An independent Miller. When Frederick built his famous palace of Sans Souci there happened to be a mili that greatly hampered him in the execution of his plans, and be asked the miller for how much he would sell it. The miller replied that had owned the mill, which had passed from father to son, and that he would not sell it for any price. The king used every solicitation, offered to build him a mill in a better place and pay him, besides, any sum he might de-mand, but the obstinate miller still persisted in his determination to preserve the inheritance of his ancestors.

Irritated at last by his conduct, the king sent for him and said in an an

"Why do you refuse to sell your mill notwithstanding all the advantages I have offered you?"

The miller repeated his reasons.
"Do you know," continued the king, Ply "that I could take it without giving you a penny?

"Yes," returned the miller calmly, "if it were not for the chamber of justice

The king was so flattered by this answer, which showed that he was incapable of an act of injustice, that he dismissed the miller without further entreaty and changed the plan of his

#### A Philosopher's Fable. Arthur Auli is responsible for this

"Folly, Genius and Common Sense once went walking and came to a stream. Genius, having his head in the clouds, naturally started to wade across, paying no attention to the depth. The waters soon went over his head, and he was drowned. Common Sense hunted for a safe way to get across, and finally he found a foot log. As he got out about the center of the stream the log swayed, and he fell into the water and sank to rise no more. Folly stopped at the bank of the stream to amuse himself by throwing pebbles into the water and watching the waves. He sat upon the moist cold bank until he caught a cold which developed into pneumonia, of which he soon died. Moral.-It doesn't make much difference, after all, whether you are a genius, a sage or a fool. You'll get it sooner or later anyway."

Told to Earn His Own Salary.

Commodore Vanderbilt discovered in James H. Rutter, then in the employ of the Eric railroad, a man he believed the freight department of the Central needed, says the Baltimore News. It is related that some time after he took charge of the Central's traffic office Rutter called on the commodore te submit a plan for improvement. When he had stated the case the president looked at him sharply and asked: "Rutter, what does the New York

Central pay you \$15,000 a year for?"

The reply was, "For managing the freight traffic department."

And then the commodore said, "Well, you don't expect me to earn your saiary for you, do you?"

Rutter went out and carried through his plan on his own judgment. The resuit was highly satisfactory. R became president of the Central.

> Up to Snuff. man in workman's garb one day

called at a local dentist's, and the door as opened by a maid. Workman-Is the gent in that draws

Servant-No, sir, but I expect he will

be in shortly.

Workman (pausing on doorstep)—

be charge?"

dollar! Do you mean to follow's got to swallow et of gas to have one th pulled out? No fear. I reckon wn at the gas works myself. I'll to another dentist and have it led out without gas."-Exchange

Datrong auritoria Uncle Pull? percel as II i ble have three acres, just out-

irst Member-Mrs. De Streak didn't her way at the dress reform meetg this afternoon, did she? Second ember-No; her gown fitted her so ghtly that she couldn't make a mo-

Blobbs-What an egotistical felloilkalot is! When you are with him



through it.-Chicage Record-Her-

Assist courself god heaver, will as

On a very hot afternoon a number of around town chaps who didn't seem to have much to do were lounging in the chairs in front of a leading hotel. Several traveling men came out of the hotel and, finding all of the chairs occupied, looked and spoke things that wouldn't go well in polite society.

"Let's dump a few of them out," agested one.

"Hold on a minute," replied another, Watch me get a chair." he walked over to one of the loungers and in the most courteous way said. Will you please tell me whether that is a drug store across the street?"

"No," replied the lounger; "that's a bank.

"Oh, is it? Well, say, what is that nice blg building just down the street there, two corners away?" "That's the postoffice," was the re-

You live in this charming city

then?" asked the drummer.
"I do," sail the lounger.

"Well, then," replied the traveling man, "I'm a guest at this hotel and paying for accommodations. Suppose ou get up and give me that chair."

He got the chair.-Kansas City Jour-

Varieties of Humor.

The Temple of Art, devoted to that peculiar form of entertainment yelec-"polite vaudeville," was crowded to suffocation as Messrs. Biff and Bang. the refined sketch team and sidewalk conversationalists, stepped jauntily to the footlights. In response to the deafening applause Messrs. Biff and Bang bowed coudescendingly, as though it

Without further preliminary Mr. Biff hit his partner on the rear of his ample trousers with a stuffed club, remarking, "It's a wise man that knows his own mind."

And Mr. Bang, no to be outdone in this little exchange of pleasantries, promptly buried an ax in the skull of Mr. Biff, remarking the while, "It's a wise man that minds his own nose."

Whereupon the intelligent audience screamed with delight and voted Biff and Bang the best ever, "And yet were a frost in the London halls," commented a man in the front row. "The English have no apprecia-tion of real humor." - Philadelphia

A Happy Compromise.
"What a beautiful little baby he is!" exclaimed the neighbor who had called, "Ht isn't six months old yet, said the proud young mother.

"and he weighs over twenty pounds."
"What have you named him?" "Well," besitated the mother, "Henry and I differed a little about that. He wanted to give him one name, and I wanted to give him another, but we finally compromised and agreed to call

him John Wesley."
"I see. You named him after the great founder of Meth"

"No, indeed," quickly interrupted the "That name, as I said, is a compromise." But how?"

"The 'John' is for John Calvin, and the 'Wesley' is for John Wesley.' "Oh, I see."-Youth's Companion.

Queer Claret.

A party of miners calling at an inn in Llangollen during the absence of the landlord were shown into the best room, which, on his return, caused him to remonstrate. His wife, however, explained that a lot of money had been spent and that seven bottles of claret had already been drunk.

"Claret!" said be. "Why, I sold the last bottle the other day. You've been giving 'em catchup."-From "Random Recollections of a Commercial Traveler."

## Acreage **Property** At A Bargain

side the city limits, platted all Wund I, with a new five-room. house, which we consider a bar-

The property faces on two and would subdivide nicely. There is an electric motor and pump which goes with the place, the well would supply water

e owner has made the price owkin order to sell quickly, and the property will be on the market but a short time at this price.

W. T. York & Co.

"I have called." said the book agent, to see if I can interest you in a little

"Young man," snapped the woman who answered the floor, "just now I am interested in washing my dishes, dusting, cleaning up after the paperhanger, making six beds, polishing the hardwood floors, ironing my husband's shirts, getting two more ments today, darning nine pairs of stockings and stringing my sweet peas, and I might say that that's more work than you men ever thought of doing. No; you mu't interest me in any more."-Detroit Free Press.

Getting an Early Start. "Father, what do you wish me to be when I grow up?"

"The same as I am, my son-a law

"Then instead of wasting any more trae on arithmetic, geography and such truck I'd better be getting at the expothetical question, hadn't IT'

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Yes; the other fellow rend this, so did his wife. Moral-Advertise.-F

treet. Medford.

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