the recent severe weather in Scotland a very extraordinary shot was made by Sir Charles Ross's puntsman.

FISH-HATCHING in China is sometim Fish-Harch so in China is sometic conducted with the nid of a hen. I spawn is collected from the water's et and placed in an empty eigshell. I egg is then sealed with wax and plaunder a setting hen. After some d the egg is carefully broken and swarm emptied into water well warn

by the sun. There the little fish are nursed until they are strong enough to be turned into a lake or stream.

be turned into a lake or stream.

An illicit distiller, named Charles Carroll, of Buchanan County, Va., was pursued by revenue officers, and took refuge in a vacant barn. The officers had so idea that he was concealed therein, and as they came in sight of it, one of them bid a wager that he could put a hallet through a knot-hole in the door. He fired, and a groun followed the report. Carroll had his eye at the hole and received his death wound.

Socnery at Huntingdon, Penn. Society at Huntingdon, Penn., was much interested in a pigs-feet-eating match which took place a few nights ago. The feet had been nicely boiled by, a good housewife and cash prizes were offered to those who should devour the largest number. First prize went to a man who ate ten of the feet and second to a boy who dispose l of eight.

MR. GINN, the head of a well-known publishing house in Boston, has a benevolent streak in his nature not often manifested in business in quite the same way by other men. He has a number of yeang women in his employ, and keeps a barrel of apples in his establishment where they can get access to it; and no matter how freely they help themselves, the bersel pager jets emply the barrel never gets empty.

the barret never gets empty.

The newspapers of Santa Clara, Mexico, report the recent death of Senora Dolores Machado, of Micuoz, who resided at Quemado, Hilario. She had attained her 118th year; and she left fourteen children, fifty one grandchildren, 120 great-grandchildren and forty-eight great-great grandchildren. Her oldest daughter is 101 years old.

AROUND THE HOUSE.

To GET RID OF RATS AND MICE .- The To GET RID OF RATE AND MICE.—The best way to get rid of rats and mice is not to poison them, but to make them thoroughly tired of the locality and so induce them to leave. They are generally too smart to eat poison, even when it is prepared for their benefit in the most seductive fashion, but they are not so particular about tartar emetic. When a ticular about tartar emetic. When a little of this is mixed with any favorite food they will cat as greedily as though the physic were not there, but in two or three hours there will be the most discouraged lot of rats about the place that mybody ever saw. The tartar will not kill them, it only makes them deadly sick. If you put your ear to their holes you can hear them trying to vomit; sometimes they will crawl out and walk about like a seariek man, so ill that they do not seem to care what becomes of them. But it disgots them with the whole vicinity, n.d. as non-as they are able to travel they much off and you are them no more.

How to CARE FOR PICTURES cleaning house one of the principal cares should be the pictures. It is too often overlooked or left to the care of the seroverlooked or left to the care of the servants, when the mistress should give it her personal attention. Each picture as it is taken down should be carefully dusted and the cord or wire wiped. Then lay it on a table, wash the glass and polish it until it is perfectly clear. Wipe the frame with a soft cloth wet in warm water and rub off all flyspecks and other dirt. If the picture is framed with a glass, paste naper smoothly all other dirt. If the picture is framed with a glass, paste paper smoothly all over the back to keep dust from sifting through the cracks. Frames of polished wood, oak, walnut, or in feet anything but gilt, will be greatly improved by rubbing them with a solution three parts linseed oil and one part turpentine. Apply with a woolen cloth and rub with a dry woolen cloth until perfectly dry. Before langing the pictures fasten a large clean cloth over the brush end of the broom, and wipe the walls all over. If the walls are papered, and the paper is toru, or defaced, cover such places with scraps of the paper, matching if possible, be the distriction of the straight of the straight of the place and add beauty to the straight of the straight

THE DEPTH OF SPACE.

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Immense Distances Reached by Astronomers to Their Researches.

In 1837 Prof. Bessel, of Germany, commenced a series of astronomical messures for getting the exact distance to the fixed stars, a thing which had never been done. After three years of hard labor he succeeded in obtaining a parallax, but so very minute that he was hardly willing to risk his reputation upon it. Repeated trials, however, satisfied him of the correctness of his conclusions, and he announced to the world that the true distance of one of the stars in the Constellation Cygnus had been measured. But who can comprehend this immense distance? We can only convey an idea to the mind of this distance by the fact that light, which travels 12,000,000 miles in a minute, requires not less than ten years to reach us from this star. Just let any one try to grasp this fremendous distance. One hour would give 720,000,000 miles; in one year then, 3,760 hours, light would travel 6,307,200,000,000, and this multiplied by 10 gives 63,072,003,000,000.
This, according to Prof. Bessel, is the distance to the nearest fixed stars, and these calculations were confirmed by all other astronomers. But this distance, prodigious as it may appear, is not to be compared to the Milky Way. Sir William Hersehel says that the stars or suns that compose the Milky Way are so remote that it requires light 120,000 years to reach the earth, and he also says that there are stars, or rather nebula, 500 times more remote. Now make your calculations: 120,000 years reduced to minutes, and then multiplied by 12,000,000, and this product by 500. The result is 37,869,120,000,070,000,000. What an overwhelming concention is here offered us! The mind sinks under such a thought; we can't realize it; it is too vast for human comprehension.

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prover mounts and the many particles and lands.

The antire district is ridden over coughly by the cowboys. Gulchous, draws, sagebrush, bottoms, wood groves, bad lands, in fact toot of the district is explored and the district is explored and the round-up. Viewed from througing some vast valley a round its circling cowboy ride herds of noisy cattle, bands of led to the riders and the wild Vandscape of far-stretching plain a tant mountain, combine to make ling and picturesque scene. ling and picturesque scene.

Fifty or sixty miles of hard ri day is the average distance covered towboy during a round-up. It seems horses are in his string.

rowboy during a round-up. I saven horses are in his string, and wiry as they are, the fierce over broken, rough and stony sees them up, and for a time targarit out of them. No day to too hard, however, to keep a out of a race if one is propose cavalry charge could be a more seght than that of a race of overy man yelling like an Ifali every horse doing his best in a hard across some level stretch prairie. There is quick work to when some mother and caff too when string much head are found, pre of ropes thrown around the helps of the lusty young calf hold if cound. A fire of sage brush of wood heats the branding irous tood heats the branding irous tood and the cabalistic signs which cownership of the victim are irradicably into the animal's quart.

There are but two meats a day round-up. Breakfast is long be ap, and dinner when the day's ever. After dinner is a period o nent. The appetites, sharpened to sixty miles' hard riding, have peaced with baron, potatoes, bot and coffee. Unlucky candidates there so night herd have gone s add grumbling from the camp leasesone duties, and there is no do but talk over the day's adv moke and tell stories. The ant do but talk over the day's ad-snoke and tell stories. The an reating out at 4 o'clock the ne-ing cuts short the evening's pand by the time dusk changes early darkness of the spring nig-ace pulled from the baggage v the camp is asleep. [Chicago

POPULAR SCIENCE NO!

A French statistician has been and has published some rather calculations as to the height of various periods of his existencentention is that humanity at the encentent of its career on the averaged 16 feet 9 inches in At the time of Charlemagne dwindled down to 8 feet 8 at present the average heigh feet 4 inches, and in the year that the height of man will be 15 Showing the forethought in a decreasing the size of man; as if tables so largely, more space will quired and there would not be a reven now were man to be elected high.

Says an amateur in astronomy

says an amateur in astronomy of the most startling facts that learned about other worlds the learned about other worlds the and one that brings the imme the sun before the mind in as sively practical way, is this: the earth were placed at the centroun, and the moon should resame relative position it now distance from the centro of the scircumference—that is, the ent of the moon, 480,000 miles in cis not much more than half the sun, which is over 800,000 diameter. It seems to me that can convey to the mind an idiumensity of some things in the soul the smallness of others—of the rexample—in a more praction this plain statement of thronomical facts."

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