

A Pair of April Fools.

[Continued from last issue.] In comfortable bachelor apart-

ments uptown, a handsome, blond young fellow sat before the fire holding an open letter in his hand, which hands with you. I am to be your trembled slightly with emotion of brother. Don't you congratulate some sort. His face wore an expres- me? sion of extreme asionishment min- "You bet !" answered Ted, "and people but of the human family. gled with joy.

aloud, the puzzled look deepening in ed out of the room. his handsome eyes. "I have receiv- "Don't go, Teddy dear," Nan ca led your letter,' she says, - and I hav- ed after him, "we don't want to be en't written her a letter. I wonder, selfish because we are happy.' -by George! That's it! It is the "Don't you think we look happy. first of April, and some unprincipled old fellow ?" called Jack boisterousscoundrel has written the poor child ly.

a letter purporting to come from Ted had almost closed the door. me. A nasty trick, but a lucky one but he opened it again, and putfor me! I should never have dared ting his head inside, said, wickedto ask her. And she loves me,-bless ly. her sweet eyes!"

If Jack Akers was not at that mo April fools!" ment the happiest man alive, he at least looked it. He had loved pretty "I had completely forgotten that it Nan Barton for months; but he was was the first of April ! Well, noonly a young journalist, as yet scar- body succeeded in footing me !" cely more than well launched upon And it was not untill she had been his carreer. To be sure, he had gain- a wife for more than a year that her ed some reputation, more reputation husband told her the story of Ted's than money, in fact, as is frequently letter; and then, if the truth must be the case, and last year he had pub- told, she did not seem to be greatly lished a book which had been fairly disturbed by it.

successful; but the proceeds from a "fairly saccessful" book don't go very far towards filling the author's pocketbook. Jack Akers had been lionized a good deal, but he had the rueful consciousness, that comes sooner or later to most young auth-

ous for its absence, he would never have dared to ask Nan Barton, the My third is in you but not in me, daughter of a wealthy and successful physician, to marry him.

turbed by a maid entering to light the gas.

beside him, and his arm had someway found its way around her waist Ted passed along 'the hall and glanced slyly in. Jack caught sight of for a governmental currency. him and called out hearti-

ly: "Come in, Ted, I want to shake

myself, too !" he added, significantly "What can it mean ?" he said, Then he turned abruptly and march

"I think you look like a pair of

"I declare !" cried Nan, smilling. advancement of the South's material

Elizabeth A. Vore.

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ors, that "all is not gold that glit- My first is in green but not in white, and men to the country. I love the ters;" and the gold being conspicu- My second is in quarrel but not in South-her past, her present, and I Reply to the American Question-The

fight, My fourth is in vine but not in tree, My fifth is in ease but not in pain, His ecstatic meditations were dis- My sixth is in clang but not in

ring, My eight is in fall but not in spring.

ANSWERS

The first newspaper advertisement

Daniel was in the lion's den one

Haman prepared a gallows for

QUESTIONS.

lighting purposes ?

Luther Yaudle.

Katie Wilkins.



but two ways; one means a British og t'e solid vote of the South and policy for American subjects with in their name they will gather dependence upon John Bull and a strength as they move on from other cowardly acquiescence in such prices sections of the country whose agri- as he may name for our labor and altural and material interests are our products and the exercise of our liberties under such restraint as he be some, and give you in '96 an admay see fit or seem proper to impose. ninistration founded upon primitive The other way is the American way, temocratic principles, which in the the synonym of an independent way nterest of the people will so direct with a policy, while just to every. legislation and so inangurate an body, will secure for American so 1 American policy that will demonand American labor fair prices for strate cotton and wheat, bread and muscles and products and an unreloth, as of more value to humanity strained exercise of our civil liberties. than sordid gold and a better basis.

With this power united they will thought to the science of true politimeet the conspirators of gold on land out progress, the time has come when or sea, in field or in halls, and conteit from its entretiched position as wheat; the sheep separated from the old Brax, glaring accrily at the boy, the great enemy of not only this wolves, when the people have the now red in the face with mingled government and the liberty of its right to know "under which King, mirth and consternation, caught sudden

If you will make us incompetent flag will ye follow? Shall we re- laughing at-was the battery com-mander guying-him? Was it possible The as we may be the solid South, and it gard you in the fature as alien or that they were profiting by his ignorwe don't make better me of it that friend? Will you sustain by yo r ance of their regulations? It put him Democrats have readered to the action and your vote Grover Cleve- on his guard and suggested a tentaplain, working, voting people their and and John Sherman in their tive. own, in their name and right, the orign of platoeracy, or will you boldsolid South with her electoral power by and bravely stand by the plain

abors, and for their comforts? to name a President, independent of This is the serious problem that for it?" and unrestrained by Northern and Sastern plutoeratic convention, a so, now confronts you ; decide it withciation and caucus restraint, and if out fear or favor or affection but as they can't make better convention it muy appear to you for the best in-West and South-west than has been terests of yourself, your families and

made North and East, based upor your country. their joint material interest, for the

Jonathan and His Continent interest and the better protection of her great Southern field staple, cotton, and secure a better recognition of Southern statesmen, than the By MAX O'RELL Anthor of "John Bull and His Island," "Joon Bull, Jr.," Northern Democracy bas, then I promise to advise the people to dis-

Etc.) and JACK ALLYN. Translated by Mine Faul Blouet. Copyrighted by Cassell & Co. New York, and published by special arrangement through the American Press

Paul Biouet (Max O'Rell) is a remarkably clever Frenchman, who has devoted his talents mostly to satirizing the Anglo Saxon race. The book from which the following extracts are made is his always result in disaster to the asso-

XLI-CONCLUSION.

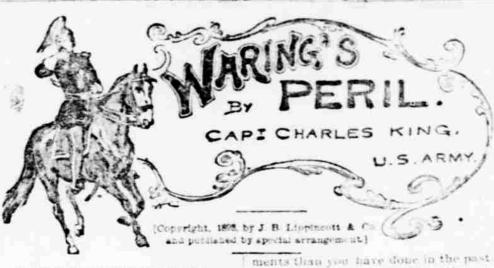
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plished.

interest. I show my love in the ad- When one thinks of what the Ameri- Damned if I understand their methods.

connection and association for the dependent life, it looks as if nothing he goes wrong, why-it's none of our gave in louder and more confident



Mr. Druke," he said to his adjutant.

thereby band hed the last romant

CHAPTER SECOND CONTINUED.

who was tripping around after the This was too much for Ferry. In his chief af est. "ea'l on Mr. Vitritor tos In the evolution of economic effort to restrain his merriment and plain his absence in writing an lo gulp down a rising flood of laughter out delay. This indufference to it to there was heard an explosion that is something to which I are attory are sounded something like the sudden the tares should be pulled from the collapse of an inflated paper bag, and accustomed, "continued Drawling rain. addressing Cram, who preserved a most uncompromising screnity of countenance; and with this parting shot the colonel turned gruffly away and seen Oh Benzonia, will ye serve," which idea from the sight. Was the battery retook his station at the reviewing. laughing at-was the battery com-

Then came the second hitch. had had no experience whatever, as has been said, and he first tried to wheel into column of companies without closing ranks, whereupon every cop-

"Do you mean that you are right in tain promptly cautioned "Stand fast." being so far ahead of our line instead and of dressed upon it?" asked he of the of two-thirds of the vote necessary mode, their rights, their fields, then big blonde soldier in the plittering of Minor's senses. Seeing that something was wrong, he tried again, this uniform. "Where do you find authority time prefacing with "Pass in review." and still the captains were implacable. "Oh, perfectly right, colorel. In

The nearest one, in a stars whisper. fact, for six years past live never seen tried to make the major hear "lose it done any other way. You'll find the order, first." But all the time Brix. authority on page 553, Field Artillery was losling more of his territor and Tactics of 1864." Minor what was telt of his headband

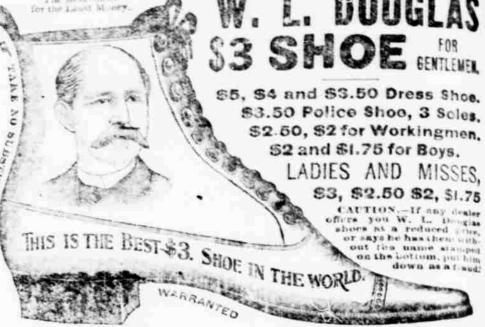
For a moment Brax was dumb. He had long heard of Crum as an expert in his own branch of the service, but presently he burst forth:

"Well, in our tactics there's reason for every blessed thing we do, but FII be disiged if I can see thyme or reason in such a formation as that. Why, sir, your one company takes un more was heard by only the right wing of room than my six-makes twice as the battalkin, and the company wheels much of a show. Of course if a comwere ranged. So was the next part of R. B. KINNEY, Lasirange, bined review is to show off the artilthe periormatice when he started to lery it's all very well. However, go ahead, if you think you're right, sir, go ahead! I'll inquire into this later." course, for the battery to wheel into "I know we're right, colonel; and as column of sections. This omission, for the reason, you'll see it when you open ranks for review and we come to 'action front:' then our line will be exactly that of the infantry. Meantime, sir, it isn't for us to go ahead. We've

gone as far as we can until your adjutant makes the next move." But Braxton had ridden away disgusted before Cram wound up his remarks.

guides were accurately in trace, there-"Go on. Mai. Minor: just run this by insuring what he expected to find a thing without reference to the battery. beautiful wheel into line to the loft.





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have a hope of her future. I would suffer any sacrifice before I would intentionally atter one word or do

one act that militate against her best America?"

vice to look to the West for political cans have done in a hundred years of in- Let Cram look after his own affairs: if the commands for which movement he

band and surrender to plateeratic Any political association or connection based upon any other theory Association that the maintenance of the same

principles for all sections, the advancement of mutual interest will

Americans Are Not So Happy as the French - What Jonathan Has Accom-"Well, sir, and what do you think of

"There's a bay downstairs, sir, who My ninth is in heat but not in coll. insists upon seeing you," she My tenth is in silver but not in gold, present depression, and assert her ture, considering the inexhaustible resaid.

Jack frowned at the interruption you, My twelfth is in look but not in view of his pleasant thoughts. My thirteenth is in black but not in "Send him up," he said, with slight impatience. A moment My fourteenth is in one but not in

later Ted Barton stood in the room.

"Why hello, Ted! This is a coal. pleasant surprise. Come up to the Which completes my list, now what is my whole ? fire," said Jack, cordially, surprised, nevertheless, at seeing who his visitor My whole is a traitor, the vilest that was.

two.

Ted came straight over and stood To the home of the brave and land of the free. beside him. Lyman Brown.

"Mr. Akers," he said, bravely, "you received a letter from my sister Nan this afternoon, didn't

A sudden intelligence shot into appeared in 1652.

Jack Akers' handsome eyes. He held up the dainty missive, and night. smiled.

you ?"

Ted's face grew very red, but he Mordecai and was hanged upon it. did not hesitate.

estly, "you must not blame our Nan Doodle, for that. I've come to tell you all about it." Then, swallowing very fast, Ted blurted out the whole story. The fine eyes of the young Which is the longest verse in the man before him never left his face Bible and what book is it in ? until he had finished, and that Jack Akers put his arm about the boy and

drew him gently to him. "Well, Ted, my boy," he said, kindly, "do you think it was a very lished in England ! manly thing to do?"

"No sir," answered Ted, in a come into use ? strangely chocked voice, "I think it Where was the first steam engine was beastly mean ?"

"I am sure you think so, Ted, and I am glad you came here and make a clean breast of it. It was the right thing to do; and since you have done this, I believe you are a boy to be trusted. Do you think you could Which of the Apostles was crucikeep a secret, Ted? If I should fied with his head downwards ! trust you with one, you would not betray my confidence ?"

"'Is thy servant a dog?" " asked Ted, indignantly.

The strong mouth under the tawny mustache twitched slightly, but Jack continued, gravely:

"It's just this, my boy: you must State.

you want to or not?"

My eleventh is in these but not in power and maintain her interest in sources at their dispesition. this great government. This can burgs and the Firebrandenburgs review

cal organization. My fifteenth is in wood but not in and incompatible interests within 000,000, the American treasury at Washthe Democratic party but that in the name of Democracy you have conmitted a series of blunders and

> shown yourselves incompetent to di-SOMEBODY HAS BLUNDERED. When the brave six handred made country afterwards, of blasphemous

blanched check theirs was to do and

Senga Megdirp. BODY had blundered! When was kerosene first used for When I see the proud Democratic

on this continent brought from and to-day in Democratic waters under consecrate an their taking a

call.

Bashie A. Crumpler. born ?

When and where was tobacco first cultivated ?

Luther Yandle. world what is its name ?

Crush the machine and save the BODY has blundered!







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future, if she would arise from her ought to be impossible to them in the fu-

only be secured through new polici their troops; while her standing armies are costing Europe more than \$1,000,-You are all compelled to admit 000,000 a year, in time of prace; while that there are not only incongruities the European debt is more than \$25,000,ington, in spite of corruption, which it is well known does exist, has a surplus of \$60,000,000. While European governments cudgel their wits to devise means for meeting the expenses of absolute rect and manage not only the econo- monarchies, the Washington government mic relations, but the fiscal affairs of is at a loss to know what to do with the the government. Yes, there has money it has in hand. While the Eurobeen a series of blunders to numer- pean telegrams in the daily papers give ons and heartrending for me to re- accounts of reviews, mobilizations and military maneuvers, of speeches in which the people are reminded that their duty is to serve their emperor first and their

their famous charge at Ballaklava, prayers in which God is asked to bless when, like heroes, they murched into soldiers, swords and gunpowder, the the very jaws of death, when, with a American telegrams announce the price firm tread and a steady herve and un- of corn and cattle, and the quotations on the American Stock Exchange.

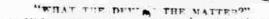
"Mr. Akers,-sir," he said, earn- Francis Marian composed Yankee die, when they saw their comrades state of ebulition over a presidential talling thick and fast around them. election or the doings of John L. Sulliwhen, like autumn leaves in Vallan van, while Europe in trembling asks her-Brosa or like the ripening grain be self, with the return of each new spring, fore the remorseless reaper, there whether two or three millions of her went up a shout along the line that sons will not be called upon to cut each somebody had blundered, that SOME- other's throats for the great glory of three emperors in search of excitement!

geographically speaking. ship to-day upon whose quarter-dick The Americans are a great people, them. over the bowed head of his placid When Braxton, therefore, came and which we were taught and hear learning day by day, with the help of

Jonathan himself sometimes has his

templation of this picture and be-

And so Minor had nodded "go ahead" seeing the battery wheel into line to to Mr. Drake, and presently the whole the right and move off in exactly the command made its bow, so to speak, to opposite direction from what he had Minor as its immediate chief, and then expected. This was alsogether too he drew sword and his untried voice much for his equanimity Dirging his

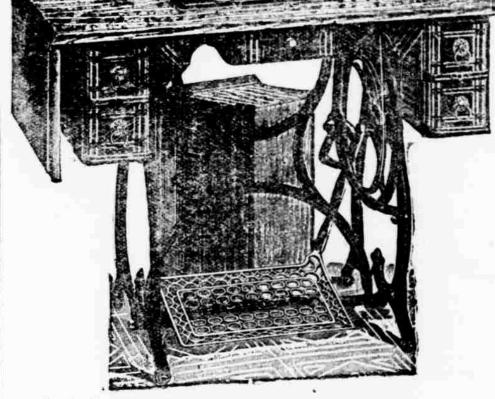


became faintly audible. The orders: spurs into the flanks of the astonished "Prepare for review" and "to the rear sorrel, he darted of after Crain, waving open order" were instantly followed his sword, and shoutbag: by a stentorian "action front" down at "Left into line wheel, captain. Left

the left, the instant leap and rush of into line wheel." some thirty nimble cannoneers, shouts In vain Mr Pierce undertook to exof "drive on!" the cracking of whips, plain matters. Minor presumed that thud of plunging hoofs. Forty-eight blunder and was only enabled to cormettlesome horses in teams of two rect it by a countermarch, and so rode abreast went dancing briskly away to back to his position in front of the con-

the rear, at sight of which Minor ter of the reforming line, convinced America is not only a great nation, dropped his jaw and the point of his that at last he had caught the battery

When was the first newspaper pub- you and I have trained from youth holding in their hands their own destiny, sorrel, wondering what on earth it down to make his criticisms and commeant that they should all be running ments upon the conduct of the review, outside of the trust. It reither buys dealer. The place of business is at When did modern needles first taught, bore the ark of our country's their liberty, to govern themselves more away, at the very instant when he exhope and the hope of our people's and more wisely, and able, thanks to the prosperity and happiness, when I set profound security in which they live, to prosperity and happiness, when I set profound security in which they live, to prosperity and happiness, when I set profound security in which they live, to prosperity and happiness, when I set profound security in which they live, to prosperity and happiness, when I set profound security in which they live, to prosperity and happiness, when I set profound security in which they live, to prosperity and happiness, when I set profound security in which they live, to prosperity and happiness is the term in the colling in error fram had be by his drill regulations to whole the colling in error fram had by the colling in error fram had by the colling in the col consecrate all their talents and all their thoughts eight glossy teams in almost by his drill regulations in wheeling to sociation robs you between the sick [ed, Imitation Rosewood, Oak Caskto-day in Democratic waters under Democratic breezes the same ship manned and officered by 90 per cent manned and officered by 90 per cent the most delightful of men; good society When and where was Columbus of Democratic enemies with that in America is the withest, most genial the front, every axle exactly in the wished the colonel, if he proposed to purchase collins from the lialeigh complete. Orders from a distance, of Democratic enemies with that arch conspirator, John Sherman, at the had most hospitable I have met with. But the more I travel and the more I travel and the more I travel and the more I took at other nations, the more con-firmed I am in my opinion, that the took the chiefs of section and of pieces sit.



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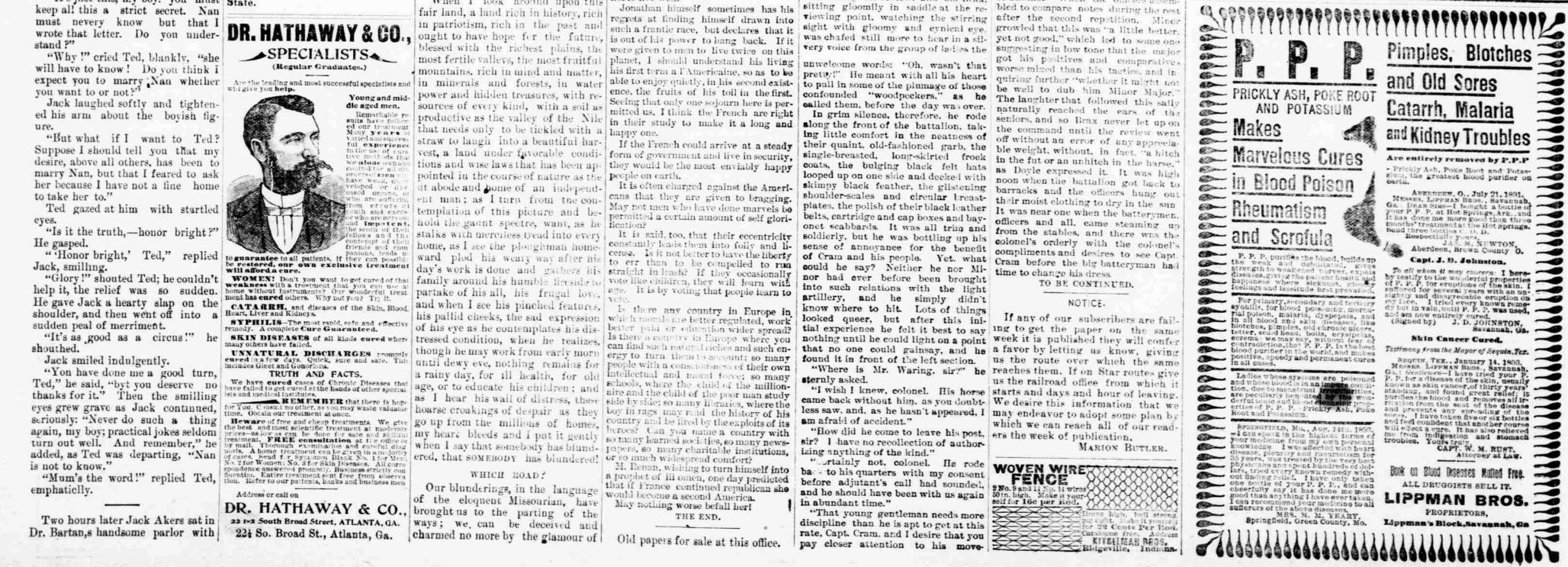
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wave against the income tax rock upon the tariff shore, as I see tile grand old craft stranded and wreeket Where is the largest spring in the grand old craft stranded and wreckel to the possession of all that can contrib- covering the guns, and, still farther hold, and the next performance. port. They sell the finest and the but you are helping to kill out the under such direction with the chief ute to the well being and success of a back, Mr. Pierce could be heard shout- though somewhat erroneous in many cheapest grades of coffins. The Coffin trust, one of the strongest and Who invented the spinning wheel? of captain's, Mr. Cleveland, approv-nation, but he seems to me to have ing his orders for the alignment of the the first theorem in the first t al, I am compelled to exclaim that missed the path that leads to real happi- caissons. In the twinkling of an eye the first, though braxton did not give house in the State for the same grade -From the Progressive Farmer of somebody has blundered, that some- ness. His domestic joys are more shad- the rush and thunder were stilled, the movement before he movement be before he movement before he movement before he movement be



When I look around upon this not to live well.

owy than real. To live in a whirl is battery without the twitch of a muscle movement before he would rash it instood ready for review, and old Brax, to another When the officers assem-