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She glanced up quickly into my face.
"What is it?" she asked curiously,

She did not withdraw the hand

Life in a Haystack.

and weatherbeaten haystacks, and ob-

serving no farms or houses in the neigh-

borhood, I had wondered how they hap-pened in that uninhabited region. This

stacks more dried and ancient looking, if

possible, than any that I had yet seen.

amount of speculation as to how the rays

agna," he said, "get only two cents a

"How much does your food cost you?"

Sundays I always wear shoes and hat."

ty miles, one from the other, and their

Thawing Out the Frozen.

completely restored, others are less fortu-

nate, and suffer frequently in after-years.

cold to heat be avoided, a healthy person

can withs and intense cold without

serious consequences, especialiy if he be

mentally active, energetic, and muscular,

sit down to rest, soon fall asleep, and in

most instances never awake. For a long

time they remain in a condition border-

ing on death; they breathe a little, and

the heart makes feeble attempts to main-

tain the circulation of the blood, -Popu-

lar Science Monthly.

ing harm.

different stories all agreed.

In the last ten miles of my walk, says

you to be my wife."

day of both our lives.

again .- Frank Leslie's.

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The Tulare (Cal.) Times says that as high as \$29 per acre rental is paid for land on the American River, in Sacramento County, for use in raising peanuts, and considers it a profitable industry

English physicians say that s form of ophthalmia, caused by the vitiated atmosphere arising from overcrowding, has been practically banished whenever sanitary improvements have been introduced. Pure air produced immediately better

even at three cents a pound.

Mr. W. B. Tegetmeier, who is a great authority on pigeons, says that in spite of the nonsense written about flying by instinct, all practical men know that a But drunk will cause the wretch to pine bird flies by sight, and he has lost some of the best birds he ever owned by trying to fly them across London fogs.

A New York writer says that the two principal causes which have led to decline in matrimony among fashionable circles in New York are the "increased comforts and diminished expense of bachelor life and the over-worship to which we have accustomed our women."

In the exhibition recently opened at Havre there is an interesting collection of specimens of poisonous fishes. Some are poisonous when eaten; others are merely venomous. Among the first are many Sparoids, a Tetrodon, and many Clupea, which are abundant near the Cape of "Good Hope. In the Japan Sea is found a very peculiar Tetrodon, which is sometimes used as a means of suicide. It brings on sensations like those produced by morphia, and then death.

A Western writer plainly sets the limits to girlhood and dares to say when a woman is an "old maid." She says: The longevity of girlhood, according to the ethics of society, has increased in the last dozen or fifteen years. A. girl is not an "old maid" now until she is past thirty. Once she was an "old maid" at twentyfive. She is a girl now for five years beyond that age. It is even deemed not only possible but probable that some man will find her fair and lovable after that advanced age and she marry.

The Rev. Sam. Jones says: "If I wanted to get good, square judgment on something I had done, I would rather go to a newspaper office than to any court' of justice. I know that newspapers probe into men's characters, and the pure need not fear all the newspapers in America. The way to be safe from so-called newspaper attacks is to be a Christian. The reporters are the best detective force in this country. They have brought more criminals to justice, and punctured more shams, than all other agenies combined."

Mr. A. W. Franks has presented to the British Museum a most remarkable coin lately received from India. It is a decadrachm of the Bactrian series, the first ever met with, and bears on the obverse a man charging with his lance an elephant, holding a thunderbolt and a spear; in the field is a monogram, composed of the letters A B. The obverse records some victory of the Greeks over the barbarians, and the reverse may be a representation of Alexander the Great. The coin evidently comes from the district of the Oxus, and was struck about the middle of the second century B. C.

In a pamphlet issued lately by the United States Hydrographic Office, Lieutenant Underwood says that mineral oils are not so effective for use at sea as vegetable or animal. A comparatively small amount of the right kind of oil, say two quarts per hour, properly used, is sufficient, he asserts, to prevent much damage, both to vessels and to small boats, in heavy seas. The greatest result from oil is obtained in deep water. In a surf, or where water is breaking on a bar, the effect is not so certain; but even in this case oil may be of benefit, and its use is recommended by Lieutenant Underwood. He advises that, when an attempt is about to be made to board a wreck, the approaching vessel should use the oil after running as close as possible under the lee of the wreck. The wreck will soon drift into the oil, and then a boat may be sent along-

Two interesting bits of information relative to Colombia, the little Central American republic, are made public. American republic, are made public. pair of skates and sallied forth. Walk-The first states that "the Government of carelessly down the steep bank to the Colombia is authorized, to grant a re- frozen river, I found myself in the midst ward of \$10,000 in silter to every one of a merry party, and was at once taken who discovers a new mercantile article possession of by Belle Carlin, the lively, who discovers a new mercantile article pretty daughter of the colonel. Hand- me burning with indignation and of export. Under this law Senor Rafael in-hand we went, skating down to the desire to insult him in some way. Vanegas has filed two claims, one for the | bend and back without halting. The discovery and employment of a valuable ice was like glass, the air quiet and cold, medicinal plant; the second for the discovery that wild cocoa trees exist in little group, some of whom were without away the time where we could have no little group, some of whom were without away the time where we could have no profusion in the virgin forests which stretch from the waters of the Ariari down to the River Guayabero. If investigate and there as gracefully as if born down to the River Guayabero. If investigate and there as gracefully as if born out little group, some of whom were without papers to read, no news from the outside world till spring.

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She shivered a little, and drew up outside world till spring given by the ladies of the papers to read, no news from the outside world till spring. tigation should prove the correctness of this statement, it will throw millions of strange girl who so greatly interested and more ostracized as the weeks passed then was still. a valuable article within the reach of many who are now deprived of the use of it owing to the price." The second stocks reached Miss Burke's side. She glanced up, startled by the ring of my of it owing to the price."

The second is the possible of the use of it owing to the price. The second is the possible of the hardship of her position, and of her loneliness. Impelled first by and of the rock, with Miss Burke leaning is the price. of it owing to the price." The second steel, and hesitated as if meditating sympathy, I did call upon her, not only heavily upon my shoulder. item says that "a newspaper at Bogota flight. But for that I gave her no time, (the capital of Colombia) reports that the gold which is now being dug out of the one turn to the bend?" cemeteries at Hilandia and other places near Pereira, in Cauca, has led more than embarrassment, but without a word she which were very disagreeable to hear, 'I had dismounted to fix my saddle-1,000 workmen to flock to that spot, and held out her little gloved hand to me, a town has sprung up there within the and then catching the stroke, we glided which were very disagreeable to hear, yet nevertheless I continued to pass many girth," she said, "when the horse because frightened at something and ran. past four years which now contains more than fifty thousand inhabitants. These Captain," she exclaimed, as we reached people are almost all Antioquians, and the the banks once more, her black eyes gether down to the Cedar Grove and back such a night in search for me. majority of them have obtained sufficient gold to render themselves and their families independent of work for the remain- asked, looking at her in admiration.

LOVE AND DUTY.

That dawns and glows and fades away, And night comes down all dark and gray, And pleasures disappear! But duty lights the nightly path, And braves spring rains and winter wrath, A star that shines from birth till death,

Oh, Love seeks but for self-delight, While lips are red and eyes are bright, From eld's gray locks he wings his flight

Nor lingers sick beds near! But duty's spent for others' sake, By fever's couch will watch and wake, Will dare the martyr's fire and stake,

Oh, love is like that poison wine That tasted savors of divine, With death throes dread and drear! But duty's cup, though bitter first, Soon slakes the sufferer's burning thirst;

And health and bloom that blessed him erst,

the Fort Wheeler stockade and were greeted by the welcome challenge of the "Who comes?"

Aroused iuto new life by the cry, I straightened up in the saddle and shook the weight of snow from my shoulders. "An officer from Reno with recruits,"

I heard the sharp click of the musket brought to a salute, and as we rode by, bent down to ask: "Where is the commandant's quar-

'Straight ahead, sir; where them ights be. The women folks have a party to-night," Followed by the little troop, I pushed forward across the snowy parade-ground, beyond the short row of log huts, up toward a larger frame building that

and, stiff in every joint, swung from the saddle, the door was thrown suddenly open and a dozen faces looked out sagerly into the night. The officer in mmand, a tall, soldierly looking felow, with long, white mustache, stepped outside, shading his eyes, and as I moved orward into the cirtle of light, a moving nound of snow, his puzzled face broke into a smile of welcome, and he came lown the sleps with both hands extended

"Brian, by all that's glorious!" he exlaimed. "Welcome back to the old met before," continued the colonel, with-

out much ceremony. "Mrs. Carter and and Miss Socha, allow me; gentlemen, this is Captain Brian, of 'ours.'"

commencing to make me sleepy, when my eyes fell upon a girl seated in the further corner of the room, to whom I had not been introduced. She was more speak.

fellow was saying, and as she leaned forward to reply, the firelight flashed up into the masses of her hair, and gave to it almost a tinge of auburn. I ventured to ask the colonel who she

"She is a Miss Burke, connected with

the garrison." And with that I was compelled to be content, but more than ever determined

lin," said an old sergeant at my door the next morning; "the ladies would be

the wing. As we dashed back into the thing, in fact, that would help to pass ing."

upon the ice.

"That was a most delightful spin, dancing with excitement and her usually

"Then shall we not have another?" I

to-day," she said calmly.

The man looked down into her dark eyes, as if to read her thoughts, bowed low, and turned away, apparently uncon-

"Then that must mean me as well ?" I whispered.
"Could it be otherwise?" her eyes cast down. "I must get my hood, and then I will go in, I think."

"You do not ask me to call upon you," dared to venture. "Is it because you do not wish me to ?"

her hand. "You would, of course, be welcomed but by to-morrow, I think, you will not care to call upon Ada Burke." And before I could say a word or ask a question, she had turned from me and was flying across the frozen surface like a bird. I stood for a moment watching her

"My God, an ice-hole!" cried the Major's voice, but that instant I thrust | this!"

Such things pass so quickly as to leave the girl's dress. How we regained the overcost, I hurried from the room. opening I know not, but a dozen strong It was indeed a terrible night, as I bed was on one side, and the furniture sciousness of everything about me. It is

like the faint impression of a dream. The shock and the cold, however, did my system but little harm, and after a warm supper and receiving tidings that | call, this." the girl, though quite weak, was in a fair way to recovery, I felt so much bet-

"All in the messroom, sir; leastwise] heard 'em laughin' thar a moment I found them gathered there, sitting

the blue clouds of tobacco-smoke curling up in rings to the ceiling.
"Have a chair, Captain," said Carter, kindly; "you are the lion of the garrison at present.

nerves. "By Jove, if we only had a band now, we'd make them play 'See the Conquering Hero,' don't you know!"

"No; very cool, ain't you? Just like of my company. a novel, by Jove! If only the heroine was somebody, now, what a romance it would be!" and he leaned back, staring up hard at the ceiling. "By-the-way, Brian, I just took the trouble to call, and

Who Miss Burke is?" he echoed Well, I can tell you, if anybody can; she simply isn't anybody, that's all. Do you happen to be honored with the acquaintance of Tony Burke?"

Well, you ought to know him. Tony

I looked at him intently. "Not only very pretty, but a lady," l "Yes, and that is what bothers Dane, chimed in Finley; "she has proved alto rether too much for him."

remark. "Do you really think so?" he sneered

"You're crazy, man." "No. I'm not. Come, money talks-We gathered closer about the two men. to listen. Finley's face reddened. For a moment he seemed to hesitate, and

lady herself?"

ence to me. The bet is that I win the heart of Miss Burke within a month from to-night," and he passed out, leaving me burning with indignation and a wild

winter rolled slowly along, with

pon the ice.

Determined to know more of this of the garrison. She seemed to be more on; but I did not forget or neglect the once, but many times, until sympathy grew into respect and mutual confidence. Of course the colonel's wife early took me to task for this breach of garrison etiquette, and Mrs. Carter hinted things How did it all happen?" dingy sutler's store, and on pleasant ed. I scarcely dared to hope that any through the keen wintry air. I did all this to tease the garrison, perhaps, as much as anything else, but it ended, as not to all." There was a depth of pathos

say yes, but just at that moment, Major Dane, a tall, dark-featured man, who was passing at a little distance, suddenly circled about, and came to a stop before The time for the Major to prove his wager was fast approaching, but I had heard nothing more regarding it, save the idle bantering of the mess-room, where She glanced up quickly into my face. it continued a standard topic of conver-"You so seldom skate with any one," sation. Indeed, I now instinctively

he said politely to my companion, "that we forget to ask the privilege; but as you have broken your custom and favored Captain Brian, may I hope you will be equally kind to me?"

sation. Indeed, I how instinctively avoided the man on all possible occasions, and when we met, as we often did, coming and going from the sutler's quarters, we barely exchanged words of greeting and hurried on. I do not suppose he There was a moment's pause, as if in surprise at the interruption, and then the girl glanced straight up into his face.

If the distribution of the storm howling overhead and the little group of soldiers at our feet, well enough how he ranked with the lady.

In the afternoon I sat down to do some writing. It was an hour after dark be-fore I had finished, and I knew from the rattling at my window that the wind had changed and that everything promised s dark, tempestuous night.

without looking up. A gust of wind swept over me, and a heavy foot dragged along the floor. "Captain, your honor," said a hoarse

coat laden with snow. "What is it, Burke?" I asked, anxious ly, for the man's face spoke of evil tid-

And from the top and sides of this hay-stack I was astonished to perceive a slight smoke arising. My first idea was, of course, that the hay was on fire, and twirling his cap awkwardly in his great hands, but finally said, without looking "I thought, maybe, as how you had

of the sun, at a temperature of ninety degrees, could ignite even so inflamable a material as dried hay; all of which speculation was knocked in the head, know that she is lost like-" "Lost? My God, on such a night "Yes, sir, She went out riding, Vixen, your own horse, sir, just before

terrible struggle for breath as I felt to come to, only you."
about under the ice; the thrill of joy "You did right, Burke. I'll find your about under the ice; the thrill of joy "You did right, Burke. I'll find your that swept over me as my hand clutched girl, or die with her!" and flinging on my The fireplace was a hole in the ground in the middle of the apartment; a straw

hands grasped us and drew us to the found out before reaching the Colonel's consisted of one three-legged stool, quarters but I felt no hesi a burning desire to be off. thought unusual courtesy. He looked up in astonishment burst in.

> "I have a favor to ask of you, exclaimed, breathlessly. at man's estate was given this hut to sleep in and this ranch to protect. His "A favor-oh, leave of absence, crease of rations, or what?" "No"-impatiently-"I want he must clothe and feed himself. privilege of taking ten men out to Cedar Grove to-night."

He glanced into my face as if day, but then they get their clothes and thought me crazy, and then at the snow food." cozily around the great fireplace, with driving against the windows. "Why don't you ask permission to commit suicide?" he asked

"It is desperate, sir, I know that-but Miss Burke is lost." "Lost!" He started to his feet. "Poor

"Yes, lost," I cried; "since before supper-for God's sake, sir, can I go?" The man in him answered at once. "Go, yes, and take the whole garrison salary of seven cents a day, that this bill "Thanks, I answered calmly, accepting a proffered cigar; "but really I don't feel that way at all myself."

with you if you need it," but, waiting for no more, I was beyond the reach of his voice, and running toward the barracks points along the road, ten, fifteen, twen-

upon them, "I am going upon a desperate service, and I want ten volunteers." Had I said a hundred I could have had them, and within five minutes the girl is coming on splendidly."

"I am very glad," I answered coolly.

"By-the-way, Finley, turning from the conceited puppy in disgust, "I wish you would inform me who this Miss Burke the wind that came sweeping down in fierce gusts from the mountains, hurling Somebody laughed rather harshly at the snow, which was almost sleet, into our faces as we pushed on. The keen wind seemed to penetrate the heaviest clothing and chilled us through and through. We could scarcely see three yards ahead of us, but on all sides

drifting, eddying snow. I led the men down upon the river. I shook my head not venturing to and by keeping close in under the high the Twelfth Infantry for years, and now work plowing along over brittle crust, he is the sutler here, and Miss Burke is and I was panting and breathless when his daughter. I never had the pleasure of | we finally mounted the bank again, four making the mother's acquaintance- miles above the fort, and came out into

Bending before it, scarcely able to breathe for the force of air in my face, and staggering through the heavy snow underfoot, I felt a hand touch my sleeve.

"Have two men take him back under

As I spoke, I stepped backward and fell plump over something in the snow. As I struggled, bewildered, to my feet, I saw the Sergeant bending down; then he lifted a light form in his arms-the

form of a woman. She was alive and conscious. mass of snow had kept the cold from her, but she was heavy with sleep. I ponred some brandy down her throat, and then Morgan and I carried her down the steep bank out of the fury of the wind.

"Sergeant," I said, as we placed her, comfortably as possible, beneath a hang-ing rock, and the men scattered in search of driftwood for a fire, "we can scarcely carry two helpless ones back to the fort in this storm."

"No, sir," he replied, glancing up at the snow shooting over our heads; "I

"How the wind roars!" she whispered "It is a terrible night," I answered;

afternoons we frequently rode out to- one would venture from the garrison on

such things will, in my falling in love in her low words that touched me

BUDGET OF FUN.

Hate debrory

HUMOROUS SKETCHES FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

"That I love you, Ada, and I want Papa's Foot-Took After his Mother -A Disapointed Cyclone-Her Microscope-Wanted to Exchange Him, Etc., Etc. And there, out in the great white soli-

> You were here at my side last night, dear And my heart is deeply worried With thoughts of what you have felt,

Since swift from the house you hurried.

I know it was not your wish, dear heart, To leave your hat behind you, And pa would of worn his heavy boots Had he known that he would find you.

He Took After His Mother. Pupson (to his valet, who is fixing him for breakfast)-"I say, Fagg, do

Well, sir, I really don't think you will leastwise not to speak of." Pupson-"That's cussed queah. govnah has plenty and to spaiah." Fagg-"Yes, sir; but p'raps you take after your ma."- Town Topics.

Her Microscope. Mr. Squaggleton-"Dear, dear, how the world is moving, how science is ad-

vancing! Why I see that they have got however, by the simple discovery that the instruments now that you can look clear Mrs. Squaggleton-"H'm that's nothng. I hain't got no instrument at all, but I've been able to see through you for

more strange or primeval sight than this. | and thought .- Boston Courier. A Disappointed Cyclone. Intending Emigrant-"Did you ever

see a cyclone?" Man from Dakota-"Only one, but it was a regular old timer with all modern improvements." "Did it strike your house?"

to a small drove of hogs, then was pro-moted to herd sheep, and when arrived "Ruined you, of course; swept everything away?" "No, sir; didn't take a thing. Sheriff had been there that that morning, and he did the sweeping. You has got.
never saw a cyclone so disappointed in It is salary is seven cents a day, out of which "Many of the shepherds of the Camyour life!"-Harper's Bazar.

Wanted to Encourage Him. "About five cents a day, sometimes

six, but not often. I must save at least two cents a day for shoes and hats. On bin owin' me a dollar since the Fourt' av Poor chap! That was his little dissi-"An' wasn't it partly to pay yez the dollar I owe yez that I wanted to borry pation-his little extravagance, shoes and hat on Sunday! His supper that the money.' night (and mine, too,) consisted of black "In that case Mickey yez can have it,

bread sopped in oil, and I imagine, on a for Oi always loike to incourage a man in payin' his honest debts."-Merchant of fare is not often changed. I ques- Traveler. A Dry Time. Wisconsin Man-"Talk about dry spells. I tell you Wisconsin takes the

Many persons have the idea that life "You remember the Lemonwier river?" s endangered only, if the patient be "Yes." brought too suddenly from the cold into a "Used to be deep enough to float the warm place. They believe that, if one pro-ceed very carefully and slowly with the "I didn't know "I didn't know that."

warming, the cold can never produce a "Why, you couldn't touch bottom no lasting injury to the system. There is Well, a short time ago I went certainly no doubt that sudden warming to look for that river, and all I could see is very dangerous, and that a great deal | was a lot of fish in a moist place switchdepends upon the right treatment of the frozen limb. Experience shows that, their tails around." "Humph! What were they switching

> She—"Did you enjoy your visit to the country, Mr. Jollyboy?" He-"Yas, with one or two exceptions had a verwy delightful time." She-"Ah, Indeed! Then there was bitter with the sweet."

> He-"Hawdly bittah, ye know, but verwy disagweable. You see, I thought it would be a chawming idea to dwink from the old oaken bucket." She-"Why, what a bright idea. Did you succeed? He-"Yas, to me sorrow. I bwoke off

of moss as lawge as me hand, and took me mouth away just in time to escape swallowing a horwid bug."-Peck's Sun. "And you-aw-say that you cannot be mine," said Mr. Fitzpoodle, as he withdrew the knob of his cane from his mouth and examined it attentively to see whether he had removed any of the var-

"No, I can never be yours," the fair maiden answered. "You suit very well for an ornamental appendage at parties, hops and so forth, but I am afraid you would not wear well as a husband.' "Yet-aw-I have heard you say that possessed one admirable quality."
"Yes, you have one admirable quality. You are considerate to your enemy.'

' Considerate to my enemy?" "Yes, you never put an enemy in your mouth to steal away your brains." "No, nevah."

And that shows you to be very considerate to your enemy."

Put Him Out. George Ashmun used to tell a story about an auctioneer who was provokingly annoyed while in the exercise of his profession by the ludicrous bids of a fellow sport for the buyers rather than himself to buy. At length, enraged beyond en-

that fellow out?" "I take one five-dollar bill." "Done! done! you shall have it." Assuming the ferocious-knitting his

hammer, looking round the room for a

that a canine messenger service will be a the aggressor, and seizing the terrified valuable addition to the means of com- wretch by the collar, said to him in a whisper that was heard all over the room. munication upon the battle-field. -St. "My good frin, you go out with me I give you half the money!"
"Done! done!" said the fellow!"

ence. The auctioneer had the good sense to join in the laugh, and coolly forked out the Y.—Ben: Perley Poore.

ness to fight, and I stall punish you for Occult and hidden power of medicine. it just the same."

much the worse-come on out woodshed with me!" "Ouch! Don't yank a feller somy tell you! You know you an' pa have been tellin' you had thirty-six bushels o

"Yes, he did, ma, an' he said what wheat you did have wa'n't No. 1." "Did you make him take it back!" "Couldn't. We had it out in the alley bout ten minutes, and we both got

bout the wheat if you have to stay with | him holler. him till after dark !"-Dakota Bell.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

Do what you ought, let come what

The truest wisdom is a resolute de-

Industry has annexed thereto the fair-A noble nature can alone attract the | for the baby it looks about even times as

Purposes, like eggs, unless they be hatched into action, will run into

Every man has follies, and oftentimes they are the most interesting thing he It is not enough to possess great

qualities, we must also have the management of them. The man who goes iato business with the devil soon finds that his partner is

The affections are like lightning; you cannot tell where they will strike till

they have fallen. Much as we dislike to admit our de fects, we find it better to know and guard against than to ignore them. It is hard to personate and act a part

Adversity has ever been considered as the state in which a man most easily be comes acquainted with himself particu-

An old colored man of this city breaks the record in the way of local snake stories, says the Springfield Ohio correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch. His story is as follows: "My little son had he concluded to take French leave and go to the river. He went to the bank and in a short time had undressed and waded into the water. He enjoyed himself wading around in shallow water for a while, but before long he became venturesome and waded out towards the middle of the river. Suddenly he reached a jumping off place in the bottom of the attributed to no cause but education of river, and in a minute more was battling the body as well as of the mind. The with a strong current in water fifteen feet | near approach of the opening of the no one heard him or came to his assistance. He sank twice, and when he came text books. This is especially necessary up the second time he gave one despair- in the case of girls, for the average ing scream, and looked around for something floating on the surface of the water | in such matters. - Philadelphia Press.

by which he could save himself. "Just as he was going down for the third time he looked up and saw a long black branch swaying down over the water. Just as the current swept him shudder, but not let go. He yelled with all his might, and a party of fishermen hearing him came to his assistance and caught hold of it, and in a minute or two was safe on dry land, a thankful and badly scared boy. The fishermen wanted to kill the snake, but the boy begged so hard for the life of the creature which had saved his life that they desisted."

A Mother's Retort.

An American mother, traveling in France, offered a half-fare ticket for her son, who lacked several months of the full-fare age. The collector looked suspiciously at the child and at her. champion to avenge his wrongs, fixed his very monarch in strength, and cried out:
"Your son, is he under seven, madame?"
"Your son, is he under seven, madame?"
"He is, monsieur." "Your son is very
"He is, monsieur." "He is, large for his age, madame." "He is, monseiur." "Your son is altogether too large for his age, madame," snapped the man, exasperated at the American's coolness. "Oui, monseiur, that may be,"

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"Only a weed; Ragged, forlorn, unkempt of branch and leaf A common vagabond, a hunted thief, No place it has on hill or plain or lea, Its growth is waste; its life a piracy.

Its pale discs spill no largeme of perfume Blow broadcast over field and fallow place In sullen increase of its hated race.

Yet its pale capsules may unfold a spell, Secrets of price that science longs to win;

Of this be sure; it was not made in vain; The wandering thistle as the bearded grain Is of God's harvest; and His richest gold

PITH AND POINT.

The gypsy brotherhood of weeds may hold.

Jurymen, of necessity, often get in a

A man who does business on a large scale-A coal dealer. Librarian (recording the condition of a book): "Page 47 a hole (turns the leaf), page 48 another hole."—Fliegende

Paper bottles have just been introduced. That will never do. What will we have to throw at the midnight cat?

An experienced boy says he regards hunger and the schoolmaster's rattan as about the same thing, as they both make

When the poet said the wind was blow ing free he probably referred to what in nautical parlance is known as "a dead head wind."—Life.

Old Gentleman-" My ! what a nice little boy you are, aren't you?" Small Boy-"No, I ain't no nice little boy, neither; I'm Dutch Sickles, der terror, and I can lick anybody my size around here."-Life. It is a singular phase of human nature that when a man gives his wife a dime-

to buy a box of hairbi noble, and alone knows how to retain big as when he planks it down for bit-them. big as when he planks it down for bit-AN OLD TRUTH UPSET. A splendid lieutenant from Skye, Was as thin as the capital I; He said: "It's too bad,

But then I can pad,"
Which shows that figures do lie. A Cincinnati pastor, in announcing to his congregation that he was about to leave for his vacation, added: "During my absence my brother will occupy the pulpit and will take great pleasure in responding to calls, especially funeral calls, from the members of this church

while I'm away."-Troy Times. It is said that nature shudders When a woman throws a stone, And that when she sharpens pencils

But there's nothing that gives nature More keen anguish and distress Than to see a struggling father With a babe he tries to dress.

Then all nature gives a groan.

Undersized City Children. City children are apt to be undersized They strike me as microscopic frequently. Ask a country man used to lads and lasses brought up on the farm the age of the

next boy he passes on the pavements, and three chances to four, measuring the height and shoulder girth with his eye, he will put it two or three years lower than it is. The fourteen-year-old doesn't look above eleven to him, nor the fifteenyear-old as if he had entered his teens. I got hold of some figures the other day which show that these things need not be as they are. Dr. Anderson, who is well known in connection with the Physica Education Association, has compared the height and weight of 350 girls, pupils of

girls taken at random. The results are as follows : Years...... 10 11 12 15 14 15 With exercise..... 50 57 58,38 59,82 60,83 61,50 62,50 Without........ 51.34 58,42 52,88 58,16 59,94 61,10

The figures show an average, in height at least, of two years difference, which is school year ought to make parents careful to have an eye to muscles as well as will to some extent look out for him

was ten feet high.

Some Modern Goliaths. The Chinese giant, Chang, is eigh feet three inches. Garpolus tells of a young giantess who

A giant eight feet high was exhibited Lecat speaks of a Scotch giant eleven The Grecian giant Amanab, now eighten years old, is seven feet eight inches

The giant Gille de Trent, in the Tyrol and one of the guards of the Duke of Brunswick, was more than eight feet four

The Austrian giant Winckelmeier, who was recently exhibited in Paris, measuring eight and a half feet, may be re-garded as a specimen of the highest A Swedish peasant, cited by Buffon, was eight feet and eight lines in height,

and the stature of the Finnish giant Cu-janus was the same, while Frederick William, King of Prussia, had a guard of nearly equal stature. At the opposite extremes may be found numerous dwarfs not more than twenty inches, and some even as little as sixteen and even twelve inches in height; but

such dwarfs are only monsters with atro-phied limbs or twisted backbones, or stunted infants whose age is usually exaggerated by their Barnums - Mail and

When Apples are Ripe.

"I've just got my jacket full of the daintest golden sweets you ever saw," said Jimmy Tuffboy as he rushed into the house in a hurry. "Where did you get them, James!" inquired his mother. "Have you been

in Smiffkin's orchard again?" is one hundred and fifty years old, and there are recorded instances of orange the orchard, but I found a splendid place to sit on the wall and reach. Hartford Post,

Oh, love is for a summer day,

Thro' all the changing year.

And dry the falling tear.

Like June flowers reappear. -O'Neill Ryan, in the Current. The Sutler's Daughter.

BY GEORGE P. PARISH. We had been in the saddle all day, facing the sharp, driving snow, and buffeted about by the cold north wind, until it seemed as if the very blood had frozen in my veins, as my horse coninued to move slowly forward, his head hanging heavily down. It was nearly midnight now as we drew in towards

eemed fairly ablaze with lights. As I halted my men before the house,

egiment, my boy!" And without waiting for a reply, he turned to an officer beside him: "Finley, take these men to uarters and see that they are well cared or. Now, Brian, come in; no excuses, please; you have had a hard ride, and a ittle fire will do you good;" and after browing my wet coat to a sergeant, I had to follow his lead into the pleasant parlor. "My wife and daughter you have

We shook hands most cordially all around, and I met not a few old friends in that little group-men whom I had known in various garrisons and campaigns-andquestions and congratulations oured in from every side. The ladies were of the ordinary style of garrison women, pretty enough to pass muster, but shallow from the limited associations allowed them in the life they were comselled to lead, and the warm fire was

than merely pretty, and something about her strangely interested me from the irst. She was seated upon a low sofa, carelessly talking to a young lieutenant, whose name I did not know; a tall, rather slender girl, with large brown eyes and a strangely fair complexion, almost like marble, were it not for the faint flush that occasionally crept into her cheeks. She smiled pleasantly at something the

was, after we had completed our business together, and the only answer I re-

to solve the mystery, if mystery there "Compliments of Mrs. Colonel Carpleased to have you join them upon the

swifty away together.

I verily believe she was intending to with the girl,

"I am tired and shall skate no longer

cerned.

She crimsoned deeply, but held out

slender, graceful figure, when suddenly she gave a quick cry that echoed along the river, and the same moment disappeared from sight.

him heavily aside and was speeding for-

ter as to desire a change.
"Where are the boys?" I asked of my orderly, who was bustling about.

"Yaas," put in Dane, with a drawl girl!"
that was decidedly irritating to my "Ye

the question, and I turned around angrily. It was the Major. if the question was a splendid joke.

is a character. Why, he was sutler for deuced pretty girl the daughter, though, the full fury of that prairie storm.

The Major started as if vtung by complacently. 'Til bet you a cool hundred that I can win Ada Burke's heart nside of a month, if I want it."

then replied: "It is not very gentlemanly, Major Dane, but I'll cover your money. Now, how shall we know the result-from the "Yes, if you like. It makes no differ-

caught, nor did she look up again. had my answer. I could control my anger no longer.

Even the Major was forgotten, and in-deed he never troubled either of us Just then some one knocked, and supposing it to be Finley, I bade him enter

voice, and in surprise I glanced up to see the sutler, Tony Burke, standing there cap in hand, his face drawn down, and

He appeared to hesitate for a moment, been so kind to my gal, sir, and ought to

sundown, and-and hasn't come back." but a faint impression on the mind as to For a moment the man broke down, and minor details. I vaguely remember bend- I saw the tears start, but he drove them ing over the ice-hole, seeing nothing, hastily kicking off my skates and dropping into the icy water. I remember the ping into the icy water. I remember the side to-night, and I didn't know anybody was in Italy. When in the Indian

"Well, Brian, rather an unexpected

"Lads," I cried, coming suddenly

stretched away the same dead level of banks, we managed to make very good progress, without feeling the wind quite as keenly; but nevertheless it was tough

"What is it, Morgan?" I asked of the old Sergeant. "Parker, sir; he's played out." I looked back at the dim forms in the the bank, and tell them to make a fire if they can find any driftwood."

"Father will worry so," she said, and The men made their fire, and nestled

a correspondent in a letter from Italy, I had noticed what seemed very ancient As you rushed from my side so madly; You can come with safety to-night, der For his foot is swollen badly.

question was soon solved. As I progressed with my shaggy friend, we at length came in sight of one of these hayyou thin. I shall evaw have any whis-Fagg (after a careful examination)during the few moments that were allowed me I indulged in a wonderful

haystack was not a haystack; that, on through a man with." the contrary, it was the residence of the Roman shepherd.

As I followed the proprietor through the small aperture in the side that served many a day." Then Mr. Squaggleton went out on the stoop and scratched his bald head for country a year or two ago I saw no fifteen minutes and thought and thought

The shepherd's story was short, but I thought pathetic. He had been brought from Rome when a boy, had first attended "I should say it did!"

> "Patsy, come here. I want to talk wid you. Wil yez loan me two dol-"Indade I wull not. Its yerself thats

cake this year. Omaha Man-"Pretty bad, ch?"

while some people have frozen joints treated in such a manner that they are their tails for?" "To keep the flies off." - Omaha World The Old Oaken Bucket. But one must admit that intense cold alone, without being followed by sudden warming, which proves so disastrous, suffices to cause severe suffering. In this respect, a great deal depends on the nature of the person. If very sudden transitions from heat to cold and from

and has a sound heart-that is, if his pulse be regular and strong. A robust erson can withstand the temperature at two of me teeth on the iron hoop which which alcohol and mercury freeze. surwounded the edge, swallowed a piece Members of north pole expeditions have experienced temperatures of fifty or more degrees below zero without suffer-However, it happens not unfrequently that even moderately cold weather, when the thermometer is but a few degrees below the freezing-point, causes serious ills, and sometimes even fatal results. This is apt to happen to persons who are anæmic, poorly fed, effeminate or men-tally depressed, Old men, children, anæmic girls, drunkards and people nish in his efforts to amuse himself. with a weak heart, are all liable to be frost-bitten, and easily freeze to death if they succumb to sleep while exposed to

The Utility of Dogs in War. The experiments which have for some ime been going on in the German army, to test the utility of dogs in warfare, impossible task."-Boston Courier. have on the whole been successful. The ancients used dogs for actual fighting purposes; the Germans are content to them as messengers and sentries. Ten or a dozen dogs have been attached to the Twelfth Battalion of Light Infantry, at present in garrison at Schwerin. whose sole object seemed to be to make They have been placed principally upon picket duty. Hastily pencilled notes are fastened to their collars; and the ex- | durance, the knight of the ivory-headed periments have shown that they are usually carried speedily to the rear. At night the dogs are found useful in giving eyes upon a biped of huge dimensions, a early notice, by their barking, of the approach of strangers. A considerable period of training is obviously necessary before even the most intelligent dog will learn to dash off at the word of command to the main body of troops, which may be a mile or more away; but which may be a mile or more away; but if a sufficient number of dogs can be taught to do this there can be no doubt and shoulders—old Marlow strode off to

James's Gazette. It is hardly possible to look at anything with the eyes of another.

Circumstances Alter Cases. "Tommy!" said a Dakota woman to

her young son in very emphatic tones, "you have been fighting again!" "Y-y-yes, m-ma, I know it!" blubbered Tommy, as he wiped a bloody The seeded fruitage of its haggard bloom nose on his coat sleeve.

"What did I tell you about fg .. ting?" "Y-you, you told me notter fight "Don't go to trying to nake any ex-ruses, sir! I don't care if some other A filtered dust, a pollened miracle, boy did pitch onto you. you had no busi-

"But there didn't no boy pitch onto "Then if you be an it that makes it so

> wheat out on our farm!" "Yes-what of it?" "Why, Billy Smith said that you didn't have no such thing, an' I give him | trying situation. a wipe side the head!" "Did Billy Smith say that!"

pretty tired an' stopped."
"Stopped, did you? Well, you go
right back out an' jump onto him again! There's the little scamp out by the fence now-don't pay any attention to where you hit him-bang him where it's the handiest! Make him take that back

termination. Poverty is the want of much, but avarice of everything.

soul proprietor. It is no vanity for a man to pride himself on what he has honestly got and prudently uses.

long, for, where truth is not at the bottom, nature will peep out and betray her-

larly, being free from flatterers. Saved by a Snake.

been begging all summer to take a swim in Mad River, but we have been afraid that if we let him go he would get into deep water and get drowned. We there-fore refused to let him go in every case. a Brooklyn school where regular gymnasium exercise is insisted upon, with similar figures for 10,000 Boston school One day I went down town to get a watermelon and let George stay at home. I had hardly got out of the house when

under the branch he reached up with a final effort and clutched it. What was his horror to feel the cold and slimy tail of a snake in his hand. Desperation made him hold on, however, and he was saved for the time being. It was a huge black snake which had been grabbed hold of, and which had its body wrapped fast around the limb of a tree, which bent low over the water in a spot where the river bank is lined with weeping willows. The boy kept fast hold of the snake. In a minute or two the reptile thrust his head into the boy's face and hissed at him in a way that made him

retorted the mother calmly. "He is not French, you see."—London Figuro.

trees bearing when five hundred years "Hurrah! hurrah?" shouted the audi- old.