

stream, first to one side, and then the

other. On the voyage the spider

catches small inserts on the water, as

her tiny boat hurries on with the tale.

very small yellow eggs. But she is so

The Surprise Party.

One day the whole family excep-

We have been having surprise par-

of the leaf she is on!

TURNED ADRIFT

it's snowing hard!"

Resamond! Resamond-"Yes, Uncle Phineas,"

"It's nine o'clock, Rosamond. The put ye out? Go, I say!" clock's just struck." "I know it, Uncle Phineas."

"Well, take off them logs as basn't niece, even while she had opened her got fairly to going and p it 'em keerful lips to remonstrate still further, in the chimney-corner, and kiver up Without another word, she glided out the rest with a good coat of ashes, into the twilight tempest. D'ye hear, Rosamond?"

nine o'clock's the time folks was alsel." to it; old inhabitants compared it with "Yes, Uncle PLineas,"

over of any one tampers with the fast- out of the woods, and, turning traitor enings."

"Pll not forget, Uncle Phineas." troubled eyes met his own. said he. "Evidently your uncle thinks" est and most dangerous streams in the pany."

mond, faintly,

time and finish my visit." have been identified.

He held Rosamond's hand in his a trifle longer than there was any neces. Foster home, and Uncle Phineas gave the point of future observation. If sity for, as they parted; and the girl her decent burial. From that moment, the present motion of Arcturus is orbisighed softly as she bolted the great however, he never held his head up tal, it will in true appear stationary door and adjusted the "cheer" at the "I know they couldn't convict me and then receive: but nothing so far exact burglar-catching angle.

George Hand had been very near murder, all the same it's murder! It is, apparently, coming right along; saying the word for which her heart And I didn't never know afore how still its orbit may be so mighty that it had longed all these months, just when fend I'd got to be of Rosamond. There may require years before its bend will Uncle Phineas' cracked voice made ain't no hired help I've had sence as be indicated by a retardation of the itself audible, over the bend of the ever done as she done. Poor Rosa- rate of approach, than by no perceptistatrway. mond-poor little girl! And it was ble motion either way, than by a re-It was rather hard, but Hosamond's me killed her.""

hie had been a succession of mute They sent for the doctor; but the - Indianapolis News, self-sacrifices, and this only made an doctor shook his head. additional one "It is not a case for medicine," said

A Mountain Railroad.

ed lad," said he. "And Resamond is a: good girl-a very good girl !" - Heb u "But it's dark, Uncle Phineas! And Forest Graves

"What's that to me?" should the The Advance of Arcturus. old tyrant. "Do you mean to start, There will be a fine chance for posor must I take ye by the shoulders and terity to dodge if the present doings of the star Arcturnes undergo no change.

There was something in the savage The result of the observations of these light of his eyes that appalled his, doings made at the Greenwich Observa tory in 1883, numbering 200, and extending over a period of five months, is the clear establishment of that star's movement toward the earth dead on at Everybody in Beckersfield rememthe rate of something more than 50 "Yes, Uncle Phineas," with a sigh. bered that January storm for years miles a second, 3,000 miles a minute. "Because you know, Rosamond, afterward. Young people dated back 180,000 miles in hour, 4,320,000 miles

to the ocean. Whether she ever gets a day. An 89 ton gun drives a projecthe memorable storms of their youth tile 1,400 feet a second, maximum ve-"And be sure you lock the big front ful days. The snow lay for weeks, locity. Arcturus is thus coming at us knows -Our Little Ours, door and bolt both the bolts, and put a full six feet deep. Wild creatures, at a rate of 200 times greater than this. cheer agin the hinges, so't it'll tumble like foxes, welves and weazels, crept Tospeak of it as shot out of a gun is to use a faint and in dequate simile. to their instincts, sought food and This celestial projectile is moving over shelter near human dwellings. Roads a distance equal to that between the night, and Tom Mettinniss was allow. George Hand rose from his seat, were impassable for weeks; fulways earth and the sun every twenty-one ed to come and stay with me, so that with a smile, as Rosamond Foster's blocked up for days. And not with days, It has, however, 1,622,000 of we could take care of the house. the spring suns unlocked the tey chain these distances to traverse, therefore it "Perhaps I had better be going." of Plimmit's Creek (one of the deep- will not arrive for (6,000 years; but if and I thought we would make a seatpresent observations are true, it will my room will be better than my com- neighborhood,) did they discover the there as sure as the decrees of field, and poured a great lot of water over our scarcely-recognizable remains of a our poor little earth where will it be? "You won't mind him?" said Rosa- human body, wedged among the roots scorched, shuffed out like a vapor like as it was very cold, it froze in a very of a submerged tree. Had it not been by long before the contact, and our little while. We skated all day, and "Not in the least," said George, for the scarlet shawl which Resamond whole solar system gone to staves like toward night we poured more water "He's quite right. Nine o'clock is Foster had worn when she left the a bucket with one piece out. If we over it, so as to make it nice and time to go home. Til come some other farm-house, her remains could hardly haven't any interest in this result we smooth have in the conformation of things. But they brought her to the old which fore-hadowed it and this will be ties in our town this winter, and 1 hand father say that we had them part of the country. A surprise party in a court of law," he said. "But it's has been discovered pointing to this,

cession equal to its previous approach.

The great tunnel of Galera, by

I could outshoot any man in the val- they are seen. Back in the woods own portrait," was the reply, Then away she goes, down the ley. We used to swing an apper on a they make their homes, and there their th string, an' mountin' our horses gallop booting is as familiar a sound as the bag in church, after the contribution like mud and fire at it. I could hit it creaking of the frage. The fature has by had passed by one sunday, whise every time. I could knock an apple, no better ment than the owl, and he point to be mother. How much did of a post nine times out'n ten titty, what alls one does the public and little, you get - 1 gradued a quarter." You cannot see her sunless you look yards away, an't could take the bill self an injury. White, or solitoring, very sharp, because she is just the color of a bird in a tree as clear as a whistle after faming a pair of owls, was conan' never disturb a feather. That's a ginesi that they brought a mouse to In the point of the leaf you would fact."

find a sort of tent, loosely spin, where "What do you regard as the most minutes from sunset to daylight. she often goes. There she has adden skillful shot you ever made?" we aska precious little silken ball, filled with ed.

Owls were never an epicurem feast,

ter anything that once had the breath

of life, Southey once had an owl

"We agreed that there could be no

protect for making owls game and

An omelette male of owly oggs is

Birds Forced to Take Medicine.

"You mean the best 1 ever made; genius in Newport, Benjamin Hadquick in her movements that before yes, an' I mought say, the happiest of win, who are them, and for that matyou know it she is out of sight and on my life.

We notided in the attributive. there, or hides away until the warm "Well, strangers," he began, et il rousted for himself and Mr. and Mrs. weather comes back again, a body tell you all about it. It was years Worth, I give the sequel in his words : ago, though: I was twenty-one then, an' but few people lived hereabouts. an what did war a good ways apart, killing them as delicacies, but if ever Down in the tother end of the valley, you cat one by all means try it boiled me went to New York to spend the lived John Angleford, who had a dar with enion sauce, tor, an' I loved her like much but, some way or other, she didn't kinder said to be a cure for drunkenness As I couldn't go out skating. Tom had a sen, an' she tuk to that key, range of the sportsman's gan. No heavy bill coming due ing pond in our front yard. So we This made me kind of jealors like, an' love is bot between the crow and the him an' mensed to tight often. But 1 owl, and when the latter is prorched front walk, which is made of askfelt; didn't giv in: I'd made up my mind to upon a limb the former gass for him. git that gal ef 4 could. One day, in with the celerity and disregard of all the fall of the year- Fill never torget these cautionary measures that usuthat day-I should red 'Old Faithful,' ally mark the new-ments of a grow, the mountains to see what kind of average that he does not see the gaingame was abroad. Well, I reckon fid ner until if is too late to lead a safe for nigh on to three hours, without catch shall birds, only in their case worse in our town than in any other seen" of a thing, when all of a suction the owl is tied to a perchin open I heard a scream that almost fri- my ground in broad similarit, and the is a whole lot of folks who rush into blood. I heard it again, and I knowyour house at night, and don't give anybody time to change their clothes cocks Old Faithful an starts through in this way they become an easy proy. a page diamone prepared by the Queen or take their hair out of curl-papers, the bushes. But afore 1 got to the Providence Journell, The surprise party generally brings openin' I heard horses' hours a lankcake and pie with them, and everying an' a-clatterin' over the stones, 1 boly cats some and drops the rest on hurried right on to the openant, and the carpet, and when the party is thar I seed wat it war all about 1

securi of every one hundred and nine founde selied teachers," says an exchange, "seven marry every year." the nest on an average of every five. How many times do the remaining 112 marry - Give us all the facts.

"I the man honest" asked ohl but there was formerly an eccentric Hyson. "Home tas the day is long." was the reply. "Yees," said old Hyson; "but then he won't do at all, 1 want him for a night watchman."

> . Colliferate mod to rave over. Mass Gurligari's levacinthane curls. Since he has discovered that they are fastened on with harryins he has chosen a net doral endless and new calls them Investigation

The discovery has been made that the world does not revolve with the semechonomentaria it did a thousand want to hitch to use. About three clubs are sometimes duried not for Year-age, but it still swings round niles away lived another man who the tube, but to draw crows within har enough to satisfy the man with a

Queen Elizabeth's Prayer Book,

There is now on view at Mr. Edward Joseph's gallery, in Bond street, a very curious and, it would seem, genwine relic of Queen Einsbeth. This is a small prayer book, three inches by that's my musket, an' went up inter Scenger is he to meet the object of his two meters, in which the Queen has wratten in a very near hand, on sixtyfive leaves of vellum, prayers in Engbeen trudgin' around in the thicket retreat. The Italians use an owl to loss Greek, Latin, French, and Italian, The inside of the shagreen case, which is adorned with ruly clasps, contains st pair of ministures of the Queen and birds that gyrate around him alight the Due d Alencen, painted by Nichofor her suitor, prohably about 1581, when astenders of Mr. Fronde will "the's got a sore eye," was the level relation she announced to her court planation of a clerk in a lord store that she had accepted him for husband.

who was carrying a little green. The prayers are very autobiographic gone you sit down and burst out cry seed it at a glance. Oid Angleford's -prawking purch. He cleaned it with rail, the writer speaks of herself as ing, and say you were never so wor-herse whas a tearin' along like as if a strek, and the partor stragged taget "drawing my block from kinges," and ried in all your life, and wish those the old boy war after him, and than a stick and the partor strangers to the start for "passing me from a away, effecting most dolloral cries, but thanks theil for "passing me from a was nearly held until sum entry true." Surversigue Prince over this people of life, an' right betwix' her an' the where it sat and solved and mouned England." The history of the book vation on the earth's surface where the source of the base of the horse's next, and the source of the sides to rest the track upon, steep cut-tings and superb bridges, the system we couldn't find any cork. you'll win the gal.' Jes' as that ar the market value of the bard. Nos gamess she left it to one of her All at once we heard the most awcurve. So the track zigzags up the few seconds somebody would shrick mountain side, on the switch and like a girl that sees a rat, and then or death to one of the three on the three on the three on the three it passed into the late owner's to torget how to talk. Parents seen thence it passed into the late owner's mountain side, on the switch and like a girl that sees a rat, and then or death to one of the three on fem. In to triget now to take, far hands, it is described in Walpole's attent to man when they are side, for hountain such, on the same taking men would use swear words, and ev-back-up principle, the trains taking men would use swear words, and ev-but 1 doin't miscalenlate, 1 never doi, they ery and groan and a t dumpish. "Amendation of Pauling," in his acand will submit to modifine cashy, count if the famous miniaturist Nich-unless if is very monthl, and then they

But Uncle Phineas renewed the he, "The man is not sick. He has subject, next day, with some acrimony. something on his n intt."

"I tell ye what, Rosamond," said he, "Ye don't keep no medicine to make pierced, will be, when completed, 3,800 Tom and I had a beautiful time af-"Ye don't keep no medicine to make pierced, will be, when completen, server the had got through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here is a man forget, do ye, squire it sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here is sat and selbed and mounted through skating and it here is a man forget, do ye is a good through skating and it through skating and it here is a good throu "the candle box is more'n half-empty" a man forget, do ye, squire?" said of January you know," said Rosamond, smile. gently.

"I don't keer ef 'twas the middle of made," said the doctor. "No, my ite and blasting clefts along their the parlor. We were going to black April," snarled the old man. "That friend, there's nothing in the Pharain't no excuse for wasting candles, macoparia to meet your case, worse tings and superb bridges, the system we couldn't find any cork. Arter this, the house has got to be luck!"

shut up at half-past eight o'clock at So the solitary old man peaked and night, and all the lights out. I ain't pined as the days went by, hanging goin to end my days in the poor house, moodily over his handful of fire, and not to please all the shiftless young refusing to speak to the sympathetic fellers in the place. Ef they ain't got neighbors who came and went.

But one day, when the chestnut

trees were all in blossom, a carriage

homes of their own to set up in, 1 ain't goin' to furnish one for 'em."

Resamond made no answer. What drove up to the door, through weeds comment had she to offer? Did not that had grown knee-deep. Uncle Phineas remind her a dozen "Company?" said Uncle Phineas, times a day that she was a penniless or- with a side-long glance at the window. phan, entirely dependent on him for the "Tell 'em to go away; I won't see bread she ate, the clothes she wore? To- nobody."

be-sure there had been a hundred dol "But you will see me, Uncle Phine lars for her, when the estate of Eliakim as?" cried a cheery voice. "You will Foster had been divided; but Uncle see Resamond?"

Phineas had insisted on her laying that aside for a rainy day. Resamond it was, alive and bloom-ing, with cheeks like her name-flower, that aside for a rainy day.

Some said it was sensible thrift; some and blue eyes shining. Uncle Phineas called it an offshoot of the miserimess looked at her with a troubled face. that underlay his whole nature. But "Rosamond was drowned," said he, the old man deigned no explanation; he "How is this? Are there two Rosa- through, as he cannot turn round, and only sniffed a great sniff when he heard monds ?"

that Rosamond's only brother, Jared, "Dear uncle, I am so sorry!" exhad put his share into an invention of plained the girl. "But I never heard ally and you will soon have your mole. his own which he was trying to push until vesterday of the girl who was through the patent office. "Humph! buried in my name. I met the poor saidhe. "Fools and their money are thing shivering on the road; she seemed to have lost her way, and I Lisle?" soon parted."

To-day, however, he had no sooner directed her as well as I could, and settled the candle-question, than he gave her my little red shawl to the club): "Oh, yes; but we are not alone. broached a new topic.

"Give me that there money o' yourn, Scranton, and went to Jared. I didn't been watching us the last half hour." Young People, Resamond," said he. "I've got a gool Lnow what e'se to do. And oh, uncle, chance to invest if, where it'll double my hundred dollars has more than him; he only my father." quadrupled itself, and Jarcel's patent Mr. Lisie tries to explain.-Ran itself in a year or two." Resamond turned red, then while steam-saw is a success. He is a rich eler.

which the pinnacle of the Andes is thousand miles away.

one leap

"If we did, our fortunes would be Besides boring the mountains of gran- stairs and turnet somersaults on it in

of reverse tangents had to be adopted in canons that were too narrow for ful noise in the front yard. Every site to me i blazed away for the

switched on to another track another won: so that often there are four or five lines of track parallel to each other, one above the other, on the mountain

side. New York Sun.

Novel Plan to Catch Moles,

A farmer proposes the following novel plan for catching moles: Take two old row horns and place them point to point, turning the hollows outward in the track of the mole, and then replace the earth over them. The mole will come along soon and crawl into the horn just as far as he can go, and remain there trying to get moles never go backwards. Scratch up and examine your horns occasion-

Only her Father,

Miss De Vere: "Don't yo i sing, Mr

Mr. Lisle (of the Harvard glee around her neck. I took the train to That ugly old duffer in the corner has Miss De Vere: "Ob, never mind

chalk, asclingin' to his back for dear (e), and was then put back in its age.

forward, and after being erybody would talk all at once. Tom The load went into that as cataand I rushed upstairs, where it was mount's head, an' he rolled over dead leap backward, until the summit is dark, and looked out through the win. on the ground, the hose stambiod, and resid, just like the rest of the unimudow. A big surprise party was falling as he disappeared over the procipice 1

over one another on our front walk, cotched the faintin' gal in my armst

atmost dreadful sight, and Tom and I them days would go off an' stay for could hardly keep from rolling on the days a-huntin', so the absence of old off the walk on to the grass, and then war if Al Struthers had cum home. they pulled the rest off the ice, and Thinks I, that's somethin' quarhelped one another over the fence, somethin' wrong about thus, 11.1 11 and went home; that is, all except see, I shouldered sold Faithful' an' three or four who were helped into a started out. Away up war the catawagon because they couldn't walk, mount had jumped on Sary Jane's house

The next morning we put ashes on | I found him-ugh! what a sight 1 The Teu Finest Buildings,

the walk, and when father came bome, s ed. Thar he war, stark dead, as and we told him about it, he said we stickin' on an oak limb, that had gone country, according to the majority brain, in fact, is a multiplication table. had done very wrong, and then gave clar through his body, an his boss war vote given in the Boston American IIIs insanity seems pardonable, for us each 10 cents, and went into the dead, away down on the sharp-pointed locked, are Trinuty church, Horion, enty a few same use can complete with house laughing. I never knew him rocks below. We giv the poor fullow the capitol at Washington, W. K. him as a mathematician. Every day to act that way before -Harper's decent burial. The only way I e unit Vanderfall's house. Trinity church he soaks his head in water to prevent account for his death war that Sary and the Jefferson market court house, the blocks from rattling, and occasion-Jane's screamin' frightened his loss, New York; the city hall, Hartford, ally be begs for oil to put into his ears It requires only ten pounds of bony- an' runnin' in among the trees he got city hall and state capitol. Albany, so that the imaginary squares will slip uncy to keep a live person's head above caught on the sharp pint of the low-sever hall, Cambridge, Mass., and upon each other more easily .-. Morrise eater.

Two Singular Lumatics. A lunatic at the Morris Plains

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wither birds act differently. Wild Nost if them were lying on the ice an hurried down the road with ner to birds will not take medicine. You the physicians thought he had lost the and meaning, but every minute or her home. For a long time she had a have to force it down, dack there use power of speech. One day two of his and meaning, but every budget up two a main or a woman would get up and try to walk, and then slip and come? Is he come? Nobely could stuil the forst down ther threads stuil the forst down ther threads machine. Fo the astonishment of machine. Fo the astonishment of come down on somebody else. It was tell what it meant. You see, men when they won't est, and so it. (a everybody who heard him he evelaim naries dislike doctoring, but are very of "By the great and jumping Moses, foor and haughing loud enough for Struther's boy didn't make anybedy than other birds. Debelinks are like That was three years ago, and he has the surprise party to hear. After a think strange, Well, one day she enough them, only more obstinate, and nocks not spoken since. Another patient, a ing leads will constitues due of suffere low in the same institution, is a lightness rather than take drugs. They are ming calculator. The most intrivate hardy, stronger, and rarely sich. Rol, problems are solved by him in fracbirds, though, are more delivate, and tions of a minute. The boy believes -- wild they won't take medicine."-- that his head is filled with little block? with figures upon them, and they in stantly fall into different positions and "The ten dnest buildings in this work out the problems. He thinks his