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ing have seen a visit to a land of glory of whose grandeur I had never dreamed. I have seen crystals and diamonds guracte and sapphires, jasper and chalcedony, opals and amethysts, rubies and amber, emeralds and agates in glorious profusion; gold and silver, iron and aluminum, lead and platinum, copper and race, slabs of onyx and moss agates, petrified trees, coal and coal fossils, and every other imaginable thing that is found in the bosom of the earth. I doubt if any branch of the Fair is as complete as this. Everything in the line of machinery used in mining, from a miner's lamp up to a miniature coal mine in actual operation, may be seen. I cannot give a complete description of any particular part, but must content myself with describing a few of the most striking features. Mexico has the richest, the most exten-

sive and the most varied exhibit in the Department of Mines. No other country comes to the fair with a new marble, the most beautiful the world has ever seen. Discovered scarcely a year ago it is destined to become as noted an article in interior and monumental description. seen. Discovered scarcely a year ago it is destined to become as noted an article in interior and monumental decoration as the world-famed Mexican onyx now is. It presents the appearance of numbers of little rosebuds imbedded in limestone. The rosebuds are simply beautiful garnets imbedded in limestone. But carbonate of lime and garnets are not the only minerals in this marble. Vesuvianite and Wallastonite are each present. The first is occuring in its rich sulphur, the second in traces of light blue, producing thus a most beautiful combination. Great difficulty was at first experienced in polishing this marble. The substance and treatment required to dress the limestone would not fluish the garnets would not glaze the limestone. A union of the polishing substances was tried and a satisfactory finish was given the beautiful.

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would not glaze the limestone. A union of the polishing substances was tried and a satisfactory finish was given the beautiful. The onyx displayed is the most beautiful. Did you ever know that the so-called Mexican onyx is not in reality an onyx? On the gallery of the Mining Building there is a display of real onyx from Lower California. It is very beautiful but cannot compare with the so-called Mexican onyx and has consequently been eo-called. In reality Mexican onyx is a marble. In the days when Aztec civilization filled Mexico's valleys and dotted her hills with temples were called her hills with temples were called in The temples were called "The temples were called "The temples were called "The temples were called "The temples were called in the material used in constructing their Teocals." The Indians corrupted this term to "Tecali" and applied it to the material used in constructing their Teocals. Christian civilization seized on it for altar and baptismal font. In the days of Cortez this was the use to which it was put whenever it could be obtained. I saw some samples of it that were streaked and geined with luminous red. brilliant greep in a semi-transparent ivory tinted body. And the silver! Silver in all conditions, in all stages of purity. None of it so interested me, however, as a species called Ruby Silver. The men who work the mine from which this silver comes are covered from head to foot as though they had smeared them seeves with raspherries. This mine I was told is situated near Durango, Mexico. The display of opals is notably interesting. The rare and gleaming variety with a play of colors like the yellow and red of flames is to be seen. This, I think, is commonly called fire-opal. These opals are gathered by the Indians who in a day polish between 20 and 30 of them. The process is very simple. A rapidly revolving whell does the work and the brilliancy and size of the stone determines it value. When looking at this display, I could not help recalling the Senator Nonius who preferred exile to

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as red as iron in the fire and immense pieces of copper ere may be seen. Two of these last are especially noteworthy. One of them weighs 8,500 pounds, the other 6,200. From her pictured rocks she has sent bright colored sands. In one case the most beautiful crystal tinges with all shades of green are displayed.

Pennsylvania makes a magnificen showing of her coals, clays, and oils. A diminutive coal mine and all machinery connected with it is working and elucidates the manner of assorting, cleaning and shipping anthracite coal. This is the chief feature of her display. Her exhibit of petroleum is the best made.

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In the paradise of the mineralogist.

Judging from the variety and beauty of her display she is second to none. She shows a specimens of her gold in abundance. I do not think any other state has such a variety of native gems. Copper, tin, iron, mica of a most beautiful quality are in profusion. One object that interested me very much was a box composed of some 1.760 pieces of native woods. These woods are of about six varieties. In the centre of the lid was to be seen a plant called "Shortia," which, I learned, was peculiar to the mountains of North Carolina. The only other spot on the face of the globe where it might possibly be found is Japan.

A very instructive feature in the Oregon display is the "Hydraulic Placer Mining." The simplicity of the method for getting the gold dust recommends itself. Or the side of the hill a channel is built, rather a wooden trough. In this trough at every few feet a cross-section is built, rather a wooden trough. In this trough at every few feet a cross-section is built, a pump is set so as to wash away the sand and gravel from the side of the hill into the trough, A sufficient inclination is given to the trough so that the stream may carry along with it the sand and gravel. The gold dust being quite heavy falls to the bottom and is caught by the cross-sections. That which escapes the first cross-section is in all probability caught are washed and rewarded until every particle of gold they contain is set. free.

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New South Wales, after Mexico, has the most extensive display, one feature of which is a magnificent showing of tin and alluvial gold. A nugget of gold in quartz is shown that is worth about \$81,000. It is irregular in shape, and its largest measurement is about 6 inches by 8 inches, weighing 344.78 ounces. It contains 313,0973 ozs. virgin gold. It is known as the "Maipland Bar." I was much interested in the size of this nugget, and wondered what was the value of the largest nugget that had ever been found. My curiosity was satisfied when I reached the gallery of the Mining Building. I there came upon a case in which were displayed fac similes of the world-noted nuggets. There were about twenty in all. Each had been named. The largest is a hugelooking fellow about 18 iaches long. It is known as the "Welcome." It weighed some 2,166 ounces and was worth \$41,883. In the gallery the collection of

There were about twenty in all. Each called fire-opal. These opals are gathered by the Indians who in a day polish between 20 and 30 of them. The process is very simple. A rapidly revolving wheel does the work and the brilliancy and size of the stone determines its value. When looking at this display, I could not help recalling the Senator Nonius who preferred exile to parting with an onpal which Mare Antony desired. It was of great value, being worth, if I remember aright, \$400,000 or \$300,000. Mexico displays almost every and petroleum.

Cape Colony makes abeautiful display of diamonds and crocidolite. This last is the name the mineralogist has pasted to it, but in good plain English we call it. "tiger-eye" Quite a crowd are usually gathered about the Cape Colony exhibit during the display of the common of the Cape Colony exhibit during the common of the common of

This exhibit is exampled in most of derly manner—every shape and condition of the gum to be seen. They show it raw and melted, oily and clear. Pleces as large as your two flats that were evidently of one exudation are exposed. The generality of this display is of a wine yellow tint. Many pieces are shown wherein insects and twigs, leaves and thay pebbles are enasted. In every instance they are in a most perfect state of preservation.—[Correspondence of The Tablet.

Just What a Norther Is.

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"What is a Texas norther?" The question was put by a Globe-Democrat man to Major B. M. Vanderhurst, of Texas, who was airing his Apolio Belvidere figure in the glad sunshine that crept under the awning of the Lindell. "A Texas norther, my inquiring friend, is an extremely damp and disagreeable wetness that 'crawls up out of the hole where the north pole used to be and swoops down upon the sometimes sunny southland at a Nancy Hanks gait, catching you with your mosquito-bar under-clothes on and your overcoat in soak. It is more penetrating than ammonis, and requires but ten seconds to work its way to the most secret recesses of a fat man's soul and cause him to regard the orthodox hell of fire as the one thing 'in all the world most to be desired. When a norther has the victim in its grip he feels that he has a combination of buck ague and congestive childs. It is the custom in Texas not to make a fire until some-body freezes to death. It would be a slam on 'the most delightful climate on earth.' Few houses built prior to the war had any provisions for heating. The custom was when a norther announced itself to keep piling on coats until it got discouraged and pave up the contest. That custom is still generally followed. Northern people regard this eccentricity of the Texas climate with extreme disgust. They go down there expecting to find ten months of summer and two months of early fall weather; to revel in the glad sunshine and to inhale the unctuous perfume of finagnolia buds all the year. They get into their picnic clothes and send their heavy weights to friends back home to be given to the poor or packed away in camphor. Just about that time a norther arrives and, for three days, they long to go to Manitoba to get warth."

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One of the strongest productions arising from modern conditions is the popular song. Somebody, in a theater or concert hall, nowadays will sing a song that "catches," and the first thing we know it is on the lips of thousands of people and is heard from one end of the nation to the other. In the last few years this musical phenomenon has grown more and more marked and more remarkable. The singular part of it all is the fact that, almost without exception, these songs wholly lack merit of either melody or sentiment. Once in a while, as in the case of "Annie Rooney," the music will be good, but usually it is simply a catchy jingle with no worth or real beauty at all. Think of the sir of "McGinty." Think of this ballad of "After the Ball." Any man who would hum the wretched and silly words of the thing would naturally strike the arrangement of notes by the writing of which Mr. Harrison has guined popularity such as no great poot ever knew in the history of the world. It is an inexplicable phenomenon. If the song touched any response of tender feeling, we could understand the miracle. But, it is not so. The author catches the fag end of some trivial and commonplace phase of feeling, and then raves over it in bad meter and commonplace words, and the nation fairly howls with delight. There must be a good deal of truth in the old theory of the French cynic that the masses love the commonplace because the excellent is an insult to the r intelligence.—[Minneapolis Commercial.

Governing Children.

It is scarcely too much to say that al-It is scarcely too much to say that armost as many children are spoiled by too
much government as by too little. As
between the two courses, the child that
is judiciously let alone is much better off
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With naturally good impulses, the youngster, unless brought up in solitude and
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likely to develop a not objectionable. with selfish instincts and habits, is fairly likely to develop a not objectionable character. Continual contact with playfellows of his own age and condition brings out the manly and independent characteristics, and if there is freedom from irritation at home, there is little to few-from the average youth. He goes out light of heart and free from annoyances, and all the world looks bright to him. But the child who goes from home with a mind warped and a temper soured by perpetual fault-finding and bickering is in a mood to take all things ill. He goes about with a metaphorical chip on his shoulder, and there is little wonder if he gets into all sorts of trouble.

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An experienced teacher used to say that he could tell the children who lived unhappily at home. They were much more troublesome at school and were almore troublesome at school and were al-most always on the alert for slights and offences, and far more difficult to con-trol than the children who came from happy and peaceable families.—[New York Ledger.

"Do you know, Mabel, I had two offers of marriage last week."

Mabel—My darling Anne! I am so delighted. Then it is really true that your uncle left you all his money?"

Yachting costumes for women are far more stylish than nautical.

Smithville, in the live and literal county of Lee, Get has a breas band of some years esselling. And this is the story which the yillage newspaper tells of it: "A flagmen, almost out of breath, rushed into the Academy of Music here the other night while the Smithville Brass Band was presitteding and asked to see the leader. He said that when the south-bound passenger train, which is due here at '!15 p. m., got near enough to hear the band the engine pulling the train suddenly became unmanageable and stopped dead still listened as moment, gave a short and unearthly shriek, reversed itself and took the back track for Macon in regular Nancy Hanks style. As soon as it got out of hearing of the band it stopped, and a flagman was ent ahead to ask the boys to cease playing until they could get it through town. Now, any engine that won't pass through the city while our brass band is playing is a freak of the first water and should be sidetracked and left for the rust to devour. For sweet, heavenly music give us brass bands and bull frogs."

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There are said to be but 450 words the Chinese language, all monovilabic. These, with different acsyllabic. These, with different accents and intonations, are expanded to 1 250 words. Each word has into 1,250 words. Each word has many different meanings, some as many as 40. Pare and Wholesome Quality

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