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THE REUNION.

A sequel to "A Christmas Story."

PART 1.

"Now mother sit down and tell me how it happened that you came to be living here and not in our own home?"

Thus, Angus Lee addressed his mother whom the readers of the "Christmas Story" in the *Effort*, will remember, as his having found on Christmas Eve, in a lonely cottage. The boy Harry who had shown him the way thither, was still standing as we left him, and with open eyed wonder gazed first at one and then at the other without speaking a word.

"Yes my son I will try to do so, but I wish Lucy was here she can remember so much better than I all that has happened since you left us."

"Lucy is coming tomorrow" now spoke the boy, "she told me to tell you so; but I forgot it until now."

"But mother I cannot wait, all is so strange."

"Well, well, then my dear boy I

will tell you some things and leave details to Lucy when you see her."

"Lucy, where is she and why is she not with you?"

"She is with her uncle, the father of this boy, and why she is not with me you will learn if you can have patience to let me tell you in my own way." "We received no word from you after the first letter informing us that with your friend George Lamb you had purchased a claim and one which you were both confident would prove a success.

When a little more than two years had passed we were aroused one night by the smell of something burning. The house was on fire; old John, Lucy and I barely escaped with our lives. We found refuge in the home of Mr. Slade, until Lucy's uncle having learned upon coming to the village as he did once in a while, of the affair and our losses, came and offered her a home with him. She refused to leave me; but at length consented upon his making her the offer to take me with her. I in my turn refused

to burden his home, especially as I was not in need, and the insurance when paid would more than supply my wants."

"Well" said Mr. Jenks, "then I will tell you what you can do, there is a little cottage about half a mile from my farm which I own and you can live in that, and be beholden to no one. Lucy can see you just as often as she likes. How will that do?"

"I accepted the offer and we started with him. The cottage was just as you find it, a little more comfortable perhaps as the folks in town have given me some things now and then to add to my comfort. That is why I am here, now tell me how it is that you are here as we have looked upon you as dead for several years."

[To be concluded next month.]

INTERESTING FACTS.

The first regular theatrical company in America came from England in 1752. It first played at Williamsburg, Virginia, then the capital of the Old Dominion.

Dogs never perspire even in the hottest weather.

The "Mary" that "had a little lamb" was a Massachusetts girl.

The lamb, uncared for by its mother, was taken in charge by Mary. One day it followed her to school, upon being reproved by the teacher for bringing it into the school-house Mary explained that she was afraid it would go astray if left out. A young man fitting for Harvard was at school that morning and a few days after he produced several verses of the well known poem.

General Greene, who was an American officer, is said to have been in the battle-field seven months without taking off his clothes one night.

Sir. Walter Raleigh's snuff-box, out of which he took a pinch on the scaffold, was sold for £6.

"To let the cat out of the bag" originated in this way: English people used to substitute a cat for a sucking-pig and bring it to market. If any greenhorn bought the "pig in a poke" without examination, all very well, but if he opened the bag "he let the cat out of the bag," and disclosed the trick.

The breast bone of a fowl forms the "wish bone."

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"If any misanthrope were to put in my presence the question—Why are we born? I would reply—to make an *Effort*. —*Dickens*."

We will try to mention all our exchanges in time.

AMATEURS.

The *Corncracker* now has twelve pages and cover. Its December number had a pretty illustration.

The *Brass City Herald* is well edited by Newton C. Smith, 26 State St., Waterbury, Conn., send him your papers.

We have received the *Young Barbarian*, it has a philatelic column, which is very interesting.

The *Mystic World* is an interesting paper, edited by D. J. Hickey.

The editor of the *Lucasville News*, could improve his paper if he took more pains in his spelling.

The *Mohawk Standard* is well filled with stamp notes.

The *Glen* and *Our Flag*, have united under the name of *LaPlume*. It is a very neat paper.

The *Youth's Herald* has many interesting departments.

The *Clyde Press* is a semi-monthly, 25 cents per year, 1 cent per copy. Not a large premium for yearly subscribers.

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TO publishers inserting the above one inch advertisement for two months, we will insert, same space in this paper three months for them.

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PUZZLES.

I SHALL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS AND ANSWERS TO PUZZLES FROM ALL.

BEHEADINGS.

1. Behead a low ground and leave a liquid. 2. Behead a paradise and leave a place for wild beasts. 3. Behead an instrument and leave a poisonous reptile. 4. Behead a portion of the year and leave a part of a circle. 5. Behead a fruit and leave a cooking apparatus. 6. Behead that which may be counted or told and leave a bird. 7. Behead a drop of water and leave a part of the head.

My whole is the name of one of the United States.

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Answers to last months puzzles.

Enigma. Love's Labor Lost Square.

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NARROW ESCAPE.

By J WHITTEMORE HALSEY.

CHAPTER III

"Come Daw wake up! It is time for you to start," was his rude awakening from a furious ride on dandy his favorite pony.

After stretching himself a few times he jumped up and declared that he was ready to go.

"If you would like to take those papers, Daw, you can, for they have been laying around the house a good while." Daw's eyes sparkled.

"Oh, thanks! I would like to very much."

Buckling on his snow-shoes, putting on his fur hat, gloves and collar, and also being helped into his overcoat he was ready.

"Here is something your father may like," said Mrs. Jones handing a basket to Daw, "he always said I made the best doughnuts he ever tasted and I guess he will

enjoy these."

After bidding all good bye Daw set out, passed through the main part of the village, by the few straggling houses which composed the outskirts of the village and emerged into the open country.

When he had travelled for a considerable distance a little cloud suddenly made its appearance far off on the northern horizon. Daw did not notice it and if he had he would have thought little of it. The cloud seemed bent on mischief; onward it swept gathering more and more till soon a dark leadern mass stretched out for a considerable distance.

All at once a little snow flake fluttered down and landed on Daw's shoe; he looked up in alarm, the truth flashed across his mind; he gazed about for a house in which he could seek refuge, but there was no house, the flakes fell faster and faster, till at last all was one blinding sheet of white before him; it be-

came nearly as dark as night; he realized the danger he was in and fairly flew over the ground, a gust of wind so blinded him that he lost all reckoning; he was afraid to stop lest the snow should prove too tempting and he should sink down never to rise again.

He stumbled on, once he fell but quickly regained his feet; as he was plodding along in this miserable way he suddenly stopped, the blood almost froze in his veins, his legs refused to do their duty and all his senses became painfully alert; yes! there it was again, a faint but horrible sound ringing in his ears.

The wolves were on his track it was to true, they must have made a wide detour and in doing so came across his track; Daw stumbled on in the vain hopes of getting somewhere, the terrible cries became more distinct.

He fancied himself being torn to pieces in the midst of a howling pack; looking back he could just discern the outline of a dusky figure, another and another appeared, he gave up all hope and making a desperate bound sank in the snow.

[TO BE CONCLUDED.]

REMARKS ON AMATEURS.

We have recieved the famed *Wise and Otherwise*, it is filled with the choicest matter.

“————— was left out for lack of room.”

The above is often seen in amateur papers that are filled with advertisements. If they left out the advertisements and put interesting matter instead the papers would be greatly improved.

The *Busy Bee* is a new paper from 12 Baldwin Hill, Waterbury, Conn. We think it is a very good one.

NOTES

OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC.

A ton of gold will make something over \$602,785.

There are 623 newspapers and periodicals published in foreign languages in the United States.

In some parts of Mexico precious woods are so plentiful that the natives build pig-styes of rose-wood logs.

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EDITORIAL.

After a long vacation we again commence work. We hope to make an improvement in our paper after having so long a rest.

We thank the editors who have sent us their papers during the summer.

Shot is a good thing to clean bottles with.

How Birds and Animals are Grouped.

A table showing in a concise manner how various birds and animals are classed.

A covey of Partridges. A flock of Geese.
A wide of Pheasants. A cast of hawks.
A wisp of snipe. A trip of Dotterel.
A bevy of Quail. A swarm of Bees.
A flight of Doves or A school of Whales.
Swallows. A shoal of Herrings.
A muster of Peacocks. A herd of Swine.
A seige of Herons. A skulk of Foxes.
A building of rooks. A pack of wolves.
A brood of Grouse. A drove of Oxen.
A plump of wild A troop of monkeys.
fowl. A sounder of Hogs.
A stand of Plovers. A pride of Lions.
A watch of Nightin. A sleuth of Bears.
gales.

In order to make the circuit of the earth a locomotive would have to run incessantly 30 days; sound must travel 34 hours; a cannon ball, 22 hours; electricity, five seconds; and light, one-tenth of a second-

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" labeled minerals	2.
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" cabinet " "	2 " 3.50
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Ink Stand labelled min.	1 " 2.
Clocks " "	4.50 " 15.
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" Rings	3.
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Paper Knives " " " "	3. " 5.
Match Boxes Pocket " " " "	1.50 " 2.
Blotter Holders " " " "	4. " 8.
Ladies bar pins " " " "	.75 " 3.
Sleeve Buttons " " " "	1. " 2.
Crochet Hooks " " " "	.75 " 1.
Cigar Holder " " " "	1.50 " 4.
Ink Stands " " " "	4. " 15.
Rings " " " "	.10 " .25
Marbles " " " "	.05 " 20
Shoe Hooks " " " "	.75 " 1.

Wild Flowers of Colo.	1. " 3.
Cactus Canes	.50
Deer Foot Paper Knives	50 " 1.50
Trantula Nests	1.
Owls	3. " 15.
Moccasins	1. " 5.
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Arrows	35 " .50
Tomahawkes	5. " .15
Pueblo Indian Pottery	.25 " 15.
" " Idols	1.
Coyote Heads on shields	5 " 10
Wild Cat " " "	5 " 10.
Swifts stuffed " "	8.
Coyote " "	10. " 15.
Deer Horns on Shield	5. " 10.
Texas Steer horns"	10. " 25.
Swift Fox Rugs	5.
Coyote " "	6. " 8.
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COLO.

C. H. S. NOTES.

—The Battalion is short of officers.

—There are over 30 scholars in the 3^A class.

—There are a great many new scholars this year.

—Frothingham is to have charge of the books this year.

—All scholars are invited to contribute to this column.

—The *EFFORT* will have some Chauncy-Hall notes hereafter.

—We are sorry we shall not see Mr. Cartwright this year. He has gone to Westerly to teach.

—It is hoped that the first part of the years drill will be over as soon as possible as it is always dry.

The boys are beginning to have head-aches, lameness &c. It would be better if the boys would all drill and then we would have a better battalion.

The *Abstract*, the regular school paper, will probably soon

re-appear under a new management. A stock company will be formed to assure its support.

Where are the mighty SLIBS!

By the first Friday of school this year Chauncy was running like clock-work. Most of the new boys are, by this time, accustomed to the programme which to a stranger is very puzzling.

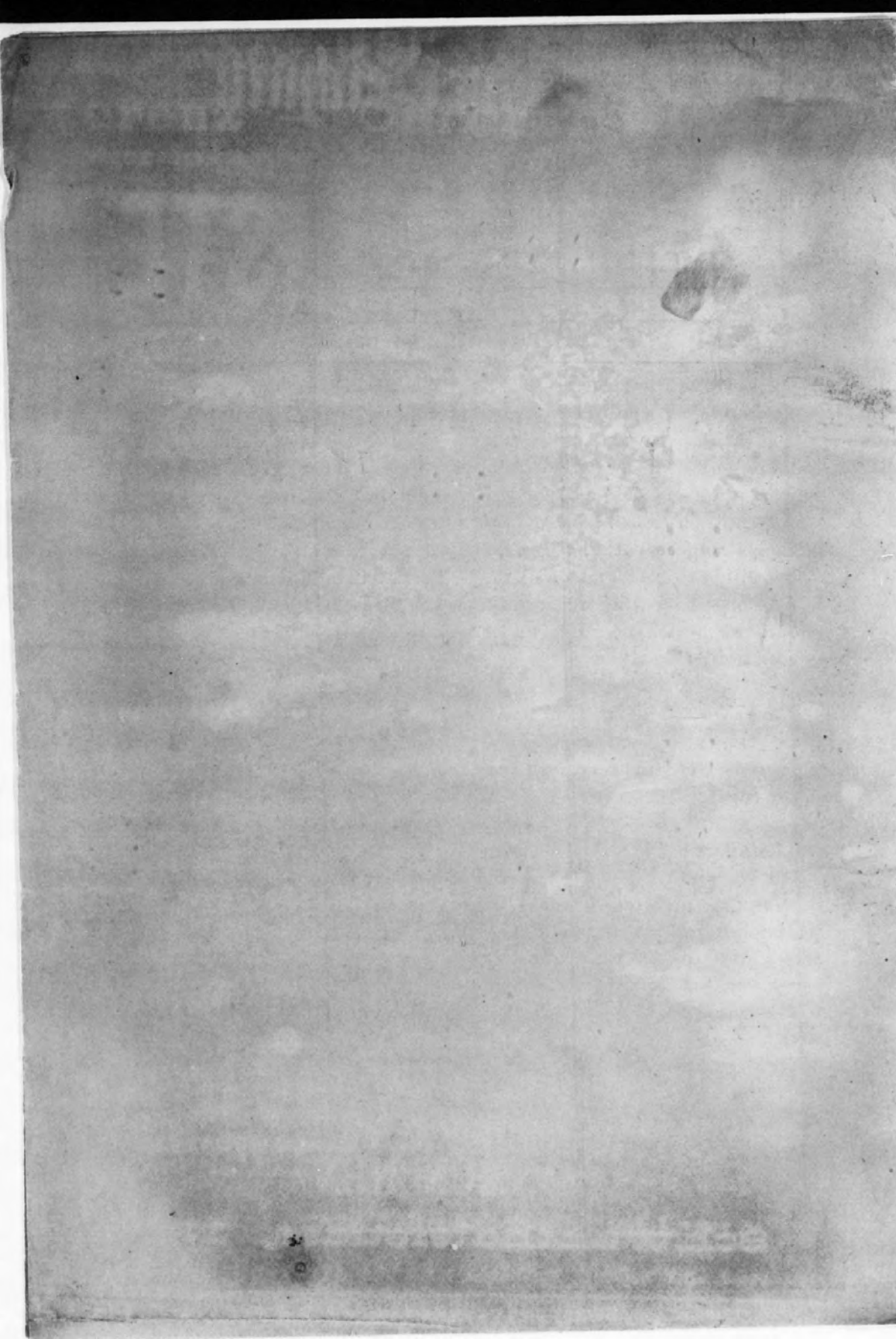
Allen, Myers and Haffenreffer have been appointed to distribute singing books on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Copies of the *ABSTRACT* are for sale by Harry C. Quinby at the following prices: A few copies of No. 1, *very rare*, 25 cents each; Nos. 2 and 3, 5 cents each; No. 4, (Christmas no., with cover,) 10 cents each; Nos. 5 to 9, 5 cents each.

The boys of the fourth class are forming a base ball club.

Tomorrow the primary department opens.

Room 13 is now free from books.



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DETROIT, FEBRUARY 1890.

NO. 1

The Detroit City Greys, now about ten years old as a militia company, met at their armory and organized a veteran corps. Twenty-five members were present. The meeting was very enthusiastic, and one of the principal objects of the veteran corps will be to co-operate with the active corps in securing an armory, the site for which is already under negotiation.

No. 1 Vol. 2 of Rhode Island Philatelist comes to hand with twelve pages and cover. A very neat and newsy paper.

The Philatelic Journal of America opens its sixth volume with the January No. It is one of the finest philatelic papers in the United States.

The Stamp Advertiser comes out with ten pages. A very neat paper.

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The postage stamps were first issued by England in 1840.

It is reported that E. F. Gambs has bought out H. A. Reuss, the whole sale dealer of Paris, Texas.

There will be another 6 days go-as-you-please, beginning Feb. 24, '90

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368 Congress St. E., Detroit, Mich.

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TWO YEARS OLD.

With the issue of this number, THE EFFORT begins its third year, printed on a new press and with new type, the paper being nearly doubled in size. The subscription price has been fixed at 15 cents per year, which is a slight advance over old rates, this I found necessary because of the extra labor required to print the paper.

My patrons cannot but notice the difference in appearance of THE EFFORT, and I trust my endeavor to get out a readable journal, will be appreciated.

F. H. B.

On the first day of May next the Police Department of Detroit will be 25 years old. The silver anniversary.

The Post Card is a very interesting paper, devoted to postal cards.

The collection of postage stamps has become quite a business, while there hasn't been much done in this line in Detroit, compared with some other cities, still, there is quite a demand in this vicinity now. And to those who desire to add to their collection, I would remind them that in addition to the publication of THE EFFORT, I am also engaged in the Stamp trade, and will supply any variety of stamps on demand.

—Old gent; Little boy, I am sorry to see you smoking.

Little boy: I ain't smoking, I'm just keeping it alight for another fellow what's gone on an errant.

Valentines at NICHOLS.

Take The Effort.

SPORTING NOTES.

BASE BALL.

Detroit has signed two outfielders and one pitcher, named Howard and Marquette, outfielders, McCarthy pitcher.

A good many base ball players are going from the Brotherhood to the National league.

The recent 72 hour Go-as-you-please was a great success. The following was the score: Howarth 364 miles, 3 laps; Hart 341 miles; Norendic 337 miles, 7 laps; Smith 329 miles, 10 laps Horan 328 miles, 6 laps; Holsbeke 252 miles, 3 laps; Clois 210 miles, 8 laps. First Prize \$350; second \$200; third \$125; fourth \$75; fifth \$50.

—First thread: What's the matter?

Second thread: I'm broke.

—You can use a postage-stamp twice. The first time it will cost you two cents, the second time it will cost you fifty dollars.

—A smart thing: A mustard plaster.

—You have heard of punk in wood; have you ever heard of punk in pies.

—What a difference it makes whether you put "Dr." before or after your name.

—The tailor who goes sleigh-riding always takes a cutter.

—School-teacher: Now, Bobby, spell needle.

Bobby: N-e-i-d-l-e, needle.

School-teacher: Wrong. There's no 'i' in needle.

Bobby: Well, 'tain't a good needle then.

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-A pig was never known to wash, but a great many people have seen pig iron.

-A rude bird—the mocking bird.

-Tommy: I wish the school-room was round.

Mother: Why?

"So the teacher couldn't make me stand in the corner."

-A capital idea—money.

-The best kind of a tent to live in is content.

-The newspaper of the future—tomorrow's.

VALENTINES at NICHOLS.

-Small boy (to grocery clerk): Come, can't you get my things? I'm in an awful hurry. Mother wants them for supper.

Clerk: What will you have, young man?

Small boy: A bar of soap and a quart of kerosene.

-Mother: Did you break any of the rules to-day, Tommy?

Tommy (first day at school): No'm; I was a good boy. Teacher broke two, though—one on little Harry Fletcher and another on me.

-School-teacher (irate): Who fired that spit-ball at me? I'll cane him.

Young Kentuckian (country boy six feet five): I did, sir.

School-teacher: Humph! Well-er-er don't do it again.

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-Bobby: My papa's richer 'a yours.

Tommy: Don't care; mine knows more. Mamma told him yesterday he knew too much.

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-A stitch in time saves a hole in the stocking.

THE EFFORT.

VOL. 3

DETROIT, MICH., MARCH 1890.

NO. 2

Mr. F. H. Pinkham, of Newmarket, N. H., has purchased The Eastern Philatelist from W. H. Goodrich, who will retire from philatelic journalism.

We have received No. 1 of The Exchange, edited and published by Jas. H. Collins, of Detroit, Mich., a monthly, devoted to Exchanges, etc. A very creditable paper.

The N. Y. Philatelist is to be changed to the Philatelist, it will consist of 20 to 36 pages each issue. It will be edited by Gustav Aue, formerly of the Collectors' Ledger.

We have received No. 1 of The Progressive Philatelist, it is published quarterly by The Stamp & Coin Exchange, of Merrimack, Wis.

Mr. B. R. Grant has severed his connection with The Yankee Philatelist and C. E. Caswel has taken charge with F. S. Goldsbury.

The new stamps of the United States have appeared, they are very much smaller than the former ones.

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Can't you give a beggar a copper?

Certainly. Willie, run, call a policeman for this gentleman.

James, my son, take this letter to the post-office and pay the postage on it.

The boy James returns highly elated, and said:

Father, I seen a lot of men putting letters into a little place, and, when no one was looking, I slipped yours in for nothing.

Teacher: Robbie, how is the earth divided?

Robbie: Between them that's got it and them that wants it.

Send reference for one of my approval sheets of stamps at 33½ p. c.com. before April 1.

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Thanks a couple times to the Detroit Free Press and Journal for their friendly notices of the last Effort.

DETROIT PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

There has been an Association organized, under the above name. The D.P.A. includes boys under the age of 18, only. Every young philatelist in the U.S. should become a member. The following have been

enrolled, up to date:

Farrand H. Borgman,	No. 1
Thomas J. Ingram,	No. 2
Geo. E. Whiting,	No. 3
A. McGraw,	No. 4
Robert Whitney,	No. 5
Charles Whitney,	No. 6
Charles Whiting,	No. 7
Beecher Aldrich,	No. 8

ONE BY ONE—11.

SCRAP IRON—Hand cuffs.

OUT ON FIRST—Monthly statements

WHO SAYS FIGURES NEVER LIE?—

— 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

Son of a Gunn.—Teacher (to a new scholar): What is your name, sonny.
Boy: Gunn.

"Give me your full name."

"John G. Gunn."

"What is the G. for?"

"Getyer."

"What do you mean by that?"

"Well, all the boys call me 'Johnny Getyer Gunn, anyhow.'"

The architect and burglar are both expert designers in their way. The one has designs to build the house, the other to enter it.

GUERRERO WINS.

The last 6 days go-as-you-please was a greater success than all former ones, fully 20,000 people witnessed the race during the week.

Guerrero wins first money, with 505 miles; Noremac second with 500 miles; Cartwright third with 479 miles; Horan fourth with 477 miles; Messier fifth with 475 mi. The three pedestrians who did not cover the limit of 475 miles, were Golden 400 miles; Holsbeke 300 miles; Loomis 221 miles. Guerrero received \$800.

Noremac \$500., Cartwright \$300. Horan \$240., Messier \$160. There was a purse raised for which Golden and Holsbeke were to race two miles, Holsbeke won by three laps.

Mrs. Drake: Tommy, what are you going to do with that card—Do You Want Any Roofing?

Tommy Drake: I am going to paste it on Uncle William's bald head.

Postage stamp: I've just been receiving a terrible licking.

Envelope: Well, stick close to me and we'll get through all right,

Little Willie (to his father's friend): You can't guess what I got in my pocket, Mr. Blinker.

Mr. Blinker: No, I cannot guess. What is it, Willie?

Willie: It's beans. Mamma said you didn't know beans, but I thought I'd try you.

—Tis an easy thing

To sing

Of spring,

When the balmy air's not breezy;

'Tis sneezy thing

Of spring

To sing,

When your buzzing head is wheezy

At the public school.

Teacher: Now, Bobby, how much do six and four make?

Bobby (eagerly): Eleven, sir.

Teacher: Now guess again.

Bobby (doubtfully): Twelve—nine—thirteen.

Teacher: How about ten?

Bobby (exultingly): Oh, you can't fool me that way! Five and five make ten.

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NO. 4

The "cash" used as coin all over China are made from an alloy of copper and zinc, nearly the same as the well-known Muntz metal. It takes about one thousand of them to make change for a dollar.

A person convicted of any crime in China, except that of murdering one of the royal family, can hire a substitute to take the punishment, even if it is death. The rate of pay of these substitutes has lately advanced about 20 per cent., and the cause is laid to the English.

To The Southern Philatelist:—Your remark noticed and the source considered.

A rare gift—Presence of mind.

Minister (to bad boy): "Johnny, you should be good, like my little Tommy.

Johnny: "He don't dare be anything else; you've got so many slippers.

Lady visitor (to small boy whose mother has been ill): "Georgie, is your mother any better?"

Georgie: "Yes, ma'am; but she can't walk around above a whisper.

Pressing business—Ironing.

Teacher: "Willie, can you name the five senses?"

Tommy (from back seat): "I—I can tell."

Teacher: "Well, Tommy, what are they?"

Tommy: "A half-dime."

Mrs. Bandbox: "You said that I should take leaves at 10.30, didn't you?"

Ticket agent: "Yes, madam; and I think I've told you that about ten times already.

Mrs. Bandbox: "Yes, I know you have; but my little boy says he likes to hear you talk.

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THE FINEST AND SECOND TO NONE.

The Detroit Metropolitan Police celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary, May 15 1890, by a Grand Review and Dress Parade under the command of Chief M. V. Borgman. Roundsman M. M. Irving acting as Adjutant. The companies being commanded respectively by Captains Starkweather, Myler, Burger, Mack

and Sergts. Martin and Purdue.

Many complimentary remarks were made as OUR FINEST paraded the principal streets, headed by the Fourth Regiment Band.

REVIEWS.

One Dime at hand.

The Curiosity Collector received. A good paper.

Whew!!!! Just think of the ads. in The Yankee Philatelist, May Number.

The Rhode Island Philatelist at hand. As neat as ever.

The Exchange comes to us regular each month.

We have been favored with a copy of The Giant, a four page amateur journal.

The New Departure, first No., received. A paper published by W. A. Duncan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

We have received the April Nos. of The Post Card. It is a fine and newsy paper.

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DETROIT, MICH., JUNE 1890.

NO. 5

FOREIGN LOCALS.

For The Effort.

By William B. Hale.

This branch of collecting is principally limited to Europeans. These stamps come from Germany and Scandinavia almost exclusively, although the Russian "Semstwo" are to be included yet, I have yet to meet a complete catalogue of the later, so limited is their use and at such very remote places.

These Foreign Locals are erroneously supposed to be somewhat counterfeited. Really the design and execution is poor with these and especially some and as they are made to sell to collectors and only a few collectors collect them, the revenue is of course small and a small sum only could be put into the engravers hands, naturally to leave any profit for the projector.

The collecting of Foreign Locals is discouraged by many of the Philatelic authorities because they are

not really intended for local use or any especial benefit to the community from which they have their emission and are but little used and then at no considerable profit, but for the profit of selling to Philatelists in several cases. Happily the majority really fill their calling and are used locally at great advantage of the district surrounding it. Some of these are of some artistic merit and these it is which sell mostly in this country. In South and Central America they are less popular than here, and only in the few countries of their emission are they collected to a extent. More prominent is "From so" design of Reindeer; "A fish; "Frankfort, city landscape; "Strasburg, cathedral; "Halsbury's shield - green and red; "Halle, mercury; "Lloyd, sealed letter; "Chemnitz, head in oval of Germania; "Mademathel, alpine glacier;

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Mr. William B. Hale, of Williams-ville, Mass., has bought the large and valuable Brown collection. This will be remembered as especially rich in America and Colonial stamps.

A counterfeit of the new Spanish stamps has been discovered and suppressed by the authorities.

FOREIGN LOCALS.

(continued from first page.)

"Aalborg, three castles; "Moscow, Russian arms, three colors; Brazil, emblematic design of the southern cross constellation.

American locals are without limit almost, but are of really legitimate use or rather were once.

Jays Locals are the only ones whom suspicion casts a chary eye.

Last but not by any means least are the Hamburg Locals, they are strictly "no good" and are only reprints.

MANUFACTURE OF FANS.

—By A.P.G.—

Nearly everybody has seen the common round Japanese fans which are used so much now-a-days, but I dare say that very few people have ever thought of how they are made.

The workman will take a long bamboo rod and saw it into perhaps a dozen pieces, each having a joint in the middle. Then, with a very sharp knife, which he inserts in the

(continued on supplement.)

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VOL.3

SUPPLEMENT.

NO.5

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STRIKE!

The Carpenters still continue the strike, but this week will probably end it, by a compromise between the strikers and contractors. The Police are after them.

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There will be two good ball games at Recreation Park, on the 4th of July. London vs. Detroit.

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Fine Fire-Works can be found at Mrs. F.M. Nichols.

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REVIEWS.

The following publications were

received this month:

Ye Boodle Philatelist, The Pearl, The Exchange, Giant, R. I. Philatelist, Yankee Philatelist, Wolverine Naturalist, Curiosity Collector, Fitchburg Philatelist, Eastern Philatelist, Franco-American.

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MANUFACTURE OF FANS.

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upper end of the stick, he splits it as far as the joint. He works around the stick in this way until the upper end is a bunch of splints.

(to be continued.)

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Biff! Bang!! Boom!!!
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DETROIT, MICH., JULY 1890.

NO.6

—OUR PRINCIPLES.—

Our EFFORT is but young and small,
But still we hope to grow.

Some men we see so large and tall,
Were Boys a while ago.

Although we have not lived as long
As some who boast of age,

Our principles are good and strong,
You'll see on every page.

We would not sully our fair name
For thrice our present price:

Though we might gain renown and fame
By pandering to rise.


You see dear readers where we stand,
We know you'll say, God speed;


And bless such Boys o'er all the land,
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Last but not least—a new store.

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September, November and Dec-
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SOMETHING NEW.

With the next number of our paper, (THE EFFORT) we will open an exchange column. This column will be free to subscribers, to all others half cent a word will be charged. Send in your exchanges!

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—MANUFACTURE OF FANS.—

BY A. P. G.

Then a hole is drilled just below the joint and a piece of bamboo shaped like a bow is inserted. Next the ribs of the fan are pressed out on a block and a string is attached to one end of the bow. This string is threaded in and out of the splints and is finally secured to the other end of bow. The fan is now ready for finishing. Both sides of the ribs are covered with paste and gaily colored paper is placed over them.

The fan is then trimmed and placed on a rack to dry. So you see that there is a good deal of work on a very common, but useful article.

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The population of Detroit will probably reach 250,000.

REVIEWS.

THE Philatelic Express received, a very neat paper.

THE Herald comes to us from Rockford, Ill.

THE July numbers of The Post Card received.

THE Philatelic News, of Cambridgeboro, Penn., has suspended publication.

THE May and June numbers of The Midget received, it is one of our best exchanges.

THE Stamp-Collectors Journal is a new one to us, which comes from Lake Village, N.H. X please.

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No more base ball in this city this season.

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THE BLUE RIBBON MEETING, July 22 to 25, will be one of the finest meetings ever held at Detroit, some great races will take place.

One million letters are delivered in London every day, and in the city district there are twelve daily deliveries.—[R.I. Philatelist.

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The Exposition will open Aug. 27 and close Sept. 7.

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VOL.III

DETROIT, MICH., AUG.1890.

NO.7

For The Effort.

FOREIGN POSTAL NOTES.

By Ph.Heinsberger, New York.

Pneumatic Post Offices are established in most capitals in European states. They forward letters and parcels through a closed tube with use of electricity, inside the city limits. "Uncle Sam" follows them!!

During the year 1889 were forwarded in Germany 2079 millions of mail matter (letters, postal cards, letter sheets, Money Orders, C.O.D. orders, postal parcels).

The Post office in Berlin (Germany) forwards daily 600,000 pieces mail matter.

The German expression "Postschwede" means postman, clerk or carrier. This word came in use during the 30 years war in Germany where the Swedish army was operating. The Swedes established a kind of a rural postroute, to communicate with Swedish troops stationed in the different parts of Germany. For this service as messengers were em-

ployed Swedish dragoons, who carried also private mail—for good payment.

It will be of much interest to the readers of "THE EFFORT" to know how the Imperial German Post & Telegraph Service has increased from 1879 to 1889. I quote as follows:

	1879	1889
Post offices	3,797	3,928
Postal Agencies	3,138	6,445
Postal Clerks	23,795	37,127
Postmen(carriers)	30,996	55,490
Postillons(drivers)	4,667	4,984
Letters-Boxes	45,392	69,010
Telegr.Offices	5,114	10,607
Telegr.Apparatus	9,888	20,417
" Lines miles	25,120	39,170 M
Total Income	\$33,238,100	\$52,950,120

Total Expenses \$28,536,225
\$44,082,260

I have to mention, that in Germany the Post and Telegraph service combined is under governmental control.

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VOL.III

DETROIT, MICH., AUG. 1890.

NO. 7

For The Effort.

FOREIGN POSTAL NOTES.

By Ph. Heinsberger, New York.

Pneumatic Post Offices are established in most capitals in European states. They forward letters and parcels through a closed tube with use of electricity, inside the city limits. "Uncle Sam" follows them!!

During the year 1889 were forwarded in Germany 2079 millions of mail matter (letters, postal cards, letter sheets, Money Orders, C.O.D. orders, postal parcels).

The Post office in Berlin (Germany) forwards daily 600,000 pieces mail matter.

The German expression "Postschwede" means postman, clerk or carrier. This word came in use during the 30 years war in Germany where the Swedish army was operating. The Swedes established a kind of a rural postroute, to communicate with Swedish troops stationed in the different parts of Germany. For this service as messengers were em-

ployed Swedish dragoons, who carried also private mail—for good payment.

It will be of much interest to the readers of "THE EFFORT" to know how the Imperial German Post & Telegraph Service has increased from 1879 to 1889. I quote as follows:

	1879	1889
Post offices	3,797	3,928
Postal Agencies	3,138	6,445
Postal Clerks	23,795	37,127
Postmen (carriers)	30,996	55,490
Postillons (drivers)	4,667	4,984
Letters-Boxes	45,392	69,010
Telegr. Offices	5,114	10,607
Telegr. Apparatus	9,888	20,417
" Lines miles	25,120	39,170 M
Total Income	\$33,238,100	

\$52,950,120

Total Expenses \$28,536,225

\$44,082,260

I have to mention, that in Germany the Post and Telegraph service combined is under governmental control.

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ENCOURAGING.

With this number of **THE EFFORT**, one thousand additional copies will be issued, and from present indications, one thousand new names will be added to our subscription list.

Those only who are familiar with the publishing of a newspaper can appreciate the labor it requires to keep it before the public in a patronizing way, even after it has attained

a reputation.

THE EFFORT while small in size and young in years is getting there fast, and will be among the others before the publisher (who is fourteen years old) reaches his majority.

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"The Effort" is here to stay and each number will be an improvement on the preceding one.

Who will send in the largest list of subscribers for the September edition?

F. H. B.

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Michigan Philatelic Society has been organized, which takes the place of the D.P.A. Any collector in the U.S. can join, under the age of 18. Dues, 15 cents per year. So join at once. Send stamp for particulars to, Beecher Aldrich, 310 E. Congress St., Detroit, Mich.

FOREIGN POSTAL NOTES.

(Continued from first page.)

In Germany it is postal habit to deliver "to residence" all postal packets (any size as far as is permitted) also Money, letters containing money or Drafts (the amount is written on outside the envelope by the sender.) If a postal packet (baskets & boxes are allowed) is prepaid, the sender can also pay the cartage fee in "additional" postage stamps pasted on the top of the package. The trifling city cartage fee (outside the fee for forwarding the packet) is only 5 Pfennig = 1 cent, for 5 Kilogrammes weight equal to 11 lbs.

American "looking for money Express Companies" would not carry an 11 lbs. parcel — one block — for this money. Why not?

The government of Germany recently has notified the U.S. Department of foreign affairs (State) that it is the habit of American publishers to "paste" printed slips" as addresses on "Newspapers". Many, many, of such printed slips were so "badly printed, or names misprinted," that the papers could not be delivered. Publishers of stamp papers

who send their paper to foreign countries take notice of this fact, and print in "large type," or "plain writing" the addresses!

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The Waterville Gazette comes to us from Waterville, Mass. It is a weekly.

The smallest of our exchanges is The Collector. It is a very interesting sheet.

The following papers (new to us) received during the past month and placed on our exchange list: The Waterville Gazette; Nebraska Stamp News; Monthly Banner; Youth's Delight; The Grip; Collector; Moral and Scientific Companion.

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Clippings.

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—Willie: "What are phosphates used for?"

Uncle Bob: "They are used for fertilizers to make things grow."

Willie: "Well, then, Uncle Bob, why don't you put phosphates in your hat to make your hair grow?"

—[Golden Days.

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GROUNDS ENOUGH.

"You have no grounds for divorce.

"Yes, I have. I have a ten-acre lot in Newport."—[Puck.

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Young Brindle: "Pa, can't I have a flannel shirt like yours?"

Mr Brindle (speaking from experience): "My son, you may have this after its washed."—[Golden Days.

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SARCASM.

He: I wish I could find something to fully occupy my mind!

She: Why not try a mustard seed, my dear!—[Corona News Letter.

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PUZZLEDOM.

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Puzzle No. 1. Word Square.

By Monk.

Small Insects; trim; domestic; confusion.

No. 2. Drop-Letter.

BY QUOIN.

h-e-f-r-s-u-z-e-o-.

No. 3. Diamond.

BY PETRA.

A letter; to decay; a stamp-issuing country; a plant; a letter.

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The person answering the three puzzles correctly will receive THE EFFORT 6 months.

We hope to have more than three puzzles next month.

SPORTING NOTES.

Smol trotted a half mile at Detroit driving park in 1.02½.

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DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 1890.

NO. 8

For The Effort

LOST IN THE MAILS.

By Ph. Heinsberger, New York.

The New York Post-office has fully 7000 letters and half as many valuable packages on its hands every week that cannot be delivered owing to the carelessness of senders. Claimants for more than half of these are never found, and every year the Dead Letter office at Washington has a big auction, and many things worth owning are knocked down to the highest bidder.

The variety of articles that stray to the office of inquiry in this city fills one with astonishment. The interior of that office resembles a curiosity shop more than anything else, and that is the way it is frequently alluded to by employees. Samples of every conceivable thing that foolish people would be likely to send in the open mail, instead of by some safer way, turn up there. The carelessness or indifference that a large number of Uncle Sam's patrons display

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The following papers were received during August and September:

The Post Card, Amateur Press, Collector, Stamp Coll. Journal, Corona News-Letter, Curiosity Collector, Herald, Giant, Essey Co. Philatelist, Franco-American, Midget, Times. American, Empire State Exchange, The Standard, Phil. News, Young Comrade, One Dime, Acorn, Rusher, American Youth, Nebraska Stamp News.

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EXPOSITION NOTES.

The most attractive exhibit was that of the Detroit Stove Works. It was excellent.

Port Huron Paper Clothing Co. had a fine exhibit on the upper floor of the Main building.

Among the other attractions were the Art Gallery, Palace of Illusions, Band concerts, by the famous Cappa's 7th regiment band, of New York.

The evening attractions were the grand pyrotechnic spectacle "Last Days of Pompeii." This was one of the main features of the Exposition.

PUZZLE 'EM.

NUMBER 11.

Open to everybody. Address:—
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Answers to August Puzzles.

No. 1 A N T S

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No. 2 The Effort's
Puzzledom.

No. 3 C

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New Puzzles—

No. 4 Anagram. By Petra.
Wedorno.

No. 5 Word Square. By Malanethon.
1 A bird; 2 to cleave; 3 injury; 4
a girls name.

No. 6 Star. By V.I.Olin.

1 A letter; 2 an abbreviation; 3 a mineral found in Sweden; 4 Grecian measure of land; 5 Angry (Obs.); 6 Fighter; 7 Cutaneous eruptions; 8 an abbreviation; 9 a letter.

No. 7 Diamond. By Monk.

1 A letter; 2 a vegetable; 3 a city; 4

a verb; 5 a letter.

No. 8 Drop-Letter. By Quoin.

o-g-e-l-w.

Answers next month.

SOLVERS:— V.I.Olin answered 3; Quoin, 3; Malanethon, 3. All get The Effort 6 Mos.

Prizes:— Answers to all the puzzles, this paper one year; Second best list, this paper 6 Mos.

SAYINGS.

V.I.Olin:— We are pleased to see you with us. Your puzzles are welcome.

Malanethon:— Thank you for your kind words. Your puzzles are very good.

Quoin:— Your supply is exhausted. Please send us a new one.

ANOTHER SWEETHEART NOW.

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Jeweler: Enlarged? Why, you told me a while ago it was a perfect fit.

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Tommy: Yes m. I gave her the biggest one.

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T: No'm, I gave it to her because it had a worm in it.—[American Youth.

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“What is it?”

“The Book-keeper kicked me, sir. I don't want no book-keeper to kick me?”

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— [Golden Days.

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VOL. III

DETROIT, MICH., OCTOBER 1890.

NO. 3

For *The Effort*

LOST IN THE MAILS.

By PH. REINBERGER, New York.

(Continued from last month.)

Not infrequently small packages, containing watches, or other jewelry, and even diamonds, are pushed up stairs to the inquiry office among a host of lost miscellany.

In such cases a card, bearing the address, may have been improperly fastened to the package and been dropped. In others the address has been found to be incorrect, and in exceptional cases the evidence has been that the sender made the grotesque blunder of dropping the treasure in the open mail without any address at all.

There is in the possession of Assistant Superintendent, a very handsome pair of solitaire diamond earrings. They must be worth at least \$500. They were sent from abroad two months ago to a woman living outside of New York. The small paper box containing them was not sealed. It was secured only by a little piece of twine.

The package was opened here in consequence of the suspicion that it contained valuable articles. It was doubtless the intention of the sender to smuggle the diamonds through, and was intentionally careless in order to avoid investigation.

There are fully half a car load of letters and miscellaneous merchandise forwarded from here to Washington at the close of the last quarter that had never been claimed.

Among the lot were several sets of false teeth, which are things of value to the right person; a silk and satin wrap for a baby; a host of dolls and like toys; mechanical apparatus with specifications, presumably en route to the Patent office; boots and shoes and wearing apparel in plenty; and cheap and costly books and editions of most every author. So great is the amount of literature lost in this way that a separate department has been established for it in the Inquiry office at New York City.

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VOL. 3 OCTOBER 1890. NO. 9

Here we are again!

A years subscription to this paper would be a good investment.

Mr. E. J. Reed, of Albany, N.Y., is about to publish a Stamp Dealers Directory.

The Philatelic Journal of America, October number is just fine. It contains 104 pages and cover.

Tuesday, November 4, is election-day in Michigan.

HE BELIEVED HIM.

FIRST STRANGER: Say, that's my umbrella you have.

SECOND STRANGER: I don't doubt it sir; I got it at the pawn shop. — [The Critic.

Clippings

—from—

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The doctor: "If you will keep me in clothes, I will treat you for nothing."

The tailor: "But I am never sick."

The doctor: "No, but you will be after we have made the arrangement."

An Amateur Editors Association has been organized at Nashville, Tenn.

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Answers to September Puzzles.

No. 4 One Word. No. 5 W R E N

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No. 8 Longfellow. P E T R A

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NEW PUZZLES.

No. 9 Half-Square, by Malanethon.

1 A letter; 2 an exclamation; 3 an enclosure in a barn; 4 a stag; 5 a stamp issuing country.

No. 10 Diamond, by V. I. Olin.

1 A letter; 2 a palace (Obs.); 3 Circles (Obs.); 4 Extinct cephaloids; 5 Dugongs; 6 Egyptian water lillies; 7 Talons of birds of prey; 8 Perceive; (Obs.); 9 a letter.

No. 11 First Letters, by Quiz.
A Puzzler; Pertaining to tin; an actor; to keep firm; pertaining to an Amphitheatre; indifferent; Rehearsal of a lesson; something inflammable; inbred.

No. 12 Drop-letter, by Quoin.

e-m n-e-g a-d r-u-e.

Answers next month.

SOLVERS:—Quoin answered 4; Monk 3; Quoin gets this paper 6 months.

PRIZES:—Same as in last number.

▷ SAYINGS. ◁

"Mysterydom" in the Amateur Press is very good, conducted by Malanethon.

"Esoterics" in Corona News-Letter is just fine. Ivanhoe is at the head.

REVIEWS.

The Nebraska Stamp News has retired.

We have not seen the New Departure since March.

Monthly Midget, of Toledo, O., is one of our neatest exchanges.

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THE COLLECTOR, an article, by C. E. Range: P.C., will appear next month.

Notice.

In puzzle number 11, we omitted the following lines:

Place the first, second or third letters of the names required in their order, and make the name of a popular pursuit.

We have to omit several advertisements this month, but they will appear in the next issue.

LOST IN THE MAILS.

(Continued from page 1.)

By inadvertence many letters find their way to the post-office without postage stamps. The writer is notified, and notice must be returned with a stamp, which requires another stamp for forwarding. The delay is often attended with grave consequences, and the department clerks is further taxed by this system. Readers be careful in mailing and addressing mail matter.

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DETROIT, MICH., NOVEMBER, 1890.

NO. 10

For The Effort.

THE COLLECTOR.

By C. E. Range, P.C., Winona, Minn.

SOME mouths ago an article entitled "The Dealer" appeared in one of our many Philatelic Journals, (which one, I have forgotten, but it matters not) from the pen of a well known dealer in Massachusetts—Wm. B. Hale. At the time, I was much impressed with the body of his argument, yet, I insist that the collector deserves the attention of our Philatelic publications and upon him rests the success of Philately.

Mr. Hale portrayed the troubles of the dealer his privilege in discriminating all classes of his buyers and his various modes of acquiring his stock, but summing up all the obstacles with which a dealer is compelled to undergo before he reaches forward and grasps what we are all striving at—success; can we not readily see that the young stamp-collector or even the advanced collector is overcome by more simple collusions than a little? First we

take the young collector, perhaps his father has given him ten cents with which he is to begin a collection which may some day be of vast proportions, he sends off his money to some dealer delighted with the new venture not knowing whether he is ever to hear from it or not, but if he does when he receives the packet of very rare (?) stamps of the European countries, he is astounded and shows the beautiful specimens, which he thinks are the most wonderful in the world, to his parents and his cousin Sarah or Aunt Rachel and tells them that they are worth a mint of money, then begins the trading and he uses all the skill he can conjure up to induce his boy friends to exchange their duplicates in order that he may acquire all varieties and if his friends are not "son to the prices" and value of their stamps, perhaps now & then he can come out a little ahead in the trade.

(To be continued.)

FISCAL NOTES.

By Ph. Heinsberger, New York.

The Office of Foreign affairs of China has ratified the "Chefoo-Treaty" on December 16th 1889. In accordance with this fiscal treaty all the Chinese-European (foreigners) Telegraph companies are ordered to reduce the telegraph fee to \$2. each word. In consequence of this fiscal treaty "Foreign" telegraph companies is granted the right to have telegraphic connection with HongKong (English Colony in China) and with Shanghai and Foochoo (Chinese ports, open to foreign traffic.)

The "native" Chinese telegraph companies run the interior Chinese telegraph lines.

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Several advertisements and the Exchanges have been omitted this month, for lack of space, but will appear in our December number.

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Tommy: "Well, if I come around here an hour later can I have one for a quarter?" — [Golden Days.

..... ASTRONOMICAL.

Tangle: "What kind of dog do you suppose the dog star is?"

Bronson: "A Skye terrier, probably." — [Light.

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No. 11.—Poser, STannic, AGEnt, STeady, AMPhitheatrical, COLD, LECTure, TInder, INGenite. —
“Postage Stamp Collecting.”

No. 12— Germany, England, France.

NEW PUZZLES.

No. 13— Pi, by I.N.Gram.

Elfs tviaieyt si lte wal fo thealh.

No. 14— Drop-letter, by Malanethon.

o-e-t-d-a-d-e-.

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No. 15— Half-Square, by V.I.Olin.

1 A drinking out; 2 A seed vessel (Bot.); 3 Genera of dicotyledonous,

herbaceous, or somewhat shrubby plants, found in several places; 4 Boys in livery; 5 Genera of spiders; 6 Makes brownish; 7 Plural, Abbreviation; 8 An abbreviation; 9 a letter.

No. 16— Conundrum, by Quiz.

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SNOW.

THE blessed morn has come again;

The early gray

Taps at the slumberer's window-
pane,

And seems to say,

Break, break from the enchanter's
charm,

Away, away!

'T is winter, yet there is no sound

Along the air

Of winds along their battle-ground;

But gently there

The snow is falling,—all around

How fair, how fair!



For The Effort.

THE COLLECTOR.

By C. E. Range, P. C., Winona, Minn.

(Continued.) -

AND thus it is that the beginner gradually, but firmly adds to his collection by constantly trading for stamps, that while in the collections of other parties look as large as blots, but when he has them pasted in the

album containing his own stamps, look more like specks to him.

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THE HEIGHT OF CLOUDS.

A German meteorologist has recently made some interesting observations on clouds, which confirm much to our previous knowledge on this subject.

The highest clouds, cirrus and circo-stratus, rise on an average to a height of nearly 30,000 feet. The middle clouds keep at from about 10,000 feet to 23,000 feet in height, while the lower clouds reach between 3000 feet and 7000 feet.

The cumulus clouds float with their lower surface at a height of from 4000 to 5000 feet, while their summits rise to 16,000 feet. The tops of the Alps are often hidden by clouds of the third class, but the bottom of the clouds of the second class, especially of the thunder clouds, often enfold them.

The vertical dimensions of a cloud observed by Professor Moller in the mountains of Switzerland was over 1200 feet. He stepped out of it at a height of about 3700 feet, and high above the mountain floated clouds of the middle class, when veils of mist lay in the ravines and clefts.

The upper clouds were growing

thicker, while the lower ones were dissolving, and soon it began to rain and snow.—[Golden Days.



A PGLET'S WISH.

Give me some quiet spot at eve
Where I can spin a sonnet,
And at the morn a busy spot
Where I can get cash on it!

—PUCK.



—Said the turkey in the oven,

As the heat began to burn:

“Yes, I’ve severed my connection
With the head of my concern.”

—Golden Days.



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line of different fads and arts in collecting are passed through and our collector develops into a dealer.

This paragraph has altogether reached its limit and our readers may all agree with me as I have gone along all the way of the rugged pathways of Philately, from the collector to the dealer.

FINIS.



AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

THE Giant has enlarged.

WATERVILLE Gazette has retired.

THE Little Chief is small, but quite interesting.

A COPY of Dawson's Monthly to hand. Contents good.

THE Monthly Midget is certainly a very fine paper, published at Toledo, O.

THE American, Easton, Md., issued a very interesting Thanksgiving number.

WE have received the November

number of the Essex County Philatelist. It is a very interesting philatelic paper.

THE Montclair Press issues a monthly edition.

A NEW one! The Wamsutta Stamp News.



◁ODDS & ENDS▷

The present national colors of the United States were not adopted by congress until 1777.

Gas was first introduced into the White House in 1848.

Post-offices were first established in 1464.

The longest bridge in the world is in China; it is 23,000 feet long; its roadway is 70 feet wide and 70 feet high; there are 300 arches, and each one of the pillars, which are 75 feet apart, bears a pedestal on which is the figure of a lion made of one block of marble, 21 feet long.



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"Waiter, I wish you'd fetch me some buckwheat cakes."

"All right, sir."

"Will they be long?"

"No, sir: round."



PHUN.

—In a backwoods school.

Small boy (holding up hand)—
What's B. C. hitched onto them
dates in Greek history mean?

Teacher (a trifle confused)—Well,
er, Sammie, you see them old Greeks
were queer kind of creeters, so when
they didn't know a date fur sartin,
they put B. C., 'bout correct, after
the numbers.—[Golden Days.

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VERY LIKELY.

Mrs. Blunt (reading paper)—It's
terrible!

Blunt—What?

“The county lunatic asylum was
set on fire by the inmates.”

“My! they must have been crazy.”

—Yankee Blade.

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Not Down in the Text Book.

Teacher—What's the contrary of
“will?”

Pupil—The heirs, usually.[Judge.

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Office Manager—Johnny, if you
don't get a move on you I'll kick you
through the sky-light.

Office Boy—Kick away. This is

the first chance to rise I've seen
since I came here.—[Critic.

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how to find out the day of the
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cents was sent, and the instruction
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PEACE WAS RESTORED.

Mr. Tangle—Maria, I'm going to
make it warm for you.

Mrs. Tangle—You are a perfect
brute. I shall go right back to mo-
ther's

Mr. Tangle—Now, don't be too
hasty, my dear. I'm going to buy
you a sealskin sacque.—[Light.



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It is sought as a grateful morsel when water is scarce on the arid plains. This large cactus is now in fruit.—[Moral & Scientific Companion.

The December issue of the "Way-back Astonisher," comes to us from Washington, D. C. Can we place you on our 'X' list?

The Moral and Scientific Companion, for November received. Very newsy.



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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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FOR THE EFFORT.

MEXICAN MAIL STATISTICS.

By Ph. Heinsberger, New York

(Continued.)

PRINTED Matters were received	
from the interior,	12,850,476
Merchandise samples,	1,370
Total,	12,901,846
Registered letters were received to	
the number of	301,903
and forwarded were	263,443
Total	565,346

The total number of mail matter received and forwarded was 58,887,705. This postal statistics is a proof of the increasing commercial communication of Mexico and the most part of mail is to and from European countries. I may mention yet, that American merchants should care more for Mexican trade, where there is a large field for our products and machinery.

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SOLVED.

The Acrostic given in our last issue was correctly solved by T. J. Ingram, 156 Hammond Ave., and P. A. Kempt, 67 Russell St., both of Detroit, Mich. Here is the answer:

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EFFORT
Will
Begin
Its
Fourth
Year
With
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Number
1891.

Here is another:

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T	correct answer
E	to this acrostic
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Y	same premium
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C	

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Answers to Dec. Puzzles.

No.17—George Washington

No.18— N
F O P
N O B L Y
P L Y
Y

No.19— X M A S
M O L T
A L S O
S T O P

No.20— P
P E A
P E O N Y
A N D
Y

NEW PUZZLES.

No.21. Pi.

Nidao otuen uyor khieesen tebroe
eljyt rae atacehb. I. N. Gram.

No.22. Drop-letter.

-a a-a a.

Supply the missing letters and
make the name of a bird.

Melancthon.

No.23. Diamond.

1 A letter; 2 A name given the ob-
jects which appear at the respect-
ive poles in electro-chemical de-
composition; 3 Pertaining to a
house in Astrology; 4 Has not (obs-
5 a letter. Castranova.

No.24. Curtailments.

A-Curtail a bird and leave a sound.
B-Curtail gracious and leave a re-
lation.
C-Curtail united & leave to close.
D-Curtail to repel and leave a
marsh. Melancthon.

Answers next month.

SOLVERS.

Puzzles in Puzzle 'Em, No. V.,
were correctly answered by Arty
Fishel (3), A.W.Lewis (2), Tpmek
(2), Castranova (4), Melancthon (4)
K.Lick [4].

First complete list, K.Lick.

SAYINGS.

Arty Fishel—We are glad to hear
from you.

Melancthon, Castranova, A.W.
Lewis, accept our thanks for the
cons.

ALL SOLVE.

REVIEW.

No. 1, of the Standard Philatelist comes to us from St. Louis, Mo., published by the Standard Stamp Company. So far so good.

The Rhode Island Philatelist issued a handsome holiday number.

Where is the Midget, of Cleveland, Ohio? We haven't received a copy since August.

The Post Card has discontinued. We regret it very much, as it was always a welcome visitor.

The Christmas issue of the American was excellent.

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Why is a son who objects to his mother's second marriage like an exhausted pedestrian? Because he can't go a step farther.

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We are in receipt of neat New Years cards from Messrs. H. W. Boers, of Detroit, Mich., and H. R. Houstoun, of Savannah, Ga.

Be sure and get a copy of our next issue.

Mr. A. W. Lewis, of Lynn, Mass., will, after February first, have full charge of our puzzle department. Posers send him a few cons.

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No. 1, of "Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News" has appeared. It is a weekly newspaper in the interest of stamp collectors.

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Whole No. 37.

CHEATING "UNCLE SAM" IN STAMPS.

By Ph. Heinsberger, New York.

“The United States Government loses nearly \$1,000,000 every year by fraudulent use of cancelled stamps,” remarked a Post-official to me the other day. “It is surprising to see what schemes people will resort to to save the price of a stamp, but you can observe for yourself,” continued the official as he led me to a section of the office where were bundles of papers and letters held for postage.

“Letters with stamps upon them cut from wrappers, with just a faint tracing of the cancellation stamp; pieces of stamps and stamps with the appearance of freshness, which had been washed; stamps covered with dirt, evidently for the purpose of hiding the stamp—all tending to show that there are people whose consciences are forgotten when they get a chance “to beat Uncle Sam.” The letters with bad stamps will be delivered without a crossed upon the payment of the delinquent postage, but all newspaper packages go into the dump.

“But we will fix most of these people before long. As soon as the present contracts of the Government expire, it will probably take hold of a new invention, which gives us great relief. It will save the country lots of money, besides giving letter-writers assurance that their letters will not be tampered with by curiosity seekers. The gist of the scheme is an embossed postage stamp attached to the edge of an envelope flap or a news

paper wrapper so that when sealed the stamp, also stuck to the body of the envelope, prevents it being opened by any deft insertion of a lead pencil.

The stamp being embossed, it cannot be detached without being flattened, an indication of its having been tampered with. The envelope used will be plain; with a very small flap, thus permitting the address to be written on the back. When the stamp is cancelled, the blow injures it so as to prevent its being taken off and washed, an operation so prevalent now.

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❖ ❖ ❖ NOTES. ❖ ❖ ❖

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There is an association organized at St. Louis, Mo., for the benefit of amateur publishers, authors, etc. It has gained about 70 members since August 1890. Which is an excellent showing.

Please notice the change of address of the puzzle editor, of this paper.

“Sir, you have broken your promise.”
“Oh, I can make another just as good.”
—Monthly Midget.

The Youth's Delight has enlarged.
We have received the Collectors' Monthly, Phil. Journal of Ohio, Jewel, Chit-Chat, since our last number.

◁ PUZZLE 'EM. ▷

—NUMBER VII.—

V. I. OLIN, - - - - - EDITOR.

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A. W. Lewis, 16 Villa Pl., Lynn, Mass.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLE 'EM, NO. VI.

21—Don't count your chickens before they are hatched.

22— Caracara.

23— D

I O N
D O M A L
N A S

L

24— Warble-r, Kin-d, Join-t, Fen-d.

—(o)—

NEW PUZZLES.

No. 25. SQUARE.

- 1. A small fish; 2. A Burman measure of length; 3. A blast of a trumpet (obs).
- 4. To inoculate; 5. Satiated.

New Chester, Pa.

Castranova.

No. 26. DIAMOND.

- 1. A letter; 2. A projection; 3. A brand of stoves; 4. A beverage; 5. A letter.

Detroit, Mich.

Tpmch.

No. 27. HALF-SQUARE.

- 1. A bird; 2. Frozen dew; 3. A bird; 4. To exist; 5. A letter.

New Chester, Pa.

Melancthon.

No. 28. PIED BIRDS.

- 1. Cdehiortw. 2. Eegllloswy.
- 3. Ennorstu.

New Chester, Pa.

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No. 29. DROP-LETTER.

Two words.

-a-t-r-c -c-d.

Lynn, Mass.

V. I. Olin.

Answers next month.

SOLVERS.

Melancthon [4], Castranova [4].

PRIZES.

GRAND PRIZE. As stated in Dec. issue, we shall give a 6-months subscription to Golden Days for the best list of solutions, from December to May, inclusive.

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Be sure and address all communications to the new address, and thus save the editor much trouble.

EVERYONE CONTRIBUTE.

-Sunday School Superintendent:-
"Who led the children of Israel into Canaan? Will one of the smaller boys answer?"

No reply.

Superintendent (somewhat sternly):
"Can no one tell? Little boy, on that seat next to the aisle, who led the children of Israel into Canaan?"

Little Boy (badly frightened): "It wasn't me. I—I, jist moved yere last week f'm Missouri.

GOLDEN DAYS.

.....
"What's A?"

"A vowel."

"And E?"

"Vowel"

"And I. O. U?"

"A promisory note."

.....
—This world is like a crowded 'bus;

A few good men, perhaps,

May find a seat, but most of us

Must hang on by straps.

....[o]....

THE LONGEST DAY.

It is quite important when speaking of the longest day in the year, to say what part of the world we are speaking about, as will be seen by reading the following list, which tells the length of the longest day in several places. How unfortunate are children of Torneo, Finland, where Christmas day is less than three hours in length!

At Stockholm, Sweden, it is 18½ hours in length!

At Spitzberken the longest day is 3½ months.

At London, England, and Bremen, Prussia, the longest day has 16½ hours.

At Hamburg, in Germany, and Danzig, in Prussia, the longest day has 17 hours.

At Wardbury, Norway, the longest day lasts from May 21 to July 22, without interruption.

At St. Petersburg, Russia, and Tobolsk, Siberia, the longest day is 19 hours, and the shortest, 5 hours.

At Torneo, Finland, June 21 brings a day nearly 22 hours long, and Christmas, one less than three hours in length.

At New York the longest day is about 15 hours, and at Montreal, Canada, it is 16. — [Boys' Weekly.

POLICE!

So much has been said in the daily newspapers of Detroit about the changing of the present police system to Municipal ruling, that it makes one tired.

How and where could the Detroit force be bettered? It could not be in any way, so far as we are able to see, and we are assured that the respectable citizens of Detroit will agree with us in this view of the situation.

NINE YEARS'
JOURNEY OF A LETTER.

Nine years ago a woman in Germany wrote a letter to her husband, a sailor, who had gone out to Brazil. His vessel had left when the mail reached there; ever since, this letter has been rambling through numerous post-offices in different parts of the world, always arriving in the wake of the husband's ship's departure. It was recently returned to the German dead letter office, which has restored it with scrupulous care to the sender. The letter was dated Oct. 16, 1881. — [Curiosity Collector.

THE CORNER STONE OF BUNKER HILL.

The corner-stone of Bunker Hill monument was laid June 17, 1825, by General Lafayette, then the nation's guest, fifty years after the battle. Daniel Webster pronounced the oratory to an immense concourse of people—there were present 200 soldiers of the revolution and forty survivors of the battle. The monument was completed in 1843, costing \$150,000 and was dedicated June 17, 1844. Daniel Webster was again the orator. — Young America.

YOUTHFUL SOVEREIGNS.

Alfonso XIII of Spain is the youngest sovereign in the world. His fifth birthday will occur on May 17, 1891. Princess Wilhelmina, the present queen of the Netherlands, under regency of her mother, is 10 years of age. Alexander I, who has reigned over the Serbians for almost two years, is in his 15th year, and stands next on the score of youthfulness. — Crystal Palace Monthly.

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The publisher of the St. Louis Amateur has our many thanks for back numbers of his excellent paper.

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"The Golden Idol" next month. Read it! Read it!

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Everybody subscribe and try for the prize.

THE GOLDEN IDOL, a story of India, commences next month.

The last acrostic was correctly solved by Messrs. H. F. Dunkhorst and A. W. Lewis.

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We intend to publish the name of every paper sent to us during March, in our April edition.

Read "The Golden Idol."

ERRATA.

Three very annoying blunders crept into our *EFFORT* this month. On page four, the last line of our advertisement, we have '1890' instead of 1891. On the fourth page, third line of the fourth editorial we omitted 'to.' On the fifth page, second column, eighteenth line, the word 'be' was omitted. Our proof reader has been "fired" and we have hired another, and hope no more errors will disfigure our columns.

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But, oh, I know a little boy,
 With many careless ways,
 Whose kindly heart and generous deeds
 Win words of love and praise;
 'Tis true he often tears his clothes,
 And looks in sorry plight;
 But he loves his mother tenderly,
 And is her faithful knight.
 To sad and poor and aged folk,
 His courtesy is fine,
 And I'd choose him if for that alone
 To be my Valentine.

— How jolly are the Esquimaux
 In the land of lasting snaux,
 Where the wild winds fiercely blaux,
 And the thermometer is belaux
 Zeraux.

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 However it haps the cold may snap
 In the winter days or nights;
 It stops just there, for the fact
 remains
 It's always the frost that bites.

.....
 People who hunt gas leaks with matches
 light out as soon as they strike a
 light.

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LITERARY NOTES.

We have received many new exchanges during the past month.

Philatelic Journal of Ohio, is the title of a neat philatelic paper published at Wooster, O.

A very good paper for Ornithologists and Oologists—The Collectors' Monthly, Danielsonville, Conn.

We received a copy of Moxley's Exchange and Advertiser. Published quarterly.

The Budget is a neat paper published at Buffalo, N. Y.

The Pearl Magazine comes to me regular every month.

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We would like to have all of our subscribers patronize our exchange column. It is free.

SCISSORED PHUN.

Teacher: What is the plural of child?
Harry: Twins, I suppose.

Jennie: I don't know what to do for this frightful cold. What do most people do when they have a cold?

Bennie: They cough.

Papa: Come here, Toddlekins. Whom does papa love better than any one else in the world?

Toddlekins: Papa.

A THOUGHT AT THE PARTY.

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OR,

LOST IN THE JUNGLES OF INDIA.

By Edward B. Heineman,

Author of "The Wonderful Cave," "A Modern Hero,"
"Harry Ward's Luck," etc.

CHAPTER I.

Pursued by Hindoos.

MY father had command of a large force of troops, and he was commissioned to capture, dead or alive, a noted Hindoo chief, who with his followers, robbed and killed any white person that they could lay their hands on.

My mother had been dead some time, and being the only child, I always went with my father, although I held no regular position in the army.

One pleasant morning, my friend Luke Hazel, and myself, took a notion to have a race. So off we started, whipping our ponies, and shouting like savages. Our horses were pretty well matched and we kept together for a considerable time, finally, however, I began to gain inch by inch. My friend seeing this, in his excitement, commenced to kick his horse's ribs. The pony didn't like this; so consequently he began to kick, too. Up went Luke in the air, turning a complete somersault, and landing squarely on the seat of his trousers on the hard ground. "Nhi!" he grunted, slowly rising from the ground, and limping like an old man, round his pony. "That was rather sudden," he exclaimed, and then the dark looks cleared from his bright face, and a moment later he was keeping me company in a good laugh.

In the excitement of the race we had gone farther than we intended, as not the least sign of my father's troops could we see.

We were about to dash back on the same trail that we had come, when out of a belt of timber, about a half mile away, rushed a horde of yelling savages. "Hurry up there, Luke," I called to my friend, "get into your saddle quick, as I'm sure those devils over there are the fellows that my father is after. They are coming in this direction, too, and we must give them a clean pair of heels." And in fact, the Hindoo robbers were after us and they came on yelling like demons.

CHAPTER II.

Lost in the Jungles.

Our ponies were excellent ones, and we kept far ahead of our pursuers.

All day the Hindoos continued to follow us, and when the sun hung low in the west, we were on the border of a dense jungle.

Not thinking of the danger, we urged our ponies into the timber, and kept on for nearly a mile. Here we drew up our horses and jumped from the saddle, eager to stretch our weary limbs.

We had rested for what we judged a quarter of an hour, when we heard shouts on all sides of us. Becoming rattled, as boys say, we jumped on our horses in a jiffy, and we were speeding away like the wind a moment later.

Suddenly a horseman loomed up in front of us, and pointing an old rickety gun at me, commanded us to halt, in

fairly good English. I shouted to my companion to keep on, as the gun was not pointed at us, but nearly 45° to the left. The Hindoo seeing that we were determined to keep on, fired. And what was my surprise to hear a ball go whizzing by my ear. Evidently the man was well acquainted with his wonderful gun.

On we dashed, the Hindoo turning his horse like a flash, and following us. Our ponies had had a rest, and we gradually gained on our pursuer.

The Hindoo was yelling like a mad man and endeavoring to load his gun as he dashed along. Seeing this, I quickly unslung my repeating rifle from my shoulder and fired at one of our pursuer's arm. I evidently hit him too, from the song he yelled.

He drew up his horse and that was the last we heard of him for some time.

On and on we rushed, until we reached a small river, which flowed through the forest. Here we put up for the night, collecting enough wood to last us through the night. Two fires were kept burning and we sat between them, one of us always on the watch.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

SCLEROSSED EASTER EGGS.

"I don't see how people who make artificial teeth keep out of the poor-house." "Why?" "They have so many mouths to fill."

AFTER THE FALL.

Adam (to Eve): Well, we've got to leave Eden right away. Come on!

Eve: Wait a minute! Is my hat on straight?

A pair of rubbers—A washer-woman's hands.

It costs less to trim a ship than to trim an Easter bonnet.

HELP THE SICK.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive."

"What is?"

"Medicine."

Johnny—Papa, didn't George Washington ever tell a lie?

Papa—Never, my son.

Johnny—Then how did he get his clinch on politics?

JUST SO.

Customer (looking at silks)—They look to me just alike; but you say one is 98 and the other \$1.10. Now what is the difference?

Clerk (blandly)—Twelve cents.

"Look here! You just jabbed me in the eye with your umbrella."

"Too bad. Here's my father's card. He's an eye doctor, and if you'll use my name he'll give you a reduction from regular rates."

"Been to the races, Charlie?"

"Yes."

"Things come your way?"

"Yes, everything but the winners."

"The prisoner works like a charm."

"How's that?"

"On the end of a chain."

Wife.—How can I make a cake, John? We are short of flour and sugar.

Husband.—Then make a short cake.

Crosses that are easy to bear—The XX's on bank notes.

Susie: Aunt Kate, isn't Miss Locutte real poor?

Aunt Kate: Gracious, child, no! What makes you think so?

Susie: 'Cause at our party last night I looked at her, and there wasn't enough of her dress to cover her shoulders, and there was a big, wide rip down the back.

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TALK ON ELECTRICITY.

J. W. L.

Electricity, as you all know, is one of the more modern sciences, although it has been put to a good many uses during the last twenty-five years, the cost and trouble of producing it in large quantities has been so great that amateurs have not been able to enjoy it much more than to ring bells and run small telegraph lines.

But now for a change. A gentleman in Hartford, Conn., named Cox, claims that he has invented a way to produce electricity by means of heat, and that large quantities can be made easily and with small expense. He has not made the details of his invention known to the public as yet, but it is said by the few who have seen him experimenting that a large room was brilliantly lighted without using any more heat than that given from an ordinary stove. If his claim is true a great change will be produced in the electrical world.

Electricity is now either produced by means of friction, or of chemical action.

Electricity produced by means of friction is called statical electricity and is generally produced by a dynamo, or an electric machine. The electric light companies use this kind.

Electricity which is produced by chemical action is called dynamical electricity, or Galvanism. This kind of electricity is produced by means of a voltaic cell or battery. Telegraph and Telephone companies use batteries.

— There are about 120,000 hairs on the head of a man—if he is not bald.

— The flying thief may not be a popular man, but he generally has a large following.

Nothing Very New.

Mrs. De Visite— Good afternoon, Miss Blank; is your mother at home?

Miss Blank—No. She has gone to Mrs. De Mugg's Progressive Conversation Party. By the way, what sort of a party is that, Mrs. De Visite?

Mrs. De Visite—It is one at which the conversation begins with art, science and literature, and progresses very rapidly to fashions, gossip and servants.— Good News.

Fog does not usually cause a fire, but it does so frequently now in a case of electric wires. Water is nearly as good a conductor of electricity as metal. In a fog or rain the insulating coating of the wires becomes soaked with moisture. It is the exception and not the rule for this insulating to be perfect. Where the insulation is defective the current can easily leap from one wire to another or even from a wire to some other object and cause flames to burst out. This very thing happens not unfrequently, and fires in cities are often the accompaniment of fog and rains.—Corona News-Letter.

Wife, at breakfast—I want to do some shopping to-day, dear, if the weather is favorable. What is the weather forecast?

Husband, consulting his paper.—Rain, hail, thunder and lightning.

Mrs. Youngpeople.—Why, Reggie, what do you mean by eating breakfast with your trousers turned up? It isn't raining.

Mr. Youngpeople.—No, dear; but the coffee looks awfully muddy.

—Bullets can whistle, but it takes a brave man to listen to them.

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March, 11, '91.

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Orwigsburg, Pa. C. N. Bodey."

We nominate for President of the Mutual Benefit Amateur Press Association, J. D. Leisure; for 1st Vice Pres., S. E. Shanahan; for Treas., Wm. V. Huss; for Official Editor, Miss Sarah B. Hrbek; for Rec. Sec'y, Jacob C. Rupp.

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NEW PUZZLES.

No. 30. Double Chara. To my Friend.

FIRST PART.

In "sports for boys,"
In "daytime joys,"
In "frantic noise,"
In "government alloys,"
In "amateur's poise,"
In "American boys,"
In "Teds and Roy's."

SECOND PART.

In "Golden days,"
In "driving maze,"
In "shifting sands,"
In "election bands,"
In "foreign craze,"
In "courtly ways."

First, second both winter and summer,
is third of the fourth, a little hummer.

Lynn, Mass.

V. I. Olin.

✉ A 3 mcs. sub. to THE EFFORT, for first correct solution.

No. 31. Metagram.

Whole I am a curse. Change my head successively and I am, a vessel, a boy's name, to winnow, a boy's nickname, a girl's nickname, part of a gun, flowed, to

make brown, the front, and of a pale or sickly hue.

New Chester, Pa.

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No. 32. Half-Square.

1. A cap of state once worn by English kings. 2. Biborate of soda. 3. Dry. 4. A messenger boy. 5. A male of the bovine genus. 6. A letter.

New Chester, Pa.

Castranova.

No. 33. Drop-Letter.

-a-a-q-e.

New Chester, Pa.

Melancthon.

No. 34. Diamond.

1. A letter. 2. A small bed. 3. Something all want. 4. A numeral. 5. A letter. *Detroit, Mich.* *Tumek.*

No. 35. Square.

1. A sumptuous entertainment. 2. A bird of prey. 3. A second time. 4. Visionary mice. 5. Principal.

Savannah, Ga.

R. B. Houston.

No. 36. Diamond.

1. A letter. 2. To strike with force. 3. Enchantment. 4. To unite. 5. A letter. *Detroit, Mich.* *M. Y. Stick, Esq.*

No. 37. Anagram.

Hie to the Pole! Six found at length. Greet friendly intentions.

Philadelphia.

Arty Fishel.

No. 38. Star.

1. A consonant. 2. Near by. 3. A beadle. 4. A long, strain of abuse. 5. A worsted cloth used to strain sauces. 6. Offensive. 7. Taken back. 8. A Latin prefix, meaning aside, apart, etc. 9. A consonant.

Copenhagen, Can.

Fair Brother.

✉ Answers next month.

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PALAVERATION.

M. Y. STICK, ESQ. One of the puzzles appear in this issue. Will use the others later on.

R. R. HOUSTON. The square will be found in this number. The other was too small for our use.

MARK D. We do not use the kind of puzzles sent us. Will be glad to receive squares, diamonds, etc.

ARTY FISHEL. Your two fine anagrams received. Many thanks for them.

FAIR BROTHER (Copenhagen, Can.) We were very glad to receive your cons., and will use them as soon as possible.

We would like to have other Canadians take an interest in our department.

PUZZLERS will please get their lists of solutions in to this office as soon as possible. We would like to have all of our puzzlers solve as well as contribute. We now have only two active solvers, Melancthon and Castranova.

WE have received the following papers having a puzzle department: American, Western Amateur, Plain Talk, and Weekly Herald.

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Everybody subscribe.

LITERARY ITEMS.

Many new exchanges were placed on our list during the past month.

The March issue of "The American" was an excellent one.

The "Weekly Herald" comes to us regular every Saturday.

A bright and newsy little sheet—The "Midget Magazine."

"The Item" is a very neat paper. We hear it is published by a young man in his eleventh year.

Every week, we read with great interest, "Mekeels Weekly Stamp News."

The "Illuminator" is a new one—at our sanctum.

NEW YORK CITY POST OFFICE (1890) ANNUAL STATISTICS.

By Ph. Heinsberger, New York.

The Postmaster, of New York, has received from the heads of departments in the Post Office their annual reports, showing in detail the business transacted in each department during the year ended Dec. 31, 1890. There was delivered through lock boxes and by carriers 343,497,329 pieces of ordinary mail matter, divided as follows: Letters, through boxes, 57,145,050; by carriers, 170,118,702; postal cards, through boxes, 6,660,856; by carriers, 35,070,828; other mail matter, through boxes, 34,114,940; by carriers, 49,385,943.

In the registered letter department 1,435,633 pieces were delivered and 1,248,359 of domestic and 484,348 of foreign origin were recorded and distributed to other offices.

In the distribution department a total of 677,533,052 pieces were handled, divided as follows: Letters, of local origin, 225,439,433; received by mail, 34,855,675; foreign dispatched, 21,808,981; postal cards, of local origin, 34,681,512; received by mail, 8,713,919; foreign dispatched, 1,181,380; other matter, of local origin, 259,751,527; received by mail, 53,349,010; foreign dispatched, 43,250,412.

The total number of pieces of mail matter, of all kinds handled during the year was 1,024,198,721, a daily average of 3,113,033 - an increase over the previous year of 135,110,258.

The total receipts of the office were \$6,237,273.21, and the total expenditures \$2,379,305.90, (including \$1,073,268.58 expended for free delivery service,) giving a net revenue of \$3,896,472.26.

There were sold during the year 228,292,242 postage stamps, 43,943,615 Government stamped envelopes, and 51,908,576 postal cards. The total weight of received and dispatched daily during 1890 was 332 tons.

Foreign mails dispatched averaged 32 a week. Foreign mails, both inward &

outward, frequently include as many as 800 bags, which require from 1 to 11 two-horse trucks for their transportation.

EXCHANGE NOTICES.

The use of this column is free to subscribers ONLY. Limit, 30 words.

Wanted all kinds of Phil. papers and Books. Novels given in exchange for them. H. Ray de Mund, 80 E. Park St., Newark, N. J.

Grandfathers Clocks from ten to fifty dollars, Indian arrows 20 cents per dozen, Birds eggs, Rare nuts, Relics of all kinds, to exchange. Stamp for answer. C. N. Bodey, Orwigsburg, Pa.

I want consignments of all kinds of foreign stamps for cash or good exchange. I have also stamp papers and gummed hinges to exchange for stamps in any quantity. P. R. B. Jones, 28 & 30 Toronto St., Toronto, Can.

Wanted to exchange cigarette cards for stamps. One card for every two good clean stamps. W. F. Dessotell, 53 West High St., Detroit, Mich.

75 cigarette cards, 3 mos. Golden Days, 3 mos. The Argosy, 200 common U. S. stamps, 1 pair wood dumb bells, 6 five cent theatre programs, 25 amateur and Phil. papers. Will exchange together or separate for best offers. C. M. Mitchell, 220 E. Pearl St., Butler, Pa.

All of our subscribers have the privilege of using this column when ever they desire.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

The estimated population of the world is 1,450,000,000.

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How do you like our Puzzle 'Em this month?

Advertisers, don't forget that our advertising rates will be advanced just 33½ per cent on April first.

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Detroit, Mich., April, 1891.

Whole No. 39.

This story began last month.

THE GOLDEN IDOL;

OR,

LOST IN THE JUNGLES OF INDIA.

By Edward B. Heineman.

Author of "The Wonderful Cave," "A Modern Hero,"
"Harry Ward's Luck," etc.

CHAPTER III.

Killing a Serpent.

THE concert, which the wild animals of the jungle gave us that night, would put a Dutch hand to blush.

We hailed the first herald of the coming day with glad shouts. We were tremendously hungry, having eaten nothing for nearly twenty-four hours. The beasts of the forest, who so kindly gave us a free concert, had departed at the first sign of day.

There was plenty of water, however, and we drank our fill and washed ourselves thoroughly. A few berries were found and with this we had to be content.

Saddling our ponies, we were soon after, endeavoring to trace our way back to the plains, where we had left the troops, but it was to no avail; the more we hunted the worse we became mixed up, until finally, we were compelled to leave our horses to their fate, as the foliage became so thick that we could hardly find passage for our bodies alone.

"Oh, Lord, how tired I am!" groaned my companion, seating himself on a fallen tree. Let's rest awhile, Dick; its no use of us trudging round any more. We are—" "Lookout!" I cried suddenly.

I had hardly ceased speaking when out from the trees above us darted the flat head of an immense serpent. We sprang back in fright. Luckily our presence of mind did not forsake us in the moment of need. Quickly drawing our repeating rifles to our shoulders, we fired at the little villainous eyes of the reptile, which glared like two balls of burning coal.

The bullets sped truly to their mark, and the serpent, with a hiss, that somewhat resembled the noise of escaping steam, drew back its eyeless head.

The scuffle which followed was something fearful.

"Come!" cried Luke, "let us get away from here." So we staggered on, until finally we were overjoyed at seeing a clearing in front of us.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

▷ NICK-NACKS. ◁

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Deliver from trump
in voice as knife
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An apology is necessary for not issuing an eight page and cover paper this month. A mishap to our press caused a delay. We will, however, issue THE EFFORT in its usual form next month.

The M. B. A. P. A. is booming; its papers are doing likewise.

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Lots of good things were crowded out of this issue, all will appear in our next unless lightning strikes us.

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Our intention was to publish the name of every paper received by us during the month of March in this number, but as our space is limited for this issue, we are reluctantly forced to omit them. The total number received was eighty-eight.

We shall in the near future publish a series of sketches, with portraits of the twelve most prominent amateur editors in the United States. Are you in it? if so, send your photo with biography.

We cannot but notice the improvement of the "American" from its first issue. It is a staunch MBAPA supporter. We are with you, Bros.

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◁ PUZZLE 'EM. ▷

—NUMBER IX.—

V. I. OLIN, - - - - - EDITOR.

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 **NOTICE.** Please send contributions and answers to puzzles in this issue, to Farrand H. Borgman, Detroit, Mich., and not to A. W. Lewis.

ANSWERS TO PUZZLE 'EM, NO. VIII.

30.—Farrand Borgman, Editor Effort.
31.—Ban, can, Dan, fan, man, nan, pan, ran, tan, van, wan.

32.—ABACOT	33.—Parauque.
BORAX	34.—M
ARID	COT
CAD	MONEY
OX	TEN
T	Y

35.—FEAST	36.—M
EAGLE	RAM
AGAIN	MAGIC
SLIME	MIX
TENET	C

37.—The finding of Lieutenant Greely's expedition to the North Pole.

38.—P

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T A M I S
O D I O U S
R E S U M E D
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NEW PUZZLES.

No. 39. Anagram.

The hurried eccentric revolution of ship's maps, caused by hero, by marines, A. D. 1492.

Phila., Pa.

Arty Fishel.

No. 40. Pied Birds.

1. Aacghooprt. 2. Aaghinn. 3. Urjiba.

New Chester, Pa.

Melancthon.

No. 41. Beheadments.

1. Behead a bird and leave to rave.
2. A boat and leave a tool.
3. A buffoon and leave whoever.
4. A plant and leave an animal.

New Chester, Pa.

Melancthon.

No. 42. Star.

1. A letter. 2. An abbreviation. 3. A species of tick found on potatoes in Suriname. 4. A kind of E. I. taffeta. 5. Ocher for marking sheep (Local, Eng.) 6. Sinking (rare.) 7. A goddess of the Sidonians. 8. Like. 9. A letter.

New Chester, Pa.


Castranova.

No. 43. Octagon.

1. A Turkish weight. 2. Wild plums. 3. Fibrous silicates of lime. 4. Quintals. 5. Abscesses of the eye. 6. Walked. 7. A letter.

Lynn, Mass.

V. I. Olin.

 Answers next month.

PALAUERATION.

Castranova offers a copy of Longfellow's poems for the first solution to puzzle No. 42.

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The first puzzle last month was a "sticker." Nemo and Electro being the only ones to solve. The three months sub. is awarded to Nemo. No complete list.

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Same prize for a complete list as last month.

SOLVERS.

Electro 8, Castranova 6, Melancthon 5, Nemo 5.

The St. Louis Amateur has a finely conducted Puzzledom. Jacob C. Rupp, editor.

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BIG WORDS.

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The Sons of Philatelia is a philatelic society, organized Jan. 1, 1891, for the benefit of young stamp collectors. The leading features are the Exchange department and Library, and it is expected that a Collecting Bureau (conducted by a competent lawyer), will be in operation about May 15th, for the use of members only, who have accounts against collectors that they cannot collect. All HONEST collectors, in the United States, Canada and Mexico are cordially invited to join. Initiation fee 5 cents. Dues only 25 cents a year. Members receive the official journal every month free of charge. Send your

initiation fee to the secretary and receive full particulars by return mail. Address, R. M. Miller, Secretary, New Chester, Adams county, Pa.

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And now it is stated that Alsace and Lorraine never issued postage stamps but that those so called are war stamps of the North German Confederation. Thus, one by one, are the idols of philately shattered by the ruthless hand of the historian.—[Eastern Philatelist.

The Corona News-Letter is getting to be quite a humorous paper.

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Whole No. 40.

A SIDE ISSUE (?).

By C. E. Range.

POSTAL Cards: the very thought of them has the tendency to create a little furor in the brain of our advanced collector, he looks at them with his trained eye in the light of a mortal enemy and shrugs his shoulders, thinks of numerous articles that have appeared, of late, in our Philatelic papers favoring the collecting of the post card.

The question that presents itself is this: should the philatelist who desires to perpetuate the fad so neglect such an interesting and beautiful line in stamp collecting as Postal Cards? No. I for one, insist that they are just as much an adjunct to "Philatelia" as the collecting of envelopes, which has lately received so much marked attention. If by collecting whole envelopes, increase our collection to such an enormity as to require a separate room for them, as some collectors have to do, can we not spare one little corner for the Post Card, which has been passed by for so long a time.

The only correct way to get postal cards is in their entirety, and arrange them according to the taste of the collector, in a blank album, or in a more systematic way, to put them in a large frame and classify them in countries, as you would do in an album. This is a very pretty arrangement and catches the eye at first glance, even if the party is not a collector, he cannot, but admire the effect produced, if you show a little judgment and common sense, as all philatelists should do in making up their collections.

The United States affords very little ground for collecting these specimens, as their entire issue of post cards only numbers five varieties. This is one

slide back to postal collecting; a number of countries have issued but one or two varieties, and even some are idly together without them, yet, if collectors will get one-half the varieties they will have a collection that is worth as much as nine-tenths of most of our stamp collections, and they may rest assured that they will have ample territory for their researches, and will find postal collecting a very pleasing and fascinating study.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

Camphor production is a new industry in Florida. It is said that in ten years' time the camphor trees will outnumber the orange trees of that state.

A foreign watchmaker has patented a device which an hour or two before a clock runs down the word "wind" will appear at an opening in the dial.

A learned Frenchman says the way to overcome the disagreeable crackling in a telephone is to leave a small air space underneath the diaphragm, which can be done by lining the telephone boxes with felt.

Object glasses for microscopes are now made in Germany of glass that contains phosphoric and boracic acid. It is stated that with lenses made of this glass an object one-twenty-thousandth of an inch can be distinctly seen.

At the coming Frankfort electrical exhibition a large balloon will be sent up. The power sending up and maintaining it will be electricity, which will be obtained from a large dynamo on the ground. A telephone will connect the passengers with those on terra firma.

This story began in number 38.

THE GOLDEN IDOL:

OR,

LOST IN THE JUNGLES OF INDIA.

By Edward B. Heineman.

Author of "The Wonderful Cave," "A Modern Hero,"
"Harry Ward's Luck," etc.

CHAPTER IV.

The Secret of the Idol.

IT was with considerable surprise that we beheld in the middle of the clearing, a ruined temple; mammoth pillars of carved stone were lying everywhere. A little to one side of the ruins, stood a large idol, and as the sun reflected upon the hideous face, the eyes sent forth silvery flashes of light, while the countenance sparkled so brightly that we were unable to gaze at it for hardly more than a moment.

While we were feasting upon the scene we were startled by hearing the heavy tramping of many feet and a few moments later the very band of Hindoo robbers that had pursued us, emerged from among the trees and galloped up to the large idol.

Here they dismounted, and one of the men led the horses away, while the others stood around the idol conversing in excited tones.

At last one of the Hindoos mounted the huge carved rock on which the idol stood, and touched one of the brilliant eyes. As he did so a diminutive door, made of stone, slid back from the base of the rock, large enough to admit the passage of a full grown man.

One by one the robbers crawled in, until finally the last one disappeared, and the door shut with a bang.

"Well, now, here's a nice how d'ye d!" gasped my friend, Luke, when the

last Hindoo had vanished from view in the idol.

"Yes, and we better make tracks," I said excitedly, "for if these villians catch us once we're goners. Then these fellows must be the ones my father is after, and the sooner we tell him the better."

"That's all very well," answered Luke contemptuously, "but I'd like to know how we are ever going to get out of here."

"Oh! that's easy enough," I said with a smile, "we'll go the same way those robbers came."

So we started out, traversing a well beaten path, until finally we were compelled to stop, as our weary limbs could drag us no farther.

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WITH THE QUILL.

By Edward P. Newbomer.

We wonder how many amateurs have read "Looking Backward," by Edward Bellamy. We have read it with pleasure and though not agreeing with the author in some points, still think the work is a good one and a question which will pay all amateurs to study. Whether in the year 2,000 all the suggestions the author makes, will be in operation, is doubtful, but we think, at least we may depend on the government control of the railway and telegraph lines.

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and amateurs should try this class of publications. Reporting for your home paper will help you greatly and give you a broader idea of newspaper work. Nearly all our large dailies will accept local matter of interest and pay for it well, although not written by their special reporters. We do not desire to depreciate amateur journalism, but occasional work of a professional nature will help the amateur in his work.

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A WEEK WITH A SCHOOL-BOY.

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His name is Frank and he is 10 years old. All his life has been spent in Detroit, but it is thought by many who know him that as his cranial equipment enlarges Detroit's confines will prove too limited for him.

But, speaking in all soberness, Frank is not a bad or vicious boy. He goes to school and, though the greater part of his time is given up to youthful abandon, he manages to worry along with his class and seldom misses an examination.

One day, in whiling away a few leisure hours, Frank got hold of "William Henry's Letters to His Grandmother," and while amused at the mishaps of that country bumpkin, as related in his own peculiar way, the thought struck our hero that he had something to tell on the same line himself. So, after thinking long and deeply over the matter, and rejecting several schemes whereby his valuable history might be chronicled for the benefit of open-eyed

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We regret to announce that Puzzle Eon, in THE EFFORT, will no longer be under the personal supervision of Mr. A. W. Lewis, who, because of other work, which puzzled him more, was compelled to give up charge of that department. The puzzles intended for this issue were unfortunately destroyed by him.

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words.

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F. C. McGowan, Eau Claire, Wis., 40
words.

PUZZLE 'EM.

NUMBER X.

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ANSWERS TO PUZZLE 'EM, NO. IX.

39. The discovery of America by the
Spaniards under Christopher Colum-
bus, in 1492.

40. 1. Crotophaga. 2. Anhinga. 3. Ja-
biru.

41. 1. B-rant.
2. Y-awl.
3. Z-any.
4. R-ape.

42. A

C S

B A T A P A S

A R I D A S

T I V E R

C A D E N T

A S T A R T E

A S

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43. O K E

S K E G S

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K E N T L E S

E G I L O P S

S T E P T

E S S

PALAVERATION.

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Puzzles sent to the Puzzle Editor,
will be received with thanks. Posers,
read editorial on page 24, regarding
this department.

SOLVERS. Castanovs, M. Y. Stick, Esq., and As-
pire.

No complete lists.

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and gaping-mouthed posterity, Frank resolved to start a diary—a real true-to-nature chronicle of the days' happenings as they happened with him. It was a great novelty to the boy at first and he entered into the work with zest and vigor. But gradually the idea began to pall upon his taste, and after a few days he gave the thing up in disgust, with the remark:

"Pshaw, what I done yesterday don't make no difference with to-day or to-morrow, so I'll just let the thing take care of itself."

He threw away his diary in an odd corner of the dusty garret, where it was found some months afterward by his mother while house-cleaning. She carried it down stairs, and that evening when the family were all assembled about the cheerful fire, she brought it forth for father's perusal. Pater familias read it through and laughed long and heartily. The curiosity of the rest of the family was aroused and they crowded around their father and impertuned him to read it aloud to them—all but Frank, who had noted the frequent glances cast in his direction by his parents, and more than half suspected he was the object of their merriment.

The father consented and here is what he read:

FRANK WELLOUGHBY—HIS DIARY.

Monday—Couldn't sleep any last night, an' got up this morning with a splittin' head ache. Then dad set me splittin' wood for breakfus, and hed got more of it than the wood. Breakfus same as usual. Musty bread, weak coffee and sassage. Tried to smuggle out of the house with my Sunday pants on, but ma saw me an' the jig was up. I had tore a big hole in my every day ones, an' ma saw that, too, an' give me Hail Columbia. Ma sees everything. I got to school all rite, but lost my grammer exercise on the way. Had to go back an' hunt for it. I knew where I stopped to play marbles, an' went there an' found it in a mud hole. It was a little muddy, but all rite. I got along pretty good until the joggerfy class. I'm

no good on joggerfy. When the teacher asked me where natural gas came from, an' I said Mada-gas-car, she fainted. 'Twasn't my fault, though. I thought that was the place. That was the only break I made to-day, an' I got out of school without even a scoldin'. (The rest of the day must have been very dull, as Frank makes no mention of it.)

Tuesday—Got up early and took a cold-water bath. Then more work on the wood-pile. Forgot to dry my hair in the back and it froze solid. Caught a bad cold, an' came near having ammaonia. I don't know what that is, but it must be something awful, for the doc he said it was worse'n the measles. I don't know what's to become of me, nohow. (Frank becomes despondent.) I'm always in trouble. When I try to be good I get sick, an' when I'm bad I get licked. So what's a feller to do?

Wednesday—Too sick to split wood this morning. Pa had to do it, and it made me haff to see him swettin' away in the back yard. He cut hisself on the toe an' swore awful. He used to make fun of me when I got hurt. Now he knows how it is hisself. The only thing I did to-day was to sass a girl who said I stole her blotter. The teacher said I talked too much, and gave me 300 words to rite. I got even with the girl though. I pushed her off the sidewalk, and the mud splashed all over her new dress.

Thursday—Still too sick to work. I do wish there was some other meat besides sassage in this world. Ma buys it because there's no waste to it, no bones an' fat. Just for a change I'd eat all the fat I could get and lick the bones clean. My sister Kate she's got a fellar named Peter Wilson. I call him Pete for short. Kate hadn't had no use for me to-day becous last-night I handed Pete a chair with some molasses candy on the seat. After talking to my sister for several hours, Pete got up to go. So did the chair. It was stuck fast to Pete's trousers. He had to get out his knife an' cut the seat out of the chair before he got loose. Now I didn't put that candy there, but Kate an' her feller they both think it was me. Just my luck.

To be continued.

◁ SMALL ❖ CHANGE. ▷

—An "open" secret—The combination of your safe.

—Poor business quarters—Counterfeit twenty-five cent pieces.

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—A Post-office in Charlton County, Mo., has been named Mike.

—A letter addressed to “Roast Pig, Mass.,” was deciphered by the Boston mail clerks to be intended for Dedham.

—The interest of an old debt is often paid in bad language.

—A day laborer—The sun.

JUST FOR FUN.

—“I have tried in my ways of getting ahead,” writes a subscriber. “Can you give me any advice?” “Why don’t you try mixing your drinks.”

—“Why should we celebrate Washington’s birthday more than mine?” asked a teacher in Boston. “Because he never told a lie.”

Tommy: Can we play at keeping a store in here, mamma?

Mamma (who has a headache): Certainly, but you must be very, very quiet.

Tommy: Well, we’ll pretend we don’t advertise.

Go up in smoke—Sparks.

Does not hurt—A wrap on the back

The superintendent beamed upon the class of boys.

“Now, boys,” said he, “what shall I talk about?”

“Talk about a minute!” exclaimed the bad boy of the class.

A POLITE PUPIL.

“Johnny Green, point out Africa on the map.”

John: Please, ma’am, it ain’t polite to point.

“Be you Doctor Smith?” asked a tall lean specimen, walking into the office of a fashionable practitioner.

“I am,” replied the doctor.

Well, look a-here, old fellow,” remarked the visitor. “I’m glad to find yer at last. D’ye remember in ’68, when you was in Kansas, how yer set a feller’s arm an’ didn’t charge him for it?”

“Yes,” replied the doctor, with the prospect of a big fee rising before him.

“I’m that feller, an’ I’ve broke the other arm, an’ I come fer have it fixed on the same terms.”

EXCHANGE NOTICES.

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LITERARY NOTES.

The "Commencement Herald" is an exceedingly neat paper published at Tacoma, Wash.

A newsy little sheet, "The Quincy Star," comes to us weekly from Quincy, Ill.

A great improvement is noticed in the appearance of the "Brownsville Leader."

— "One Dime" has been enlarged.

— The "Acorn" of Philadelphia, has also enlarged.

Oh, where is the "Boys' Weekly"? We haven't received a copy for many weeks.

When you can get close enough to a frog to poke him with a stick that's a sure sign of spring.

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THE FIRST CIGAR.

CHAPTER FIRST.

Oh, 'tis immense! I've learned the trick!
 You bet your life I'm clever,
 The first cigar makes some boys sick,
 But I could smoke forever.

CHAPTER SECOND.

The last half isn't quite so nice
 As when you first begin it—
 Not quite so much like paradise;
 I think I'll rest a minute.

CHAPTER THIRD.

See how the building whirls and reels!
 Now everything's begun it.
 Oh, gracious! How my stomach feels!
 I wish I hadn't done it!

CHAPTER FOURTH.

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CHAPTER FIFTH.

It isn't right for boys to smoke,
 And all good boys admit it;
 I tried it once just for a joke,
 But since then I have quit it.
 — Good News.

THE SILVER DOLLAR.

The story goes that the head of Liberty on the Bland dollar was modelled from the head of a fair Philadelphian, the contour of whose features are purely Grecian. Before the pattern was finally decided upon, George Morgan, the engraver, sent it to the academy to

get the opinion of some artists as to its artistic merits. The profile was criticised in several particulars, chief among which was regarded as a too prominent chin. But the authorities at the mint thought it one of the most beautiful types of faces that was ever submitted for the head of a coin, and it was adopted. Mr. Morgan, by the way, is an Englishman, and some people insist that he has managed to declare his origin in the "Bland" dollar. By holding the coin with the date uppermost, and covering the figure with the finger on a line across the eye to the hair, the profile develops a likeness of King George, the chin being his nose. Holding the coin in the same position, and covering the medallion on a line from the chin to the base of the cap, the curl of the hair develops a lion with its nose facing left.

A \$1,500 BUTTERFLY.

A young man camping in the Sierras discovered and captured a butterfly of an unusual species. He sent it to the Smithsonian Institute at Washington and received a check for \$1,500, with the request to make careful search for other moths of the same kind. It was an individual of a fossil species, supposed to be extinct, and great was the excitement among scientists at the discovery that one of the race had been recently alive. Although diligent search has been made by men paid for the service, no other specimen has been found.

Riches have wings; they are eagle's wings our coins.

This story began in number 38.

THE GOLDEN IDOL;

OR,

LOST IN THE JUNGLES OF INDIA.

By Edward B. Heineman.

Author of "The Wonderful Cave," "A Modern Hero,"
"Harry Ward's Luck," etc.

CHAPTER V.

Found.

WE were in a dreadful fix. Fatigued, hungry, thirsty, sick, and every moment in fear of being captured by robbers, the reader can conceive some idea of the hardships that we experienced. Night was coming on too, and we dare not light a fire, for fear the Hindoos might see it.

"Ha, ha, ha!" laughed a voice in fairly good English, and from the bushes stalked the very Hindoo that I had shot the night before in the arm, followed by two villainous looking fellows, all three carrying guns.

They were about to rush up and disarm us, when suddenly through the air darted the long, lithe body of a mammoth Bengal tiger, landing squarely on the chest of the foremost Hindoo, and both going to the ground together, the tiger on top. The man's ribs were stove in, and he could do nothing to protect himself.

The other Hindoos were about to fire upon the tiger, when it crouched low, lashing its long, tripped tail to and fro, while it sent forth a shrill, piercing cry.

As if in response, a shrill scream came back over the jungle, probably from its mate, and a few moments later a tigress sprang in sight, and bounded towards the frightened Hindoos, who dropped their weapons, and fled, but be-

fore they had gone many paces, the tiger cat had bounded upon one of the men's back, to be followed a moment later by the tiger prouncing upon the remaining robber.

It was a horrible sight. We had lost our presence of mind for the moment, but it soon returned, and we dashed after the fleeing men.

We were too late to do any good however, and the tiger and his mate were prepared for us.

It was lucky we did not fire upon them, as the animals would have attacked us sure. As it was, they seemed contented with their prize, and each seizing a Hindoo, they trotted off into the dense foliage.

We stood still for a moment, neither of us daring to speak, when we heard the tramping of a great number of men, and fearing it might be the robbers returning, we hid ourselves by the side of the wad.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

PHILATELIC ITEMS.

EL Filatelista Mexicano is a new philatelic monthly published at Monterrey, Mexico.

THE Italian Philatelic Society is organizing branches all over Italy. La Filatelia, published in Rome, is its official organ. — Weekly Stamp News.

AT a small inn at North Berstad, near Bangor, is to be seen a room, the wall and ceiling of which are covered with stamps of all nationalities. The proprietor has been indulging in his hobby for three years and he calculates that at least a million stamps, worth before cancellation £14,000, have been used on the room. — Youths Journal.

OVER THE DAM;
or,
HOW JACK GOT EVEN.

By WM. M. LEWIS.

THE Rapid river ran by the town of Burn. For about a mile above the village the river ran smoothly, and with hardly a ripple, but any object thrown into the river would show that it ran very swiftly. Right opposite the village was a dam, over which the water dropped about 6 feet. In the summer, when the water was low, some of the more venturesome of the boys, allowed themselves to be carried over by the water, but in the winter when the water was high it would not be safe. A portion of a log, which had been carried over, was held there by the action of the water. First it would be carried to the bottom, and then hurled to the surface, only to be again sucked in by the strong current. One cold day in December, some 20 or 30 boys were skating on the river just above the dam. The ice was like glass, both in regards to smoothness and transparency. It was not very thick but still considered safe. The boys were skating back and forth on two sides for a game of what they called, "Sticks," was being played. The leaders of the two sides were Jack Sweasny and Herbert Lush. In fact they were rivals in almost everything. In skating Herbert was a little the best, but Jack made up in swimming, for while he was the finest swimmer in the place, Herbert could not swim a stroke. Their circumstances were also very different for Herbert's father was the richest man in the place, while Jack's father, who had died a short time before, was only an employe of Mr. Lush. Jack had always

attended school, but now since his father had died he had hard work to get along, and was afraid he would have to leave and get a place to work. His mother was determined that he should not go until he graduated, and for this purpose worked a great deal harder than she ought. She was the only seamstress of the place, and so got all the work she could do. But to go on with our story.

As they were skating backwards and forwards one of Herbert's men made a dash, and had almost got his hand on a stick when he was touched. But he claimed he was not touched, and on this he was upheld by his captain, Herbert. Herbert was in a position where he could not see, but being angry he claimed the man as safe. In a moment both sides were in a wrangle over it. In the discussion Herbert applied a vile name to Jack. The boys stood speechless; Jack's face turned as white as a sheet, and clinching his fists he took a stroke to where Herbert stood. But just as Jack's arm was raised to hit Herbert, he thought of a promise he had made to his mother and his arm dropped to his side. His voice was hoarse and unnatural, as he said, "You'll pay for this Herbert Lush. Now lets finish the game."

The boys went silently back to their places astonished at the way the quarrel had ended. Herbert was ashamed of himself, for letting his passion get the better of him, and he knew that he was in the wrong. Jack's men went on determined to win, and as Herbert's men were in sympathy with Jack they played a very poor game, while Jack's side astonished everyone by the great luck that followed them. Soon only one stick remained on Herbert's side, and all of a sudden Jack made a dash.

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A WEEK WITH A SCHOOL BOY.

[CONTINUED.]

Friday—Hurrah, no school to-day; Washington's birthday. I don't believe that story though about what he said to his father when he cut the cherry tree. I don't see how a fellar can live without lyin'. Only angels can do that, an' I never saw any wings on Washington in the pictures.

Saturday—Broke my record this morning. Split and piled half a cord of wood. Ma says she places great hopes in me. I feel like a hippycrit when she talks like that. I was walking peaceably along thisafternoon when a fellar named Thompson dared me to knock a chip off his shoulder. I never take a dare, an' so I give a shove an' the chip fell off. Then he pated me in the eye. I didn't wait to take off my coat nor nuthin', an' just let him have it. We had been fightin' about five minutes when someone hollered "cop," an' 'ere an' Thompson ran. I had a black eye an' bloody nose, but the other fellar got as good as he sent. Now pa and ma is awful different. Pa, he says: "You are a Willoughby out an' out, an' I glory in your spunk." Ma, she says: "That's what you get for going in bad company. You are a disgrace to the family." I don't know what to make of it all. But I guess if ma was a man she wouldn't treat me like that.

Sunday—This is the dullest day I ever spent in my whole life. Sunday always makes me tired. When I'm at home they won't let me do nuthin, and in the afternoon they make me go to Sunday school. Just as if I didn't get school enough on week days. You bet, when I get to be a man I won't treat my little boys like that.

When the father had finished he looked at Frank a moment and said:

"Well, my boy, you are a genuine young American after all. Just go to your room and stay there for the rest of the evening, and hereafter don't go outside the yard until I give you permission. I don't like the way you express your sentiments about me and things in general."

SIMILARITY IN LANGUAGES.

BY J. W. L.

Anyone who is acquainted with any foreign language or languages, has undoubtedly noticed the resemblance between words, in the different languages, having the same meaning. For instance: 'man' is in German 'Mann'. In this case the likeness is very strong. Also in the French word, 'mere', meaning mother, is like our word 'mare' meaning the female horse.

In the same way a resemblance will be seen in all the European countries, and what is more astonishing, between European countries and India or Persia.

About one hundred years ago, this similarity attracted the attention of some German students, who looked into the matter. There have also been investigations by various persons since then, but they cannot account for it. However, it is supposed, that a very long time ago, there was numerous people (all speaking the same language) living somewhere in the neighborhood of the Caspian Sea, while the other parts of Europe and South Eastern Asia were comparatively uninhabited. About 2000 B. C., it is said that migrations in all directions took place, and as

the people who migrated went into new lands and had new experiences, they acquired new words, and by constant usage they, more or less, changed the old ones. Thus, it can be readily seen why there is such similarity in some words, while in others there is not the slightest trace of it.

OVER THE DAM.

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He could not reach the sticks though and so skated rapidly down the river. They were within a few feet of the dam when they commenced and so Jack did not have much room. Herbert at once started after Jack. Jack saw that he would have to dodge and as he came nearer to the dam the ice cracked under him. He suddenly turned and just missed Herbert's outstretched arm. Herbert in trying to stop quickly was thrown, and as he fell the frail ice gave way with him, and with one despairing cry he sank beneath the water. Jack turned at the sound of the ice cracking and as he saw Herbert disappear an exultant look appeared in his eyes. But this quickly disappeared and a cry of horror came to his lips as he remembered that Herbert could not swim. Without a moments hesitation he skated to the place where Herbert had gone down. As he was lighter he could go farther than Herbert could and he had almost reached the edge of the ice before it gave way. When he came to the surface he saw Herbert a few feet below him and a few vigorous strokes carried him to the spot. He seized him in his arms and telling him to put one arm around his neck, he clasped his right arm around his waist and struck for shore. But he was now too near the dam and was powerless against the strong current and the horrified boys on the

ice saw them swept over the dam. The boys stood and watched below the dam for quite a while, but could not get sight of them, and with heavy hearts they took off their skates and started for home. At the village they told the sad news and soon quite a crowd started for the scene of the accident. Mrs. Sweasey when being informed of her son's fate, fainted dead away, but on coming to and hearing how Jack had lost his life trying to save a comrade she murmured, "The Lord's will be done," and went about her work with a sad face. The people who told her were glad to see her take matters so easy were turning to leave her, when she threw up her hands and sank to the floor. She was picked up and the doctor called, but by the time he arrived she was raging in brain fever. Meanwhile Mr. Lush, who took it almost as bad as she did, and seemed almost mad, started for the river with the crowd.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

ODDS & ENDS.

—S. Allan Taylor has been found guilty of selling counterfeit postage stamps.

—The late Mr. T. K. Tapling, of the London Philatelic Society, left his collection of stamps to the British Museum. It is valued at \$100,000.

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Chollie (singing): How can I leave thee?

Ethel (coldly): The front door is still doing business at the old stand. Try that.

Old gentleman (to little boy who is playing soldier): Ah, my little man, you're a son of Mars, eh?

Little boy (indignantly): Course I'm a son of ma's. Didn't suppose I was a son of auntie's, did yer?

Minister: Well, Bobby, do you think you will be a better little boy this year than you were last?

Bobby (hopefully): I think so, sir. I begun by taking cod liver oil last week.

Uncle George: If your name is John Harkins, you must have your papa's name?

John: No; papa has his name yet. I guess mine must be an imitation one.

A good many so-called "swells" have nothing about them to merit that title but their heads.

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"How is this? You haven't put up my order."

"Sorry, sir, but that's because you told me to put it down."

"Boy, I read in your eyes that you have told a lie."

"Papa, that is impossible. You cannot read without spectacles."

Mr. Featherly: What beautiful teeth Miss Smith has!

Miss Sharptongue: Yes, I think this set much prettier than her other.

Sunday school teacher: Johnnie, did you ever tell a lie?

Johnnie [promptly]: Yes, sir.

Sunday school teacher: Thanks! I thought I was going to catch you in another one.

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—Fly-paper—A kite.

—Always in bed—Pillows.

—After dinner—A hungry tramp.

—"Knot in it"—Hickory wood.

—Bogus coffee is giving great grounds for complaint.

—High strung—Telegraph wires.

—A rising man—The aeronaut.

—From pole to pole—A clothes line.

—Always want board—Lumbermen.

—A soft job—Digging post holes in wet weather.

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J. S.—July 4, 1776, fell on Thursday.

M. B. (Solon, Ind.)—See answer to "N. H." in this number.

V. B. R. (Branch Hill, O.)—With the June number.

N. H.—Exchange notices are inserted only for subscribers to THE EFFORT.

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Whole No. 42.

IT'S FIRST ELECTION.

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This story was commenced in No. 33.

THE GOLDEN IDOL;

OR,

LOST IN THE JUNGLES OF INDIA.

By Edward B. Heineman.

Author of "The Wonderful Cave," "A Modern Hero," "Harry Ward's Luck," etc.

CHAPTER VI.

Conclusion.

THE tramping of many feet became louder and more distinct each moment. Suddenly 'round a bend in the wad, came a white horse, upon which sat a grand old gentleman.

He was my father!

Behind him trotted a troop of cavalry.

With joyful shouts we rushed from

among the bushes. In a moment I was explaining all that had transpired, to my delighted parent.

* * * * *

The next morning bright and early, the cavalry were on their way to where the golden idol stood.

Just as we reached the clearing where the ruins were, the Hindoo robbers were springing on their horses to ride away.

The bugle was sounded, and away dashed the cavalry after the fleeing robbers.

The fight did not last long, as the cowardly Hindoos were easily captured.

They were all brought back to where the idol stood, and then it was proposed that the hiding place of the robbers be searched. We, Luke and myself, were among the party to enter the little door under the idol. Stone steps led down into a large cavern. Here was found a princely portune in jewels and stolen goods. All the valuable things were taken up with us. When we stepped out of the little door again we found that the soldiers contrived to knock off the head of the idol, which was worth thousands upon thousands of dollars. The two glittering eyes were the purest diamonds that could be found, and they were large, too. The head of the idol was completely covered with a thin layer of gold.

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THE END.

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FOURTH OF JULY.

By CARRIE C. DAY, in "Golden Days."

Yes, boys, it is well to remember
The day of America's pride,
When Congress by grave declaration
The rule of proud England denied.

Let singing and fervid oration,
And bells ringing merry and clear,
And waving of Star Spangled Banner
Usher in this glad day of the year.

The thunder of guns at the fortress,
With drums and the bugles should
tell,

The arbor and joy of a people
Who love their free country so well.

But remember the just and the fearless,
The wise and the honest and true,
Who shall KEEP in its freedom the
Union,
Must surely in time boys, be YOU.

You will hold then the power to rescue
Our broad and our beautiful land,
From vices that deal worse disaster
Than ever did tyranny's hand.

Let the youth of the nation be loyal,
To principals precious as gold;
Let them be independent of follies,
More cruel than despots of old.

The lad who fights down in his nature
All idleness, weakness and sin,
Shall deserve in his manhood the
honors
The great and illustrious win.

The standard of firm independence,
That judgement and virtue will fix,
Can alone make the men of the future
True as heroes of Seventy-six.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

North Carolina has only eight daily papers.

1,000,000 pounds of rubber are annually sold for bicycle tires.

A bee must visit from 90,000 to 200,000 flowers to make one pound of honey.

It is estimated that India will produce 110,000,000 pounds of tea during the coming season.

Continued from last month.

OVER THE DAM;
or,
HOW JACK GOT EVEN.

By WM. M. LEWIS.

AS THEY were nearing the dam two forms were seen coming towards them. As they drew nearer their forms seemed to be dripping wet. They seemed very familiar and the crowd stared at them in amazement. "Great God, it's Herbert," cried Mr. Lush, and he rushed forward and clasped on the boys in his arms. It was even so. Jack Sweasey and Herbert Lush, whom everyone believed dead, were alive and standing before the crowd. In a few moments their story was told. When the boys were carried over the dam they were carried to the bottom. As they started for the surface, Jack's handle came in contact with a spike, which was in one of the beams of the dam. Remembering how, in the summer when in swimming, he had found room between and partly in under the dam for anyone to stay without touching the water, he had pulled himself and Herbert, whom he had not let loose of, up in under the dam. The boys stood shivering there for a few seconds, when Jack hollered in Herbert's ear, "Come on, there is room to walk between the dam and the water and we will get out of here all O. K." They started and after struggling over stones and timbers, that were so slippery that they narrowly escaped several times falling down into the waters, which licked their feet, they were gladdened by the sight of light and with a yell they jumped, but into the open air, safe. When safely out, Herbert grasped Jack's hand and with tears in his eyes confessed his own fault and

thanked him for saving his life and he ended up with the words, "Yes, Jack, you was right, I have more than paid for it already." They at once started for home, when after going a short distance, they were met by the party. After hearing Jack's story, the crowd gave three cheers and then hurried them home. Jack found his mother very ill, but she soon recovered and thanked God for his narrow escape. Jack was kept in school by his mother until he graduated when he was taken into the employ of Mr. Lush. To-day the bankers of Bern are "Sweasey and Lush," as their card reads. But Herbert always remembers "how Jack got even."

THE END.

Do not fail to read the new story written by Wm. H. Erb, next month.

JULY JOKELETS.

Customer (to waiter): I'd like some crackers and a bowl of milk. Have the milk hot.

Waiter (giving order): One oyster stew!

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Come to blows—Hurricanes.

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Excited passenger: Do these cars run on time?

Phlegmatic conductor: No; they run on rails.

*

An egg plant—A hen's nest.

*

"I am always getting stuck," said the type.

"Nevertheless, I have a very good impression of you," answered the paper.

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Even the most skillful tailor can't patch a dog's pants.

THEY'RE AFTER ME.

BY J. W. L.

It was dark. "Cluck! Cluck!" said a chicken. "Stop dat noise dar;" so said Uncle Sambo, as he scrambled over the chicken-coop fence, with a chicken under his arm, which was evidently in a conversational mood. As he reached the other side of the fence, hearing someone coming, he darted behind a tree, holding the fowl tightly by the neck to prevent it from making a noise.

"Golly, I guess I'se caught," murmured Sambo.

At the same time that Sambo was stealing the chicken, his son Bonapart (unknown to Sambo) was confiscating some food from the house, which was near the chicken-coop.

It happened that he reached the other side of the fence, about the same time as his father, and hearing, but not being able to recognize each other, they thought somebody was after them. Bonapart also skipped behind a tree and there they stood, each afraid to move for fear of being caught. Finally at day break Sambo caught a glimpse of his son's face and after the explanations two more disgusted darkies could not have been found.

PRESIDENTIAL ANAGRAM.

The curious coincidence has been noted that the names of President and Vice-President Hamlincoln and Abrahamlincoln can thus interwoven with each other. Not quite so strange but still worth noting is that Adams, the name of one President, is an abbreviation of Adamson, and Madison was originally Adamson, but some time or other got twisted into Madison. Here, too, is another coincidence. Two Presidents were named Andrew

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BOTANY TERM;

CHAPTER IV.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

"To-morrow, at one o'clock" said Professor Frucette looking sharply around the room, "at one o'clock I will take the class out for field work.

We will work until four. Do you hear that, Larkins?"

"Yes, sir, every word Professor" answered Bill.

"Class is dismissed," said the Professor, as the bell for the next period was tapped.

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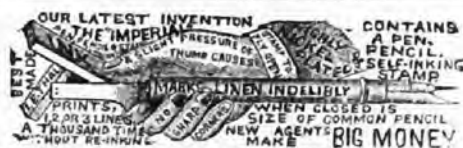
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BOTANY TERM;

OR,

HOW BILL SECURED A SPECIMEN.

By Wm H. Erb.

CHAPTER I.

Bill and John.

"Next term we'll have it much more easier, Governor" said Bill Larkins interrupting the silence, which had reigned supreme for almost an hour. "We'll have botany," returned John Banks, alias Governor, looking up from his Plato, or rather looking up from the translation of it, "that will take work. But everybody says that the pleasure derived from studying botany fully repays us for the work." Again both began to study their Greek, and nothing was heard save the ticking of the clock on the mantel.

Bill Larkins was a lean, long, lank Sophomore at college; and to speak philosophically, was a sincere defender of the law of the least effort; or to speak plainly, he was exceedingly lazy. His only great and sincere desire was to have an easier term; and when the longed-for term came, he found in it too much work for taking his usual naps and his nocturnal perambulations.

John Banks and Bill Larkins were chums, at least room-mates. They could not live together for a whole term without a fight, if somebody would pay them. John Bank was lazy also; but regardless of his extreme laziness, he was not too much averse to physical exertions to look up the latest styles of ties and collars, and he always dressed like a governor, whence his name. Enough conceit was lodged in his dull skull to fill a common milkeau, whence his name.

He was continually talking about his rich uncle out West, who wrote German poetry; but he never said a word about his poor uncle in the Eastern penitentiary, who could not read the German poetry. John, however, never wrote in verse.

The boys poured over the pages in their Greek lesson. Notwithstanding the many hooks and crooks of those Greek words, they would not stick fast to their memories. The lead-pencil had to aid them. They so skillfully interlined those pages that the Professor did not see it. The clock on the mantel was pointing with its hands to eleven, as if to make it emphatic that it was time to go to bed.

"Sam Hill, with Greek!" exclaimed Bill flinging his Plato to the other end of the room.

Instead of responding, John opened his mouth so wide that you could see his drooping socks. As Bill shoved the translation or pony into the drawer, he said,

"Go long, Gailang—ling."

"Next week examination" began Bill again, as he was preparing for the mysterious wander in Dream-land; "then a week's vacation, Ra!" With these words, he bounced into the bed and soon he snored.

The Governor undressed more slowly and viewed himself several times in the mirror before retiring.

"I can't see why Miss Sedgewick should not love me" murmured John as he outened the lamp.

CHAPTER II

THE FIRST SESSION.

Vacation came and went, and the two boys had already returned to college, and were fully equipped with botanical tin boxes, hand magnifying glasses, books on botany, and enough

"gall" to recite without having studied the lesson.

Professor Fornette, with his Roman nose, sat at the desk as the class marched into his room for the first time in that term—the Botany Term.

Several ladies were numbered among the class.

Is this the botany class? asked the Professor as the class were seated.

Several mildly answer "Yes," and a few to strengthen the assertion nodded their heads. The Governor always loved to hear himself speak so he was the only loud one to yell "Yes;" Bill being too lazy to open his mouth and move his tongue, simply nodded.

"All have the proper books on Botany and hand lenses?" asked the professor sharply gazing about the room, as if looking for somebody to tear out.

The few who had the lenses answered "Yes, sir;" and the others were prudently silent.

After half an hour's talk on microscopes, etc., reading and discussion of the title page, the class was dismissed.

"Botany is nice" said Bill as the two gained their room.

"So is Miss Sedgewick," returned the Governor viewing himself again in the looking-glass.

"I'm entirely disgusted with the Fiji mail line" returned Bill rolling over on the bed.

"I am not" began the Governor somewhat worked up, as he always was when opposed. "Ladies are a divine gift."

"So are you if you hush up" sleepily answered Bill who was now trying to take one of his naps.

"You and nobody else can hush me" exclaimed John now aroused.

"Your mother did, Govey."

"You don't know anything about it" answered John now raving mad.

"Come off" murmured Bill half asleep.

"That's all right."

No answer. Bill was too sleepy to speak.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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Two little children recently went to church alone in Westfield, Conn.

They became tired during the long sermon, and the elder one, supposing that school rules held good in church, led his sister up in front of the preacher and said: "Please, sir, may we go home?" He said 'yes' and they soberly walked out.

Mother: Johnny, you said you'd been to Sunday school. Johnny (with a far-away look): Yes'm.

Mother: How does it happen that your hands smell fishy?

Johnny: I—I carried home th' Sunday school paper, an'—an' th' outside page is all about Jonah an' th' whale.

"Sh!" exclaimed Tommy listening at the door. "There's company in the parlor." "How do you know?" inquired Willie. "Mamma's calling papa, 'my love.'"

Visitor: Isn't your mother afraid Willie, of catching cold in those slippers? Willie: Hub! I guess you you don't know them slippers. Ma uses them to warm the whole family with.

Teacher (to new scholar)—What is your name sonny?

Boy—Gunn.

"Give me your full name."

"John G. Gunn."

"What is the G for?"

"Getyer."

"What do you mean by that?"

"Well all the boys call me Johnny Getyer Gunn, anyhow."

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This number of THE EFFORT is printed by Ray M. Phillips, West Chester, Ohio, Farrand H. Borgman, the publisher and former printer having retired from the printing business, for the present.

The circulation of THE EFFORT is steadily increasing, and at the low advertising rates an adv. in this paper would not fail to pay. We have lately received a large number of testimonials.

In order to increase our circulation during August and September we offer THE EFFORT six months on trial for only 5 cents. If you subscribe now

you will receive the six best numbers of the year, viz: September, October, November, December, January and February numbers.

Our last number (July) was rather thin for a July number. It has been customary by the publisher to issue a double Fourth of July number, but an unavoidable delay caused us to issue a four page and cover number; however we will try to issue eight pages and cover hereafter, and the November and December numbers will be possibly double that.

We did not have time to issue THE EFFORT in its regular form this month on account of the G. A. R. National Encampment, which was held at Detroit, August 3rd. to 8th. We trust you will take in the situation and excuse.

Have you anything to exchange? Send in your notice early for the next issue and it will receive a good position. THE EFFORT'S exchange column is unequalled.

Beginning with the October number THE EFFORT will be issued on the first of each month, instead of the twenty-fifth.

A Few Facts.

From the "Brooklyn Philatelist."

- Over 1,850,000,000 ordinary letters are carried in the mails every year.
- The annual profit on letter postage is \$30,000,000.
- The average value of a registered letter is \$12.36.
- Twice costs the Post-Office department \$85,000.00 per annum.
- No town, with a population of less than 5,000 can have free delivery.
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Among Our Contemporaries.

—June number of **ESSEX COUNTY PHILATELIST** is not up to the standard

—Our **World** published at Baltimore, Md., is a very interesting philatelic paper.

—**MALONE SPECTATOR** is a bright weekly newspaper; the smallest in New York state.

—**YOUTHS EXCHANGE** is an excellent paper, in the interest of the Youth published at Memphis, Tenn.

—We failed to receive the July issue of the **BROWNSDALE LEAFLET**, brother Johnson. Could you favor us?

—The **COURIER MAGAZIN** for July, received. A very good number.

—The **MONTANA BOYS' JOURNAL** is a spicy semi-monthly published at White Sulphur Springs, Mont. Subscription, 50 cents a year.

—**AMERICAN PHILATELIST AND COLLECTOR**, is always a welcome visitor at our office.

—The **PHILATELIC TRIBUNE** is a neat paper of twenty pages published in the interest of philatelists.

—The July issue of the **COLLECTOR'S JOURNAL** certainly speaks for itself. The publishers deserve credit.

—The **TAXIDERMIST** at hand. We would be pleased to exchange with you each month.

—The **COUNTRY YOUTH** has been enlarged, and presents to its readers a very good appearance.

Nick Nacks

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The Shan Chinese, a people living between Burmah and China, show their love for their parents by killing them and eating them to save them from the misery of old age.

There is a post at the corner of the public square at Fairmont, Me., which is shunned like a pestilence during a thunder storm. It is a dyed-in-the-wool Jonah, for it has been struck by lightning so often that it is almost completely shattered. According to the town records, 3 men, 5 horses and between 20 and 30 sheep have been electrocuted on the spot.

In 1864 the London general omnibus company carried 42,000,000 passengers; the Metropolitan railway soon afterward carried 11,000,000.

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FOR THE 'EFFORT'
MY FRIEND.

By Wm. H. Erb.

I.

When I recall my dear old friend
To whom my mother oft would send
Her only son, her little boy;
My heart leaps up with bygone joy.

II

A willow basket in my hand,
My brown bare feet ran to my friend
Across the fields, and down the hill,
Where he did live and lives there still.

III

He was then young, but now he's
old,
But never a boy my friend would scold
He took them all upon his back,
Where they would kiss his cherries
black.

Pennsburg Pa.

Philatelic Items,

Mr. A. Burneister (?) of Newark, N. J., has been receiving a great deal of abuse from the Philatelic press.

The organization of a Michigan Philatelic Association is being talked of by several Wolverine collectors.

A good plan: Michigan needs a good Philatelic organization.

A postage stamp exhibit may probably be seen by the visitors at the World's Fair. Committees have been appointed to arrange matters.

The third annual convention of the National Association of Letter Carriers was held at Detroit, August 4th. to the 6th.

There is talk of reducing the registration fee to 5 cts., instead of 10 cts.

The Post Office department have discontinued issuing the ten, thirty and ninety cent stamped envelopes. Very few of them were ever used.

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A rather amusing conversation was overheard in a post office the other day. One of the public went in for the purpose of sending a parcel.

Having ascertained the weight and price, the young lady at the counter handed over the stamps to be affixed by the sender, who remarked: "am I to stick them on myself?" "No," replied the facetious young lady, "on the parcel, please."— [Meckell's Weekly Stamp News.

Mr. Harry T. Tilge, of Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa. sends us specimens of forgeries of the Centennial U. S. envelopes that he recently purchased of a stamp dealer in an obscure street in the Faubourg Montmartre, Paris, France. The counterfeits are very good, and would be likely to deceive any young collector. [Meckell's Weekly Stamp News.

Those packets of 150 assorted foreign stamps for ten cents offered on another page of this paper are excellent bargains. Try one.

Sun'y Sparks.

"There!" said the toy man to Billie's father. "That drum's the finest in the market. It can't be beat."

"I'll take it. A drum that can't be beat is just the thing for my boy."

Blue fishing—Not getting a bite.

Teacher:—James, give me the definition of occur.

James: A cur is a dirty yellow dog wet ain' got no place to go to.

A whist expert knows a good deal.

Pennoyer: Have you ever noticed the animals in Central Park getting their raw meat?

Pritti witt: Yes, They never seem so happy as when their allowance is cut off.

Friend of the family: I am afraid you little fellows don't always agree. You fight each other sometimes, don't you?

Twins: Yeth, thir, thumtimth.

"I thought so. Well who whips?"

"Maama, wipth."

Young Skipjack: Ah, I would like to cross that field. Do you think—ah—that cow would hurt me?

Farmer: Did you ever hear of a cow hurting a calf?

"So you called at Mr. Jones' about that little bill?" said the merchant to the clerk.

"Yes sir"

"And what did you find out?"

"Mr. Jones."

The cyclone is anything but a builder, but it can raze a house quicker than any carpenter.

Wool: How do you go to work to tell the age of a hen?

Van Felt: By the teeth.

Wool: A hen hasn't any teeth you idiot!

Van Felt: No; but I have.

"How's dat, Sambo? You says you was at the battle of Bull Run, when I sees you at New York on de same night."

"Yes Julius you did for sarten.

You see, our colonel says he 'Boys strike for yer country and yer homes!'

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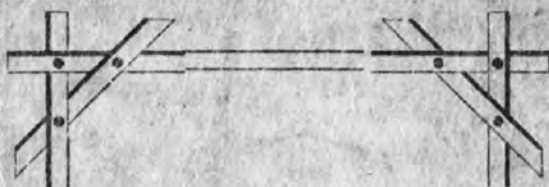
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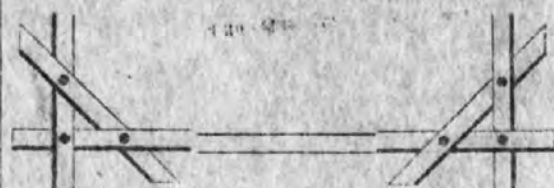
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PERHAPS.

How much of hope, and peace, and
love

How much of faith it saps;
That little word, so often used,
That doubtful word, "Perhaps!"

It leaves us in perplexity
Betwixt the false and true,
Poised, like a pair of balances,
Uncertain what to do.

How many a loving heart,
Has felt the time elapse
On leaden wings, white waiting still
To prove that word "Perhaps."

"Perhaps they will" "Perhaps they'll
not"—

Oh! what suspense! Below,
Much better, in this world of woe,
Is homely "Yes or No."

—BY MRS. M. A. KIDDER, in Good News.

POSITIVELY PRETTY.

Sweet girlhood's grace the maiden
wore.

When for her photograph I plead
"I have none. I am plain," she said;
My picture's worse. I'll try no more."

And all the while her prettiness
Was painting on my inner eye
A picture wondrous fair then why
Should photographic art praise less.

But, pondering how that process
gives

Negation first, then truth, I knew
E'en sunlight, with her face in view,
Could have no heart for negatives.

—BY EUGENE BRADFORD RIPLEY in THE
CENTURY.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

Jupiter is now a magnificent object
in the southern sky. A telescope of
small power will reveal the presence

of his moons. Three of the four of
which he is possessed will only be vis-
ible, as one or other of them will be
hidden from view by the planet him-
self.

A new method of obtaining a light
has just been patented in England.

Instead of the old fashioned safety
match, the stick is tipped at both ends,
one end with the usual composition
and the other with that found on the
scratcher outside the box. Light is ob-
tained by breaking the match in the
middle and rubbing the two ends to-
gether.

If an egg be kept in strong vinegar
for a short while the shell will become
more or less plastic, and the egg can
then be rolled out sausage-like, until
it be of small enough diameter to go
with ease in at the mouth of a beer bot-
tle. If cold water be then poured into
the bottle, the shell, the lime of which
has been softened by the vinegar, will
harden and return to its original shape.

In the collection of curiosities at
Woolwich arsenal, where the great
English guns are made, is probably
the largest steel shaving in the world.

A workman who had charge of a
lathe on which a 60 pounder was be-
ing turned left his post for some time,
and on his return he found that a shav-
ing over 70 feet in length had been
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sence. It was subsequently tied into
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The continuation of "BOTANY TERM" will be found in the next issue; also the opening chapters of a splendid serial story, written by Sarah B. Hebek, entitled, "A School-girl Prank and How it Resulted."

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Paper mache oil cans go.

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Dallas has women notaries.

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Flower-pots are made of paper.

Boston has a kindling wood trust.

Berlin reporters are to be uniformed.

Electric pleasure boats are successful.

New York devours 1,600 beeves a day.

Homburg has a compressed wood hotel.

There are 800,000 deaf mutes in the world.

Turkey's working day is long as the sun shines.

In Prussia there are 600,000 more women than men.

Mexico will have a \$2,000,000 exhibit at the world's fair.

A pound of phosphorus is sufficient to tip 1,000,000 matches.

It is said to cost \$10,000 to gild the dome of the state house in Boston.

The population of Russia is increasing at the rate of over 1,000,000 a year.

There are upward of 50,000 earth worms in every ordinary acre of agricultural land.

About twice as much power is required to stop an express train as to start one.

Some elephants can draw 15 tons, lift 10 cwt., and carry on their backs three tons.

The number of passengers carried by all the railroads in the world averages 6,500,000 a day.

The coast line of Alaska is longer by 3,020 miles than that of all the rest of the United States.

The mayor of Philadelphia receives \$12,000 a year; the mayor of New York receives \$10,000. [*Detroit News*,

September Wrinkles.

Mrs. Wheedle—My dear, the Dingles want to rent their cottage at the seaside next season, and Mrs. Dingle told me ye terday that we might have it for the summer for \$500. What do you think?

Wheedle—We might take it for a few minutes.

It is a very commendable thing, no doubt, for a donkey to endeavor to talk himself horse.

"Oh mother!" exclaimed a little girl, "look at the moon." "You just come in and let the moon alone." "I wasn't touching it, mother," she said.

Bound to make a difference—
—Subtraction.

Tom Noddy: Uncle Amos, I hear you said I was a fool the other day.

Uncle Amos: I never said you were a fool the other day. I said you had been a fool all the days of your life.

A giddy thing—The merry-go-around.

"Whats dat noise Sam?" said a negro, who heard a lady telling. "Oh, that am de doctors wife showin' de payshunts how to gargle for de sore throat."

"Pa," said Bobby, "look at that striped horse." And the old farmer gazed on the zebra at the circus and said: "Yes; looks ez if he'd 'scaped from some penitentiary."

A burglar-darn is a thing that pays; Both then, you know, it works both ways.

Of course it may give a warning to you,

But then it alarms the burglar too.

"Lime says lots o'de men folks down in New York weah dwess suits."

Wal, da's de place fur um—in petty-coats—when dey git dat shaller dey

hain't nuffin mo'ter do'n ter look up styles.

Miss Rhapsody—You are fond of music, captain?

Capt. Barns (of the United States 105th artillery) —Well, yes; in fact, I think I may say I like noise of any kind.

"But, Marie, my dear," said her mother, "Harlow is extravagant."

"Better that than meanness, mother. Extravagance may be curbed, but meanness is indestructible."

"He is a Dublin man, isn't he?" "Mostly."

"Why mostly?"

"He has a Cork leg."

"My how that breaker roared!" said Jennie, on the seashore.

"Yes. That fat man in bathing stepped on its undertow," answered Harry.

Dick (at seaside hotel)—Where is Harry? We can't go without Harry.

Tom—He is up in his room writing to his father.

Dick—Then never mind him; he must be broke,—[Puck.

Madge—Pa, that nice young fellow, Mr. Downing, is awful fond of ki-sing.

Pater—How did you find that out, you good-for-nothing girl?

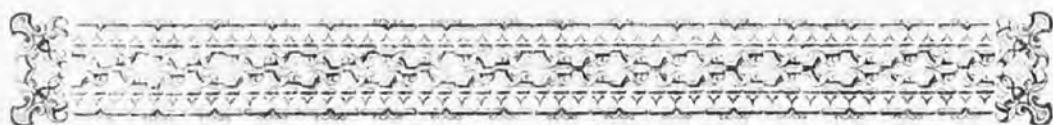
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A SCHOOL-GIRL PRANK AND HOW IT RESULTED.

BY SARAH B. HEBEK.

CHAPTER I.

"Why Nell Ashton, what are you looking so blue about anyway? One would think your last friend had gone back on you but that isn't true for—if all the rest would leave you here's ME still," said pretty Minnie Lamar with an utter disregard for grammar although the book she held in her hand was 'Smith's Higher Lessons in English.' 'Oh nothing,' answered Nell Ashton wearily leaning her head against the huge oak, the pride of the Ringby High School yard, although the serious expression on her face so unlike her usual gay smiling ways betokened that there was something which occasioned her 'fit of downheartedness' as Minnie Lamar chose to call it. Nell was keeping back the cause of her unusual soberness from her friend for what seemed to her a very good reason. Minnie Lamar's parents were what is termed 'well-off' while Nell's widowed mother was in circumstances just the opposite.

Nell disliked to be pitied and she thought that would be the only kind of consolation she would receive from her friend if her case was known.

The plain fact was that the fall term of the Ringby High School in which Nell was entered as a junior, had opened and it was of course required that each pupil provide himself with all the necessary text books; in Nell's class

the cost of the books amounted to about five dollars but as she wished to take one or two extra studies, she would need something over six dollars for her educational supplies.

But the 'wherewith' was wanting.

She could not ask her mother who she well knew had scarcely money enough to provide for the little household.

Nell had tried to save some money from her 'wages' as she proudly called the small amounts which she had earned during vacation by taking care of neighbor's baby, doing copy work for Mr. Franklin, the Ringby lawyer, writing letters, and other odd jobs.

But the result of her efforts had gone to pay household expenses as the fourteen dollars per month which her mother took in from the letting of her deceased husband's store room, was not sufficient for the needs of the family. Nell saw that the inevitable result of her not having the required school books would be that she would have to leave school for good and that was what she least of all desired.

No wonder the poor girl did not feel in very cheerful spirits for the prospect was not very encouraging to say the least. Unconsciously she had allowed herself to fall into a reverie but happening to look up she saw Minnie regarding her so intently that she hastened to lead her from the track by repeating once more—'Oh it's nothing in particular, Min. What makes you stare at me so? I'm no escaped criminal, I assure you,' and with a laugh at her perplexed face, she leaned over and pinched Min's already pinched cheeks.

'Well, I'm glad it isn't anything 'cause you know, Nell, I do hate to see you unhappy and that's a fact. And so is this,—suiting the action to the word. Min threw herself down beside Nell and gave her a bearish hug and a smacking kiss.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

A Vain Attempt.

An author once upon a time
He thought to change from prose to
rhyme.

Then to himself he said in mood,
"O—come poetic mind, send food."

In vain his thoughts they lingered;
To pry them out he fingered.

Alas! Alas! for an hour he tried;
The end—blank paper laid aside.

—EDGAR DEAN MELVILLE.—

BOTANY TERM; OR HOW BILL SECURED A SPECIMEN.

BY WM. H. ERB.

CHAPTER III.
TRAILING ARBUTUS.

The boys and girls were now collecting the various specimens for their herbariums. The hepatica and the blood-root were already in the botanical press, as well as the anemones.

Every member of the class was now trying to secure a specimen of the Trailing Arbutus. It was an accustomed sight to see one, two, or three boys, sometimes though rarely accompanied by one of the young ladies, traveling about the neighboring forests, searching and sweating for a single specimen of this plant. None, however, were found in the college vicinity.

Lazy Bill too, perspired in searching for the flowering herb; but, sorry to say, those sweat drops were in vain.

The Governor, one day, took the train and left the town. His tin box went with him. He was out for the rare plant. "If you find any, chum" said Bill as John Banks left the room, "please give me only one. Will you, please?"

"You better go along, returned John too stingy to bring his chum a specimen.

"I'm darn sorry, but I can't".

John went. He returned in the evening with the box full of beautiful Trailing Arbutus.

"Chum, will you give me one," asked Bill beseechingly as John spread them out on the table.

No answer. The Governor was consulting with his conceit whether or not he should give his chum any.

"You can not use more than one for your own herbarium," continued Bill after a five minutes waiting for an answer.

"I spent the money and time to get these," began Governor, "and besides it is time yet."

With these words, he put the plants in fresh water.

"Keep 'em, you old miser," grumbled Bill to himself feeling as if he could easily smash a half dozen skulls like his chums.

"I'll give one to Miss Sedgewick," said John, She won't have any Arbutus."

"She won't have you either" retorted Bill.

"Well I'll give her this specimen" answered John, "and then she'll give me a specimen—herself."

"Soak your feet, will yer" murmured Bill thoroughly angered.

"That's all right returned the other somewhat displeased.

"Have a patent on that expression?", asked Bill.

"That's all right."

"Certainly, it's stereotyped."

This was the first time that the class would do field work. Bill was always eager for something new, but it wore off as soon as the newness of the bottom of a school-boy's trousers. He was waiting for one o'clock. He watched the flight of time, but was not profited by his observation. One o'clock came, and Bill was prepared.

'Come on, old poke,' exclaimed Bill shaking his chum who was serenely snoringly sleeping on his cot. 'It's one o'clock. If we are not there the old Professor will swallow himself.'

'I'd rather sleep this afternoon,' answered the Governor, as he stood before the mirror combing his disbeveled hair and fixing his tie.

'Come on dude,' said Bill impatiently. 'You're always combing.'

'That's all right.'

'Bah.'

The boys went down to the recitation room.

'Now we are all here, at last' said the Professor looking at Bill.

'Yes,' began Bill feeling as if he had to answer the Professor's look, 'chum had to comb etc. first.'

'We will go to Farmer Hackey's forest' said Professor Frucette addressing the class. 'There we'll analyze six or seven plants.' Then they marched down the road with the Professor in front heading toward the creek.

It was a very warm May afternoon.

There was continued grumbling about the heat and about botany.

The ladies were nimbly plying their fans. Notwithstanding the heat and grumbling, they reached the river. Here it was cooler. They rested.

'We have to cross this foot-log, boys' said Professor Frucette, and you continued he turning to the young men. 'must take care of the ladies.'

'I'll try to' answered Bill smilingly looking at the sweet cousins.

The foot-log was laid across the riv-

er below the falls called Silvery Falls.

The water fell down twenty-two feet

It was very pleasant and romantic.

The crossing on the narrow foot-log was dreaded by the young ladies. The boys went on it first, except Bill who in every thing brought up the rear.

Miss Sedgewick was in front of Bill Larkins.

'Don't look down in the water, Miss Sedgewick,' said Bill as they stepped on the log, 'it will make you dizzy.'

'Thank you for your advice,' returned the handsome Miss, 'I'll try to heed it.' They proceeded slowly and carefully. They had almost reached the other side. There was an agonizing shriek, a splash, another splash, Miss Sedgewick had lost her footing and fallen into the boiling foam below.

Bill had jumped after, and risked his own life to save that of Miss Sedgewick. The ladies screamed and were quickly taken over on the land.

Some of the young ladies fainted, and the young gentlemen were pale as death. John Banks was trembling, as Bill with Miss Sedgewick was struggling toward the land, but he did not try to aid his chum. However, another classmate swam toward the two, and helped them out. They were soon in shallow water where they could wade out. Miss Sedgewick soon recovered, but Bill was pale and exhausted by the severe exertion. 'We can do no work to-day,' said the Professor, 'but we will immediately go home by the way of the old bridge. You Miss Sedgewick, and you, Larkins, must walk very briskly, "continued he talking to the two drenched ones," or else you are liable to take a severe cold.'

There was not much jesting on their return. The narrow escape of Miss Sedgewick caused every one seriously to reflect on their own past conduct.

The Professor had charge of the wet

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What One Philatelist Sees.

By Edward P. Newcomer.

Some months ago eastern philatelic papers contained an account of the arrest and imprisonment of Allan Taylor, the notorious stamp counterfeiter, of Boston, Mass. It seems he is again at liberty and at his old 'biz.'

A postal card sent to him requesting his price-list was duly answered and his address given as 24 Congress St.

Many New York and Chicago business houses are now sending out their circulars enclosed in sealed envelopes and sent at letter rates. They say that it pays them to do this as circulars sent unsealed are nearly always unread and thrown in the wastebasket.

It is unlawful for a husband to get his wife's mail from the post-office and open the same. For this offense, a man was fined twenty five dollars and costs in the United States Court at Des Moines, Iowa, recently by Judge Shiras, although it was proven that the letter was written by another man to the defendant's wife. This is very discouraging to a man who wants to keep posted on the events of the day.

One would generally suppose that stamp collectors would be familiar with Uncle Sam's postal laws and regulations, but there are some that certainly should be provided with Postal Guides. Very few dealers seem to be aware of the existing law regarding the sending of a *dan* by a postal card

The language used on postal cards by many dealers in requesting the return of sheets would certainly make the offense come under this law. A prominent dealer was speaking to me on this subject recently. Said the dealer 'An active philatelist resides at Detroit, Mich. He receives sheets regularly from five or six different dealers, including myself. Having kept one of my sheets considerably over the usual time I sent him a letter as is my usual habit in such cases. He returned the sheet to me just recently and explained that he had been ill for over two weeks, in which time his correspondence was neglected. He thanked me over and over again because I had not used a postal card in writing to him about the stamps, as every one of the others did.' 'Do unto others as you would have them do unto you,' would be a good maxim for dealers to think of sometimes.

The travels of a world circling postal card that had to cover 28,000 miles to satisfy the curiosity of the sender has led to a new order in the United States postal regulations.

'Postal cards addressed to go around the world are excluded from circulation in the mails.' This is the new rule which means that the Postal authorities of the world will not be made the butt of jokers. A protest of the English government led to its enactment. It seems that a gentleman in Philadelphia, Pa., was anxious to see how long it would take a postal to girdle the world and what would be the route taken. An international postal card was purchased and addressed to the sender at his residence in Philadelphia, via New York, Liverpool, Calais, Paris, Marseills, and Naples with the information on the back of it that the card had been started around the world. After an absence of exact-

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A SUSPICIOUS BOARDER

—BY—

EDGAR DEAN MELVILLE.

We kept one boarder at the time, a hump-back Jew, who peddled clams for a living—and, much to my disgust, he was assigned as my bed-fellow. To me he was a suspicious creature, and a feeling of dread always took possession of me as I crept in my bed at night—a strange feeling of fear that betokened ill results.

However, the Jew was apparently a harmless fellow, and in general appearance he was very neat.

He said his name was Paul Brandies. He was exempt from the habit of either smoking, chewing or drinking, and, in addition to his personal cleanliness, these were reasons why I did not sternly object to sleeping with him when requested to do so. But, albeit that these not to be slighted points were in his favor, and his being of a jovial nature, I could not shake off the feeling of dread that awed me when retiring. His eyes to me seemed to portray a deceitful look, and his entire manner affected me strangely. However, to cap the climax, I had lost a beautiful little silver watch which was given to me as a birthday present from my mother, and mainly on this account, more than the value of the watch itself, I prized it most highly and mourned its loss more deeply. I privately suspected the Jew of stealing it, although I had no positive proof of the fact. I mentioned my loss at the noon meal on the day following the discovery, stating my belief that it had been sto-

len, and then I looked across the table to where Paul sat. He dropped his eyes toward his plate as I looked, and then and there, I could, with a feeling of justice, denounce him as the thief—but I held my tongue and inwardly decided to act the part of a detective and see what results I could obtain, because I thought, "with facts I can place him within the bounds of the law." The following night when I went to bed, Paul had already retired—and unusual occurrence. It would be well to state right here that for some unaccountable reason my peculiar bed fellow, instead of wearing the customary night gown, wore a pair of pantaloons for the occasion.

I often wondered at this apparent freak, but my curiosity never led me to inquire. However, as I lay on my back and stretched out my weary limbs beneath the coverlets, and extended my arms full length toward the foot of the bed, close to my body, my left hand came in contact with a somewhat heavy article, which from feeling I judged to be a closed pocket-knife.

My curiosity at last became thoroughly aroused. I became excitingly nervous. "Can the wretch intend to murder me in revenge for my suspicion?" I thought.

The Jew seemed to lie quite still.

I could hear his regular breathing.

But whether his eyes were closed or not I could not perceive, as I had blown the light out before getting into bed. After laying quite still for about ten minutes I finally came to the conclusion that possibly the knife had dropped from his pant's pocket while he was moving around in the bed, and so I quietly laid the knife down on the floor by my side, and then lay back

and went into a doze. Oh, heavens! Was I dreaming, or was it a reality?

It seemed to me that a hand grasped my throat and I felt as though I were choking. At last my fears were realized and the Jew was murdering me. But I determined that I would fight for life, and I proceeded to grapple with my assailant and finally, after much exertion, I forced him to loosen his hold on my throat. We then clinched each other and rolled around the bed in utter confusion. Suddenly it seemed as if we both were being hurled into unfathomable depths, as we toppled over the side of the bed, which was an unusually high one, and fell to the floor in a heap, which shook the house and threatened to cause it to topple from its foundations. The next I knew I was laying upon the floor and the voice of the Jew above me asked, in a tone of deep concern: "Eddie what is the matter with you?"

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A butterfly came flying past,
Perchance to catch the young lad's eye;
"I'll capture him," he quickly thought,
"Now it lives, but soon 'twill die."

A chase ensued in which the lad
Sped on toward a surging stream,
Intently watching the butterfly;
It seemed to him a happy dream.

Splash! the noise so loud and clear,
As the boy in the water fell,
A cry of fear burst from his lips,
Which echoed thro' the distant dell.

"Haver, save me! Come quick, oh! Oh!"
A gurgle, then below the surface
Of the water he disappeared,
Lost! Lost! Not yet! Oh no, oh no.

The faithful dog then hove in sight
And to the rescue came in time;
With a few pulls, a final haul,
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Gov. Knapp estimates the production of gold and silver in Alaska at \$1,000,000.

A man in Missouri has 27 pet rattlesnakes which comes when he calls them.

A woman in Parkersburg, W. Va., has her eighth husband. She is 50 and he is 61.

Salmon are being frozen in Washington, and will be kept for table use next season.

Asbury park, N. J. policemen have been ordered to shoot all cats prowling at large at night.

Twenty-one Indian skeletons were recently taken from an Indian mound at Woodstock, Va.

A dinner to 28 persons was recently given in a trunk of a tree growing on a Tacoma, Wash., farm.

The greatest number of parliaments that have met in any one reign was 27, which assembled in that of Edward III.

There is said to be more widows in New York than in any other city of the world outside of London. Paris comes next to New York.

The first steam ship to fire a gun in action was the Royal William, a side wheeler, which crossed the Atlantic in 1833. She was built at Quebec.

Coins of low denominations circulate very rapidly; thus it is calculated that every penny in circulation changes hands a dozen times a week.

Leeds find employment for 500 women and girls as rag-sorters. They earn 8 shillings a week, and sing merrily in chorus during their work.

The wettest place in the world is at

Cherra Ponjee in the Khasi hills of Assam. The fall of rain for a single month has ranged from 100 to 200 inches.

Polar bears are reported to be unusually plentiful in Alaska this season. They are found further south, which is said to be a sign of a very cold winter.

Enterprising people in San Diego, Cal., are building up a profitable business on the sale of wild-flower seed, for which there is an extensive demand from tourists and in the east.

Austria, the principal match maker of the old world, produces no less than 2,500 tons of them every year for exportation merely. In England the individual average is about 8 per day.

Stewartville, Mo., reports a pumpkin weighing 108 pounds. By a little kitchen calculation this will make at least 200 pies, and these cut into great big quarters will make 800 people happy.

The railways of India at the commencement of the present year aggregated 16,277 miles in operation, with 2,272 miles under construction. The increase during the previous year was 518 miles.

To prevent accidents from the Lauffen-Frankfort cable, which transmits a deadly current of 25,000 volts, all the poles for 112 miles are adorned with skulls and cross bones surmounted with a warning notice.

An English lady is reported to have recently killed, in a river in Scotland, five salmon, which averaged over 20 pounds each. The fish were all captured, it is said, with an artificial fly and unassisted.

Happy are the ratepayers of Deidesheim, in Rhenish Bavaria. The government has discovered that the inhabitants have paid higher taxes than their strict due during the past few years, so the excess will be refunded from the state coffers.

BOTANY TERM,

OR

HOW BILL SECURED A SPECIMEN.

BY WM. H. ERB.

CHAPTER V

"Papa" said Miss Sedgewick, a few days after the accident. "I owe Mr. Larkins so much that I am never able to repay him. Miss Sedgewick was the only daughter of Colonel Sedgewick, a retired military officer. He was very proud of his daughter; and any one who would do a favor for her would do, at the same time, as great a favor to the Colonel himself. The fact that Bill had endangered his life to save her, made him a hero and a favorite to the Colonel. All this was made evident by the many written and verbal invitations from the Colonel, which Bill received, greatly to the chagrin of his chum. Bill accepted, the invitations cheerfully; and visited the Colonel and his daughter, while John Banks had to remain at home to lament his fate. "No never" repeated she shuddering at the thought of that eventful hour when Bill dragged her to the shore. Miss Sedgewick was still confined to her bed. She had a slight attack of the ague fever as the result of her sudden bath and fright.

"Yes answered the Colonel laying aside the evening paper, treat Mr. Larkins as if he was your brother.

"He saved you not for pay," continued he as the twilight was fast gathering, "but because duty demanded it; he imperiled his own life, because manhood urged him; in fact, he is a true hero, a gentleman at heart."

"I tremble whenever I think of it," began she after a few minutes of silence, "it was so horrible."

"Don't think about it, Mary," answered her father moving his chair up close to the bed and taking her hand.

"Nothing comes by chance, but all from His fatherly hand." Thus they sat in silence and in the pleasant twilight meditating over their past life.

Ring—ding—ding—ading.

"That's Mr. Larkins," said the Colonel, "I invited him to-day." The Colonel quickly lighted the lamp and await Bill. Bill was ushered in with a graceful bow and a low good evening; he took the offered seat near the bed. Bill felt his heart throbbing, and such a peculiar chill, which he never felt, before, passed through his whole body, as the beautiful blue eyes of Miss Sedgewick met his own.

They spent the evening in pleasant conversation.

Miss Sedgewick very often expressed her heart felt gratitude and inability to repay him. Miss Sedgewick and the Colonel urged him to call often.

As Bill was going home that evening he came to the conclusion that he ought to propose to the one whom he saved. While sleeping, he dreamed of her; while awake, he talked of her.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

The importation of oranges into England is close upon \$1,500,000,000 yearly. Italy has over 5,000,000 trees which give 1,600,000,000 oranges yearly. The island of St. Michael's, with an acreage of only 210,000 acres sends to this country alone every year about 300,000,000 oranges.

In Germany, nursing is one of the deadliest occupations known to man, or rather to woman; a healthy girl devoting herself to hospital nursing dies on an average $24\frac{1}{2}$ years sooner than a girl of the same age in the general population. This is due to their liability to tuberculosis.

What One Philatelist Sees.

By Edward P. Newcomer.

A world's fair postage stamp has been suggested.

The report that George Garland, son of Jay Gould is a stamp collector, is false.

An organized effort is under way among the farmers to secure free mail delivery in the country towns. The Farmers' Alliance, Patrons of Industry and other orders, are canvassing the matter. Letters are being written to congressmen in favor of the project, and petitions to congress are being circulated in different parts of the country. The farmers assert that a daily mail delivery at their doors will add to the money value of their farms and be worth still more because it will keep them in touch with the markets and outside world.

The railway mail service is making arrangements to provide the people in many towns within a circuit of 150 miles of Chicago with certain morning and evening mail facilities, which they have not heretofore enjoyed. The intention is to have mails gathered and distributed from towns touched by accommodation trains on several roads.

J. W. Palmer, of the Strand London, claims to be an exterminator of forged stamps. He issues a little advertising sheet entitled

"Bric-a-brac" which I see is circulated largely in the United States. As to his being a judge of counterfeit stamps we doubt very much, for Mr. Mekeel paid him a visit several years ago and found a number of genuine stamps in his "block-book". Palmer now claims that he has a used Brattleboro stamp and wants \$1,250 for it.

The order of Post-master General, Wanamaker, doing away with the counting of mail matter by letter carriers has now been in practice three months, and careful calculations show that the annual saving to the post office department will be \$300,000.

The free delivery service was inaugurated in 1863 and from the beginning the custom has been enforced, requiring letter carriers to count and keep an account of all letters delivered; postal cards delivered; second, third and fourth class matter delivered; local letters collected; mail letters collected; local postal cards collected; mail postal cards collected; second, third and fourth class matter collected; total number of pieces handled, and the total postage on all local matter collected, and on all local matter deposited in the post offices, including that on second, third and fourth class matter to the correctness of all of which the respective post-masters are required to certify monthly.

A postcard bearing the following superscription was received in Auburn N. Y., a few days ago: "Postmaster Auburn. Please Deliver to Some Aufser or Cheefe of Police N. Y." It contained the startling announcement that a reward of fifteen dollars would be paid for the conviction of a man and the return of a horse and buggy stolen from a person in Courtland county.

THE EFFORT.

-Issued monthly for Young People.-

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Vol. 4. November, 1891. No. 10

A splendid new serial story will be commenced in our grand double Christmas number written for THE EFFORT, by EDWARD S. ELLIS, entitled

DICK.

Mr. Ellis is undoubtedly known to our readers, having written for "The

Holiday," "Good News," "Youths' Companion," etc. He is also the editor of "The Holiday," a weekly paper published in New York City.

Read the new story! That is the best way to judge its merits.

Read our grand Christmas number. Sixteen pages and cover. Illustrated.

We intended that this issue should be sixteen pages, but our Puzzle 'Em and the remaining chapters of "A School-girl Prank" were not received up to the time of going to press.

ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers who wish to engage space for our Christmas number should send their copy of advertisement to this office not later than December 3. Large circulation. Rates the same as heretofore. 45¢. per inch.

Monthly Stone Rings.

He who in January to this world came
Shall for his month-stone a garnet claim;
And he who in February first saw the light
Shall wear on his finger an amethyst bright;
And he who was born in March must take
The bloodstone for his birth month's sake.
Happy the maid who in April was born,
For a beautiful diamond shall her hand adorn;
And the lovely emerald, so the books say,
Shall the person wear who was born in May;
And he who in June came to th' earth
Shall an agate wear for the month of his birth;
And he a ruby must supply
Who came to this world in the month of July;
And the person who in August came
Must wear the stone sardonyx by name;
And he who was born in breezy September
Shall wear the sapphire, please remember;
And the opal, of misfortune and hope the stone,
October's child will have to own;
And the beautiful topaz shall be worn
By the person who in November was born;
And he who came in December cold
Shall wear the turquoise in a circle of gold.
Maybe it wasn't exhausting, now, to think of all of those different terms for being ushered into this world.

Comicalities.

AFTER THE WRECK.

Killed in the crash—in the dust and dirt.

Nameless, but known—alas!

"Must be an editor. No shirt, No money, and one free pass!"

Truth walks slowly, and even then some people can't keep up with it.

Mrs. McPhinn—It's come t' console yes Oi am.

Widow Barrigan—Oi made it plain Oi gets t'inkin'!

Mrs. McPhinn—Phat wor yez t'inkin' dar-rlin'?

Widow Barrigan—Oi wor t'inkin' av 'Tim'd been alive lasht noight he'd been th' liveliest wan at th' wake.

A ring around the moon is a sign of rain; a ring around the eye is a sign of blow.

Mr. Sudbag— I did n' see yo' at ebu'ch larst Sabbut, Brer Worbat.

Mr. Worbat— Nossir! I doan' go no mo' fer ter git 'sulted.

Mr. Sudbag— Whar d'— whad d' worl' 'sulted yo' chile?

Mr. Worbat— Jess when I come in d' doan' yo' yells out frum d' pulpit—

"Whad am dis yer cuss dat has cum upon us?"

Ethel:— Mamma, why do they put the picture of an eagle on dollars?

Mamma:— To show that money flies, my dear.

The more cuffs you give a laundryman the better he likes it.

"Papa 's going to have a fountain out on the lawn next summer, Johnny— How do you like that?" asked Mamma.

"Bully!" said Johnny. "Say, Ma, let's ask pop to have it a soda-water fountain."

Mrs. Brown: What color are your little boy's eyes?

Mrs. Robinson: Black generally. He's a terrible fighter.

Fair customer—"Those last oysters you sold me tasted fishy." Dealer—"I'm very sorry mum, but fact is, mum oysters are very sociable creatures, mum, and spends most of their time gallivantin around with fishes.

He—"Will you marry me?" She—"Do you drink rum?" He— No; do you chew gum?"

Young Sprigg—"Mr. Bidquick, I am worth £5,000, and I love your daughter." Mr. Bidquick (retired auctioneer)— "Sold."

A helping hand—One with money in it.

Be sure and read our Comic Corner in our GRAND CHRISTMAS number.

It will be very funny. Subscription price only 15 cents per year.

A figure of speech—A talking dall.

"Alas!" said the tramp, "I am hungry and sore;

Is there no one to pity my plight?"

"Oh, yes," cried the dog, as he sharpened his teeth,

"Come in and I'll give you a bite."

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 10 Cts. is a monthly magazine for country boys. Special rates 2 for 3 mos. 10 cents.
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 THE GREAT ADVERTISING BUREAU,
 20 West Fifth St., Detroit, Mich.

Got His License.

From The Washington Evening Star.

"Boss, is dis yere de place whar yer buys lisenens fur gittin married by?" asked a young negro of Clerk Meigs at the city hall yesterday afternoon.

"This is the place, young man," the genial clerk replied. "Whats is your name, please?"

"Taint fur myself dat I wants it fur, 'Deed yer is wrong dar, boss. I wants it fur er fren of mine over in Georgetown, what is goin' ter marry Liza Jones tonight; dat is, ef dar ain't no law agin marryin' on Fridays. Sim Smith, he'lows dat dar is. But I tol' him dat law didn't tech Georgetown folks, nowise. An Ise right, ain't I boss?"

"Well" replied Mr. Meigs, "the law of superstition is against marriages on Fridays, but I feel you are correct in stating that it does not 'tech' the good people of Georgetown."

"I knowed yer'd 'stain me, judge yer honor. I knowed dar wuz two different laws fur Washington and Georgetown, fer yer only gits 15 days in Georgetown far de same 'fence that yer gits 30 days in Washington. I knows, for I'se tried 'em befo."

Make dat lisenens for Henry Jeems Johnson an' 'Liza Jones, please, sah."

"Both live in Georgetown?" asks Mr. Meigs as he proceeds to fill out the desired document.

"Yes, sah; bofe of us—I mean dey bofe liv's dah, sah."

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

In the new discovery for photography in natural colors, when the prints are viewed by transmitted in place of reflected light, each color is replaced by its complementary one.

The use of electric cranes is growing rapidly since it has been found

that they are comparatively economical, easy to work at a moment's notice.

In Massachusetts electric light companies are compelled by law to place tags upon their wires so that linemen and other workmen may easily distinguish the different classes of wires.

An Oregon man plowed his field with a steam engine, turning over the soil at the rate of 16 acres a day.

If he wants to tear up the soil any faster he will have to harness a thunder-bolt.

According to a German authority it has been found that zinc will rapidly corrode when in contact with brick work. To prevent this, roofing felt is placed between the zinc and the brick work.

Mr. R. W. Wood, Jr., has submitted ice at melting point to a pressure of 20 tons per square inch without liquifying it. He concludes, therefore, that the peculiar motions of glacial ice cannot be due to a layer of pressure molten water beneath the mass.

Business Men!

Send for our prices on job printing before ordering elsewhere.

We can save you MONEY.

Send stamp for reply.

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Fact and Fancy.

I fancy I've done some dreadful deed;
Wild terror my footsteps haunt.
Spectres assail me where'er I go.
With skeleton fingers gaunt,
I know I settled that old tom cat
That howled on our garden wall;
No doubt I have view'd with stern de-
light

The fact of that warriors fall.
I fancy ther's danger on my track;
No rest, no peace on earth—
Just punishment for the wicked act.
That my evil heart gave birth.
I know that I told our neighbor when
She for that feline pet would call,
I'd not even heard his evening song
Steal o'er our garden wall.

—GORDEN PALMER.—

Makes Clerks Weary.

Stick Your Stamp Like a Porous
Plaster—on the Back.

From the N. Y. World.

"It makes me swear."

"It's the most senseless fad in the
world."

The postoffice clerk went on: "Some
fool has discovered that the most un-
gainly place in the world for a post-
age stamp is in the middle of the en-
velope, where the flap is glued down."

"I see."

"It's a fad now. You must stick your
stamp in the middle of the back of the
envelope."

"Like a porous plaster."

"Exactly. Oh, don't the stamp
clerks rage! They lose hours of time
turning over letters and hunting for
stamps. I'll resign if the foot-killer
doesn't get to work."

"Must be very annoying?"

"Well, I should say it is. For heav-
en's sake don't spread this awful fever.

I suppose next the idiots 'll hide
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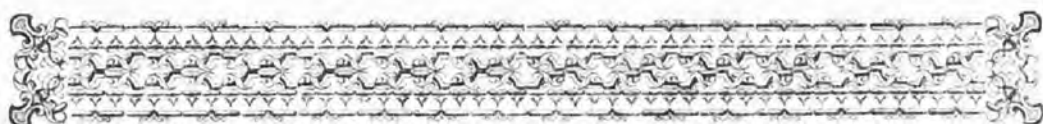
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DICK.

BY EDWARD S. ELLIS.

CHAPTER I.

A veteran teacher once remarked that a lad who had no mischief in his make-up would never amount to much in life. This may be true in most cases, though we know that the rule is by no means an invariable one.

Some of the greatest men that ever lived have been thoughtful, studious and reserved from boyhood. Nevertheless, I love to see a lad with a good share of mischievous propensity, provided it is of the innocent kind.

Dick VanWinkle was the liveliest pupil I ever had. He sometimes sorely tried his teachers and was continually under discipline. His demerits were appalling in number and the reproofs from parents and instructors beyond estimate; but, for all that, though he did not study half the time, he was at the head of his class and was so good-natured that we all loved him.

It was some months before the appearance of the stupendous comet of 1858, in the heavens. The splendid visitor had been predicted long before by the astronomers and everybody was looking for it. It was the subject of talk among the boys and many expressed doubts about its coming.

One day, the principal of the school subjected Dick's class to a rigid examination. It was so sharp in fact, that for once, Dick was caught off his guard

and broke down on a question in arithmetic that he had answered a score of times. He demurely resumed his seat and gave way to a classmate named Pierce. The latter was of a more sluggish temperament and keeping his poise, answered with admirable correctness. The principal tried every way possible to corner him, but he never hesitated. Finally the examiner stopped with the remark:

"When Pierce fails in his lessons, the comet is coming."

Silence followed, and the classes were dismissed to their rooms. Some days later, the board of trustees visited the school in a body and the principal, anxious to make a creditable showing, brought Pierce forward. But this time, the presence of so many august listeners flustered him. He paused on the first question and stood with a wan smile unable to answer. While everybody was waiting, Dick from his seat in the rear of the room, raised his hand. His handsome face was as grave as a Judge's. The principal nodded toward him and said:

"Well, Richard, what is it?"

He leaped fully a foot from the floor and shouted:

"The comet's coming!"

Though every one laughed, he sat down without a smile. When the principal explained matters to the board, they joined in the mirth as heartily as the rest.

We used Smith's Grammar in these days. Perhaps some of my readers will recall one of the first rules in the book, which is in these words:

"The indefinite article 'a' or 'an' belongs to nouns in the singular num

ber."

When Dick was called upon to give this rule, he rendered the last clause "in the singular or plural number." "You are wrong," said the principal. Dick was the picture of innocent surprise.

"I don't see why I am," he said in an injured voice.

"The indefinite article belongs to nouns in the singular number only, not in the plural."

"Isn't it right ever to place an indefinite article before a plural noun?" asked Dick, who was still standing, with every eye fixed upon him.

"Never firmly replied the principal.

"I've heard Doctor Briggs do so."

Now Doctor Briggs was the president of the board of visitors and Dick was a member of his Sunday School.

He flushed slightly, but he liked the boy and with a smile, kindly asked:

"Will you please tell me when I did so, Richard?"

"Why every time you finish the prayer, you say a-men."

Dick's witty reply stopped proceedings for several minutes.

While every one was laughing, the rogue sat down and looked around with a quaint expression, which seemed to say he saw no cause for such levity.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

BOTANY TERM;

OR

HOW BILL SECURED A SPECIMEN.

BY WM. H. ERB.

Vacation came and Bill Larkins was anything but ready and willing to leave the place. Not because he did not like to go home, but because he would greatly miss the Miss.

He could not help but express his

feelings one evening to Colonel Sedgewick. "Mr. Larkins," answered the Colonel slapping Bill gently on the shoulder, "Mr. Larkins, I tell you, you can't spend your vacation at home.

"I say you can't."

Bill knew what the Colonel meant but Bill did not know what to answer him. Bill smiled.

"Stay with us" continued the Colonel, "with me and Mary. She will be pleased."

"Thank you, Colonel," answered elated Bill, "but I have to see my parents first before I can answer."

"Certainly Mr. Larkins," replied the Colonel, "don't do anything without consulting your parents."

After commencement, Bill went home and spent a few weeks of the summer vacation there. But there was another place, he desired to visit and which had an irresistible attraction for him. He had to spend a few weeks with Colonel Sedgewick and family. Bill went and stayed there a great part of his vacation. The saying is that "Familiarity beeds contempt; but in this case it was the contrary.

The more Mary and Bill were together, the more intimate they became.

One day while the two happy ones were strolling along the bank of the river, they came to the foot log, where Bill had secured such a wet specimen—Mary.

"If it had not been for you," began Mary gazing awhile at the roaring falls, "I would now be slumbering in the village grave-yard."

Tears came unbidden to her blue eyes.

"No, no, Mary," said Bill trying to console her, "it was the Divine will that I should be there and save you." After a few minutes of silent reflection, Bill continued.

Everything is working for some

cause," and then he looked as sheepish as a school-boy declaiming "Mary had a little lamb."

She blushed and said,

"I believe it, but what was the reason that I should tumble in the river?"

"That we should be washed together," answered Bill becoming warm in the subject. She answered not but turned her eyes to the setting sun.

He took her hands at Cupid's request, and passionately said, "Mary dear you are now able to repay me; will you be my wife?"

"Yes Bill," answered she.

Curtain drops.

Tableau.

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Bill has his specimen.

THE END.

CHRISTMAS BELLS.

By EDGAR DEAN MELVILLE.

Listen to the ringing of the bells
This merry Christmas Morn,
As they sweetly chime
In every clime,
Sounding glad tidings of the day
On which our Lord was born.

Listen to the story of the bells,
Of the bells that sweetly ring,
Tolling the joyous news
Of hope and mirth,
Blessings of our Saviour's birth
And praises the people sing.

The merry chatter of boys and girls
And men and women, old and young
Resemble the chimes of the bells
That sweetly ring;
Bless our King!
Is the message of the knells.

FAREWELL KISSES.

"Only one more kiss," he said,
"Before we each depart;
To-morrow dear you may be dead—
A blow that would break my heart."

A murmur softly 'scaped her lips,
Which meant to go ahead;
The young man in great delight
Straightway the kiss he lead.

The clock is striking twelve,
He lingers still in bliss,
Also in hopes of getting
Another farewell kiss.

EDGAR DEAN MELVILLE

The Old Hamilton Homestead.

A correspondent of the Savannah Morning News who recently visited St. Simon's Island made a trip to the old Cannon Point house at the upper end of the island. The Cannon Point house was owned and occupied by Alexander Hamilton in the early part of the present century. It is an old tabby building, and must have been a very handsome one in its day. The rooms are twenty-four feet square with 16-foot ceilings. It is said that it was at this house where the ill-feeling between Hamilton and Aaron Burr, which ended in the celebrated duel resulting in Hamilton's death, was first generated. Burr was Hamilton's guest at the time. He wrote his name and the date upon a pane of glass in a window of the front parlor of the house, probably with a diamond ring, and the name remains to-day as when it was written:

"Aaron Burr, Feb. 7, 1804."

The old house is untenanted and has fallen into decay.

Detroit Free Press.

Christmas Day at Topaz.

BY EDGAR DEAN MELVILLE.

Topaz, a small town in the far west, contains two of the jolliest boys, we believe, in existence. They are cousins reside opposite each other on the same street, are both nearly of the same age, and last, but not least, both look enough alike to be twins.

Tom Spaulding, the eldest of our heroes, was sixteen years and three months old, and Charley Daniel, the youngest, was sixteen years and one month old, so you see there was very little difference in their ages.

It was the day before Christmas; the earth, in this section, was thickly covered with snow. Tom and Charley were out, hugely enjoying themselves with their sleds, on a neighboring hill. Among the merry crowd of young people who were indulging in the sport on the hill where Tom and Charley were, was one small boy, who, shabbily dressed, looked wistfully on.

He had no sled with which to enjoy himself, poor fellow, and as one looked at his honest face and perceived the frequent smiles that lighted his noble looking features up, as it were, it seemed that he really took delight in the joyous shouts of laughter and merry chatter of the young folks as they went speeding down the hill.

And yet, intermingled with his smiles, a look of sadness could now and then be discerned lingering on his brow. This poor lad's name was John Walden. His mother, a hard working widow woman, sustained herself and only child by taking in washing and ironing. John, being an industrious boy, embraced every opportunity offered in earning money in the

way of doing odd chores etc. He was fifteen years old, but very small for his age. However, we will return to where we left John in the scene on the hill. He was thinking about returning home when he saw Tom Spaulding and Charley Daniel advancing toward him. "Hallo! John," they both exclaimed at the same time. John was quite bewildered for a few seconds. To be thus accosted by sons of wealthy people, whom his mother washed and ironed for, surprised him not a little. However, he quickly regained his composure and answered their salute in a cheery manner.

"Charley and I are going home," said Tom, "and seeing you have no sled with you I come to offer you mine for use the remainder of the day."

John in a gentlemanly manner, accepted the kind offer. On the way home Charley suggested that they each give half and purchase a nice sled and present it to John as a Christmas gift.

I had the same idea in mind and was going to say something to you about it but it so happens that you spoke of the matter first, said Tom.

To both of these noble hearted boys finally agreed to each pay half of the expenses and buy a sled for John and present it to him at his home on the morning of the Christmas Day.

John spent about two hours sledding on the hill and then returned the sled to Tom's home. Morning came at last. At eight o'clock Tom and Charley could be seen wending their footsteps toward John's home, trailing a brand new sled with them over the snow.

Arriving at their destination Tom knocked on the door.

Mrs. Walden answered the summons to whom the boys stated their mission, left the sled, and departed for their homes.

John, who had been doing chores for an elderly gentleman up the street, returned about nine o'clock and great was his surprise indeed to find the sled awaiting him.

Mrs. Walden had promised the boys not to tell her son who brought the sled, unless he guessed aright.

And it was Tom and Charley whom John first thought of in connection with the present.

With the exception of the Christmas gift from his mother, he prized the sled more than any of the few he received.

Insurance Statistics.

Some of the insurance statistics recently compiled in Germany are an interesting study. They relate to the probabilities of life. The average duration of life is thirtyseven years, but those who are approaching that age need feel no anxiety, for they should remember that they have passed the real danger period, which is during minority. Over a quarter of each generation die before attaining the age of 17. Of 1,006 people born only six will be likely to pass the age of 65.

If you want to increase your chances of life, marry, for, as a rule, married men live longer than bachelors. The later, however, claim some compensating advantages. More women reach the age of 59 than men, but after that period the stronger sex has the best of it. Tall persons live longer than short, and those born in the spring have sounder constitutions than those born at any other season.

Great Young Men.

Charles James Fox was in Parliament at 19.

The great Cromwell left the univer-

sity at Cambridge at 18.

John Bright was never at any school a day after he was 15 years old.

Gladstone was in Parliament at 22, and at 24 was Lord of the Treasury.

Lord Bacon graduated at Cambridge at 16 and was called to the bar at 21.

Peel was in Parliament at 21, and Palmerston was Lord of the Admiralty at 23.

Henry Clay was in the Senate of the United States, contrary to the Constitution, 29.

Washington was a colonel in the army at 22, commander of the forces at 42, President at 57.

Judge Story was at Harvard at 15, in Congress at 29, and judge of the Supreme Court of the United States at 32.

Martin Luther had become largely distinguished at 24, and at 56 had reached the topmost round of his world wide fame.

Webster was in college at 15, gave evidence of his great future before he was 25, and at 30 he was the peer of the ablest man in Congress.

Morris of Saxony died at 32, conceded to have been one of the profoundest statesmen and one of the best generals Christendom had seen.

Napoleon at 25 commanded the army of Italy. At 30 he was not only one of the most illustrious generals of the time, but one of the great law givers of the world. At 46 he saw Waterloo.

The great Louis X. was Pope at 38. Having finished his academic training he took the office of cardinal at 18, only twelve months younger than was Charles James Fox when he entered Parliament.

William Pitt entered the ministry at 14, was Chancellor of the Exchequer at 22, Prime Minister at 24, and so continued for twenty years, and when 35 was the most powerful uncrowned head in Europe.--(Young Men's Era.

The Instincts of Trees.

Everyone has observed how certain kinds of trees in a forest reach upward and outward for the sunlight. They cannot exist without it, and amid the crowd of competitors by which they are surrounded, they have a hard struggle to obtain the life-giving beams. Some kinds of trees which do not require much sunshine often envelop and half smother those which require more, and which are compelled to run up their trunks to a great height in order that their crown of leaves may be exposed to the light. Frequently such trees resemble tall columns when viewed from the isles of the forest below, as no branches appear upon their trunks until they have attained the top of the surrounding foliage. But if one would use his eyes to the best advantage, it is not enough to observe merely that some trees reach after the light more eagerly than others do. The difference in the kind of trees that behave thus should be noted. Poplars, walnuts, hickories, willows, birches, pines and locusts thirst for the sunlight, and cannot thrive unless they have plenty of it.

Yews, beeches and spruces thrive in the shade. The reader would find a most interesting study in noting the preferences shown by different trees in this respect. Their instinct in following the dictates which nature has given them sometimes appears almost as surprising as that exhibited by animals.—[Youth's Companion.

A Batch of Reporters.

Five newspaper reporters were gathered in one of the public offices of the City Hall the other day, and conversa-

tion turned upon the occupations followed by each before his entry upon the work of journalism. It turned out that one had been a doctor of divinity, another a doctor of medicine, the third an officer in the army, the fourth a sailor in the navy and the fifth the captain of a Mississippi River steamboat.

Caught On The Fly.

There are only 40,000 Hawaiian islanders left. Fifty years ago there were 80,000.

Blue eyed boys are more frequently lost than those having brown or black eyes.

There are 46,000 oil wells in the United States, which produce about 130,000 barrels of oil per day.

The air is so rarified at Leadville, Colorado, that cats cannot live there. Rats are numerous, however.

A rattlesnake with 2 heads has been captured in California. It has fanges in both its mouths.

An electrical device now used on vessels gives warning when deviations are made from the proper course.

Sand bars along the Missouri afford a suggestion of how much real estate annually goes to ruin in this way.

A tomato vine at San Monica, California, to the top of a cottage, and its blossoms and fruit cover 55 feet above ground.

A Birmingham, Ala., girl, 5 years old, weighs 100 pounds. She is 43 inches tall and measures 43 inches around the waist.

Canadians are pouring into the United States. On one train the other day there were 536, who intend to live hereafter in the states.

Brazil was discovered in 1486, and was settled first by the Spaniards in 1615. Holland made a settlement in

1624, but her land was seized in 1654 by Portugal.

The largest bell in the world is the great bell at Moscow. Its circumference at the bottom is nearly 68 feet and its height more than 21 feet. The thickest part is 23 inches thick, it weighs 433,712 pounds and has never been rung.

There are somewhat over 100 independent malt factories (not including those connected with breweries), in Austria-Hungary, 50 of which are in Moravia, 10 in Silesia and the rest distributed over Bohemia, lower Austria and Hungary.

The total area of Austria is 300,024.38 square kilometres; that of Hungary, 322,285.3 square kilometres, and of Bosnia and Herzegovina, 53,677 square kilometres, making a total of 675,946.41 square kilometres, or 261,998.51 square miles.

Austria is the home of a conglomeration of separate races and nationalities. Its 22,000,000 inhabitants speak the following languages, besides various idioms: German, Czech, Polish, Ruthenian, Slavonian, Italian, Croatian and Hungarian.

In the year 1888, according to the *Economiste Français*, there were 23,472 divorces in the United States, or nearly 4,000 more than were granted in France, England, Italy, Germany, Holland, Sweden, Norway, Roumania and Canada put together.

The mormons who fled to Mexico about five years ago are flourishing in their new homes. They are settled a little east of the Sierra Madre mountains, in about 30° north latitude, where fertile Casas Grandes valley gives them plenty of rich land to till.

Some of these settlers made homes further east, but they are returning to the larger settlements near the mountains, where the climate is better and crops are easier to raise. Polygam-

ous marriages, it is said, are contracted there with impunity.

The total population of Austria, according to the last census, taken Dec. 21, 1880, was 22,144,244; and of Hungary by the same census was 15,738,468; and that of Bosnia and Herzegovina was 1,142,147; making a total population for the empire of Austria-Hungary of 39,027,859.

The new city library in Chicago will occupy the block bounded by Michigan avenue, Washington and Randolph streets and Dearborn place.

It will cost \$1,750,000, and the frontage will be 355 feet, depth 147 feet high 102 feet. The library will be arranged to hold 500,000 volumes. It now contains over 170,000 volumes.

It is worthy of remark that the total area of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy, including the occupied Turkish provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina, is, next to Russia, the largest country of Europe; but it is only third in population, the empires of Russia and Germany numbering more inhabitants. The area of Austria-Hungary is 13,000 square miles less than that of Texas.

There are hundreds of thousands of islands. There are over 1,000 islands under the flag of Japan, and in Georgian bay, the north extension of Lake Huron, where we find very few islands on the map, there are in reality several thousand islands, most of them, of course, quite small. It was among these beautiful wooded little islands that the Huron Indians took refuge when they were assailed, in 1649, by their implacable foes, the Iroquois.

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A SCHOOL-GIRL PRANK AND HOW IT RESULTED

BY SARAH B. HEBEK.

CHAPTER II.

“Good gracious! Min, d’ye wait to smother me?” ejaculated Nell as soon as she regained her breath; and Minnie jokingly answered “No, not to-day, dear, s’m’other day.” “You needn’t mind about springing any more of your jokes on unsuspecting innocence like me,” laughed Lu Sherman coming from behind another tree whence issued a group of merry, rollicking girls who altogether formed the league known as the “SPORTIVE SIX” or Non Spondulix” as they were nick-named by the High School boys on one occasion when a collection for the Indian Mission was being taken up at the school and not a single one of the “Six” was able to contribute a cent as the League treasury was empty (which, by the way was not an uncommon state of affairs). “Minnie ought to contribute to a Humorous paper, Puck or Judge for instance,” said Fannie Carsley another worthy member of the league.

“Oh, they wouldn’t have her,” responded Jennie Rollins quickly. “She’s entirely *too* p(h)unny.” —“Well, well,” laughed Lu (she was always laughing), “what shall we do with two such wits as Min and Jennie in the league? We ought to make each of them subscribe ten cents towards providing this famished crew with chocolate creams or burnt almonds.

“What do you say Jen?” cried Lu giving her a gentle reminder of her whereabouts for Jennie had suddenly subsided into a brown study at the

mention of ten cents.”

“Dear me,” said that young lady, “I’ll never, never say anything funny again if it’s going to cost me a whole dime to say it. But what made you interrupt me just as I was trying to solve a problem? ‘What! you weren’t thinking of those horrid Quadratics and Logarithms were you, Jen? But then you’re good at Algebra so no wonder you think about it all the time.’

“Oh no, not an Algebra problem this time. It was just this. If a caramel and a half costs a cent and a half, how many smiles will Nell Ashton have to bestow on Charlie Burnside to get two dozen caramels for nothing?”

All the girls laughed long and gaily at this mild reference to Charlie’s liking for pretty Nell. Many were the treats which the ‘Non Spondulicks’ had enjoyed through Nell’s diplomatic use of her sweetest smiles when stopping in at the stationery and candy store, on the corner, in which Charlie was clerk.

(It is too bad, dear reader, that the romance must be spoiled right here; but it must go on;—) Amidst her blushes, Nell chewed vigorously at a huge piece of gum which had that very morning been given to her by the well meaning but unintentionally wrong doing Charlie. The fact was that Nell had become so addicted to the habit of gumchewing that,— although she was naturally good looking the continual munching and chewing of the gum was disfiguring her face more than she would believe if some kind friend told her of it. “I can’t find but seven cents in my money (?) bag,” said Lu as she extricated the pennies one by one, out of one of those tangled up affairs which girls claim are silk purses. “Nell must take some cash with her this time,” she continued, “’cause we want the goodies right away and it would take her

all day to "smile" a smile in the mood she's in now. Who else possesses any of the filthy lucre?" "I do," cried Jennie, Min and Fannie triumphantly in chorus. A general collection was taken up and it was found that the wealth of the league consisted of seventeen odd pennies, three cent pieces, and one perforated nickel.

The coins were all put into the silk purse and given to Nell who exhorted to do her best and hurry back as recess was nearly over and the new Professor was very severe in his treatment of late arrivals in the school room; besides he would be harder on any wrong-doers because it was but the second week of school. "Be sure and get lozenges, Nell."

"No! buy cream puffs," "Peper-mints!" "Hurry up!" "Remember to smile on Charlie for me;" were some of the parting instructions Nell heard as she hastened away to the candy store.

Hardly had she left the school yard, when the recess bell rang announcing that recreation was over and summoning the pupils to their studies again.

Should she go back? she asked herself. No, it would take her but an instant to reach the store, make her purchase and hurry back, unseen by the Professor, through the side-entrance.

Determined on her course, she hastened onward and had scarcely arrived at the corner when she recognized Professor Stamy's little daughter sitting quietly on the steps, munching some gummy drops which her father had evidently bought for her.—

The bell had already ceased ringing and Nell knew that if found out, she would be marked tardy,— a laggard.

There was no doubt in her mind that she would be found out for, gazing through the screen door of the store, she beheld the much-feared Prof. Stamy himself.

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NEW PUZZLES.

No. 49 SQUARE.

1. Foreshows (obs.) 2. To soil by passing through mud. 3. Gout in the shoulder. 4. A union of two written characters expressing a single sound. 5. Errors in printing. 6. A sailor.

Waterman, Ill. Columbia.

No. 50. B-HEADMENT.

Banks often break and fail to pay
When heavy ALL are on them made
And Cashiers cheat and skip away
With pockets filled for future trade
So banks of clouds are often broken
By heavy ALL of wind, and fell

To parts unknown—a certain token
That fair the morrow's sky will be
LAST on the rivers often break
In pieces, when the draught is strong
And deep disasters overtake
Their owners as they sweep along.
Du Bois, Ill. —Aspire.

No. 51. HALF-SQUARE.

1. Trees of Malabar. 2. Sky-blue. 3. Of an age suitable to marriage. 4. Anciently, a recess. 5. Shining sparks thrown off from melted brass. 6. A suffix. 7. A diphthong. 8. A letter.
Malden, Mass. —V. I. Olin.

No. 58. NUMERICAL ENIGMA.

The whole consists of 24 letters and is a line from a popular poem.

The 12, 1, is a note in music

The 23, 20, 4, 3, is pure.

The 2, 10, 11, 21, 6, is a large box.

The 14, 7, 5, 22 is offence.

The 9, 13, 8, 17 is to sound as a bell.

The 18, 19, 15, 16, 24, is to impress.

White Plains, N. Y. Louise.

No. 59. STAR.

1. A letter 2. A Latin preposition.
3. Pertaining to Aaron. 4. An ox gang. 5. One who names. 6. Made a note or memorandum. 7. Waxen (obs.) 8. Dutch (abbr.) 9. A letter.
Waterman, Ill. Solon.

PRIZES FOR SOLUTIONS.

For the first three complete or longest list of solutions to above puzzles the following prizes will be given.

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Solutions, solvers, and prize-winners announced in Feb. E F F O R T.

CHAT.

Aspire sent the only complete list of solutions to No. XI.—Solon, V. I. Olin and Columbia each 3 and Louise 2.

Literature.

—A new paper is announced to appear about Jan. 1 1892, from this city. It is to be a philatelic paper.

—The Quincy Star continues to improve.

—The Utica Investigator, (Police Gazette, Jr.) is merely a political sheet, and is a disgrace to the party it represents.

—The Landscape, Saddle Rider, N. J. is a bright little country newspaper now in its tenth year.

—The Philadelphian is the neatest paper that comes to our sanctum.

—The Stamp Collectors Companion of St. Louis Mo. fills the unexpired subscription list of the defunct Standard Philatelist.

—The American Philatelist and Collector is a hustling little paper, from Marlboro, Mass. Subscription, 25cents per annum.

—We have received the initial number of Mutual Aid, published in the interest of the Mutual Benefit Amateur Press Association. It is a well edited and printed sheet.

—After an absence of several months the Curiosity Collector is received. We trust this long delay will not again, occur Bro. Bartlett.

—The Pearl for November is a gem.

—A paper that will please all—Plain Talk, New York City. Send five cents for a sample copy.

—Cold weather compelled the Collector to don an overcoat. You look very stylish, indeed.

—We have received the following papers for November during the past months; Griffins Monthly, Quincy Star Acorn, Niagara Times, Investigator, The Philatelic Hustler, Landscape, Guilford Mail, Collectors' Monthly, Ink Drops, Dover Independent, Philadelphian, Stamp Collectors Companion, Corona News Letter, The News, The Pearl, Youth's Delight, Collector's Stamp Journal, American Philatelist and Collector, Mutual Aid, New Hampshire Philatelist, Curiosity Collector, The Pearl, Golden Moments, Metropolitan Philatelist, Stamp World Plain Talk, Canadian Philatelist, Chicago Stamp News, Public Companion, Eastern Philatelist, The Collector, Philatelic Tribune, and the following dated December, up to the time of going to press. The Echo, Guilford Mail, Monthly Visitor, Landscape, California Philatelist, Youths Exchange, and others.

Rattle snake oil is worth \$16 an ounce.

The house fly travels at a speed of 11 miles an hour.

Some one has figured that a watch ticks 160,144,000 times a year.

Sanguinite is the name for a new metal found in South America.

In 8 per cent of the married one of the parties have been married before.

The sawmills at Superior have turned out 55,000,000 feet of lumber this season.

Young woman can be purchased in West Africa for three kegs of powder and a rifle.

PHILATELIC.

THE FALKLAND ISLANDS, AND THEIR STAMPS.

The design of all the stamps issued by the Falkland Islands is the same, and consists of the heads of Queen Victoria in an oval, with Falkland Islands at the top in half circle, and the value in words and figures at the bottom. The first stamps issued by these islands were in 1878, and consisted of three values: 1 penny, claret, 6 pence, green, 1 shilling, brown. In 1879 a 4 pence stamp, dark gray, was issued.

In 1884 a 1 penny, claret, and 4 pence, gray brown, watermarked crown and C. A. were issued. The next issue was in 1886, when a 1 penny, claret, 4 pence, gray and 6 pence, black, watermarked Crown and C. A. sideways, were issued. The present year, the 1 penny, claret was cut in half, and each half surcharged $\frac{1}{2}$ d. and to meet the demand for a half penny stamp, until the new half penny, green and two and one half pence, blue, which were recently issued had arrived. The Falkland Islands is a group of about 200 islands lying in the South Atlantic Ocean, about 300 miles east of the entrance to the straits of Magellan. The area is about 6,000 square miles, and the population about 1500. East and West Falkland are the only islands of any size, the remainder being very small. The former contains about 3000 sq. miles, the latter about 2000. The only settlement in the whole group, is at Stanley, on the north-east coast of East Falkland. It has an excellent harbor.

The Islands were discovered by John Davis, in 1592. The French set-

tled on Berkeley Sound, in East Falkland in 1764, and the English at Port Egmont, West Falkland, in 1766.

The Islands later, were abandoned by both countries, Buenos Ayers took possession of East Falkland in 1820, but later gave it up to Great Britain, and it is now a British Colony.

PHILATELIC NOTES.

This department will hereafter, be conducted by A.H. Crittenden, of Detroit, who will endeavor to make it interesting, and instructing to all. All collectors are invited to send in their subscription, now, as the paper will be enlarged in Feb. and the subscription price advanced.

The Michigan Philatelic Association was organized in Detroit, Dec. 2nd.

The following officers were elected: Pres't. Dr. Geo. F. Heath, of Monroe; Vice Pres't J. C. Valkenburg, of Manchester. Secy. A. H. Crittenden of Detroit. Treas. A. W. Shaw, of Jackson. Librarian, H. W. Boers, of Detroit. Exchange Supt. Henry Mc. Connell, of Clarion. The dues were placed at 50 cents a year. All honest collectors are invited to join. Apply to the Secy. A. H. Crittenden, 101 Leverette St. Detroit, Mich. for application blanks.

The Detroit Philatelic Society was also organized Nov. 23d and now has 20 members, all of whom are also members of the M. P. A. This society will be Branch No. 1. of the M. P. A. Officers are: Pres. A. H. Crittenden, V. P. Chas. Henze. Secy. H. W. Boers. Treas. Theo. Q. Pardee. Librarian. R. E. Smith. Exchange Mgr. R. S. Appleton. This society meets every other Monday evening.

Christmas Cookies.

"If I gave you a quarter, what would you do with it?" asked Uncle John. "Spend it of course," replied Tommy; "that's all it's good for."

Comedian—"I've bad news for you, old man; our leading lady, your wife, has eloped with the bill poster."

Manager—"Horrible! How are we ever to get that next billed?"

Mrs. Brown—"It's foolish for your father to sleep during the sermon."

Little Johnnie—"No, it ain't, ma. It's only foolish for him to wake up while the basket is going around."

A man who always has his business at his fingers end—the pick-pocket.

"Mamma," asked Freddie, "has the Adam's apple of an author got a literary taste?"

A Defective Memory.

Wickers—"I do not know what is the matter with me. My memory is getting so treacherous that I cannot trust it from one week to the next."

Wickers—"Is that so? I say, can you lend me \$10 for about thirty days?"

Inquisitive stranger: Excuse me, sir; but I'd like to know what time the 10:30 train leaves for the west?

Polite stranger: Sorry, sir, but I have no watch.

Mamma (raising the slipper:) Willie, my son—

Willie (across the maternal knee:) Spank away, mamma, but don't give me that old gag about it's hurting you worse'n it hurts me.

Hicks—"What an intelligent animal a dog is! See Ponto now. How thoughtful he gazes into my face! What do you suppose he is thinking of?" Wicks—"I don't know. Per-

haps he is thinking if he was a man he wouldn't be such a fool as to keep a dog."

Tom Bigbee—"I beg your pardon, Hoffy, but what in thunder's the matter with your clothes?"

Hoffman Howes—"My deah fellah, they were made on the otha side."

Tom Bigbee—"Oh! then why not turn them the other side out?"

"Well, Harris, did you call on Maud's father?"

"I did."

"How did you come out?"

"I've been trying to remember. It was so sudden, I don't know whether it was by the window or the elevated shaft."

The dust has been laid. Its name is mud.

Cheap living—A slice of wind with a fried snowball. Pickled ice as a relish.

Policeman: Mrs. McGinnis, I have locked your husband up for drunk again and he wants you to come and bail him out.

Mrs. McGinnis: I'll no bail the brute out. Hang him up by the heels and let it run out.

Force of Example

Say, Annie, let us play keeping house then we will fight like our mamma's do.

Tommy (to new arrival) "Are you Mr. Doose?" The Guest—"No, my boy.

That's not my name. Why?"

Tommy—"Cause, when sister looked out the window and saw you coming, she said, 'O! the Doose!'"

"What would you do if you were in my shoes?" asked the perplexed Chicago girl of her St. Louis friend.

"Change them for a smaller pair," was the consoling reply.

What Is Inside The Earth.

Many scientific men are devoting their lives to finding out all that can be learned about the interior of this wonderful globe of ours. One of the interesting problems on which they are engaged is the depth and geological limits of the permanently frozen soil.

The British Association has collected a large amount of data on this question. It has already told us some curious things, such as the fact that excellent wheat lands north of Manitoba overlies frozen earth that never thaws.

Some geologists find strata of rock that they are able to show must have been buried at a remote age 10,000 feet under the surface. These upturned edges of rock, which some terrible convulsion lifted to the air, give us a glimpse of the condition of the interior some way below the greatest depth to which we can attain. The workmen in the deepest mines in Europe swelter in almost intolerable heat, and yet they have never penetrated over one-seventh-thousandth part of the distance from the surface to the center of the earth. In the lower levels of some of the Comstock mines the men fought scalding water, and could labor only three or four hours at a time, until the Sutra Tunnel pierced the mines and drew off some of the terrific heat, which had been 120 degrees.

The deepest boring ever made—that at Spenberg, near Berlin—penetrates only 4,172 feet about 1,000 feet deeper than the famous artesian well at St. Louis. The result of this imperfect knowledge is that there are more theories and disputes among scientific men with regard to the interior of the earth than about any other problem of physical science. Some eminent physicists, for instance like Sir William Thompson, have believed that the crust of the earth is at least 100

miles thick. The majority adduce good reasons for believing that the crust is only twenty-five to fifty miles thick. All agree that the temperature within the earth continues to increase as it does near the surface—at the rate of one degree, Fahrenheit, for about every fifty-five feet of descent.

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DICK.

BY EDWARD S. ELLIS.

CHAPTER II.

Dick was irrepressible that day. The best of it was, he outshone every pupil in scholarship and easily held his place at the head. The principal was just a little nettled, at the way in which, without the least appearance of disrespect, the lad had parried more than one attack. He gave him the hardest problems when sent to the blackboard, but Dick went through them all unerringly and came out first in every instance.

Suddenly I asked him to name the different genders, as given in most of the grammars. I knew from the sparkle of his blue eyes, that something original was coming.

This was his startling answer:

"There are five: masculine, feminine, common, neuter and compound."

"Be kind enough to give me an illustration of the compound gender," I added, certain that he was ready.

"Parents, mates," he answered, with the faintest smile. He had thought the matter out, I am sure days before, and was patiently waiting for a chance to spring it on us.

"Well," I replied, "I agree with you, for there is more reason in what you say than in many statements in grammar."

Now all this was enjoyable in its

way, and Dick was one of the finest characters I ever knew, but I trembled for him. He could not help knowing he was bright, talented and witty, and that he had nothing to fear in way of repartee from any one; but the danger was that he was liable to become one of those smart young men, who delight in saying sharp things, without a thought of the wounds they inflict on those who are less ready than they. Furthermore, the love of mischief, which is so natural with many youths, continually tempts them to cross the line of innocent fun and do that which is not only destructive to manly honor, but is attended with actual personal danger.

It is a pleasure to me to feel that I was the means of helping Dick in this direction. I had many talks with him and warned him of his peril. I was surprised to learn that he had seen and felt it.

"I may get a good deal of fun out of my weakness," he said when he was older," but I am always afraid of going too far. If I hurt the feelings of another, the sting would be greater to me than to him."

It was shortly after this remark, that Dick did a thing for which I took pains to commend him before the whole school. He had no suspicion that I knew of it, and I tried to use the incident as an illustration of a vital truth.

"Last evening," I said "while walking down Main Street, I was the witness of a mean and of a noble act. A young lady, dressed in the height of fashion, was passing, unconscious that

the tittering and laughter which followed her was caused by anything in her appearance. But some person had pinned it to her coat, without her knowledge, a placard with the words in large letters. For Sale, Cheap for Cash.

"I do not know who did the cruel act, nor do I want to know, but before I could interfere, a boy slipped up to her, snatched off the card, and, as she turned her head, raised his hat politely and said, 'Miss, some one pinned this to your coat and I hope you will pardon me for removing it.' Even in doing that, the lad showed his innate delicacy, for he held the card so as to prevent her seeing the cruel words on it.

She thanked him and passed on, while Dick VanWinkle—for it was he—tore the paste board into pieces and flung them into the street. The man or boy who thus insulted a lady had not the slightest claim to being a gentleman, while the boy who did as I have told you is one of the truest gentlemen living.

Every eye was turned admiringly toward Dick, as I finished, and what did the brave little fellow do, but bend his head on the desk and give way to tears?

I was afraid I had not handled the subject with good judgment, but Dick afterwards told me that it was the turning point in his life, for it made him so watchful that he was sure he never would err in the direction I feared. Some weeks later, Doctor Briggs, the president of the board gave an entertainment at his home at which were present the teachers and members of the senior class.

At the dinner, everything went pleasantly, and toward the close Colonel Smith, a leading lawyer of the town, rose to make an address. He was a ponderous gentleman, given to highflown words, and whose eloquence was of the most oppressive kind. All dreaded the infliction, for we knew he

would not only be uninteresting but tediously long. That, however, is one of the mild afflictions of life at which we must not complain, and we gave him as close attention, as though he were one of the first orators of the land.

Dick sat within a couple of seats of Colonel Smith, while another gentleman was immediately on the other side. As the speaker gave signs of nearing the close of his speech, his right hand neighbor made a slight movement, which was noticed by several near him. They smiled and nodded approvingly and an air of expectancy lit up their faces. I did not suspect what it meant, but I noticed that Dick was also interested, and moved his chair back and partly faced the speaker, as though making ready for some sudden action. The orator wound up with a glowing peroration, and with a wave of his hand, seated pompously back and sank down toward his chair. At that moment, his neighbor drew his support from under him. Nothing would have been more ridiculous than his fall, had it taken place, and it would have been greeted with roars of laughter by the unfeeling witnesses.

But Dick VanWinkle saved him.

He read aright the slight preliminary movements of the thoughtless individual, and, at the instant the chair was flung backward, Dick bounded from his own. Afraid that the support would be held by the man in such a way that he could not return it to place in time, he did not try to do so.

Instead, he slipped his arms beneath those of the unsuspecting speaker, and, bracing himself, prevented him from falling. It was a great shock to the youth, for the lawyer was a heavy man, but Dick did his duty like a hero. Then turning toward the practical joker, who was half angry, because his anticipated fun was spoiled, he said, "You are the meanest per-

son I ever knew; you might have killed him."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Puzzle 'Em,

NUMBER XLII.

Conducted by *Castranova*.

All are invited to contribute to this department. Address all matter to S. Cashman, Box 42, New Chester, Pa.

NEW PUZZLES.

No. 54. CHARADE.

In ancient LAST
When Spring was past
And the twos had burst in the sun:
In the COMPLETE
The horses meet,
And all are eager to run.
There, PRIME to PRIME,
In summer time,
The horses tried their mettle,
With heightened pace
They madly race
The victor's claims to settle.
Malden, Mass. V. I. Olin.

No. 55. HEXAGON.

1, A thick mat or hassock.
2, Around. 3, Flew aloft. 4, A right of digging turf on another man's land.
5, An Irishman, in contempt. 6, Cudgels. 7, Ferment.
Waterman, Ill. Columbia.

No. 56. ANAGRAM.

Boys! here's a ten-legged animal;
It surely will not escape;
Its back is as hard as hard pan
Which is surely an ODD CHAP.
Waterman, Ill. Solon.

No. 57. STAR.

1, A letter. 2, A pronoun. 3, A puzzle. 4, Darkness. 5, Helps. 6, Obligations. 7, Perfume. 8, A state. (abbr.)
9, A letter.
Utica, N. Y. Oldecastle.

No. 58. CROSSWORD.

In strong not in weak
In French not Greek
In early and late
In easy not in hard
In feet not in yard
In forty not in ten
In women not in men
In river not in lake
In batter not in cake
The WHOLE recommends itself to all.
West Chester, O. Ray.

No. 59. METAGRAM.

By changing the first letter you have respectively, painful; lacerated; instruction; again; coming first; to be absorbed; produced; consumed by use; the inner part and long ago.
White Plains, N. Y. Louise.


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