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From Chambers' Edinburgh Journal.

MATCHES:

A NEW YORK STORY. 'Blacking! blacking! matches!' cried a little dirt-bertinnee...

'Eighteen-pence a dozen,' was the ready reply. 'and they don't smelt.'

'Warranted to keep and burn freely,' broke in the boy, who put his best foot forward...

'But I do not want a dozen,' our gentleman said, rousing himself. 'I am sure half the quantity is enough to set me on fire a dozen times.'

'Never mind,' said easy Mr. Green; 'you can bring it me to-morrow; you will find me here at about this hour.'

'The boy told him Peter, departing joyfully with professions of promptitude; and Mr. Green got up to snuff away.'

'Surely you do not expect to see that boy again?' 'I positively do,' was the quiet reply.

close; the crowd flattens its noses against the window; we cannot get in to help; we have not the time to wait...

The following morning found Mr. Green in the same place and position we have described in the beginning...

An Italian noble being at church one day, and finding a priest who begged for the souls in purgatory...

A Frenchman, who proposed to establish a school having heard a high school would be more respectably patronized...

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