GOOD ROADS

A Model Good Road.

An experiment in good road build-

ing that will prove of practical benefit

to the State is the model dirt road

which was built by the Government

experts, Messrs. Harrison and Sheets,

This is an object lesson in roadbuild-

ing that is receiving some attention

from the parish officials. This road is

The dirt road building by the Gov-

ernment experts is the first practical

object lesson done in this section, and

it shows what can be done at little

cost with the native soil of the parish.

The road was built principally with

the scraper and roller. The secret in

the whole business seems to be in get-

ting the right curve on the road and

rolling it firm. The water does not

stand on the road and heavy traffic

even after a hard rain has made no

impression on the surface. This dirt

road was completed last week, and

School of Road Building.

It is announced that the Iowa State

Highway Commission. will conduct the

first good roads school in America at

an extra session of the State College,

at Ames. The Good Roads' Associa-

tion has wisely decided to hold its an-

be given in the fundamental and essen-

tial features of road building and

maintenance. An extensive exhibit of

modern road building appliances will

be shown in operation by experts in

the different lines of work, short sec-

surface and soil water will receive

proper attention, and full detail plans

for culverts and drainage systems will

be available. Road surveying and pre-

file map work are also included within

Water the Greatest Foe.

All practice and experience have

clearly proven that the greatest foe

to good roads is water. The drain-

ing of improved roads is, therefore,

one of the first principles of road con-

not be lost sight of. Water will make

mud of any soil however hard, and

follow as the inevitable result. The

fact has been stated so many times

Increases Land Values.

two horses can draw two tons in a

Reaches Our Islands.

Source of Pride and Profit.

Away From the Rush.

come with me and I'll show it to you,

and within fifteen minutes' journey,

We crossed the river on the little

ferryboat for Upper Rensselaer. The

scenery is very fine at this time, and

we enjoyed a long walk immensely

without feeling the heat that was

we stepped into the tavern. We had

served. The reason? The proprietor

having his picture painted, not "taken."

rounded by his paraphernalia for work-

"The last time I witnessed such a

ago and away up in the heart of the

Human Hair Industry,

vas was a really good one.

Catskills."-Albany Journal.

handkerchief.

"If you want to see real country life

ing Cuba, Hawaii and Porto Rico.

of pride and profit to every class.

too," remarked a friend of mine.

the scope of the lectures.

refer to it here.

miles away.

has not injured it in the least.

campus.

founded.

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LUKE HAMMOND, THE MISER.

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CHAPTER XX

JOHN MARKS TELLS A SECRET. Midnight found Hammond in a fever of impatience. For nearly an hour Harriet Foss." he had been counting the minutes, and when the little bronze clock struck twelve he sprang up, saying:

bay loudly for a moment, and then as own her-don't you?"

suddenly cease. son! My Charles!" exclaimed Luke,

many a long year.

he adored his son.

twenty-four years, leaped into his surprise I saw at once that you were to America with me, and aided me in arms, crying: "Dear father!"

"My boy! My darling boy!" exthey gazed upon each other.

called for Hammond's attention.

are embracing your only child." "Ha! John Marks, are you there?" said Luke, extending his purse as if

for reward. Marks put the offer aside. He seemed to spurn it.

"Keep your gold, sir," said he, stern-A hope. Its realization shall make John Marks a better man."

ly; for the changed tone of Marks pleased him not at all. Then addressing Charles, he said: "You look well, my son. You wrote

"Earn it, then," said Hammond, cold-

that you were in ill health, and in-You have stood it well."

"Henceforth a life on the sea shall be mine," said Charles.

"Ah! what's that?" asked Charles. "We have a sick friend in the house," gaid Hammond; and he continued to

Stephen: "Go, attend the call." Stephen grinned and hurried away. Considerable conversation upon vari-

ous matters not pertinent to our story followed between father and son, during which Marks smoked his cigar in silence; yet as Hammond ever and anon glanced towards him, there was an expression on the dark features of Marks that made Hammond feel Twas too soon to unfold all to

Charles, yet haste was important. "It is late, my son," said Luke, at prepared for you."

to me all day. And-"

"You shall soon know all, my boy, In the meantime I wish a little private | Are you with Mr. Luke Hammond no conversation with Mr. Marks."

"But you have never asked a word

aglow. "Is she very handsome, father?" "Very-and charming. But you shall

for yourself." "Time enough," said Charles, care-

lessly. "But I am more anxious to hear about the mystery, father." "Yes, yes! you shall hear all about it, my son," said Hammond, lighting a lamp. "And now, my dear boy, fol-

low me." "Good-night, Mr. Marks," said Charles, extending his hand to Marks.

moment was alone in the library. as he lighted another cigar:

false about my son-"

tache, as he said:

or his son shall lose Luke Hammond. fortunately unoccupied. Out of that themselves they go mad about it." But I suspect."

the door, said:

beginning."

will not open my sack until you do rear of the hotel and reached here, I seen her." yours." "I am ready now to do it," said going to do?"

Luke; and then rapidly told of his two "You must earn your son, John charming women in America," said prisoners in the eastern wing.

Marks smiled darkly as he listened. Marks. "But how did you deceive But what was your plan to deceive Marks. Henry Elgin's wife?"

"I will tell you of that to-morrow," said Hammond. "Time flies-'tis nearly one, you see; and I wish to hear of able to do it so as to deceive Harriet

left here last night after or near mid- ready loves." "Tis time! And with all his faults, night. It was blowing a gale, and we John Marks was ever a man of his had hard work to find a boat and crew As he spoke he heard his fierce dogs we were on the bark Gleaner. You time you might corrupt him, but now

"They are coming! I shall see my Elgin's property," said Hammond. "Well," resumed Marks, "as soon as more excited than he had been for I got aboard I roused up Charles, who "Tis the fault of my sister-of Nancy had been on watch that night, and was Harker. I will tell you that the mother He was wicked, fierce and cruel, but then asleep in the forecastle, like any of Charles, my second wife, died one common tar. A prime lad is Charles. year after I married her-died in giving Soon a tapping at the door and he He must have inherited all his good- him birth. I cared little for the mothsprang to open it. He opened it with ness from his mother-not from you. er, but I loved my boy. At that time, a jerk. A tall, handsome youth, of I gave him your letter, and from his my sister, Nancy Harker, who had fied

"How! What!"

much mistaken in him."

told him we must leave the bark. I ing with your son." Stephen entered in his sneaking way, spoke with the captain, and as Charles and then came in Marks, with his long, was a privileged character on board, sweeping stride. His clear, deep voice he was allowed to go with me in my years older than mine, but being first since that date the rain has fallen in boat. At 12 o'clock we landed near cousins, they resembled each other torrents and the traffic over the road You, Hammond," said Marks, "now the Battery, and whom should I see feel that joy that I hope to feel. You disguised as an old applewoman but have the lads educated in Europe-I been effected by either and stands as our dangerous friend, Harriet Foss." "And why-what---

"Wait! you are stammering," con- able, honest men." inued Marks. "I saw her, and knew her at sight. But she did not know me. I was disguised as a sailor, for I was wide awake. You see she must have ly. "I serve for a higher reward than had spies out last night; and they, I beat had put off for the bark Gleaner. So she was on the watch."

> "On the watch for whom-for what?" asked Hammond.

"For you, Luke Hammond. No doubt she imagined that a loving father would hasten to meet his son. Or. maybe, she thought you had suspected tended to try a voyage before the mast. her presence in New York, or met me, and would go to warn Charles. Anyway, she was near the boat when it landed, and came right down as if The little bell over the desk tinkled eager to sell apples. I saw that she recognized Charles and failed to know me. Evidently she sought for some one who was not in the boat. Stephen secured a hack and we made for the next clothing store, where we changed our garments wholly. We left the store from the rear, where another carriage

took us up."

"And why the precaution?" asked "Because the apple woman, that is, Harriet Foss, had hired a hack, and I saw her following us," said Marks. "For a small sum the storekeeper procured wigs and false beards for us. "I had much trouble in persuading Charles to follow my advice; and only by telling him that his father's fortune length, "and you must be tired. Sup- and life were in danger could I have Pose you retire to the apartment I have succeeded. We reached the Metropolitan Hotel, and took rooms under as-"But this mystery," said Charles, sumed names. Stephen acted as our "Mr. Marks has been talking mystery servant, but unfortunately a servant of the hotel recognized him and greeted him with: 'Ha, Stephen! is that you? more? When did you lesve him?' and. "Ah! Then I'm off at once," said forty other questions the rascal rattled out, while Stephen was near us. That instant I saw a porter prick up his ears after your handsome cousin, Kate," and look sharply at us. I kept my eyes on him and soon saw him slip away, Charles turned very red, and John after speaking privately with one of Marks puffed at his cigar until it was his fellows. Then I knew we were watched. That Harriet Foss is a regular female Vidocq! I was afraid to leave the hotel during daylight, lest we see her to-morrow, my son, and judge might be tracked. So at night we first

Luke. "Yes; I was afraid to let him stay. He has a weakness-he Crinks when-Harriet Foss had got hold of my friend twenty-four or six years of age at one ever he can get a chance. Suppose Stephen in his cups!" said Marks, with Marks grasped it warmly and the next a whistle. "After the theatre we returned to the hotel-and by my life! He laughed a low, dry laugh as the the men I feared were there as soon father and son departed, and muttered, as we were! Harriet Foss has as many mond. spies as a despot. Just before mid-"Now there'll be a blow-up! And I night-about half-past 11-we pretend- love with a woman at least twenty may sound extravagant, but he was have that to tell Luke Hammond which ed to retire, locked our doors and exwill make him stare. If he plays me tinguished our lights. I saw nothing suspicious in the hall when I looked is she?" His face grew darker, and his white from my room, except a sleepy cham- "A very handsome and fascinating ing, stood a typical traveling artist. passed into another by swinging on the Hammond soon returned, and locking shutters outside, like thieves or Hammond. "But who is she? and burglars. It put me in mind of old where did he meet her?" "And now, John Marks, begin at the times! Stephen and I were old hands at such tricks, and as Charles was just Marks. "She was known as Madame "No. Do you tell me about that 'sick from before the mast he was as active Burr, a rich widow. Charles told me

sure two men kept their eyes on us."

think, unwatched. Now what are you

Marks," said Luke. "That is, put an end to Harriet Foss,"

"Always a cunning dare-devil," said said Marks. "I'll think about that.

"To get some one to personate me." said Hammond; "to let Charles return to the hotel as secretly as possible, and to-morrow suffer him to introduce Hafriet Foss to the pretended Luke Hammond as his father. She will not find her sister's husband, be deceived, and seek for her vengeance elsewhere." Marks shook his head, and said:

"You cannot deceive her. She has been told that, if you are not the man she seeks, you resemble him very much. She will seek for that resemblance, and not finding it in the fictitious father of Charles, will instantly suspect some trick. Besides, Charles will not consent to the deceit."

"I will command him! I will tell him he must! to save his father from total ruin, if not from death," said Luke. "Well, if he consents he will not be

Foss," said Marks. "And, by the way, "Oh, you'll hear enough of her," I must tell you also that Charles will said Marks. "Well, Stephen and I never marry Catharine Elgin. He al-

"Ah!" said Hammond, "Yes. And he is young, enthusiastic, to take us down the bay. At daylight romantic, in fact," said Marks. "In he is too honorable. You have made a "Yes-or rather it belongs to Henry great mistake in having him reared away from you."

"I have-I have," said Hammond. passing myself off as the genuine Luke Hammond, took charge of Charles, a "Yes, your son is a clear-heart. I mere infant, and I did not see him for claimed Hammond, and then father mean, he has never done anything to three or four years. When I saw him and son were silent with emotion, as be ashamed of. We have. First, I again he was running about and play-

"My son! Ah-go on," said Marks. "Your son was some two or three very much. My sister persuaded me to has been heavy, but the road has not think she desired to have them reared firm and as solid as the day it was comas what squeamish people call 'honor- pleted.-Baton Rouge (La.) Times.

"Well, that was green in Nancy," said Marks. "Still she was always flighty and took queer notions. I am very glad now that she persuaded you to have the lads educated away from that. I have something now to live for. think, told her that during the storm a you. But what became of Harker, whom she married?"

> "Harker was killed in a duel, one month after my sister married him," said Luke.

"And you have never seen Charles since he was three or four years old?"

asked Marks. "Never," replied Hammond. "I became immersed in speculation for many years, and only heard from the lads by letters from Nancy and tions of road being constructed during Charles. After a time I conceived the | the demonstrations. The all important plan of marrying Charles to Catharine | principles of road drainage for both Elgin, and since then have thought more of my boy than ever."

"And where is my son now?" demanded Marks, eagerly. "I do not know," said Hammond. "What! are you trifling with me,

Hammond?" said Marks. "No. I am not. Nancy Harker knows where he is," said Luke.

Marks closed his eyes in deep thought for a few moments and then

"Where has Nancy Harker been struction, and its importance should during these long years?" "Sometimes in America, sometimes n Europe. But never known as my unless it can be led away, mud must sister, and never known out of this house as Nancy Harker," said Ham-

"Harriet Fossemust have learned all

this from Charles," said Marks. "No. My letters have always forbidden him to answer any questions about me or about himself," said Hammond. For the last four years he has been

traveling in Europe and Asia."

"And my son?" said Marks. "Nancy says your son was not with nim; nor have they been together for years," replied Hammond. "Charles would not recognize Nancy Harker now, for he has not seen her since he was a boy. Charles was reared by an English clergyman, to whom I have always sent funds and advice. Do you know I was afraid that terrible woman, Harriet Foss, might learn who went to the theatre, where I hoped he was, and take vengeance on my son. to find a chance to slip off. But I am As for myself, I can defend myself. You shall learn more hereafter. And "Was Stephen with you?" asked now tell me who my son loves, and how

"Why, Charles is an impulsive fellow," said Marks; "as unsuspecting as a girl, and just as talkative. He looks minute, and less than twenty the next. But he has made a tremendous mistake."

"A tremendous mistake!" said Ham-

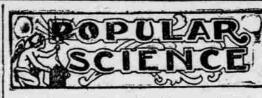
"Yes. He has fallen desperately in years older than himself." "My life!" exclaimed Luke. "Who In the middle of the barroom, sur-

teeth gleamed beneath his heavy mus- bermaid dozing near a window. But lady," said Marks, puffing furiously. Seated against the wall was the prothat was enough for me. We made our "You know that when young men do prietor, and the likeness which the "Luke Hammond shall lose his son, exit by a rear door into another room, take a passion for women older than artist was painting in oil on the can-"True! How unfortunate!" said sight," remarked my friend, "was years

"He met her in England," said friend," said Marks. "By Jove! I as a cat. Well, we got away by the he adored her, and I think he does. I've

> "Ah-you have seen her?" "Yes; and she is one of the most "In America! Is she in America?"

"Yes-she is now in New York," said To be continued.



ica, with a trunk twenty-nine feet through was thought by Humboldt to be not less than 5150 years old.

telegraphy has been used by the British postoffice with great advantage. The German postoffice has been giving it a prolonged trial, and the Russian through the Louisiana State University postoffice has just given an order for the apparatus.

built of no material except dirt and at practically no cost, but it is solid and firm, and the hard rains and the heavy hauling to which it has been subjected hundred years. When the model good road was begun through the University campus, constructed of crushed brick and

ground gravel, it was held that this road as an object lesson was valueless to the parish, for it would be impossible for the parish or the city to spend the sum of money that was being invested in this piece of road, and as the cost has figured up to considerations, would steal. about \$2000 this criticism has been well

> nearly all reptiles that die from natural causes close their lives between midnight and morning and fewer still in day light. Most reptiles seem aware of their approaching death, seeking der Pharaoh Necho, 611-605 B. C., and out particular places and there awaiting the end, while those whose lives are spent underground come to the surface before death. It was recently demonstrated before

ancient custom of burning such submatic plants for fumigation and disin- and the Colossus of Rhodes were of ection was of considerable value, as these materials gave off vapors with antiseptic properties which made them most useful germicides. This is due to a large amount fornic aldehyde in the vapors, and it was found that when two grams (thirty-one grains) of sugar litres (12.6 quarts) capacity, objects infected with the bacillus coli, bacillus nual meeting simultaneously with this half an hour. Other more resistant session so that the attending members may have the benefits of the systemexposure, but eventually succumbed .atic, practical instruction which will Harper's Weekly.

> In a recent address Professor H. F. Osborn gave some additional facts about ancient American horses. It appears that in North America there were always from four to six entirely different varieties of the horse family, living contemporaneously. Some were slow moving and relatively broadfooted horses, living in the forests; others were very swift, having narrow feet more resembling those of the deer, and lived on the plains. Moreover, there were American horses larger than the huge Percherons of to-day, and others smaller than the most diminutive Shetlands. Strangely enough, the greatest beauty and variety in the development of the horse family were exhibited here just before the total extinction of horses on the American continent, a catastrophe which still offers an unsolved problem for investi-

AGAINST FREAK NEWSPAPERS. Significance of Recent Decision of Post-

that it almost seems out of place to In their struggle for business some newspapers have found it necessary to bolster up indifferent publications by With first-class roads, over which the addition of calendars, sheet music, patterns, blocks of postal cards, cuttwo-horse wagon 365 days in the year, out animal pictures, animal masks, irrespective of weather conditions, cut-out dolls, soldiers and naval vesthe land fifteen miles from town would sels, circulars, hand-bills and cardbe worth as much as it is now two board spectacles. The purpose is to make the customer believe he is getting a bargain, and this forced circulation, which is not won on the merit of The good roads movement is reachthe paper itself, is offered as proof to the advertiser of actual worth. It is a deception to both the reader and ad-A creditable public highway, owned vertiser, and has been made all the and controlled by the people, could easier of accomplishment because the harm no one and would be a source publisher has been permitted to circulate his cheap John assortment through

the mails at second-class rates. The Postoffice Department, casting about to decrease its enormous expet. ditures, has discovered that these newspaper owners have been imposing upon it, and has issued notice that the practice must cease. The point is made that this matter is purely extraneous, and cannot come within the provision of the law of 1879, which permitted the blistering Albany. On our way back | mailing of newspaper supplements at the second-class rate of a cent per to wait quite a while before we got pound. It is estimated that this action will work a material reduction in the was having his portrait painted. This amount of mail handled, and will, to that extent, relieve the present conges-

It should also have the effect to increase the standard of the newspapers that have engaged in the business. The publishers will be forced to furnish a higher quality of news in order that their publications may compare with those newspapers which have been hewing strictly to legitimate lines .-

In the rural districts of France the human hair industry is very active. The average price given for a full, long head of hair is from two dollars to two dollars and sixty-five cents for the best | easy matter to run one's hand into his quality and color. Only very poor girls gills and pull him from the water. consent to sell their hair, and they Several catfish, weighing in the neighald-Post

The inventions of the Alexandrian

A gigantic baobab of Central Amer-

The Murray system of printing by

Mexican botanists believe they have now discovered a life span even greater than this, and from the annual rings a cypress of Chepultepec, whose trunk is 118 feet in circumference, is assigned an age of about sixty-two

A Boston scientist says that hypnotism can develop only natural instincts and the best hypnotist in the world cannot make a really moral person do wrong. From experiments he has made he believes that seventy-five per cent. of the human race, if unrestrained by family pride and other like

A Viennese naturalist declares that

the Society of Biology at Paris that the stances as sugar, resin and certain arowere burned in a bell glass of twelve typhosus, the vibrio of cholera, the bacillus tuberculosis, and other pathenogenic germs were destroyed within bacteria required a somewhat longer

office Department.

Toledo Blade

Easy Fishing.

Catching fish by hand is becoming a great sport on the Auxvasse. The method is to feel under the roots of trees overhanging the water, under old logs, rock heaps, etc., until Mr. Fish is located, when it is a comparatively

ANCIENT WAR SHIPS.

Large Vessels of the Egyptians, Phoeniclans and Greeks.

age were both numerous and varied. Under the Ptolemaic kings of Egypt ships were built of lengths varying from 312 to 420 feet, the latter carrying 4000 rowers, 400 sailors and 2850 soldiers, altogether more than 7000 persons in one vessel. Demosthenes mentions a merchant ship which, besides the cargo, slaves and crew, carried more than 300 freemen as passengers (Boackt, 69). Archimedes built a ship for Hiero, of Syracuse, which was provided with ditting rooms, galleries, gardens, fish ponds, stables, mills, baths, eight large towers and an engine for hurling stones of 300 pounds weight and spears thirty-six feet long. Its decks were inlaid with scenes from the Iliad, and it contained a temple of Venus and other wonders. Although this huge vessel may have been more useful as a pleasure boat than a man-ofwar, yet the Greeks of this age constructed fighting ships of scarcely less gigantic dimensions. Not only this, but they accomplished in them the most distant voyages. That of Pytheas to the Baltic has been already mentioned. They also sent ships to the Indies, and several around the Cape of Good Hope, which, after having made the voyage from the coast of Spain, were found wrecked on the shores of Arabia. Eudoxus also made the same | Blaetter. voyage, though in the opposite direction. However, this feat had already been performed by the Phoenicians unby the Carthaginians under Hanno. The art of sailing on a bowline, or "against the wind," if not also anticlpated by the Phoenicians, belongs to the Alexandrian age. The invention of an inclosed basin or dock, for ships, is also of the same age. Philon constructed one at Athens, which harbored 1000 ships. The Maritime Code the same age.—Scientific American.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

The noblest mind the best contentment has .- Spenser.

The best part of beauty is that which no picture can express .- Bacon. The seed sown in the ground contains in itself the future harvest.

The way of the world is to make laws but follow customs.-Montaigne. A rude jest will sometimes create an unfavorable impression which never is wiped out. To carry the head above one's sta-

tion denotes ambition and a pride that is dangerous. Einding fault over trifles is apt to blind the sight to errors of greater

consequence. Economy that entails suffering shows lack of sound judgment and

brings few rewards. Words, money, all things else are comparatively easy to give away, but when a man makes a gift of his daily life and practice, it is plain that the truth, whatever it may be, has taken possession of him.-Lowell.

To say, then, the majority are wicked, means no malice, no bad heart, in the observer, but simply that the majority are unripe, and have not yet come to themselves, do not yet know their opinions.-Emerson.

I long to accomplish a great and noble task, but it is my chief duty and joy to accomplish humble tasks as though they were great and noble. It is my service to think how I can best fulfill the demands that each day makes upon me, and to rejoice that others can do what I cannot.-Helen Keller.

The Get-Rich-Quick Fallacy. In this commercial age when a man gets on to some scheme that will make a wagon load of money he does not hunt around for some other man to get the profits, but he goes straightway and takes them in for himself. The only protection against these sharpers is to be suspicious of all investments promising very large re-

Any business man of standing can cheat his customers if he has a mind to do it, because they have confidence in him, but these same customers would at once become suspicious of a stranger who should offer them an investment that promised 100 per cent. profit in six months, because they would know that if the man had such a sure investment any good bank would advance the money on it for a reasonable interest.

Anything as safe as Government bonds always brings small returns. The man with the swindle and the get-rich-quick concern does not look for the man who is willing to invest in Government bonds, but for the man who wants to speculate and make large profits. Almost any man without money thinks that if he only had a few thousand dollars he could make fabulous sums in a very short time, and when he gets the money he is ready to buy a gold brick.-Witchita Eagle.

The Louvre Threatened.

A new danger threatens the Louvre. The great palace of art has for years been imperilled by the presence of the Colonial Office in the wing on the river front, and each session the Minister of Fine Arts vainly asks that the Colonies shall be provided for elsewhere. The Colonial Minister objects to the demand, but professes an equal solicitude for the safety of the picture galleries. Now, however, it has been discovered that the Colonial Minister has had a room fitted up for his automobile exactly beneath the Rubens stipulate that it shall not be cut short | borhood of seventy-five pounds, have | gallery. An explosion of petrol might in front. The shorn portion at the been captured in this way during the occur here any day, and then the back is concealed by a draped colored | past few weeks. - Mokane (Mo.) Her | far-famed collections might be burnt up.-London Chronicle.

Chatham Record.

RATES OF ADVERTISING.

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One square, one month

For Larger Advertisements Liberal Contracts will be made.

With the Funny Fellows

the Young Man's Plaint, The hope of hoarding money
Is but an idle dream;
It used to go for oysters
And now it goes for cream.

The Place For Him. "Notwithstanding what you say about Kraftie," said Goodart, "he seems to be a loyal fellow. He appears to keep in with his friends." "He should be kept in with them,"

replied Crabbe. "Most of his friends are in jail."-Philadelphia Ledger. Generous.

Jack-"Uncle John, do you believe in dreams?" Uncle John-"Why?"

"I dreamed last night that you lent me a hundred." "Keep it, my boy, keep it."-Translated for Tales From Meggendorfer

A Morning Dream. Mrs. Skynflynt-"What are you chuckling about, Jonas?" Mr. Skynflynt-"I dreamed I was

going to give a Pullman porter a quar-Mrs. Skynflynt-"Shouldn't think that would make you grin." Mr. Skynflynt-"Well, I woke up just

as he was reaching for it."-Louisville



The Maid-"Unhand me, sirrah! If you attempt to kiss me, I shall scream

for help." The Man-"Trouble not, sweet one-I need no help."-Ally Sloper.

Manipulated the Scales. "What did Van Osler say the fish weighed?" "Thirty-two pounds and four ounces.

He says he weighed it himself." "Let's see-what's Van Osler's busi-

"He's a retail coal dealer." "Huh!"-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Quick Choice. "Why should we give so much attention to military science and naval

equipment?" said the benevolent man. "War is, at best, a terrible thing." "Yes," answered the practical citizen, "but when it comes to a question of conquering or being conquered, it doesn't take me a minute to make my

choice of two evils."-Washington Star.

The Psychological Moment. "Yes," said the married man, meditatively; "when you see a woman hanging out a line of clothes, and the line slips and lets the blessed lot down in the mud, that, my boy, is the psychological moment in which to leave that woman alone."-Chicago

Journal.

Snappy Talk. Miss Anteek (in open trolley car)-"Are you going to stop smoking? You

must see how it annoys me." Mr. Weed-"But, madam, these seats are reserved for smokers." Miss Anteck (scornfully)-"You're a

gentleman, I must say!"

Mr. Weed-"And you, madam, are not, I regret to say."-Philadelphia Press. Cruel Man. Husband-"What! Do you mean to

do in that matter?" -Wife-"Just leave me alone for a few, minutes. I want to make up my mind." Husband-"Hum! I'm afraid you'll

say you haven't decided yet what to

have to use a microscope."-Philadelphia Ledger. Butcher is Humorous

"Look here, butcher, this meat is half bone." "You are mistaken, sir. That is good

meat." "Botheration! Do you suppose I don't know bone when I see it? I say this is bone!" "Yes, certainly that's bone. The bone

is bone but the meat isn't. You said the meat was half bone."-Chicago Journal.

Apprehensive.

The Czar was approached by the Yankee novelty concern.

"If we can't sell you a loving cup," said the agent, "let us sell you a rattle for the baby?"

But the Czar frowned. "Don't talk to me about rattles!" he stormed. "I'm rattled enough without

the baby being rattled."-Detroit Tri-