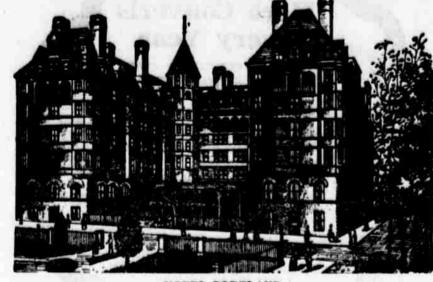
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stealing.

it all out, and the only thing that worried him was getting hungry; but he

reasoned that if he stayed on the farm his grandmother would have to give

him his food, and so if he took a certain amount in a box it would not be

When this was decided upon, there seemed nothing to be feared, and he

went at once to the kitchen to see what

he could find. He planned to start the next morning, and as he might not

have an opportunity to take food then,

long tunnel in the hay that he had

built the day before, and into this he

crawled and hid away the box. He was

sure now of overcoming all obstacles,

and so he thought he would enjoy him-

self. He began a play he knew very

well—hunting for tigers in an African

jungle. It is a pleasant game for lone-

ly little boys, and a haymow is an ex-

Jerry crawled farther away into the nay, and just as in imagination he was

coming upon a tiger, he felt the hay

settling beneath his feet, and he began

to slide down-down. He called out,

but no one heard, and when his feet

at last came to the ground, he found bimself in a small room that appar-

ently had been once a stall. There was

rude sort of door, and against this he

pushed with all his strength, but it re-

fused to give way. He was terribly

frightened, for he did not know how

far he might be from the front of the

barn, and he knew if he could not

make his presence known he would be

in a worse plight than feeling lonely in

his neat little bed in the porch cham-

There was a small window high above

his head, and with all his strength he

called again and again. The shadows began to fall, and far away he heard the cattle come into the barn and dis-

tant rumbling of carts. After a time

this died away, and all was still. He

flung himself down on the rough boards

then that they were looking for him,

and he called out. This time be was

heard, for the men were passing the

back of the barn on their way to the

the box of food, and why it was hidden

"That would have been too bad," said

nuch better it seemed now to be on

her knee than going back to the city,

"because mother is coming to-morrow,

and father is coming Saturdays, just

as he used to do. If you had gone

away you would have missed them."

Jerry could only hide his face on

grandmother's comfortable shoulder

and whisper many, many promises.-

eight years.

in the hay.

Youth's Companion.

cellent place to play it.

be decided to hide it in the barn.



Two little rosebuds bloom side by side Close to the garden wall; One just reaches the wicket gate; The other is not so tall.

One stands here the whole year through And one comes and goes at her will; One never speaks nor moves from her place, While the other is never still.

One little rosebud grows on a bush, The other runs round on two feet; But both are rosebuds just the same-Very rare, and so very sweet.



Jerry's Imprisonment.

Little Jerry was staying with grand-He liked the farm when mother was there; but when he had been sent there because mother was sick-then the shadows behind the barn looked decidedly dreary and the little chirping tree-toads under his window made a lonesome sound. He tried to be very brave and not to mind, but the days were long.

to run away home and tell mother all about it. He wondered if people cared the same when they were sick, and if she were able to take him on her knee grandma, when she had heard how and smooth it all out.

From thinking these things it presently seemed quite right to take the trip. He had found people so kind in the country that he was sure he would get a great many rides, and when he was within a dollar of Boston he could take the train, for he had that amount of money in his little leather purse. He sat under the maple-tree, planning

"THE WRETCHED BOYS."

Along with other enlightenments of

the age, the genius Boy seems now to

be better understood and appreciated

than in the days of the colonies. The

worthy advocates of the precept that

"children should be seen and not heard" were apt to forget that if young peo-ple were "heard" at proper seasons

they were much more apt to be "seen"

to advantage when occasion required.

The boys of 1700 were no worse than

those of to-day. What modern lad

could sit through a two hours' ser-

mon without the aid of much wrig-

gling and squirming and an occasional kick or two? W. R. Bliss, in his book

on colonial meeting-houses, tells how

the youthful portion of the congrega-

tion was regarded by our very great-

Certain laws, enacted in Massachu-

setts at the end of the struggle with King Philip, declared that the war was

a punishment for "the disorder and

rudeness of youth in many congrega-

tions in time of the worship of God."

John Ellot, pastor at Roxbury, evi-

dently thought this a harsh charge to

his opinion that they had nothing to

judgment on the people for wearing

In 1666 John Dawes of Boston was

empowered to take care of all young

people "that are disorderly in time of God's Sollem worship" and to correct

the unruly ones with a small wand.

In 1723 John Pike was paid sixteen

pounds for keeping "boys in subjec-

tion," in the time of service, for six months. When hired the second time

On Cape Cod four men were appoint-

ed by a town to take care of the boys

he doubled his price.

grandfathers.

en to look after "the wretched boys" on the Sabbath.

What did these colonial lads do to require such supervision? One almost shrinks from examining into their lawlessness. But the records reveal the depths of their iniquity.

They did not stand up as their elders did for the long prayers, but sat with their hats on "during ye whole exercise." They ran out before the prayer was done and "ye Blessing pronounced." They were guilty of "Rude and Idel Behavor such as Smiting and Larfing and Intiseing others to the Same Evil;" of "Puling the heir of thair naybers in time of publick Worship."

One's imagination might go on and add the paper balls and nutshells which were probably thrown from the galleries where "the wretched boys" were imprisoned, the shaking of the benches, the sly pinches, and the similar ebuilitions of youthful spirits which went to make up the sum total of colonial wick-

She Understood.

"Yes," said the man who was be ginning to sour on the national sport, "It's interesting sometimes, but base ball nowadays is becoming very dirty." "Oh!" exclaimed his fair companion. lay at the boys' door, for he expressed "I understand now why all those players are wearing gloves."-Philadelphia do with it, and that the war was a Press.

> The Worst Ever. "Yes, indeed, he's the homellest man in public life to-day. Haven't you ever seen him?"

"No, but I've seen caricatures "Oh! they flatter him. You should see him."-Cathelic Standard and

Times. A Hopeless Pauper. The Burgiar-Let's rob dat house! His Pal-Aw, beat it! Dat guy hain't

got no property! Why, he's de guy dat on the Lord's day, and to whip them if goes bonds for us !- Puck.

necessary. Such officers were termed An evil-doer is one who believes in "Inspectors of Youth." In Duxbury, doing others before they attempt to as late as 1760, a committee was those do him

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