SOMETHING LIKE AN APOLOGY.

The editor of a Western paper once gave a notice of a ball, and happened inche a ball, and happened inche dancing of Major Heeler's better half was like "the cavorting of a fly-bitten cow in a field of cucumbers." The fact that the editor had not been invited to the ball may somewhat detract from the value of the simile, while at the same time it accounts for his establishing the figure. The major, accompanied by the better half and the best of the same time it accounts for his establishing the figure. The major, accompanied by the better half and the best of the control of the major, accompanied by the better half and the best of the figure of the paper of the major, accompanied by the better half and the control of the paper of the pa

corner—
"Can't you see I'm looking for that cow?" A REAL CENTENARIAN— The aloc.

## FACETIÆ.

STRANGE that game should be so dear when the efforts of every sportsman are directed to "bring it down!"

HINTS FOR SPORTS-MEN.

Always lay in a good stock of ammunition, as some birds take a deal of killing.

When a discover your beautiful and the provided of the provided and the provided and the bird become most friendly, for then the you wouldn't hit it.

If there are two or more, always all fire at once, as the bird may get confused, and you then stand a better chance. (X. B.—Mix a little salt with your powder if you aim at the fall of the birds and the provided and

bird.)
Should you both happen to hit a bird (of course you would not, because it's very cowardly to hit any thing that isn't your own size), and any dispute arises, always tear the bird in half, which is by far the fairest way.

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You will find clay so very invigorating. By-the-way, always get a good thick coating on your bloots: it looks business-loc course, being game, you will find them very plucky and playful. Always encourage them.
Above all, never return empty-handed.

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A Western paper says that the first duty of the Grangers is to extinguish every orato with 100 me.

I have a strength of the good fortune to be a farmer, but I have always felt the most profound interest in the truly noble and predominant pursuit of agriculture, and never was that interest greater than now."

The Teetotale's Groo—Animal spirits and water.

An oyster leads a placid life until he gets into a stew.

NEW BOOKS.

How to Dress on a Hundred Dollars a Year as a Lady. How to Discover.

By a Lady.

In press, shortly to be published, uniform with the above, How to Dress on Nothing a Year as a Caffre. By a Caffre.



TURNING WATER INTO MILK, ORANGE COUNTY FASHION.



SHAMEFUL NEGLIGENCE.

YOUNG SPROUTS (in dismay). "I say; look here. Haug me if you haven't Shaved One Side of my Mustache off!"
BARBER. "I beg your pardon, Sir; but when I was a-taking off your Whisker I must have done it without noticing."

Not itan the could see, even now, that there was any mustache on the other side, but it wouldn't have done to say so, you know

A correspondent wants to know who wrote the poem ommencing "Our country's lyres are mute." We do to know, but that line suggests the thought that if ar country's liars were also mute, it would be a con-ummation most devouity to be wished.

A LABORING BARK—An Esquimau dog (in a sledge).

Another paper has felt itself called upon to correct an error of the types. It says, "For one of the worst of men, read one of the wisest."

A man who rode in the same railway carriage with a bridal couple fifty miles heard her call him "dear Charles" just five hundred and eighteen times.



TURNING A MAN INTO A STONE JUG, POLICE FASHION.

A bridal procession was four hours passing a given point. The point was a breakfast-table.

MARINE UNDERTAKERS-Sharks.

Lightning recently struck a telegraph pole, and ran along the wire into the office at Coatsville, Indiana, when the operator, seated at the instrument, excitedly telegraphed back, "Don't send so fast!"



How to take Starch out of a Boy.

The first postal card received in Aberdeen was marked private.

At what season did Eve eat the apple ?—Early in the fall.



When is a baby not a baby?—When it's a tea-thing.

A Waterbury man has christened his daughter Glycerine. He says it will be easy to prefix "Nitro," if her temper resembles her mother's.

And finally, how to turn your Mother-in-Law into a lot of Agricultural Implements.



STRINGENCY OF THE MONEY MARKET.

WAITER. "Stop a minute, Boss, you Forgot to Pay for your Dinner." Mr. PILGARLE. "No, no, my Friend, I didn't Forget. Fact is, I've been from ne end of Wall Street to the other, and can't raise a Cent."

BY THE SEA-SIDE. By the sad sea-shore at eve I stand, Holding on to my hat with one hand.

The sun has sunk 'neath the silvery sea; The autumn breeze blows a cold to me.

Why do I linger so late alone?— There's a charm for me in yon wave-washed stone Long years ago, when my life was young, In the golden time that poets have sung,

Together we sat on that stone so wet— How sharp it was I remember yet! I asked her, "Lucy, you'll be my wife? Darling, I love you far more than life."

And then she answered, "I am so vexed, But I'm to be married, this month or next. "I should have told you....Always a friend.. I'd no idea...." So on to the end.

Soon were you married, my love, my dear; And soon your husband found out, I hear,

That you had a temper: and he—ah, well, How much you try him no words can tell. No wonder I love, by the sounding sea, The place where Lucy said "No" to me.

To Hunting Men.—Look well before you leap, and as well as you can after.

Puzzle for Foreigners studying English.—I take the orphans' part—never touch their portion.

"On one occasion," says a correspondent, "we were entering the tunnel of a railway. The lamps were not trimmed and burning, and when in the tunnel we were as much in the dark as an ignorant newsboy attempting to read a page of Sanserit. In front of me was a young couple; and by their devoted attention to each other I concluded that they were not married, or if married, were wedded to somebody else than themselves. The gentleman was reading a newspaper; the lady was busy with a novel, and giving an experiment of the tunnel it was so dark that you could not see any thing. I heard a struggle. There seemed to be a dislocation of hair, accompanied by a shower of hair-pins. The gentleman's hat fell to the floor, and I heard his paper crush. You would have imagined that a whole flock of school-girls had met another flock of school-girls from whom they had been separated at least six months. By-and-by the train came out of the tunnel. The gentleman was reading his newspaper; the lady was reading her book; all was phenomenon? I am inclined to think it was connected with spiritualism and the dark séance business."



"ONE TOUCH OF NATURE MAKES THE WHOLE WORLD KIN." A HEAVY SEA-STUDY OF A FRENCHMAN AND A GERMAN.