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Personal Mention.

Wm. McKay went to Harbor Springs Tuesday.

Otto Moyer returned from Kalkaska Wednesday.

Wm. Gilbert is reported under the doctor's care.

F. M. Severance went to Petoskey on business Tuesday.

Eugene Bowen returned to his home in Whitewater, Wis., Tuesday. Sheriff W. J. Pearson was up from

Charlevoix on official business Friday, A. H. Frost expects to leave Monday for his winter home in in Califor-

Mr. and Mrs. John Hanson and the few days with friends. baby came down from Hitchcock Fri

Miss Glyde McHale returned Monday from an extended visit in Loraine,

C. train Tuesday morning enroute for Bowen's Addition Wednesday.

Miss Maine Spencer went to Dig Rapids Thursday to attend the funeral of a friend.

Mrs. A. J. Suffern and daughter Fay came up from Charlevoix Wednesday to visit friends.

Secretary M. H. Robertson of the nouse. Flooring Co. went to Buffalo on busi ness Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Foy returned Thursday evening from a six weeks s journ at the Soo.

D. Crothers came down from Levering Thursday evening to spend A few days with his fami y. Mrs. W. II. Porter had the misfer-

tune to fall and fracture a bone in her hip on Friday of last week. Clark Haire and wife, of Deward, were in town Thursday. Mrs. Haire

spent the day visiting our schools. Sam Ramsey was called to Cass City Tuesday by a telegram announc-

ing the serious illness of his brother. Chas. Hughes returned to East Jordan Wednesday after an absence of s veral months in the West, having

been in British Columbia recently. Jus, Milford and family came over from Springvale Saturday. Jas. returned the nexu day but Mrs. M. and the children will visit relatives and friends here until after the holidays.

Mrs. W. A. Stone is reported to be in the postoffice.

in town Shursday.

D. C. Loveday was in Charlevoix business Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. D. Crothers entertained a number of her friends Tuesday evening.

Mrs. C. S. Pinney and daughter Mabel went to Central Lake Tuesday to visit friends.

Miss Cora Lorraine was, confined to her room several days the first of the week by illness.

Ira D. Bartlett departed for Springvale Sunday, where he is spending "a

Erwin Wilder has been joined by his fally equipped. wife and family who came up from

Grand Rapids Tuesday. Mrs. A. D. Joels was thrown from a

sleigh and sustained a fracture of the tation and By-Laws may be made at Mrs. W. H. Marshall took the D. & collar bone when turning a corner on any regular meeting by a two-thirds

Capt. Jos. Bennett, an inmate of the county house, was convicted of assault and battery in Justice Boosinger's without provocation, he struck Jno. Dixon, a fellow inmate at the county

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School Notes.

reserve constructor constructor lay vacation, reopening Jan. 4th.

Arthur Warne returned to School Monday after a short illness,

Mr. Tice has just finished reading to Drummond's Essay on "The Great company may decide by a two thirds Things in the World" to the High

The Juniors and Seniors enjoyed a sleigh ride on Thursday evening of fast pending, or until all fines, dues, penalweek, Ditto. Ninth and Tenth grades Mouday last.

Lucile Boosinger returned to school Monday after spending a few days with her grandparents in Lansing.

Mae Suffern of the lifth, and Charlie or excused, Johnson of the fourth grade are on the sick list this week

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the Literary Society Wednesday evening, Dec. 16th. An interesting program has been arranged. Come and hear the debate. Admission 10c.

WHY TRAVELING IS DANGEROUS. Constant motion jars the kidneys which are kept in place in the body by delicate attachments. This is the reason that travelers, train-men, street car men, teamsters, and all who drive very much, suffer from kidney disease of some form. Foley's Kidney Cure strengthens the kidneys and cures all forms of kidney and bladder disease. Geo. H. Hausen, locomotive engineer, Lima, O., writes, "Constant vibration of the engine caused me a great deal of troub's with my kidneys, and I got no relief until I used Foley's Kidney

Constitution and By-Laws of Hose

Company No. 1. (Concluded from eighth-page.)

Sec. 4. When special meetings are called, notices thereof shall be placed by the Secretary at least twenty-four hours previous to the time of meeting.

Sec. 5. The meetings, of the com-W. H. Fealey, of Thumb Lake, was pany shall be governed by Parliamentary Rules as laid down in the "Firemen's Companion" (published by Cairns & Bro., New York.)

Sec. 6. Seven members shall constit ite a quorum at any regular or special meeting.

Sec. 7. Individual notices shall be sent out for the annual business meeting.

ARTICLE VIII.

PARADES AND DRILLS. Sec 1. There shall be a street pa-

rade of the company each year, at such lime as the company may fix, in which each active member shall participate.

ARTICLE IX.

AMENDMENTS. Sec. 1. Amendments to this Constivote of the members present.

ARTICLE X.

AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Sec. 1. An auditing committee concourt Friday afternoon and sentenced sisting of thace members shall be apto sixty days in the county jail. The pointed by the President at the annuoffense was committed Nov. 23d when at meeting, who shall examin and audit all bills presented before the same shall be voted on by the company, and shall examine and audit the Secretary's and Treasurer's accounts at least one For fine Christmas goods at low week previous to the annual meeting, and report in writing at that meeting.

BY-LAWS. ARTICLE 1.

FINE.

Sec. 1 For becoming intoxicated when on duty, or distributing spiriti . ous liquors about the appartus, actual. members, one dollar; Chief, Captain. and Lieutenant three dollars. For entering the hose house in a state of intoxication or introducing any one in that state, one dollar. For leaving the ranks on parade or drill, or when at a fire .. ithout permission of commanding officer, one dollar. For non-attendance at regular company meeting without a reasonable excuse, twenty-five cents. For non-attendance at an annual meeting, twenty-five cents.

ARTICLE 11.

SUSPENSIONS AND EXPULSIONS. Sec. 1. Any member may; by a two third's vote of the entire membership, be removed from the office or expelled, from the company; for neglecting attendence upon the meet ngs and fire: for six months; for violation of these articles; for a breach of trust; improper conduct; or the non-payment of lines. dues and assessments for six months.

Sec. 2. All charges against a memer must be presented in writing, at a regular meeting, signed by one or two members, and shall be referred to a committee appointed by the President for investigation, and the Secretary shall notify the accused of the action School closes Dec. 18th for the Holi- of the company and furnish him with a copy of the charges. The committee shall render a report on the case at the next regular meeting, when the accused may be expelled, censured, fined or reduced to the ranks, as the

Sec. 3. No resignation of a member shall be accepted while charges are ties and assessments are paid, and he return his ke**y.**

Sec. 4. Resignations shall be made in writing, and if approved by a majority shall be accepted; provided all dues. tines and assess aents have been paid

ARTICLE IV.

Sec. 1. The Secretary shall call the roll at every regular or special meeting, company drills, parade, fire, or alarm. Sec. 2. Roll shall be called at alarms as follows: If apparatus is rolled from

the house and five members are present. If the apparatus has not been used, then the roll shall not be called until it has been housed ten minutes, but if duly has been performed, then it may be called as soon as housed and tose properly cared for.

ARTICLE V.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Reading of minutes of proceed-regular and special meeting, half call. Collection of fines and dues.

Reports of officers and commit

Election of members.

Proposition for membership.

Unfinished business.

New business. Ricction of officers

10. Anything for the good of the

11. Adjournment.

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Quality First o All - - Our Motto.

call for yourself to be convinced.

CHAPTER IV.-Continued.

"My dear James," interrupted Mr. Burritt, hastily, "you must know very well that it isn't that. But the truth of the matter is, t've a great aversion to firearms. Still, if you will assure me that the weapon isn't loaded,

"I'll assure you of that or anything else that will add to your peace of was the somewhat equivocal reply. "At any rate, it isn't loaded now; and, what is more, I will also give you my word that I will not attempt to blow out my brains during the journey—or," he added, as a sort of afterthought, "anyone else's."

When Mr. Burritt and his friend arrived at the station, the latter took a considerable amount of trouble to a separato compartment dhemselves-in fact. Mr. Burritt rather fancted he saw him give something to the guard, who thereupon locked the door upon them, and consigned them to solitude.

The carriage in question, it may be worth remembering, was the fourth From the engine.

"I wonder," thought Mr. Burritt to Limself as the train steamed out of the station, "which is the pocket he carries the revolver in?" Then his thoughts wandered away from the actual present. II suppose I shall find them all-right at home. Dear, dear, anyone would think I had been away What an old fogey I'm get-By-the-by, I wonder what James is thinking about? he looks uncommonly gloomy. I wish he'd say something instead of staring out of the window in stony stlence. Somehow, one doesn't like the notion of riding alone with a man who has shed another man's blood, especially when he carries a revolvor. wonder whether he's thinking of that, or

If Mr. Burritt could have read what

past, he was merely repeating over

and over to himself the words which

the former had spoken only a few

hours before-"The secret lies be-

tween us two! The secret lies be-

CHAPTER V.

The 4:30 Train.

ordered for a quartor to eight, in or-

der to suit the convenience of the trav-

ready, though I've generally consid-

ered the second best good enough for

a single gentleman, and I suppose he

is a single gentleman. But for all

"Here they are!" suddenly cried her

daughter May, who was watching from

the window.
"Well, it's too late to make any

change now," sighed her parent, half

relieved at having the matter sum-

marily settled; "and perhaps he won't

notice the crack. I do hope my cap is

erably out of the perpendicular; but

as it happened, its lack of rectitude

was, in this instance, of no particular

consequence, for the alarm proved

false, and the cab, which had at first

appeared as though about to draw up

before the house, resumed its snail

The said cap was, as usual, consid-

mind concerning the soap dish.

Dinner at Magnolia Lodge had been

tween us two!"

about that hour.

on straight!"

pealing to her son. "I suppose there's no mistake about the day? Your dear father didn't mean to-morrow?'

Her son produced the telegram, which he had about him, and repeated the contents aloud:

"Am returning to-day by the 4:30 train. Shall be home to dinner. Friend accompanies me."

"Well, I'm sure I don't know what to do about it," exclaimed the poor lady, almost wringing her hands.

"Hadn't you better go and speak to cook yourself?" said her son, making the proposal without the slightest comprehension of what it involved.

suppose I had," murmured his mother; "very well, Jane, you can say I'm coming." And she left the room, leaving the young people together.

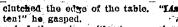
"Aren't you tired of standing, May?" asked her brother, addressing the girl, who had scarcely varied her attitude an inch in the last half hour.
"Tired!" she exclaimed, half turn-

ing round. "What has that got to do with it? I want to be the first to sec Then she added, what you meant to say, a little while ago, when you began 'I wish,' and stopped."

"Why," he answered gloomily, "I was going to say I wish the governor had never started on this journey; though," he added, in a hurry, course he's all right-missed the train or else there's a block on the line, or something-only-" He broke without bringing his sentence to a conclusion, and asked, "Was that

what you wished, too?" "I!" she exclaimed, she exclaimed, "I wish that and more. I wish he had never had that letter. I wish his friend, whoever he is had never come back from where he was."

"Oh, come, now." was the would-be comforting response, "now you're going ahead too far. Of course, it's vexing and all that; but, after all, the was passing in his companion's mind, only thing that will really suffer will he would have been amazed to find be the dinner, and that won't be fit



And the voice without, now close to their very gates, made itself plainly heard, as it shouted out the latest bul

'Spechul hedishun! Hevenin' Stand-'Orrible railway haccident! Over twenty killed and hinjured. The fourthirty from Dover wrecked by a down train carryin' petroleum barrels! The line on fire. Horful scenes! 'Artrendin' details!'

CHAPTER VI.

The Search for a Father. What happened after this no one ever knew exactly. Before Mrs. Burritt had begun to grasp the idea that something was wrong, her son had rushed from the room.

After what seemed an age of wait ing, but was really a very short time, he returned. In his hand he held a copy of the newspaper which he had just bought. "Mother," he said, put ting a strong restraint upon himself. "I am afraid there has been an accident on the line. You mustn't be alarmed, for though some people have been injured, there is no reason why my father should not have escaped, and very likely the affair has been greatly exaggerated."

"Ted," said his sister, in a voice almost as calm as his own, though her face had lost every particle of color, and seemed to have suddenly become years older, "Let us know the worst!" And she held out her hand for the paper.

"The worst!" he answered, with sound like a strangled sob in his voice, "Why should there be any worst? And as for the paper," crumpling it up in his hand, "you can't place the slightest dependence upon that. I'm-I'm going up to town by the next train, so as to be on the spot. and-

"He may be hurt in some way, you know," he added, slowly, by way ofpreparing their minds for whatever might be the result. "He may have come off with a broken leg, or something of that sort. You can hardly expect him to have got off scot free. But whatever it is, 'Im going to find him out and bring him back home her to sit near her. Take care of mother"-this to his sister-and he was gone.

he found himself confronted by the who sat by her, and while he sadly. "You will do your best—but I have no hope—none!"

into the first carriage he came to. Then he took out the paper which he those others at home, and began to terrible announcement which it contained.

(To be continued.)

As She Understood It.

He was telling a poker story, but he only caught this sentence: "And the only caught this sentence: then, of course, I called, and-She interrupted him reproachfully

and also with some asperity. "I've caught you, John Henry," she exclaimed. "Here I've been trying to get you to call on the Joneses for the last three months, and you wouldn't do it—said you didn't like to make, calls, then you go out and make ong by yourself, or else you go calling with someone else. Yes; that must be it? What is she, John Henry? Who is this person who can get you to make calls when you won't make them with your wife?'

John Henry looked at his masculing friends and winled slyly.
"Shall I tell her?" he asked.

"Might as well," they said. "In this case," he then told her,

three ladies induced me to call.'

you came across them in the pack and reviewing his mistake and advis-you would probably call them queens. In himself to be more cautious.

St. Peter Remembered. poor son of Erin died and wat lauded as a very good man by all hit neighbors. Arriving at The Gate he found his way barred by Saint Peter. "Before ye can enter," says Sain! Peter, "will ye tell me ye are not guilty of any great sin?

am not," said Paddy. "Think again," said Saint Peter,

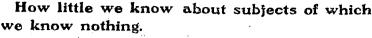
"Well," says Paddy, thinking hard, I remember once using bad language over an ould rooster we had."

Peter, "and yez can't come in." before he had gone for Saint Peter study baby's nest, clothes and surrecalled him.

"I've been thinking," said Saint Peter, "and I think yo must have had care of baby." The next friend you great provocation, and that your land meet may know something of great guage was perhaps excusable. Ye can use to you and baby, but you do not come in. I remember, I once had know what that information is: neith-

The Kitchen Range. A fine housekeeper says since paint

wiping off.





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When Wondering Hindered Winning. A man was standing at one end of a treet car and a lady was standing at the other end.

There was one vacant seat and the conductor called the lady's attentionto it, but she preferred to remain where she was.

The vacant seat was between two ladies, and one of these ladies sat next to a man.

The other lady by the vacant seat bried to get the lady by the man to move next to her so that the man who was standing could sit down by the man who was seated.

The lady next to the man did not move, though the other lady pulled her by the sleeve and motioned for

In place of sitting down between the two ladies the man began to won-But before he could leave the house, der if the lady who would not move while his hand was yet upon the latch, could be the sister or wife of the man "Good-bye," she said, slowly and, wondering another man back of him came forward and took the seat. Then the man who was standing soon saw He caught a train which was on the the lady about whom he was wondervery point of starting, and leaped ing get off from the car alone. Would some men hesitate to ait between two ladies just because a person by mohad kept so carefully from the sight of tion without words had hinted that it might be better to sit between a man more earnestly the brief but and a lady than between two ladies?

Dictionary-Directory.

An office man came in and asked the manager for the dictionary. The manager opened his eyes and

said. "Dictionary!" Then the office man corrected himself and explained that he meant di-

rectory. The office man made the same error several times, then began to hunt for cause and cure.

In his youth he had been a frequent user of a dictionary about the size of the directory which occasionally he horrowed of the manager.

When he wanted the directory he wanted a big book and his voice was used to saying dictionary. As he started to borrow the dirce-

tory he would begin to think of other cubjects and uno-resciously let his roice box work without the attention of his head. When the voice box is left to man-

age itself it follows the path of least resistance or previoes ways due to

He conquered this to him an easy "Yes; but," he hastened to add, "if error by talking it over with himself

We are able to form habits of cau-It was a great joke—his masculine that the friends assured him of that—but he hasn't succeeded in explaining the irg at it. You try telling yourself that matter to his wife's satisfaction yet. You had better watch yourself when —Chicago Post. may find it quite a help to your memory and better indement.

Best Way to Find Truth. Bables are cared for in many cases just as well as the mother knows how to, yet in these very cases the babies often suffer much. What should be done? Good books on baby science reach a few. Scattered articles in poriodicals reach many more. who read do not apply because they do not see the practical side. Some I never think of putting into practice "That was a great sin," said Saint the aseful things found while reading, Here is one plan: Paddy turned sorrowfully away, but know more. Study self, study baby, roundings. Do not experiment mucl, but fall in love with "taking better trouble with the same sort of bird or does your friend. The only way to find unknown useful truth is to ask questions and exchange valuable knowledge at every opportunity with everyone you can

A father found his daughter's desh clock stopped and when he asked her paints her stove with it. The stove if she would like it started she said looks like new, does not rust and she would. He wound it up, looked at needs no cleaning except dusting and, his watch and set the minute hand, but forgot to set the hour hand. As he set it down he glanced at it again There are 26,600 French in Great error-it was just four hours slow. Britain and Ireland, more than three. His auditing glance took no time-no fourths of the number being in Lon oxtra time—as he did it while replacdon. The business most followed ing the timeplece, and his doing it among these is cooker. As Buglish saved his work on it and he is more laundresses are prized in France, so cautions than ever, which means in-French cooks are valued in England, created personal skill.



Having given a city daily some ideas on the cost of mistakes, from which a reporter made a half-page article. I offered to give another daily newspaper in the same town some other ideas on the same subject.

The editor met my offer with skep Miburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale ticism, cynioism and ill-will. My eyes by all dealers, price 50 cents per box. began to open and I was just on the point of offering the editor a definition of his manners when I recalled the belief for my private benefit that it is better for both to overcome evil large building at Christiana, Sweden, with good than for me to be a party performed a striking act of heroism to a bi-blunder. The one who gets the other day. A serious fire broke engry generally gets left. I declared out in the building, and some people my earnestness and insisted that my in the upper stories were cut off from subjects were mutually useful.

writer, I was introduced, an appoint, the top through the flames and smoke, ment made, the interview given and a succeeding in rescuing all the imprisvery readable column prepared.

City reprinted the article and a gen- the machinery fell with a crash from eral passenger agent of a Western the top of the house. railroad reprinted it for his employes.

structed on my own subject by reading my own ideas presented to the public by the man whom the editor called.

a critic and leaving him in a mutually er; neither does she have a wedding uzly manner? I think it is because I cake nor any festive going away after believe in leaving people in a way to the eeremony. go back to them without any hesitancy any time I wish to do so.

Why the Sisters Changed Scats. Miss Little and her big sister and

their mother were near me at a recent. evening service. The speaker's voice was not at its

est and his subject was heavy. Soon Miss Little's head fell into her sister's But the youthful brain rested about

as easily as the head that wears a crown. In a few minutes Mirs Little coaxed

her dister to change chairs with her so she could sit next to her mother. Then the little brain found rest and peace and I caught an element of pop-

had on no wrap, and she was more interester in the program than in Miss

Little's personal comforts. The mother was large and fieshy and had on a fur coat, and she knew that the tired head would have been better off in bed than there but the next thing to a bed for Miss Little was to be within the arm and against the heart of her best friend.

Popularity is due to reputation physical stability and warmth, and an interest in the personal comforts of others. I know of elderly people near whom I study to be, at every opportunity, because there is sunshine in their souls.

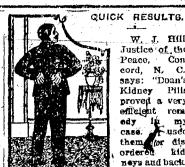
The Angel Wing Hat Girl.

We had a picture frame which contained a picture we did not admire, though when I purchased it it was an ornament which you may have admired at first, but soon tire of. remarks of an observer was regarding the hat of a little girl which hung down her back in a way to resemble an angel's wing. The artist may not have intended any such resemblance and my attention had to be called to it before I noticed it. When you see something useful or interesting and new to you, please call my attention to it, because I may never see it except through your instruction. If you read something in a newspaper and want to cut it out for your own scrappook or collection, tell me where to buy it for my readers and my own personal benefit.

Hot Air for Melons

One of my neighbors has a melon watch and for two years the cold sum mers bave made it nearly a failure. As I go by it L have a chance every day to see the green balls on the ground and think of various things Certain men, as well as melops, need 'hot air,' as nothing else appears to be able to bring them out of their sluggishness. There is a place in this world for the enthusiast who does nothing but talk, for the animation of hearers and the benefit of sleepy ones. A great many people could have their ability increased ten, twenty or thirty cent by absorbing some enthusiasm of the enthusiast.

Value of Recorded information. When a person dies, a vast smount of practical and highly valuable information is lost if unrecorded. Mach of it may be and often is recorded in someone's memory, but the choicest wisdom is lost. One may will his body to science, but rarely will one reveal experiences which are generally supposed to be dishonorable. Hardly one in a million will try to prevent! suffering by any such method.



W. J. Mill, Justice of the Peace, Concord, N. says: "Doan's Kidney proved a very efficient rom in my used Case. them ofor kidneys and back-

ache which I had experienced a great deal of trouble and pain. The kidney se cretions were very irregular, dark colored and full of sediment. The Pills cleared it all up and I have not had an ache in my back since taking the last dose. My health generally is improved a great deal." Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale

Young Woman's Heroism.

Agatha Andresen, a young woman employed as a lift attendant in a escape and screamed for help. Twice Then the editor called a skillful the young woman took the clevator to oned people. A minute or two after One of the best papers in New York she had descended for the last time

many of my friends spoke about being interested in it.

Newspapers here and there are reprinting that article and individuals are borrowing my copy to read. That skillful writer clothed my ideas better than I was able to and I was instructed on my own subject by read-

Bridal Costumes in Spain.

In Spain a bride has no girl attendants to stand at the altar with her, Is not all this better than criticising but instead a "madrina", or sodmoth-

> The wedding pair depart quietly to their new home, where they remain until the following day, when they start on their honeymoon. Before departing they pay a formal visit to their respective relatives.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold Lexative Brome Quinine Tablets. Price %...

WITTY NOTE BROUGHT PEACE.

Young Couple Reconciled as Result of Father's Diplomacy.

merchant whose daughter had married a man with whom it proved that she could not get on very will. was much surprised some weeks was much surprised some weeks ago to see the young lady return home again with all her belongings. The plarits, and began analyzing condi-again with all her belongings. old man listened very attentively to The big sister was tall and slim and her story, and then went to his desk and wrote a note to his son-in-law which he gave to his daughter, assuring her that her husband would receive her kindly after this, pair, on reading the letter, found in it the following notice:

"Dear Sir-Goods that have been selected of one's own free will at my establishment are not taken back again."

The young couple laughed heartfly and were reconciled.

Effective Dunning Letter.

King Louis or Portugal years ago promised to send Rossini a pipe of port of a vintage of which specimens have only been preserved in the royal cellars. The wine did not arrive, but the maestro was not a man to allow a promine to be forgotten. Accordingly he took up his pen and indued to his my choice of many. Sometimes pice Portuguese majesty the following retures do not wear well, the same as minder: "You promised me some port wine, sire, and it has not arrived. Your majesty has certainly not forgotselecting another picture for this ten your promise, for sovereigns nev-frame, a rural scene with many peo er forget, but allow me to remind you frame, a rural scene with many people in it was chosen. One of the first that I am old and that at my age there is no time to be lost."

BOTH FEEL

What Proper Food Does for Both Mind and Body

Physical health, mental health, indeed almost everything good on this earth depend in great measure upon proper food.

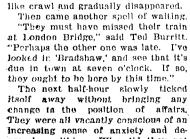
Without health nothing is worth while and health can be won almost every time by proper feeding on the scientific food Grape-Nuts.

A California trained nurse proved "Three years ago I was taken very sick, my work as a trained nurse having worn me out both in body-and mind, and medicing failed to relieve me at all. After seeing a number of physicians and specialists and getting no relief I was very much discouraged and felt that I would die of general nervous and physical collapse.

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They were all vacantly conscious of an increasing sense of anxiety and depression within. Why did they not come? Surely, if they had missed one train, there had been plenty of Then time to catch the next? clock chimed the half-hour, and, at the same moment, an interruption took The message ran:

"If you please, 'm, cook wants to know what she is to do about dinner!" Mrs. Burritt started nervously, "I'm sure, I don't know, Jane." Then, up-

Started to his feet with a cry.

tuse observer, on the verge of tears. "Really, cook has been most trying," she sighed, as she sank into the nearest chair. "She almost intimated that I had done it on purpose. She says, she has never been used to such ways and that flesh and blood won't stand it, let alone legs of mutton. She says

elers, who were expected to arrive at As the time drew on, Mrs. Burritt of that time three very dispirited people sat down to their spoilt dinner. "I do wish, after all, I had ordered the best spare bedroom to be got

May soon noticed that her brother. whose attention had been obviously wandering for some time past, appear ed to be listening to sometning from without. At first her heart bounded, Could it be that they had arrived at last? Was it the click of the gate that he was straining his ear to catch? or the sound of footsteps upon the gravel drive without? So she, too, listened in her turn, Loping to be able to distinguish one or the other of these welcome but long delayed signals. But the only thing she could hear was the faint sound of a voice which seemed to be shouting something in the distance. May also perceived that the voice was drawing gradually nearer, and resolving itself into that of a peripatetic newsboy, who was vending his wares and shouting out the most sensational headings at the top of his voice. Was that all? Still, he was not yet near enough for her to distinguish the sense of the sounds which caught her ear from time to time, as she absently grumbled her bread, and thought to herself over and over again, "If only father would come

Mrs. Burritt, as though the thought had set in motion some electric current which connected the two brains, remarked at this juncture, pose they are quite certain to be here some time to-night?"

Almost before the words were out of her lips, her son, who was sitting on her right, started to his feet with a cry.

He made no reply, but, with dilating eyes, stood there with every facul-

that, instead of dwelling upon the to eat, if they don't come directly." As if in answer to this remark Mrs Burritt at that moment re-entered the room. She was flushed and agitated, and, as was apparent to the most ob-

she can give us another ten min-The ten minutes passed, as the provious thirty had done, and at the end

"What is it? Oh, what is it?" asked his sister, as a sense of something terrible about to happen fell upon her

ty absorbed in the one effort.

Then he raised one hand—the other

myself."

ing her kitchen range she has never blackened it with stove polish. Every spring when cleaning house she buys a can of enamel from a druggist and

French People in Britain.



woman of Jacksonville, Fla., daughter of Recorder of Deeds, West, who witnessed her signature to the following letter, praises Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Refure you let a boy sit in front of are electric fam, tie his tingers. Withelmina-Timt's nothing .- N. T.



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Amusing Mixup.

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Blinks—I suppose you will awear of the first of the year? Jinks—Oh, yes; off and on, as usual

PLANS THAT WENT WRONG

Showing How Hard It is to Drive Folks Into Matrimony.

Once upon a time, before everybody had learned to attend strictly to his own affairs, a man and a maid were in love with each other, but, though this was patent to all their friends, neither of them knew it. However, their friends said unanimously: "We will demonstrate it to them and write a triumphant Q. E. D. upon their wedding morn."

Therefore, the maid never was in vited anywhere that she did not find the man invited also; nor was the man nvited anywhere but that he found the maid likewise a guest. Furthermore, the man always was detailed to take the maid in to dinner, and they could not so much as glance at each other without everybody else having an errand out of the room, and society necame a vast manufactory of opportunities for them to revel in each other's company alone and turbed. Now, before this had time to become a habit with them, both the man and the maid penetrated the dark

Whereupon the maid tossed be head, saying: "They needn't think I have only one chance," and immediately betrothed berself to an impeculious fortune hunter whose only recommendation was his title.

And thereupon the man hastily mar- It is Easy to Tell a Good One From ried himself to a grass widow from Chicago, whose reputation, they do say, was responsible for the big fire.

Consequently all their friends nodded their heads sagely, and whispered to each other, "Didn't I tell you so?"-Alex Ricketts in Philadelphia Ledger.

Medieval Marconi.

Several old writers mention mys terious methods of aerial communication, and Strada, an Italian antiquary who wrote during the 16th century, describes an invention having an extraordinary resemblance to Sig. Marconi's present-day wonder.

Strada says that two friends about to be separated each procured a needle magnetized at the same odestone and affixed them to swing on dials marked with the letters of the alpha-

bet.

They agreed that, at certain specified periods after they parted, each should retire into a private apartment this apparatus; and thereafter, by directing the needle to the leiters necessary to spell out their meaning the pair were, able to convey their thoughts in an instant to one another neres the continent, as Strada puts is, "over cittes or mountains, seas or

This, of the last, is an astonishing tereesst, and may be a fact, for to exbound such a scheme at that period was to chance being burnt as a sorcerer—a risk Strada would be unlikely to run for mere fiction.—Stray Stories.

A Song of Hope.

Here's a whink I guess you hadn't Never thought; an' if so, you barn't been happy As you ongot. It's a thought to make you glad, look a feller can't be said When he sees th' things a-comin' what he's sought.

This is it: Th' furder on we

Miss is it! (in forcer on we Mortels go.
All th' brighter does th' future's Promise grove
Stone keems harpin' on til past
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Hall' got time for any glob a
Bunch o' woe.

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Immense Piece of Building Stone. The largest and heaviest building wone ever quarried in England was taken from the Plankington bed, near Norwich. It was in one piece, without grace or flaw, and weighed over thirty five tons.

Swiss Hotels.

There are now 2,000 hotels and pentions in Switzerland, employing something like \$5,000 persons during the summer season. It is estimated that 280,000 people visit Switzerland in the season and spend about \$25,000,000

Record Tea-Drinkers.

The Australians are the greatest teadrinkers in the world, annually connumber 7% pounds per head. In Ragland the consumption is about 6% pounds per head, and in the United States only 1 pound 2 ounces.

Long-Lived Horses.

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live side by side.

Spread of Temperance. One man in six in the British many is a total abstainer.

ON READING AND TALKING.

Doubt Whether Reading Makes a Full

Books are no substitute for talk, says the Spectator. They come out of talk and go back into talk. We doubt if reading alone ever made "a full man." It has been said that read ing with some one else's head; but talking is thinking—if we may borrow a simile from the motor car-with two head power. As a bookworm is to the man of the world, so is the silent thinker to the talking thinker. The man who does not talk is a stranger upon earth. He does not know his fellows, and they do not know him, and those we do not know we cannot greatly like. "Little do men perceive what solitude is and how far it extendeth, for a crowd is not company and faces are but a gallery of pic tures, and talk but a tinkling cymbal where there is no love." Yet a man may do heroic deeds and never talk at all in our sense of the word, and he may be a learned man and never express an opinion on any subject of the first consequence. All the same we agree with Bacon that, inasmuch as he is shut up in himself, "eloseness doth impair and a little perish his un derstanding."

HOW TO CHOOSE A SPONGE.

a Bad One.

"There are a great many differences between good and bad sponges," said an importer, "but the persons who ouy sponges at retail know very little about them. In nine cases out of ten those nice-looking bleached sponges cen in drug store windows are a delusion and a snare. The first requisite of a good sponge is that it shall be dark in color; I don't mean almost black, like a carriage sponge, but a dark yellow. A vitriol bath to bleach sponge white destroys its fibre. Its elasticity is ruined, and it wears out much sooner.

"In choosing a sponge, see that it ias a velvety touch to the hand and yields readily to a good squeeze. The best and most expensive sponges are the Levant, which come from the Mediterranean. The prettiest and the cheapest are the grass sponges, made of numberless small filaments, and which look and feel like a ball of wool. The bulk of the sponges used in this country come from Florida and Cuba."

* A Remarkable Woman.

Kokomo, Ind., Nov. 23.-Mrs. Anna M. Willis of this place, a charming old lady of 74 years, has given for publication a very interesting letter.

Mrs. Willis is widely known and highly respected and the recommendation she gives is well worth the consideration of anyone who may be interested. Mrs. Willis' address is R. R. No. 6. Kokomo. Her letter reads as follows:

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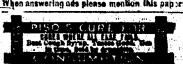
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Dress Goods.

5,000 yds. good Outing Flannel, at 6c., 7c. and 8c. 600 yds. Dress Goods, 25c and 30c value,

these at One Fourth Off.

take your choice at 20c 700 yds. Dress Goods, 45c and 50c value, at 371/2 c 1 let 50 in. Plaids, worth \$1.50; your choice, 98c 5,000 yards of dark Prints at 6c.

250 Remnants, of all kinds, at One-Half value. A lot of Silk Remnants, for Holiday use-Cheap. 750 yds. 50-54 in. dress goods-\$1.25 value at 98c 600 yards of 52-54 in. Heavy Skirtings, in all

wool, at 1/4 off from regular price.

colors, regular value \$1.50, sell for 300 vds. all wool tricot Flannel, all colors, at 25c 75 beautiful Shirt-waist patterns, both cotton and

Rain Coats and Umbrellas.

20 Rain Coats, worth from \$4.00 to \$6.00 each-Take your choice at \$1.50 to \$3.00 We have a very nice line of Umbrellas, at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and up to \$4.50. These are especially nice for Holiday gifts.

Ladies' Furs.

We have a fine line of Ladies' and Misses' Furs and Muffs at prices within the reach of all.

East Jordan Lumber Co.

the four Churches.

Children's Sleds and Coasters

12 Styles and Sizes. 100 of them at prices from 35c to \$1.25 now on sale at

Lovebay Kardware.

LAQUERET

Is the finest thing out to make old Furniture look like new. It gives a piano finish and stains to any kind of wood. Try it.

W. A. Loveday & Co.

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CAPITAL, \$20,000.00 SURP US \$1 50,00.7

Money to Loan on Short Time. Deposits of \$1.00 and upward received and interest allowed if left on deposit three months or longer.

Bank Money Orders sold at lowest Rates Fire Insurance Written - we have seven good companies Private Deposit Boxes to Rent at \$2.00 per year.

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Briefs of the Week

Muma's Baked Goods are best. Buy! them at Jerome Smith's.

Cigars in boxes of 25. All prices and varieties at the Cigar Store.

"A Romance of Coon Hollow" at Loveday Opera House Friday night, Dec. 18th.

George Bowen returned home on Wednesday evening. During the past season he has been traveling with the Leahy, the expert optici n, will again Wallace circus.

-a deck of Congress playing cards. his coming. Regular price \$1.00. Only 75 cents at the Cigar Store.

Rev. J. A. McKee and family departed Monday morning on a short visit with friends in Ohlo. During his absence there will be no preaching service at the Presbyterian church.

Don't suffer from headache, nervousness or poorly fitting glasses when you can find a remedy by consulting J. the optician who comes are pared to fit any eyes that can be fitted.

Secretary Shaw has made his estimates for the fiscal year ending June 1905 and asks \$362,900 for Michigan harbors and channels. Of this amount the estimate for harbor improvement ta horder has posted this notice on a at Charlevoix is \$39,000.

A youth near Holly who wanted to compliment his sweet cart told her derstood that eny man as takes hur in statue of the goddess and found that mineral clame. A word to the Wise its nose was four feet six inches long, its sunshin its mouth three feet across, and its P. Smith waist thirty feet around. It was all off at ouce with that young man.

It warms the heart like sunshine. cheers the soul like ancient wine. gives hope for the future, blots out and was sinking when Capt. Guard the past. That's what Rocky Mountain Tea does. 35 cerits.

Warne's Pharmacy.

Merle Faught had a narrow escape from drowning while skating Sunday. broke through the ice. He was final-ly rescued from his perilous position tainly deserves it.—Charlevoix Courier by a playmate, Kussell Harrington, son of Postmaster Wm. Harrington, who, at great risk, got close enough to blood, firm muscles, strong nerves grasp Merle's hand and pull him out Quickens the brain, makes and keeps on the ice just as he was becoming ex- yon well. Great medicine, Rocky hausted by his own efforts to extricate

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS Singer Sewing Machines at Jerome Emith's grocery store. Terms easy.

Regular Council meeting next Monday evening.

A minature village of fishing shanties has aprung up on the ice since the recent cold snap.

See Leahy, the optician, at Hotel Lakeside Dec. 14-15-16. Fitting difficult cases a specialty.

Monday Dec. 14 is the date when J. be here; will remain three days, office at Lakeside Hotel. As his work is A nice Xmas present for your hubby fully warrented all should appreciate

> A Michigan woman was scanning the marriage columns of a newspaper, and remarked to her husband: "Here's a strauge coincidence-a William Strange married to a Martha Strange.' 'Strange, indeed," "but I expect the next news will be a little stranger."

> The Benton Harbor daily and the Grand Rapids papers are only a sampla of what the papers all over the country have to say in praising the evance of Coon Hollow which comes to East Jordan next Friday night. Dec. 18th.

A bereaved husband up in the Dakopine tree; "My wife Sarah has left mi ranche when I didn't Doo a thing Too her an I want it Distinctly unshe reminded him of the goddess of an Keers fur her on mi account Will linerty. All went well until the girl git hisself pumped so full Led that found a description of Bartholdi's some tenderfact will locate him for is sufishunt an orter work on fools-

The steamer Gordon coming from East Jordan Thurday afternoon was struck by two large pieces of ice, and cut a large hole in the bow of the boat. She at once began to fill with water managed to get hold of some canvass, and with the aid of the crew stopped the hole up. The tog Wheeler was sent for to tug her in the harbor. The Gordon got as far as Holy Island, when the accident occurled. Capt. He got too close to the strip of open Guard has centainly had his share of water marking the pathway of the hard luck with his boat and we hope steamer Fletcher on her last trip, and next summer that Capt. Guard will

> Makes assimilation perfect, healthy Mountain Tea.

Warne's Pharmacy.

Fountain pens filled with Thomas Ink at the Olgar Store.

A full line of Winslow speed skates at W. E. Malpass Hardware Co's.

Calahan's "Slaves of the Mine" gave most general satisfaction. His "Romance of Coon Hollow" will simple make the people wonder how it could have been better. You simply can't afford to miss it.

The supporting of a newspaper costs a town scarcely a cent. Though papers may be well patronized and the business men may spend sums of money in advertising, the cash very quickly gets back into the channels from which it came. Nearly every cent a paper gathers in is sdent at home and it goes to ehe merchants who delight in benefiting themselves and the community by liberal advertising. Boiled down the facts are that a newspaper returns all the money it gets to those who give it, and its work for the town and country is thrown in as good will

President Charles W. Garfield of the Michigan State Forestry commission has received plans and explanations of the location of two forest nursersies n the forest reserve by the United States f restry department employes who were sent on to locate the nurseries at the request of the state commission. One of the two nurseries is to be located in the southern part of Crawford county near Higgins lake and the other in the southern part of Roscommon county near Houghton The commission proposes to and seeds are being gathered this winter in readiness for planting in th spring. White pine, the most valuable timber tree, will be among the leading varieties planted and also most of the conferous trees suited to this climate. Such quick growing trees as catalpa, black locust and Carolina poplar, valuable timber for posts, ties and pulp manufacture will also be planted.

A faded out, care worn woman of 40 with a spruce up-to-date husband should take Rocky Mountain Tea Brings back that youthful, girlish beauty. Keeps the old man from gong to the lodge. 35 cents.

Warne's Pharmacy.

List of Advertised Letters.

Following is a list of the letters renaining uncalled for in the East Jordan postoffice for the week ending December 7, 1903;-

Folibk, Mr. Emery, Fuller, Charles L., Hoiben, Miss Jessic. Hulbert, Miss Edith. Minsea, Mr. John. Miller, Miss Lilea, Shaw, Dr. A. E., Superneau, C. E., Stickney, Mr. Ike, Walker, Miss Effie,

Gibbs, H. E., [2] WM. HARRINGTON, P. M.

Jok Blood

Feed pale girls on Scott's Intulsion.

We do not need to give all the reasons why Scott's Emulsion restores the strength and flesh and color of good health to those who suffer from sick blood.

The fact that it is the best preparation of Cod Liver Oil, rich in nutrition, full of healthy stimulation is a suggestion as to why it does what it does.

Scott's Emulsion presents Cod Liver Oil at its best, fullest in strength, least in

Young women in their teens" are permanently cured of the peculiar disease of the blood which shows itself in paleness, weakness and nervousness, by regular treatment with Scott's Emulsion.

It is a true blood food and is naturally adapted to the cure of the blood sickness from which so many young women

suffer.

We will be glad to send sample to any sufferer. Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemiste, 409 Pearl St., New York.

For hard colds, bronchitis, asthma, and coughs of all kinds, you cannot take anything better than Ayer's

Cherry Pectoral

Cherry Pectoral. Ask your own doctor it this is not so. He uses it He understands why it soothes and heals. "I had a terrible cough for weeks. Then I took Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and only one bottle completely cured me."
Mits. J. B. DANFORTH, St. Joseph, Mich.

Coughs, Colds

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********* Stage and Platform

"Slaves of the Mine" drew a large audience at Lovedy Opera House Saturday evening, being the first attraction appearing in that popular play house in several weeks. The piece is a scenic melodrama, magnificently staged and well played, the mine explosion in the third act being one of the most realistic scenic effects ever seen on a local stage. The crowd was considerably augmented by an excursion party from Bellaire which came over on a special train on the East Jordan & Southern R. R.

Many plays are written where negro haracters furnish the comedy vein and are imperso-ated by white comedians. In "A Romance of Coon Hollow" the colored characters are genu are and besides assisting the comedy s rain, take a very prominent part in making some of the scenes, which occur in Teanesee, most realistic and true talife.

The singing and the buck and wing tancing furni-hed by the colored mem pers of this large company is in keep ng with the high grade artistic abil IV shown by other characters in the o ay and without question the company will be greeted with a full house which such an attraction deserves. Scats with 50 on sale Morshay morning it Boosinger Bros.' st. r.,

EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

CANADIAN HOLIDAYS,

For the Annual Canadian Holiday Excursion, the Pere Marquette will sell rourd trip tikets to nearly all points in Canada on the Grand Trunk Ry., the Intercolonial Ry., the Canadian Pacific By., the Michigan Cen tral and the Wabashrat a rate of ONE FARE for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 17 to 20, inclusive, good to return leaving destination not ater than Jahuary 9, 1904. Ask tickt agents for rates of fare, points to which tickets are sold, etc.

ANNUAL CANADIAN HOLIDAY

VIA G. R. & I. The G. R. & I. will sell excursion tickets to all Canadian points Dec. 17, i8, 19 and 20, return limit leaving destination Jan. 9th, 1904. Rate one fare for round trip.

M. F. QUAINTANCE, Pass. Agt. Petoskey.

Some guy gave Editor Davis of the Rapid City News a beer check in pay ment for a three months' subscription We wouldn't have 'hollered' if it had been nearer home." comments the ed itor, "but the check is on P. Lynch of Elk Rapids. It's cownright and doub ly mean to take adva tage of a man with crippled eyes and work off a beer check for two bits whin the beer is bwenty-one miles away."

FATALITY OF PNEUMONIA.

Pneumonia is the most fatal of all acute affections, being second on'y to consumption in more trary lists, all classes, rich and poor, young and old, succumb to its ravages. Folcy's Honey and Tar cures colds and prevents pneumonia and has cured many severcases of this disease. "My wife had a severe attack of pneumonia which followed a severe attack of la grippe and I believe that Foley's Honey and Tar saved her life," writes James Coffee, of Raymond, Miss.

Sold by L. C. Madison & Co.

65 Restaurant and Lunch Counter and good accommodations for Board-

MRS. PHONE DUFORD.

CANNON SALVE: A Best Salve in the World Cures all skin diseases. Ask your fraggist for it. SELZ SHOES

Loveday Block, East Jordan.

BOXES FOR TWENTY-FIVE CENTS EACH.

In response to the popular demand I have secured another lot of boxes.containing Jewelery, Silverware, Novelties, etc., etc. These sell at 25 cents each. Call early as they are going fast and the supply is limited.

FRANK MARTINEK.

For The Holiday Trade

A Choice Line of Books, Perfumes, Toilet Articles, &c just received at

WARNE'S PHARMACY

Winslow Racing Skates

Xmas Toys, Mouth Organs and Harmono* Ephones can be found at

W. E. Malpass Hardware Co. EAST JORDAN, MICH.

That the liability to accident or sickness is constant, that you cannot get away from it whether you are asleep or awake? That it costs you something to carry this risk, (liability) and that you must

That it costs you much less to pay a good insurance company to carry it than to carry it yourself? You may not have thought much about these propositions, but they are solid facts verified every day by the experience of men who get injured or are taken sick.

Our proposition is a simple one. You pay us \$1.00 per month, and we page you, for the time you lose in case of accident or sickness from \$20,00 to \$50.4 per month, seconding to the liability to injury in you occupation. For further

HACKETT & ISAMAN Agen

EAST JORDAN, .: MICHIGAN

You don't have to give security to herrow trouble.

A man usually finds his ideal when tie glances into the mirror.

Anybody can guess what emblem Panama will suspend from her liberty

H M weren't easier to believe a lie than the truth there would be an end of gossipping.

Bassia talks to Japan in much the same strain that Fitzsimmons addresses Corbett.

Among the microbes which the health authorities say inhabit sleeping cars is the porter.

The young lady whom Mr. Zangwill is to wed is herself a writer. This is the acme of collaboration.

If we were to take Canada as a gift we should want to have a few acres of ice sawed off the northern end.

According to a dispatch Japan may foot.

It is announced in England that Alarod. Austin has written another usagedy. Does this mean another moéma?

Even the sedate historic muse may well grin when she sets down the fact Wos y Gil has been deposed by Dminez.

After this no ducal worlding should be pulled off in New York without ambulances and patrol wagons in at iandance

A Chicago man has been choked to death by a doughnut. The only part of the doughnut that it is really said te cat is the hole.

Muglish lords come to this country so hungry for love that they won't marry anybody who has less than a million to feed it on.

Obviously there are no American in the Constitutional club of London The earl of Dunraven has just been elected to membership.

King Peter of Servia wants to bor row \$20,000,000. If we were in Pete-place we'd hate to be found in Serxia with that much money.

Even the rich can't have everything te please 'em. John D. Rockefeller, is disappointed because the new addition to his family is not a boy.

A Michigan schoolma'am has been awarded \$30,000 damages for bresch of promice. It hurts when a Michigan schoolma'am's heart is feel-

That Chicago father who says Li 7-year-old boy "needs outdoor exer-oise" with a shotgun appears to forget that the birds also need a little on door play.

Those sun spots came just la tim to get the blame for a low of thingfrom which people in various parts of the country would like to split t responsibility.

Spain would have been willing to farnish descriers from her own may Manila bay and Santiago.

An expert killer of cockroaches by taken-a contract to rid the vessels in the navy of those insect peats. Might not swearing be basished from the by calling in an expect profanity

if ever there was a work of supesteed to est.

E is authoritatively assounced from Bome that no object of artistic or histerical value was destructed or even iminrod by the recent fire in the vatican. Here is accusion for universal emgratulation.

What could be more pathetic than the experience of the girl in New Jer sey who is still receiving letters daily from her lover in the Philippines, whose death was announced by cable two or three weeks ago?

The Chicago Record-Herald, with presumably unconscious humor, publishes comparative statements from weather department tables in order to prove that Chicago is not the "windy" city. There is wind-and "wind."

People whose brains are tired puz zing over the Mary-Ann age problem may find relief in this: "If six dozen eggs cost as many cents as the numher of eggs that eight conts will buy at the same price, what is the price per dozen?"

Commander Booth-Tucker says the enty dispute he ever had with his late wife was as to whether he loved her er she loved him the more, and they finally agreed to sulit even and lived happily ever afterward. That sort of marriage isn't a failure.



(Special Correspondencs.)

one leaves behind the quiet waters of the Inland Sea and the Pacific and enters upon the turbid, storm-tossed waves of the Yellow Sea, the northern playground of the typhoon.

Shanghai is the nearest great port of China across this sea, and four days at most brings one to this first safe landing on the continent. Almost all the way there are islands to be seen, and perhaps the high shores of Formosa, the unexplored haunt of pirates and brigands. Far out at sea one notes that the vellow water has become yellower, almost the hue of our own Missouri River, and soon the strong current of a great river is entered and the low shores of the Yang-tse appear. Vast farmless junks with battened lugs pitch and pound along the coast, and are a source of anxiety at night, as they carry no lights, either through fear of pirates or for

the sake of economy.

At the mouth of the Yang-tse is the celebrated "heavenly barrier," the force the czar's hand, but what it Woosung Bar. The bay offers little really wants to look out for is his protection, but we cast anchor here n company with a huge French mail steamer and two British tramps and Hew the white flag "U. S. Mail."

There is no railroad from Woosung to Shanghai, the one built there having been destroyed. An hour in a launch, however, brings one in sight of this Paris of China and up to the most imposing Bund in the Orient. The little gunboats Wilmington and Villalobos, the latter a Spanish prize. lay below the American consulate, and their sailors responded heartily to our cheers for Old Glory. English men of war lay near in all the grim threat of war paint, and small French and German gunboats idled near the foreign rettlements.

Oddly enough, the first 'person to creet one in Shanchai is sure to be a tall, beturbaned Sikh policeman, who perhaps speaks neither English nor Chinese, and carries neither club sword nor firearm. Statuesque and importurbable, he upholds the banners of British rule and deals out justiex to the best of his ability. Euroand American saffors take advantage of his lack of weapons occasionally, and send him to the hospital, but he gets along famously with the

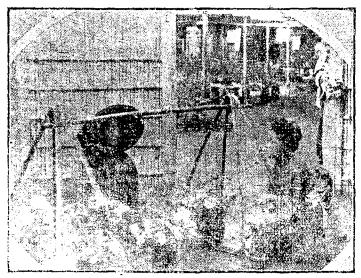
Sailing westward from Nagasaki | kong may be seen to advantage. Rising from the water's edge the streets terrace upward to a dizzy height, and the houses of the upper town seem far among the clouds. Winding roads lead from terrace to terrace, and there is an electric tramway to the summit. Residents have planted many trees over the barren hills and there is amshade in the broad streets. On the lower levels the riksna is the general vod) of conveyance, but on the apper slopes one must be carried in a chair by two or three coolies.

These fellows are kept in check by the police in Hongkong and Shanghai and not allowed to solicit and beg for custom, as in Japan, but they are wiser and more quarrelsome than the Japanese coolie. No matter what they get they are sure to be dissatisfied and demand more. A Chinaman will

throw four cents to the coolie and walk away with the coolie cursing and yelling after him. The young Chinaman I saw forgot to take his narasol, when the coolie then refused to give up without more pay. A Sikh and a Chinese policeman who rushed up to sion the fight at once pounced upon the coolie. Fifteen cents an hour is usual. Queen's road is

principal street- and is al-Girl With Pet Inways thronged, sect in Cage. Chinese, Japanese, Malays, Sikhs and Turks crowd the middle of the road and the sidewalks are left to the English, French, Portuguese, Germans, Rus sians and Americans. All the world comes here to buy the wares of Canton and north China. In the shops one finds silver-and ivories, silks and embroideries, bosides the latest Euro

Hongkong is not a cheap place to buy, however, as these goods are all from the provinces and the local merchant has to pay high rents and Travelers who are going to other I charges. Paper money and silver



In the Native Quarter.

in Plage shut within walls whose gate two cloved and puarded from sunset to sample. No foreigner would be entirely safe there without protection. nor would be ever find his way our without a guide. The river is on of the great rivers of the world, rising in the high table lands of Thibet and flowing 3,000 miles to the sec. Ancient war junks with flaunting rags emegation it is the effort of certain for banners and spears and old cannon mell-meaning persons in Missouri to for arms, still appear from time to characte the people up to the knowl- time from the wilderness of the upper edge that the Resh of the 'sossum is valley, and it was a rare sight to see one of these slipping past an English

> eruiser tons, whose sailors crowded to the lde to see the prootype of their thip. China has a few small gun-boats of modern type on patrol duty in the river. Two days' steam ing to the south along the coast past Foochow and Amoy brings us to Hongkong the A Geisha in Cosmost important

> tume. port in Asia. cortuous enamel between fortified clands sowed with British cannon leads to the harbor, where we east anchor among merchant ships and men of war of all the great martime nations. A torpedo launch lashes alongside, scattering the crowd of boatmen and bringing on board an

English navy subaltern who asks

many questions before we go ashore. From every point of the harbor come native boats rowed by women. who scull with stern sweeps and shrick and chatter at each other like viragos. 'they make fact to the steamer and swarm aboard to solicit pas sengers and cargoes am extoli the

arlous native boarding-houses From the harbor the City of Houg-

the supply a merksman for every puncture of the supply a merksman money basses curren

Sailors and soldiers are everywhere. You may see two drunken man-of warsmen in rickshas belaboring their coolies into a mad gallop and betting on the outcome of the race. Merchant sallors, with the heave of the seven seas in their gaits, haunt the boarding-houses along the lower streets, and English and American regulars fraternize in the shade.

They say that it always rains in liongkong, and one can readily belleve it. As a result, the well-paved streets are clean and the vegetation on the hills is fresh and green throughout the summer. The native town is also kept clean and healthy.

The roar of cannon and the shrill war pipes of a Burma band answer the ringing cheers of a big English cruiser which has broken out the long nomeward-bound pennant so dear to the eye of the sailor. With her go two torpedo cruisers that are creeping northward toward the edge of the Russian storm cloud. Hongkong behind her cannons looks out like the mandarin from his curtained sedan chair in the street. What does she care for these street brawls! Her bearers are the steel hulls of the seven seas, her livery bears the dragon and St. George. Her heart is in the great noisy corridors of the bank.

Weight of Children. The weight of a growing child is he most important index to its general health. A child of five years, for instance, should weigh about as many pounds as it is inches high. As a rule this will be 40 pounds. When a child is rather heavier in proportion to its height it is a sign of good health. A deficiency of weight in proportion to height is always an unfavorable sign. Any interruption in the progress of increase of weight, especially during the continuance of growth, must be a danger signal that should not be neglected.

EASY METHOD OF SUICIDE

Holding the Breath Will End Life In Short Time.

That it is possible to commit sufcide by simply holding one's breath has been clearly proved by a despondent Norwegian, who recently killed himself in this very unusual manner. When he determined to die he closed his mouth and nostrils and by mere force of will prevented his lungs from uoing their proper work,
This case is the more remarkable,

as there has long been a popular notion that no human being could by mere will power stop the action of the lungs for more than one or two For this reason it has attracted much attention, and a French writer, commenting on it, says:

"To persons of good taste who are weary of this life this method of committing suicide will certainly commend itself, one reason being because the body is not disfigured thereby, and another because the act can be committed in any place and at any time. It is true that sensitive or nervous persons will never be able to kill themselves in this manner, for, simule as it seems, the act of retaining one's breath until death comes can only be performed by one who is either unusually phlegmatic or endowed with a very strong will."-New York Herald.

No Vowels in It.

Many places have curious names, but apparently there is only one place which has a name without any vowels. That place is the little hamlet of Ws. near Paris. Ws being an unpronounceable name, the inhabitants of the hamlet have transformed it into 'd'Us," but this change has not been sanctioned legally, and on all the official records the name Ws still ap-The hamlet has 117 inhabiants, and its sole attractions are the Chateau d'Osny, which has been for many years in the possession of Edmond About's family, and the Chateau de Vigny, which-is one of the best specimens of the Rengissance style of architecture.

So far as is known there is only one person in Europe at present who has a name without any vowels, and that is M. Srb, the Mayor of Prague

Venetian Fisher Boy



The Venetian fisher boy turesque in art and literature, but in real life he is too often a sight which would Tinake an American mother

Swindle the Gullible Tourist.

A Counceticut firm manufactures acred scarabei for the Egyptian terr carved and even chipped by machinery, colored in bulk to simulate age and chipped in cashs to the Mosiem! and sell him for an American dollar an article manufactured at a cost of less than a cent in his native land.

Men go racing in their devil earts across the continent;

us gachts will soon be raving from N. w
York to old Riscay;

The aeronauts go racing through the
clouds from Aix to Ghent.

Men go racing round our planet, an if it were nothing more



n a course, supplied with granstands, for the showing of ou speed; ur trains keep breaking records that seemed wonderful before. And our trotters show a swiftness that's ramarkable, indeed.

Racing, racing, racing! Life is nothing but a race.

From the craile to the grave we race with all our might and main, and there's one race that is everywhere and laways taking place.

The und race for the dollar that's so mighty hard to gain.

Get Stupefied on Kerosene

Kerosene inchriety is becoming common in many cities. The boys climb upon the tank cars, place their noses over the manhole, and thus in hale the fumes. The effects produced are similar to those produced by alcohol, first a feeling of exhibaration, then a period of stupor, and following is the period of deep sleep. It is stated that in several instances boys, drunk from these fumes, have been taker to hospitals.

Stubborn Man Goes to Jail. A Lewiston, Maine, man defied the city authorities to collect a poll tax and is now reposing in jail, where he has been since Aug. 5. His board bill has been \$1.75 each week, and as he must pay this before he is released his defiance is likely to cost him dearly.



The elderly man with the diamond man, horse shoe scarfpin and the thick- "H soled brilliantly polished shoes, who was sitting near the door, rolled his unlighted eigar around in his mouth and turned to his companion.

"Yes," he said, "you might say that it was a gift. If a dog has got anything in him I can bring it out. know just how to handle 'em. It makes me sick to think of the good dogs that are running loose around the town that ain't got a particle of ejercation-dogs with sense that only wants a little training to be a credit to the man that owns 'em. I can take a dog and make a gentleman of him. Now that dog out there---

He opened the car door, admitting a rush of cold air that made the woman shiver who was hanging to the strap over his head, and gazed out on the rear platform where a bright, intelligent-looking collie was sitting, receiving the admiration of the platform passengers with an air of dignity mingled with satisfaction.

"Is he all right?" inquired the other and he appeared uncomfortable.

"He's all right," said the dog's owner, as the dog half rose and wagged his tail furiously. "Only," he added, with a severe eye on the dog, "he's taking up too much room there. Suppose you turn around and lie down there in that corner so'st there's room for somebody else on that platform besides you," he suggested, and the dog promptly turned around and crawled to the corner indicated, where no curied himself up in the smallest possible space.

"There," said the man, triumphantly, "all he wants is a hint." He leaned back in his seat, forgetting to close the door,

"Isn't it wonderful!" exclaimed one of the standing women, addressing the one who had shivered.

on her strap and sighing wearily. "It's a pity, though, that there aren't some capable dogs that would take a man and make a gentleman of him." She looked at the dog's owner as she spoke

"6th. She heareth in her mind the

"7th. But he still holdeth her with

"5th. But, at last, she maketh a

strains of the Wedding March, and seeth in fancy the bride walk down

the airle, and is agonized

By the Ancient Mariner

There has been found, presumably thut nevertheless continueth his take of in a garret, a hitherto unpublished woe.

manuscript by Samuel Taylor Cole . "5th. She explaineth that she bein ridge. It appears to have been the a pressing engagement, but be still intention of the poet to write a second holdeth her with his gittering eye.
"Rime of the Aucient Mariner," show"6th. She heareth in her mind t ing how that famous old salt on an occasion subsequent to the one commemorated in immortal verse met another wedding guest, this time a lady, thought that she will, not be there. The poem was not written, but the marginal notes make its outline and his glittering eye and she cannot plot as follows:

"Ist. The Ancient Mariner meetedh great effort and giveth the Ancient another wedding guest, this time a Mariner such a conguethrushing that he count making unother word edge

"2d. She is bedight for the nuprial wise. feast, and, being a little late, is therelng to the church to witness the core offraross story, but in vain. We real mony.

The Mariner holderh her with

gloony tale.

"Ith. She endeavoreth to bronk day did he stop a Wedding Guest of away, and effects the aged man the the f male variety."—William E. He price of a drink, which he accepteth Kenna in New York Times.

he cannot gut in another word edge-

22th. He trich hard to get in the

choke him off.

13d. The Mariner habiesh her with 1 "18th. Thin, origing his head dole his plittering eye and beginned his fally, he turneth avoy, a sadder and aliser man. And nover from that

The "City of Crickets"

"San Antonio ought to be called the any sort of indifference to the were city of crickets," said a man who has bers of this interesting family. No

just returned to New Orleans from man would think of treading on a Texas to a Times-Democrat reporter, energy, not to do anything that would in any "for I never have found as many crickets anywhere on earth as I found cts. I was speaking of the poetry of abel for the Egyptian thir out there. The streets are literally the cituation. It is a fine thing to the Fittle charms are filled with them. It is not simply a hear the crickets creening early in the case of the cricket on the hearth. It evening. They chirp as cheerily as it is a case of cricket everywhere you if sy were higher every in the weeds go. I have been trying to share our of some remarkin hedge or on the and chipped in earlies to the Mosiem dealers at Cairo. The Arabina gaided with the Self-Cairo, The Arabina gaided with the Self-Cairo, The Arabina gaided with the self-cairon of the Marabina gaided at the base of the Marabins or cheart the secred temples, where they are tally discover there scarabel before the Very eyes of the Yanke tourist. stopping on them. And there is just of annually were not beating about a bit of pactry about the situation in term. It is there wing, picturesque San Antonio with respect to crick i postic one of I had my way, I would The Racing Age.

The German emperor will effer a copport of trues at the state of t

Decline of Babylon

Ancient Babylon was the alluvial | Babylon, between Hillel and Bagdad land of the Euphrates and the Tigris region, about equal in size to the Italy of to-day, and was the granary of the ancient world, with a phenomenal wealth of vegetation and palm forests and olive orchards and vineyards. Canais dug in various directions served to store the waters and to irrigate the land, and at the same time were the avenues of commerce and trade Indeed, the Babylon of the Biblical period was the Holland of antiquity.

Every king found his glory in the extension of the waterway system, and from the days of Hamurald through many centuries the work of the ruler in this regard proved to be the greatest blessing to the country, longer connected, and between Bar

according to the wonderful reports of Negophon, Ammainus, Marcellinus and Zosmius, the last mentioned find ing as late as the fifth Christian contury vast vineyards and olive grover throughout the land. In the time of he early Arabian califs no fewer than 360 cities and villages are mentioned by name along these canals. Pliny ... clares this to have been "the most fruitful land in the east." Now, on the other hand, it is a

dreary desert, the playground of the storms and winds. In the southern portions there are still some remnants of the canals left, but the two famous rivers, Euphrates and Tigris, are ne The whole country was practically | dad and Bassora a few English steam one vast garden, northward from boats can scarcely force their way.

Beautiful Land of Where

There's a beautiful land in some sweet Neath the light of a cloudless sky,
Where the meadows are fair with blovsoms rare,
The rivers of rapture by.
There are hilliops kissed by the shimmerton sin.

There are manys ...

Ing sun.

All clothed in their verdure green.

And streams that glide with a ripple of pride ...

Let lie between.

To the valleys that lie between. It is there that the weariest soul may

And the saddest of hearts may sink.
For the heaviest care that mortals bear
Soars away on willing wing.
The spirit of peace is o'er the land,
And love reigns a Monatch there,
In that glorious clime of the after-time,
The beautiful hand of Where.

You may close your eyes for a moment, sweet.

And hel you will tarrying be
in their mystical land, where the
very strand

hs circused by the chepy sea. But the fairy who waved her magical

Has power for only awhile, And the radiant gleam was a vanishing decam. The the light of a decting smile.

O when and how shall we wander a way To the naven that lies beyond To the region blest of rapture and rest, Of all that is fair and fond?
The poet sings of it many a time,
But it shines afar, like a gimmering star-

The beautiful land of Where,

It is far beyond the desert of tok
And over adversity's see.
Where the light of day fades never away
And sorrows no more shall be.
We must climb the beautiful hills et
hope
By the pathway of patience fair,
And at last we shall rest in that region
blest.
The land that awaits us—where?
—Arthur Lywis Tubbs.

THEFATEFUL WELL

Pleasant times were the order at Miss Mand Tellinger's Hallowe'en "It's one continual round of re," remarked Mr. Joseph Briggs, who was known through the village as a terrible cutup, and who had a way of saying things that were repeated by everybody and considered extremely This funny. new observation of Joseph's fairly convulsed Miss Maud, and while the two Terrey girls giggled until they were red in the face, Sammy Anderson, the meek little shoe clerk who regarded Joseph as an oracle who eagerly repeated all of the scintillating things that fell from his lips, hastened away to repeat brilliant observation that Joseph had just made to Sue Nevins before the remark had become public property or had been fully protected by copy

Tommy Hutchins, from the county seat, and who was one of the bright particular stars of the occasion, was sitting in solitary grandeur on the red plush sofa watching John Brinker, the American Express agent at Martinsville, bobbing in the tub for an apple. Every time Mr. Brinker's wide-spread mouth came in contact with the apple of course it bobbed down to the bottom of the tub, and Johnny would raise his dripping face in despair, while the Terrey girls would almost have-convulsions of joy, and Briggs would remark "Swimming not allowed in these waters," a remark eminently characteristic of such a thorough wag.

Julia Maddox and a small coterie were sitting before the grate fire telling fortunes by means of chestnuts. which after being properly named after the various maidens of whom Arthur Raymond was supposed to be enamored, were placed down in front of the fireplace to decide his fate. One chestnut suddenly burst open and flew half across the floor.

"Oh, it's Lucy Brooks; it's Lucy Brocks.

Mr. Raymond's countenance as-

sumed a roseate hue.
"What is it?" asked Lucy from across the room.

"You're going to marry-" about ed the fair Julia.

Mr. Raymond attempted to choke Miss-Maddox with his handkerchief. Miss Maddox refused to be choked.

"You're going to marry Arthur Raymond," shouted the irrepressible Julia. "We told Arthur's fortune with the chestnuts and you're going to marry him."

Lucy cast a look of scorn at the blushing Arthur. "I don't like such

stupid jokes," she said severely.
"No, indeed," put in Mr. Briggs,
"Arthur is in earnest." Lucy discharged another scornful look at the shrinking Arthur, and marched away

with awful dignity. "I-I wasn't joking," said Arthur

Mr. Briggs appeared in the doorway. "Hello, hand!" said Mr. Briggs, with the easy familiarity that came from his being a tellow-townsman of Miss

Tellinger's, and which was extremely annoying to Mr. Hutchins. "Thought maybe you had taken a trip to Europe, er somewhere. They want you in here. They are going to tell your fortune."

"Excuse me, Mr. Hutchins," said Miss Tellinger. "I'll have to go in and see who the dark woman is, that I must beware of, and whether or not I am going to take a long journey." Miss Tellinger arose and ran into

the parior, while Mr. Hutchins sent a look after the retreating form of Mr. Briggs that, if looks were only able to kill, would have laid Mr. Briggs cold and lifeless on the floor in the hundredth part of a second. Mr. Hutchins went into a gloomy reverte, until it was suddenly broken by appearance of Liss Tellinger's youthful sister Annie, aged 10.

"Do you like to play pillow and kissing games like that?" asked Annie. Mr. Hutchins said that a few years

before he had enjoyed such games much, but he was afraid he was getting too old for such amusements now.

"Well, I'm not," said Annio." "We used to play them all the time. We do yet s. metimes."

Mr. Hutchins started. "Maud don't play them, does she?" he asked suspiciously, with visions of the wonder ful opportunities that Mr. Briggs might possibly enjoy.

"O, cometimes," said Annie. Mr. Hutchins looked sad. "Maud is going to find out who her future husband is going to be to-night," said Annie, mys teriously, "but it's a secret."

Mr. Hutchins was all attention. "Is ne asked. "Yes," went on Annie. "Just at 12 o'clock she is going to slip out of the house and go down to the old well in the pasture lot. It's dry now, but it's the only well there is around here since we had the water works ut in. She's going there will a looking-glass and stand by the well with her back to it and then look in the glass and see the face of the man she's going to marry.

Mr. Hutchins was absorbingly inter ested. "How do you know, Annie?" he ssked. "O, I heard her telling Julia Maddox, and after she goes to the well then Julia's going. Now don't you tell ony one."

Mr. Hutchins gave a solemn prom ise and Annie departed. Mr. Hutch ins was again left in silent thought He sat and watched his rival. Mr Briggs, as he sat by Maud's side while the fortunes were being told. It occurred to him that it would be a great idea for him to go down to

the old well, and when Maud cares down he could look over her shoulder and his picture would appear in the mirror, and she would at ouce think the fates had selected him as her future husband. Of course, if she looked around and saw him it would make to difference. He didn't think for a moment but she would look around and see him. But a few moments alone in the moonlight down by the old well with Maud wouldn't be such a bad thing. And the fact that he had taken all the trouble to go down in that gloomy place and wait for her for a half hour or so wouldn't cause any. He had read about fond lovers doing that thing many times, and it seemed as though it would be a sharp thing to do.

Filled with this glowing idea arose and went into the parlor, while Julia Maddox and Mr. Briggs came out and took possesion of the "I can tell you a great joke that you can play," said the fair Julia.

"You know me," said Mr. Briggs.
"Put me next."

"Well," said Julia," Maud is going down to the old well in the vacant lot at minnight with a looking-glass. You know if anyone goes out to a well alone at midnight with a lookingglass and stands with their backs to he well and looks into the glass, they will see the face of their future husband or wife, you know, whichever it If it's a girl, why she sees her husband, and if it's a man, he sees his wife's face, you know."

"Well, what's the joke." asked Mr. Briggs.

"O, you're awfully slow," said Julia. "Don't you see? If you were to go down and hide in the well, it's almost filled up, and there isn't any water in it, and then when Maud comes down you can look over her shoulder and she will see your face in the glass.'

Mr. Briggs thought extremely well of the suggestion. "You're all right, Julia," said Mr. Briggs. "It's me to the well,"

The evening passed joyonsly on At half-past 11 Mr. Hutchins quietly slipped out of the house and journeved down to the well. He was a prudent youth and he carefully punched around in the well for a while with a clothespole to make sure that it wasn't deep and that there was no water in it. He crawled into the well and scombled down into the bottom. He had just got nicely fixed when he heard a noise above him. He looked up and saw a dark body silhouetted against the sky. He sat still, for he thought of the joking to which he would be subjected if he was discovered.

The figure above did not go away. instead it bounded forward and landed beside him. Mr. Hutchins jumped to his feet and blindly grasped the intruder. The intruder gave a shout of terror and clutched Mr. Hutchins. Mr. Hutchins recognized the voice. "Well, Briggs," he said, "what are you doing here?" Mr. Briggs grew calm.

"O, I don't know," said Mr. Briggs. "You don't own this well, do you?"
"I didn't say I owned it," said Mr. Hutchins. "Still, I probably own as much of it as you do."

"Somebody must have told you to go bury yourself," said Mr. Briggs.

"I wouldn't ask you to resurrect me if they did," said Mr. Hutchins. "It's none of your business why I'm here, but if you must know, I came down here to smoke." ~

"What a pice smoking-room. Pret-

ty pictures on the wall." "If you don't like it, what did you come here for?" asked Mr. Hutchins.

"O. I saw you come down here." said Mr. Briggs, who had now regained his composure. . "I followed you and jumped in here to see what you were up to." Mr. Briggs paused and patted himself on the back-

"You seemed a bit surprised just the same when I caught hold of you," said Mr. Hutchins.

Mr. Briggs started to reply, paused. There was a noise up above. Then a voice floated down and the

"Say," came in plaintive lones, "how far are you fellers a goin' ter carry this old gate? All the way to Indiana?"

"Ah, you're lazy. Well, I guess we have carried it far enough, though Here, let's chuck it down on top of the old well."

Slam came a heavy object over the Mr. Hutchins and Mr. Briggs, gazing upward, saw a grated object come between them and the moon-

"Keep quiet," whispered Mr. Hutchins, hoarsely; "it'll be a terrible joke if they catch us here."

"Come this way fellers," shouted a voice above. "Chuck all the gates on top of this one."

Bang, crash, came the sound of more heavy objects falling over the

"Come on," came the cheery voice from above once more. "Run the wagon right down the hill and on top of the pile."

There was a pause and then a shock as though a mountain had suddenly been piled on top of the gates. Then the voices above grew fainter and an awful silence fell on the well.

Briggs spoke first. "Some of your friends, I suppose. Must have hired em to put a roof on your smoking

Mr. Hutchins did not reply. "Seen to be in lall now," went on Briggs "Behind the bars, anyhow," he said looking up at the gates. "How long have you got to serve?"

"What did you come here for, any how?" asked Mr. Hutchins, suddenly "What's it to you?" asked Mr. Briggs.

"Well, it's this," said Mr. Hutch ins. "We're in a bad holo—"
"I noticed that," put in Mr./Briggs sarcastically. "Well, you know what

We're to a fix, if that's any better. The question is, how are we going to get.out?"

"O, don't leave before you finish, your cigar," said Mr. Briggs. "What's the use of having a smoking-room?

"Look here," said Mr. Hutchins, solemnly. "What will everybody say if they discover us down in this well to-morrow. It'll be worse on you than on me, because you live here and don't."

"O, you'll live here quite a while if nobody comes along to-morrow to take those gates off the top of this

"I'm going to try to get out." "Good idea. Don't forget to close the gate after you. In fact, close all the gates after you. The cattle might get in."

"Good night."

Mr. Hutchins crawled up to the top of the well and pushed at the gates.

They refused to budge. "Won't the gate open?" asked Mr. Briggs, solicitously, "You ought to

oil the hinges." Mr. Hutchins pushed and shoved, but to no avail. Finally he crawled back to the bottom of the well and sat down in despair.

"Welcome home," said Mr. Briggs, genially. "You weren't gone long. burst out Mr. Look here, Briggs," burst out Mr. Hutchins, in despair. "This thing has gone far enough. I don't propose to stand any more of your funny remarks."

"Well, if you don't like it, why don't you go away. What's the use hanging around here where it's so dreadfully unpleasant."

"Now see here," said Mr. Hutchins, "I know well enough why I came here and I think you came for the same

"O, yes I came to smoke," said Mr Briggs.

"Now," went on Mr. Hutchins, "you came here for the same reason that did, and when everybody discovers us here to-morrow the reason will get out, and they will probably publish it in that jay sheet out here, and then we'll be the laughing stock of the county.

"Shouldn't wouder," said Mr. Briggs. "The Martinsville Eagle will have something like this: 'Imprisoned in a well. Two prominent young men found starving under a pile of gates. Were three days without food water. Attended a Hallowe'en party and mysteriously disappeared."

"I can't see that it will be any worse for me than it will for you," said Mr. Hutchins.

"O, no," drawled Mr. Briggs. "But I don't think it's going to be seraph ically beautiful for either one of us. "Well, then, why don't you help to get out?"

"I'm ready to help. But what can we do? Dig a tunnel or blow up the gates with dynamite? I don't happen to have any with me, though Have you?"

"S-h! there's somebody coming." Mr. Hutchins crawled up to where he could get a glimpse through the "It's John Brinker," he whis gates. pered. "He's hiding behind the

"Invite him in. Don't be selfish, hoarsely muttered Mr. Briggs.

"There comes Maud," whispered Mr. Hutchins. "She's got the candle and looking-glass, and everything Then he saw Johnny Brinker creep up and peep over her shoulder. Maud gave a little cry and tarned around "Johnny Brinker," she said. "this

"Well. Maud, you came here to try your fate, you know. You were ready to believe that the man whose face you saw in the looking-glass was to be your husband, were you?"

"Yes. But, John-"And you saw my face, didn't you?

"But that wasn't magic." "No, it was fate, Maud, and you nustn't defy fate. You made the test of your own free will, you know. You can't refuse to abide by the result, can you, dear? And, besides, I uted over a larger perior love you so much. Tell me, Maud, isn't the old Hallowe'en tradition true? Isn't the man whose face you saw in the mirror going to be your inuband?"

There was an awful and portentous ilence in the bottom of the well. Mr. Hutchins held his breath.

said Maud, shyly. John, I have always loved you."

Mr. Hutchins slid slowly down into the well. Mr. Briggs whistled through market sufficient to demoralize prices. his teeth.

"I believe the old well is haunted hough," said Maud. 'We shall always think so, dear old

vell," said Johnny Brinker. Johnny took Maud's hand in his and clowly the two walked back to the nouse together.

"Well." said Mr. Hutchins, slovily 'Yep," said Mr. Briggs, we're still here.

"If you were there I think we could get out of here," said Mr. Hutchins I, well, that is, there don't seem any further use of our being rivals. guess we stand on the same ground

"We stand on the hottom of the ame well, anyhow," said Mr. Briggs. He crawled up beside Mr. Hutchins and the two by main force squeezed hole at one side of the pile of gates Mr. Hutchins got out first. There he reached down and succeeded in dragdog Mr. Briggs through the bole Proy-put, in fifteen minutes brushing he dirt off their clothes and then walked back to the house.

"Why, where in the world have you vo been?" demanded Julia Maddox. "Come right in. We've got a new ortune-telling game, and we're going o flud out who Maud's going to mar

"Are you?" said Mr. Hutchins, "Well, well," said Mr. Briggs. Chiago Tribune.

The Supply of Market Hogs

As there has been a wide difference of opinion in regard to the supply of market hogs, it was deemed advisa ble to obtain some statistics in regard to the matter if possible from centers of production. To that end an in-quiry was addressed to several hundreds of correspondents in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri Wisconsin and Nebraska. Packers and provisioners have assumed that the stock in farmers' hands which may be expected to reach the market a little later is exceptionally large and that the good corn crop which has been gathered in the territory men tioned will insure heavy marketing throughout the season. Our returns do not bear out this assumption. On the contrary they indicate that present supplies are about 51/2 per cent under those of last year at a corresponding date. When it is remembered that last year's hog crop was considerably below that of 1901, this estimated shortage has even greater significance. It is not possible to get and compare statistics of the total pro duction in those states in 1901 and 1902, but receipts at Chicago in 1902 were about 41/2 per cent below those of 1901. Receipts at Chicago for the first ten months of 1903 or up to November 1st,show a 500,000 decrease when compared with the same period in 1902. A variety of reasons are given for

the estimated shortage at the present time. First, the high price of corn and the demand for light weights has induced rapid and close market ing. One Illinois correspondent states that stocks have been so well cleaned up that in his opinion it would be impossible to gather up a carloal of fat hogs in his county at this time. This close selling involved a sacrifice of breeding stock in many instances. Breeding stocks were also Illinois, Indiana and Nebraska, and to

cut down considerably by cholera in some extent in Missouri and Ohio. Farmers in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska also suffered some loss of pigs on account of bad weather at farrowing time. Estimates of the present supply in these states as compared with last year, run as follows: Illinois, 95½ per cent; Indiana, 92½ per cent; Iowa, 93 per

Estimates of the probable weight of

cent; Kansas, 94½ per cent; Missouri, 95 per cent; Ohio, 98 per cent; Wisconsin, 23 per cent; Nebraska, per_cent

hogs when marketed, run as follows: Illinois, 230 lbs.: Indiana. 203 lbs. Iowa, 242 lbs.; Kansas, 235 lbs.; Missourl, 218 lbs.; Ohio, 218 lbs.; Wisconsin, 207 lbs.; Nebraska, 260 lbs. The hogs now on hand are described, almost without exception, as small and thin because the high price of old corn has made feeding prohibitive. As feeding cannot begin until the new corn is fit for use, marketing will be delayed about one month. Illinois reports indicate that hogs will not begin to come freely to market before the middle of December or first of January; Indiana reports that about 20 per cent will be marketed in November and December and about 50 per cent before the first of February. The larger proportion of the Iowa crop will be shipped in January and February. About 50 per cent of the Kansas supply will be shipped before the first of February, the bulk in De-cember and January. In Missouri the larger proportion will be sent to market before the first of January. Ohio correspondents report that on account of the failure of the corn crop in many parts of that state hogs will be marketed early, the bulk of the sup-ply before Christmas. Wisconsin ply before Christmas. hogs will be marke marketed ehicty in November and December. 55 per cent are likely to come late in the winter. An increased number of sows will be bred the coming winter and the 1904 crop of spring pigs should be much larger than that of

and the 1904 last spring. With the present supply of market hogs below normal and an abundance of corn for feeding, the outlook for producers appears very en-couraging, and there would seem to be no occasion for any glutting of the

The Water Table

The Farmers' Review has on differ-

nt occasions referred to the necessity of the farmer paying attention to the water table" in the soil, as its height during the growing season has much to do with determining the crop producing ability of the land. Where the water table is too high the land becomes unproductive.. And what is too igh? Some might think that if the water table were at a distance of, say, two feet below the surface of the soil it would permit of the full development of a corn crop. But not so. Even with the water standing at 30 inches below the surface, the soil is so sat urated that the corn crop cannot fully develop. A bulletin of the Indiana station, in regard to this matter, says: An examination of corn roots in the fields showed that when the roots reached the permanent water line the tip of the roots turned black and that the tissue was destroyed. With this destruction of the tip of the root the corn plant turns yellow and from this time forward the plant is in an un-

bear no sara, and where ears form there are very few that are market-During September many of the stalks fall down owing to the weak-ness of the stalk between the ear and the ground. The stalks are almost always hollow and nearly free from pith. For corn culture the permanent inches. It is certain that with a percrops have been grown continuously and will not give her a farthing. for 30 years."

So, in many soils at least, the permanent water table must be at least only one person proved really equal to three feet below the surface to permit the occasion. This was a worthy and of the best results in raising corn .--Farmers' Review.

Breeding to Suit Location

Prof. John A. Craig, who own; I fine farm in northwest Wisconsin, says that he gave pure-bred Tamworth swine a trial in that country thinking that they would be especially adapted to the district and its peculiarities of climate, soil and plant products. The pigs proved to be sprightly and able to hustle, and the sows produced large litters and gave them plenty of milk. For a time while suckling the pigs made a rapid growth, but as soon as they were weaned they failed to round out as well as could be desireo and were, in short, found difficult to fit for market. To overcome the tendency to slow fattening and to make the progeny less nervous, a cross was decided upon, and the Poland-China selected for the purpose. This cross has proved a satisfactory one in every respect. The pigs are still avely enough, but less restless, and while doing well when suckling go on after weaning and make a fine growth and rounded frame for the market. A second cross has been taken and the pigs are still sprightly and profitable, so that it may be concluded that the Poland-China cross with Tamworth sows is a paying one that could be made by many who are not satisfied with their present herds of swine. Tha principle involved is the same where a razor-back is used to instill vigor and health into degenerated swine, but the advantage is on the side of the Tamworth, as it is a pure breed and of better type than the razor-back. By using the Tamworth the litters are increased in number and the resultant cross-bred pigs are better able than pure-bred Poland-Chinas to withstand the cold climate of the northern districts of Wisconsin. In other words, the pig produced is suitable to the environment in which it will have to live and that should be true of every hog everywhere. It has been said in this department of the paper that for corn consumption the Poland China is eminently well adapted. but as corn is not the most prolifid crop in the north some other breed of swine is evidently better adapted for the situation. The crops grown northern Wisconsin are rich in nitro-gen, being largely legumes. Clover luxuriates, peas, beans, root-crops and grain, such as oats and barley, all do well and the latter crops supply an abundance of nitrogenus food ingredients. Here bacon hogs would be sure to succeed well and the Tamworth is of the bacon type. Even though it may not be profitable to raise bacon hogs of the ultra long narrow type a dash of bacon-hog blood is useful as has been shown by Prof. Craig, and we would strongly advise such an admixture of blood wherever there is a severe climate and a predominence of nitrogenous foods. On the other hand, it would be a mistake to breed and feeli bacon hogs in a corn producplentiful is better adapted for fat production than the making of bacon of fore, that hegs should be bred with ales and refuse soap. It is not men-the object of having them most per- doned by Shakespeare. fectly adapted to their environment or district. The razor-back hog is the product of a special environment where lots of exercise is necessary to find a living and that living consists of wird nuts, fruits and herbs which go to build up a rugged frame and more muscle than tender meat or fat. Such a hog would not turn corn speedily to good advantage and would ne less perfectly adapted to the special environment productive of the best class of bacon hogs. The right hog in the right place gives the best results, but it is not common to find this rule governing the ownership of swine. The right hog has at arst been chosen. but his stamina has not been kept up, and it is now time to use a dash of strong blood of a vigorous breed of swine to modify, for instance, the the original prize, he gave to the wingreat tendency of the lard hog to be her at estate of 50,000 acres. come sluggish, overfat and consequently nonprolific. This applies only to the breeding of hogs for marketing when fat. With pure-bred hogs outcrosses cannot, of course, he made and with them for that reason it is even more important to seek the mainten-

Iron and steel imports for the fiscal year which ended June 30th, 1903, reached a total of over \$50,000,000, against \$23,000,000 in 1902 and \$16,000,000 in 1901. That these imports are used for the manufacture of ar-ticles consumed at home seen evi-dent from the fact that there has been no material increase in the export of manufactures during the same period.

ance of stamina and prolificacy by ex-

ercise, frequently change of boars and

the most careful feeding of balanced

rations, which will build up an ideal

frame without developing any part or

class of tissue at the expense of an-

other. - Farmers' Review.

A SOFT-HEARTED BAKER. Assumed Wees of Actress Too Much for His Composure.

Recently a new play was performed in Prague, the principal characters in which are a beautiful young lady and a brilliant young officer but are mable water level should be reduced to 42 to marry because they are as poor as church mice. True, the young lady has a very rich uncle, from whom she manent water level of 30 inches, very has a very rich uncle, from whom she little corn can be raised, while with a hopes to obtain aid, but she very soon permanent level of 42 inches first class discovers that he is an arrant miser

The woes of the lovers touched the hearts of many in the audience, but wealthy baker, who had actually been moved to tears by the distressing scenes on the stage. At last his heart overflowed, and the moment the rich uncle vanished with a bitter sneer at his niece's folly on his lips, he rushed from his seat to the footlights, and, taking a well-filled purse from his pocket, handed it to the astonished

heroine, saying:
"Here, take this—you'll find a good dowry in it—and have nothing more to do with that wretched miser."

Every one in the theater roared at the good fellow's simplicity and generosity, but he could not see that he had done anything unusual, and, ad-he refused to take back the purse, the heroine, with a smile, laid it on a table, and the play went on.

The Stings in Little Things. We call aim strong who stands unmove

Calm as some tempest-beaten rock-

Calm as some tempest-beaten rock—
When some great trouble hurls its
shock.
Wa say of him his strength is proved,
But when the spent storm folds its
wings. How bears he then life's little things?

And I can tread beneath my feet The hills of passion's heaving soa,
When wind-tossed waves roll stormlly,
Yet scarce rosist the siren sweet
That at my heart's door softly sings.
"Forget, forget life's little things."

I can forgive—'tis worth my while—
The freacherous blow, the cruel thrus:
Can bless my foe as Christians must,
When patience smiles her royal smile
Yet fierce resentment quickly slings
Its shots of ire at little things.

But what is this? Drops make the sea:
And petty cares and small events,
Small causes and small consequents,
Make up the sum for you and me.
Then, O for strength to meet the stings
That arm the points of little things!

Missing No Oppostunity.

A large, good natured man was greatly attracted to a little girl in the dining room of an up-town hotel the other day. She was about two and a half years old, was beginning to run about and talk a good deal, and also appeared to be at home in the hotel. After smiling at him across the dinlug room and making friends with him at a distance he accosted her in the hall. He asked her the regulation questions put by strangers to children. all ci which she answered as promptly as her baby fashion would permit.

Finally the man shook hands with her and said: "You are a nice little girl. Shall I bring you a box of candy to-merrow?"

The little one looked puzzled a moment, then spoke up brightly: "No; 'oo better doe det it now!" She got the candy that evening.

Soap in Early Days. Before soap was invented what did the ancients do to keep clean? Pliny is the first to mention soap and he declares it to be an invention of the Gauls, though he prefers the German to the Gallie soap. It was made in England in early times, for Richard of Devizes, writing in the reign of Richard I., quotes the words French Jew, who wrote still earlier: "At Bristol there is nobody who is not or has not been a soapmaker." In the reign of Edward I. soap was largely manufactured at Coventry. In London the first soap works were estabdished in 1524. Soap seems to have ing district, as the food here most leteriorated in Elizabeth's reign; historians record that good soap was almost an impossible luxury and clothes had to be washed with hemlock, net-

> Curious Lawsuit in Ceylon.
> A curious lawsuit regarding the ownership of lands was tried recently in Coylon. The trouble originated at an archery competition held by King Parakrania Babu VI., who ruled over Ceylon in the fifteenth century, in which there were two champions who outdistanced all the rest and alike hit every mark that 'was submitted to then. The king was/about to divide the eze when from a neighboring pond frog was heard to croak. The king elzed upon a chition and de-clared that whichever could hit the frog, siming only by ear, should gain the prize. One of the archers trans, ixed the frog with the arrow. So deighted was the monarch that, besides

> > Dyed Young.

the descendants of the archer.

present claimants in the lawsuit were

Burs McIntosh was taking a photograph of one of the theatrical companies in town. A young girl of not over sixteen years, with startlingly yellow hair tripped across the stage.
"Here comes The Beloved of the

whispered the manager. "Why have you dubbed her that?" asked Mr. McIntosh, with interest. "Because she has dyed so young."-Now York Times.

Highest Auction Bid.

The highest bid ever made at auction was the sum of £400,000 offered by Mr. Lister (now Lord Mashaus) for Swinton Park. At the Forther, evi- sale £8,000 was taken for the sale of the catalogue alone -1.ondon, Am

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Constitution and By-Laws receipt therefore, and disburse the same only on a written order signed by of Hose Co. No. 1. the President and Becretary and

PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS The strict observance of end of the year shall render a full accorder constitutes the basis of all improvement, and is the only guarantee of the prosperity of the company, and it is the duty of every member to respeculand obey the officers when on outy, therefore he it.

RESOLVED - That we solemuly pledge second to sustain our officers in discharge of their duties, and hold our he be of the age of 18 years or more, of serves bound in honor to conform to, good morarcharacter and a resident of and abide by, in every respect, the following Constitution and By-Laws:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

NAME AND OBJECT Sec. I. This Association shall be known by the name and style of East

Jor ton Hose Company No. 1. Sec. 2. The object shall be the tinguishment of fires and the protection of life and property.

Sec. 3. The number of active members shall not exceed twenty.

> ARTICLE II. Officers.

Sec. 1. The officers of this company bers shall repair immediately to the shall consist of Chief, Captain, Lieu- hose house and assist in conveying the ident. Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, with the President as Chairman, who shall be elected an uttheir power, under the direction of the ally by ballot, on the 3d Monday in September in each year, and shall hold and preserving life and property, and their office for one year and until their when the fire is extinguished, or in case successors are elected, with the excep-theatarm is false, to aid in returning ed by the Village President.

the roll shall be called, and they shall be at there's to depart. The first mem-Sec. 2 Vacancies caused by death, resignations, removals, etc., may be filled at any regular meeting (by ballot), notice having been given at any previous meeting. The person so elected shall hold office until the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES OF SEPTICEES. Sec 1. It shall be the duty of the shall have power to divest him of all Chief to to take command at fires, equipments which would denote him a drill and parades, settle all disputes member, and he may at a subsequent between members when on duty, his meeting, be expelled from the comdecision to stop all controversy until pany.
the meeting of the company, when the subject may be noted upon by the com-listines, assessments, etc., within 20 to take on or let off passengers. He shall see that the apparatus days after being reported by the invesand everything pertaining thereto- are tigating committee, shall be reported

kept in good order and repair. He may by the Secretary, and may be expelled order drais at his discretion by giving from the company by a two-tairds vote two days notice. He shall report for of the members present. discipline members not prompt in the performance of their duties.

The daty of the Captain is glectful of his duties, or does not exert to also the Chief in the discharge of his himself to assist the apparatus to the trada the Chief in the assnargeor institute to obey his orders, and in his fire, he may be requested to present his absence to perform his duties.

See 3. The daty of the Lieutenant not deemed sufficient by the company.

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Fire to dee to cirect the disposal of who shall have served a term of three ds and furniture removed from years in this department, and are thear barraing baildings, and to guard the on the Secretary's book, may be braced same until taken into the care of the on the roll of exempt members, with

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the President or, in his absence, the Vice resigned from active service. resident or, in his absence, the Vice Sec. 2. Exempt members who may resident to preside at will meetings Sec. 2. Exempt members who may have retired from active service may the company, to sign all orders

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see, 6. It shall be the duty of the "gear on the 3a Monda, Secretary to keep a record of the some pany's proceedings; to notify all officers of their election, and every consecution at the 3d M $_{\rm coll}(y)$ f mittee of its appointment through ats at the same hour. chairman; k ep a rob of the com; any, and call the same at every meets g. and after every fire, drill, or parade, as called for in the By-Lavis, noting the members present; keep a financials account between the company and its East Jordan members, receive all money due the company, and pay the same overto the trea urer, within five days, taking a receipt for the same, draw and sign adorders upon the Treasurer. After each monthly meeting he shall notify and members who may be in orders for fines, etc., and hand a tisk of the sac e to the President, notify in writing every person coeffed a member with in two cass thereafter regular in the sage the Constitution and the sage that the sage tha

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ARTICLE IV.

Sec. 2. The membership fee in this

Sec. 3. All applications for membership must be made it writing, stating

full name and age, occupation and res-

idence, and accompanied by the en-

trance fee (which shall be returned if

application is rejected) and signed by

the proposing member, who must be in

good standing. The application may

be read at any regular meeting, and

immediately referred to the company

ARTICLE V.

Sec. 1. On an alarm of fire all mem

apparatus to the blace of fire, and locat-

ing the same agreeably to the orders of

the officers in command, and do all in

officers, in staying the conflagration

the apparatus to the hose house, when

ber arriving at the hose house in re-

sponse to an atarm, shall have com-

mand of the company until the arrival

Sec 2. In-case any member shall

become intoxicated while wearing his

uniform, either on parade, at firs, or

visiting with the company, the officers

Sec. 3. Any member failing to pay

Sec. 4. Whenever it shall be consid-

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EXEMPT MEMBERS.

Sec. 1. The names of all persons

the date from which they served, when they became exempt, and when they

drill, or parade, but shall no be sub-

ARTICLE VII.

MEETINGS. Sec. 1. An meetings whether an-

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Sec. 3. Monthly to

Company shall be One Dollar.

shall make a monthly report of all such Prains leave BBLEAIRE as follows: receipts and disbursements and at the For Traverse City, 10:19 a. m. and

For Grand Rapids, Chicago, and West 10:19 a. m., and, 3:57 p. m.
For Saginaw and Detrott:10:19 st. m. 3:57 p. m.
For Charlevoix and Petoskey:2 29 p. m. and 7:39 p. m. youthers to an auditing committee for Sec. 1. No person shall be eligible F. N. STEWART, Agent, membership in this company, unless

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Time Schedule. Takes effect Sunday, Sept. 6, 1963,

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· †Fayette	4:20 p. m.
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Leave Alba,	5 20 p. m.
" tGreen Miver	5 85 p. m
" (Graves' Camp,	5 45 p. m.
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" † Wards	5 55 p. m.
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Trains stop on signal to take on or to let off passengers. CLARK HAHRE, Gen. Manager.

Jordan & Southern R. R.

TIME TABLE.

In effect June 21, 1903,

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9:18 2:03	*Wolco Bellair	4:13/10:57
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