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Jesus philosophy was to let the body done and attend to the elevation of ur thoughts.—Rev. F. E. Mason. There is in the nature of man a de-ire for immortality. It is impossible or a natural desire to be in vain.— trchbishop Williams.

NO USE

I can't take plain cod-liver oil. Doctor says, try it. He might as well tell me to melt lard or butter and try to take them. It is too rich and will upset the stomach. But you can take milk or cream so you can take

It is like cream; but will ed and nourish when cream ill not. Babies and children will thrive and grow

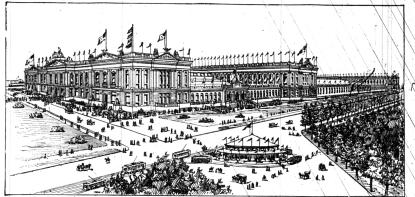
will not. Babies and chill-X dren will thrive and grow a fat on it when their ordinary food does not nourish them. Persons have been known to gain a pound a day when taking an counce of Socis Emulsion, it gets the digestive machinery in working order so that the ordinary food is properly digested and assimilated.

D. Duan is cutting all his meadows PHILADELPHIA EXPOSITION

year-thing will be on view and the year-thing will be on view and the year throats already made in the commerce of foreign sountries by our manufacturers will be increased. In addition to this great display of goods made in the little state there will be samples of the goods made in England, formany and Prance while sell read-formany and Prance while sell read-formany and Prance while sell read-formany and the competition of foreign manufacturers. There will also be a department of the exposition which will illustrate the methods in which will be labeled, packed and shipped so as to readily sell in foreign continuous the properties of the commercial centers of the world, representatives of foreign governments, boards of trade, chambers of commerce, and business men's you want to atuly American manufactured for commerce, and business men's you want to atuly American manufactured for commerce, and business men's you want to atuly American manufactured for commerce, and business were held in the foreign merchants ever held in the united States and is expected to be

"OLD PARIS" AT THE FAIR.

aris of the seventeenth and eenth centuries, says the New Mail and Express. The idea is produce streets of the time of XIII. and XIV, and to people with the costumes and dresses of period. The "Old Raris" on piles and will from the cost of the time of the the cost of the time of the the cost of the time of the the time of time of the time o



to make creditable displays. All the money necessary for the erection of the buildings and maintenance of the exposition has been raised and its success is assured. The exposition grounds will cover 70 acres and will be laid out in an artistic manner. The buildings will be novel in construction, massive and beautiful. The main building will cover eight acres ground at There will be over 200,000 aquare feet of exhibition space in this building in addition to a beautiful auditorium with a seating capacity of 5,000.

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The manufacturers of agricultural implements took hold of the exposition with such vigor and applied for so much space that it became necessary to erect a special building for this class of exhibits. This will be 1694506 feet in size and in it will be displayed every description of farm implements and machiners for the proper display of windsizes for the proper display of the windsizes and will only to foreign turned unusual opportunities for the showing of the ments of goods, not only to foreign buyers but also to the thousands who will finck from all parts of the country. American manufactures and addition to the many detached structures for special exhibits, there will be a transportation building in which will be shown locomotives, freight and passenger cars, electric cars, augmonths, etc.

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made, the pope would be regarded at the Austrian, German and other courts as the chaplain of the king of Italy.

CRANE AS A CORRESPONDENT.

Richard Harding Davis Writes of His

Absolute Fearlessness.

Near the close of the war a group of correspondents in Porto Rico made
out a list of the events which, in their
opinion, were of the greatest news
value during the campaign, and a list
each had witnessed credited to his
name, says Richard Harding Davis in
Harper's Magazine. Judged from this
hads, Mr. Crane casily led all the rest.
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better done. His story of the marine
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visitors, taking food from their hinds. The correct thing to do seems to be to feed oranges, which are devouered whole, the diversion heing mutual, as the orange presents a remarkable appearance as it passes down the long form of the bird.

The commercial side of the industry not without interest. Birds are sold is not without interest: Birds are sold to circues and shows; the eggs bring \$1 apices as curiosities; the feathers are made into boas, which range from \$1 to \$155; capes, ranging from \$16 to \$25; fans, tipe, single plumes, collarettes and other objects, suggestive that sourch farming must be a profitable business; indeed, in South Africa II was at one time ranked next to that of the diamond in point of value.

My Lady's Sawing Screen.
A delightful decorative and useful note in my lady's morning room is the sawing screen, a gracious little affair combining all the comforts of thread basket, pincushion, needle case, work bag, catch-all and table. One such screen, which graces the bedroom oner it the home of a busy little housewife, is fashioned of yellow denim and an every really carried out in any color by a pair of clever hands. The framework, which consists of two leaves eighteen inches wide, is about three feet high and is covered from the