The villa in which Gustave Flaubert wrote his celebrated story of "Madame Bovary" has just been sold by the heirs to his estate for 100,000f. It is situated on the banks of the Seine, near Rouen, and was built in the reign of Louis XV.

Vatican authorities have decided that in all grand pontifical ceremonies the Grand Master of the Order of Malta shall rank with Princes of royal blood. The question has been long in dispute, and was referred by Leo XVIII. to a special commission for settlement. This commission holds that the Order of Malta is sovereign, and therefore of the same rank as the temporal powers.

There is a Jewish Rabbi in Galicia who lays claim to power in working miracles, and certain Continental newspapers are amusing themselves over a serious difficulty in which he has recently got himself. At Czernowitz he went into a tailor's shop and "caused a new overcoat to take a walk with him." He was looked up for this transgression, and is called upon to work the miracle of getting himself out of jail.

One of the earliest and rarest things that Dickens wrote recently found its way into the book market, and the prices for which it was thrice sold will illustrate the circumstances which change the value of such literary curiosities. The work was "Three Ways of Spending Sunday, by Timothy Snarks." It was originally purchased by a Manchester book-seller for 3d. He sold it afterward for £6 15s., and it has since been disposed of for £8 8s.

The remains of Joseph Severn are soon to be removed from their obscure place in the new cemetery at Rome and placed near the spot in the old one where lie those of Keats, whose faithful friend Severn was. The stone to be placed above it will be exactly like the one at the grave of Keats, and will stand at its side, one hedge and railing having been planned to surround them both. Behind the graves a memorial tablet will be set up to commemorate still further the friendship of these men.

The East Indian Prince of Gondal is about to marry—possibly ere this has married, for the precise date of this event is not named in the report—seven maiden daughters of men who are high in favor at his court. Seven days will be consumed in the several ceremonies, and each bride of the preceding day will be present at the wedding festival of her rival. Each bride receives the same presents in jewelry and dresses, and has her apartments arranged like those of her companions. None of the seven has yet completed her fifteenth year.

Kangaroos in crowded multitudes still endanger the prosperity of certain districts in New South Wales. Near Tamworth, where they have long been great nuisances, a traveler recently saw such enormous numbers in a district something over a hundred miles square that he believes there...