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Some tiny elves, one evening grew mischievous, it seems.

And broke into the store-room where the Sandman keeps his dreams.

And gathered up whole acuirds of dreams all bright and seed.

And sarried forth to peddle them a-down the village street.

With."

When he reached Althea lodge everything was disorganized. Ethel was pulling the feathers out of the peaceck's tail; Bob was galloping around the barn-yard on the back or Pounce, the pony.

"We're having such fun. pa!" these dreams sold;
Why, nearly all the youngest folk bought dreams of being old;
And one wee chap in curis and killa, a gentle little thing.

Invested in a dream about an awful piratiking;

"We're having such fun, pa!" he cried. "Pounce hasn't been fed, 'cause I couldn't find the key of the oat bin, and the cow is lost. Such fun!" "Where is Miles!" roared the father.

boy and the girl.
"Ethel," said he, "let that bird of selling papers with the rag-

What for?

come into the house.

"Cause he talked saucy to her."

with headache, and there's no one to

get them any supper. Hooras !"
Mr. Cavendish harried into the house.

The parlor was undusted, yesterday'

But what am I to do?"

"It is better now, James."

"I wish I hadn't flown into such

Oh, James!

neatness and comfort.

assented .- Helen Forest Graves

Just Thought He'd Ask.

and they an't there this morning.

"I knew some d-d thief had stolen

And then a dream of summer and a barefoot boy at play
Was bought up very quickly by a gentleman
quite gray;
Ad one old lady-smilling through the grief
she tried to hide—
Bought bright and tender visions of a little girl
who died.

A ragged little beggar girl, with weary, wistful ablaze—
Well, it wasn't many minutes from the time they came in sight
Before the dreams were all sold out and the elves had taken flight.
S. Walter Norris in St. Nicholas.

A DOMESTIC CHRONICLE.

"Well, my dear," said Mr. Caven-dish, entering his wife's room, "I've sent that girl of yours about her busi-

Mrs. Cavendish looked up with a start. She was buttoning Bob's apron. patiently following him about the room as he frisked after the cat.

I spoke distinctly enough, didn't 17 have discharged Lucy "What for, James?"

Insolence; that's all." "But Lucy never could have been in-solent," pleaded Mrs. Cavendish, twitching off the last button from Bob's apron in her perturbation.
"Oh, couldn't she, though?

wish you had been there, that's all." What did she say James?" 'I told her she was half an hour hind with the breakfast and asked what she meant by it, and she told me she

justifiable in doing so if he spoke pertinently to me. And he did so. was doing the best she could and couldn't do better if all the world depended upon it."

"But, James, the poor girl is nearly this morning."

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Mr. Cawendish had nothing further Mr. Cawendish had nothing further

ing."
"I can't help that; she has no impudently some kind of an anathema between his ness to answer me impudently. It wasn't the words so much—it was the closed lips. is company down-stairs?"
"Yes; but until this moment I have

"Poor Lucy! And you have dis-charged her!"
"That's you all over," said Mr. Cavenbeen unable to leave my bed."
"My dear," he said, compassionately, dish, angrily. "I believe you'd take putting his arm around her shoulder, anybody else's part against me. Yes, "does your head ache so hard?" anybody else's part against me. Yes, of course I discharged her. I told her to have her things outside of the house in two hours or I'd fling them out of Cavendish, "that I have been a fool."

"But, James what am I to do?" said Mrs. Cavendish, who had by this time captured Ethel, the second child, and was buttoning her boots with nervous rapidity. "With one of my sick head-aches coming on, and Willie and Pen

to lift a hand for me!" "That's a pretty question to ask" give me your arm. I couldn't ask reached by telegraph via the west coast said Mr. Cavendish, standing with his hands in his pockets. "One would the children sick with the measles, and Zanzibar. So the dark continent think you women were made of sugat could I?" or salt nowadays. My mother had ten children—ten—and did every stroke of work for 'em herself year in and year out; and here you make such a rumpus out; and here you make such a rumpus and here you make you make you make you make you make you make you wa because you happen to be left without a servant for twenty-four hours—beddinner?" ventured Mr. Cavendish.

not have sent her out of the house in She said you had sent her away, but this way. How would you like it if I that she could not bear to leave me at shoe place and discharged your clerks " down-stairs now." "I should say you did perfectly "She's a trump," cried Mr. Caven-right," returned Cavendish. "if they dish. answered you impertinently. Now don't Scarcely had he introduced his wife snivel! If there is anything I hate it to the ladies in the parior than the is a scene. I'll go downstairs and boil folding doors of the back room slid the coffee myself—any one can make open, revealing a bright fire and a well-coffee—and you hurry down with the spread table, decorated with spring children as soon as you can. There's flowers—daffodils, tulips, and a few plenty of bread and butter and cold-ham, anyhow. Nobody ever starved on that."

on that."

Mr. Cavendish had "camped out" a breads and chicken saiad by way of good deal during his bachelor days, entrees; a delicious steam pudding and succeeded in preparing a remark-ably good pot of coffee. The bread and Lucy was just bringing in the butter and cold ham were not bad of tomato soup.
their kind, but the children cried aloud Mr. Cavendish nodded good-namor-

for milk. The Cavendishes kept a cow, and the milk had not yet been brought spectfully.

"You needn't worry about the horse "You needn't worry about the horse." "And that is what kept Lucy!" in- and cow, sir," she said, in a low voice. voluntarily eried Mrs. Cavendish.
"Condensed milk is good enough for anybody," asserted Mr. Cavendish.
But Hob and Ethel declined to drink coming to attend to them."

it on any terms. on any terms. slipped into the parlor, and, to use her 'Starve'em to it," said the father, own terms, "straightened up" the disdrinking his hot coffee in prodigious order there, and the last impression gulps. Healthy children have no taken away by the visitors was one of

gulps. "Healthy children have no business to be dainty." And he caught up his hat and ulster and made a bee-line for the train. Mrs. Cavendish looked piteously around at the disordered table, the ashchoked fire, general desolation of the room. Her headache was gradually working itself up to the supreme moment of desperation. The children above stairs were crying for breakfast; Bob was sailing his shoe in the cedar pail of water; Ethel was feeding the kitten from the can of condensed milk. "And I w "Ma," piped up Bob, "there's a tramp sent Lucy away; and were quite right at the kitchen winder!" sent Lucy away; and were quite right when you discharged Miles. Hence-

But it was no tramp. It was Miles, the stableman.
"Oh, Miles, I am so glad!" said Mrs. Cavendish. "You have brought us the "I haven't that, mum," said Miles. Philadelphia Saturday Night.

"The cow's lost, an' it an't meself is going to track her through the swamps an' bogs. If the master wants his cow took care of he's got to pay me a dollar a week more wares."
"Got to, Miles?" "Yis'm!" boldly retorted the man.

'I an't to be put upon no longer, Dr. Miller's man-"Very well," said Mrs. Cavendish; "you may go!"
"Ma'm!" echoed the astounded ser-

vant.
"You are discharged," said Mrs. Cavendish, firmly "at once!"
Miles slunk away and disappeared.
Mrs. Cavendish went up to her room, and after ministering as well as she could to the wants of the poor little victim of measles she threw herself on the bed with a wet towel bound around her head and despair in her heart. her head and despair in her heart. There's one comfort," said Mrs. Cavendish, gloomily smiling, if he discharged Lucy, I have sent away

Mr. Cavendish had an unusually busy day in the city. As he was hurrying toward the depot in the afternoon he remembered that his mission to Mr. Wiggin's famous "intelligence bureau" was yet unfulfilled. "Confound it!" said Mr. Cavendish

to himself. "However, to-morrow will do just as well. My mother did without any help at all."

At the station no buggy was in waiting.

"I wonder what that lazy villain Miles is about!" said Mr. Cavendish, a dark frown gathering upon his brow. "He may think he's got a snug place of it, but I'll teach him I'm not to be briffed it. GENERAL NEWS

Books and Pictures.

31,000 TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN N. Y. New York Detective Arrests.-A Great Peanut Enter.-Peculiar Spring.

Roumania has 200,000 gypsies, and Mr. Cavendish stood a moment star-Hungary 80,000. ing at the pony and the peacock, the

A bank at Los Angeles paid a dividend of 16 per cent last year. All the Jamaica railways have been taken by an American syndicate. Robert, get off the pony at once and Ethel obeyed reluctantly, Robert with The New York Bible House since April 1 last has issued 725,000 volumes. "We've got company," chirped the The Baldwin Locomotive Works exlatter youth - 'company, pa! I 'most forgot to tell you. And mas in bed

eet this year to turn out not less than 1.000 locomotives. There are seven monuments to Count Cayour in various cities of Italy, but

flowers were wilted in the vases, and the fire had died into a mass of feathery In Edinburgh it is found possible to supply for ha f a penny a wholesome meal of vegetable broth and bread. cinders. Through the open door was visible the dining-room, with the re-mains of the breakfast still visible—as Canada proposes to place a duty on foreign books and pictures and the London illustrated papers are protestdispiriting a scene as could well be be held.

And there, in the midst of all this forlornity, sat Mrs. Burgovne, his sister from the west, to whom he had frequently boasted of the perfection of his New York last year spent \$17,000,-000 on her public schools, hiring 81,-987 teachers to instruct 1,803,667 puwife's housekeeping arrangements, and Mrs. Ridgway, who once, years ago, The condition of a certain cat in Lahad been a sort of old, sweet beau of

moine, Me., is literally at sixes and his. Of all people, he was most anxious that his home should appear pleasant sevens. She has seven toes on her hind feet and six on her fore feet. The Mexican government has lately ordered 1,000,000 grape cuttings from California, and will distribute them He made the best of it, however. He extended to them an estentationally

hospitable welcome, hurriedly built free to all who wish to plant them in up a blazing cannel coal fire in the The London city council has now poor Mrs. Cavendish was deluging her swallowed up the ancient court of burgresses of the city and liberties of West-minster. One by one the old landforehead in cologne and endeavoring to twist up the wet braids of her heavy hair into company order.
"Julia," said he, "what does this marks disappear.

A curious fact about eigarette smok-

mean? Miles gone——"
"I discharged him," said she, resoing is that nearly double as many cigarettes are smoked during July. You said I was perfectly August and September as during any other three months of the year. A grocer in Elizabeth, N. J., adulterates coffee with small stones. He is evidently a novice at the business, else

he would have known that as an adulterant of coffee brown sand is unequalto say for himself. He simply muttered The French chamber is considering "Do you know," he said, "that there a new law for entirely suppressing public executions. The only spectators would be those designated by the law, and a few whom the authorities might

> invite at their discretion. China, with a population in the vinewspapers at present. Considering that an editor's head is chopped off on the slightest provocation the wonder is that there are even three.

The police detectives of New York

passion with poor Lucy. And all about nothing, too, when one comes to think made 1,578 arrests last year, resulting n sentences aggregating 902 years. Mrs. Cavendish laughed hysterically.
"We all make mistakes, James," said Two hundred and pinety-eight thousand seven hundred and sixteen dollars worth of property was recovered. "Wait a minute, dear. I'll go down-stairs with you now, if you'll The Cape of Good Hope can now be give me your arm. I couldn't ask reached by telegraph via the west coast The Cape of Good Hope can now be

"Who is with them now-the child- that is constantly making the world copal church in the United States there is an increase in the number of Sunday-school scholars for the year 1888-89

cause, of course, I shall expect to stop at Wiggins and send you up a Swede or a Norwegian this afternoon."

Poor Mrs. Cavendish burst into tears. "Yes, Julia."

Open confession is good for the James, said she, "Lucy was the best girl I have ever had. You should not layer any layer out of the increase being in the discussion of Pennsylvania.

The petroleum production of Southern California last year reached 18-000,000 gallons, valued at \$1,200,000. ern California last year reached 18,-000,000 gallons, valued at \$1,200,000. The article is of special value to that region. Its utilization as fuel for manufacturing purposes has had much to do with solving a vexed question.

Although the Yellowstone Park is full of springs and streams they contain no lish. This is explained by the abundance of lava, which obliterated life when it was forced out, and has since kept the tishes out by the fact that the lava has produced a waterfull in every The late Thomas Parker of Washing-

which he had carried for years that he kept it in bed with him all during his Illness, and before dying expressed a wish that the favorite stick be buried with him. His wish was carried out. the cane being put in the coffin. During the year 1889 there were car-

ried over the elevated railroads of New York 182,413,987 passengers, not one of whom was injured by carelessness Peter Frink from the Low farm is or other fault of the management. This is certainly a wonder ul showing and While the family were discussing the steam pudding and prune pie, Lucy affords a marked contrast to the accidents associated with surface travel.

Caleb Loengood, a wealthy resident of Pottstown, Pa., possesses an abnor-mal appetite for peanuts. They form his favorite article of diet, and he often eats six quarts at a time. He says that he eats them scientifically, whatever this may mean, and could eat nine Mr. Cavendish drew a long breath as he watched the retreating footsteps of his company toward the road that led quarts on a wager. He wants some "Julia," said he, turning to his wife, prominent peanut-eater to challenge

"I've come to the conclusion that times have changed since my mother did the An eccentric old German living in the town of Milwaukee recently went work for ten children without any serto the city and chartered a street car for his exclusive use. He rode all over the line, and would not permit any-"I quite agree with you," said Mrs. "And I was entirely wrong when I body to get in the car with him. another time he attempted to charter a special train to take him to his station, some four or five miles north of forward, my dear we'll try and mingle the city. a little common sense with our bouse-

keeping. Eh-shall we?"
And Mrs. Cavendish smiled as she A mail bag was recently found in the old law courts of Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, containing 175 undelivered letters, dating back to 1585, all in a good state of preservation. As soon as the next German mail comes in we will resume our interrupted series of letters from "Pro Bono Publi-Senator Vance of North Carolina lost his hat the other day, says the N. oo," "An Old Subscriber," "Many Readers" and others.

Y. Tribune's Washington correspondent. He came out of the senate cloak-A New York man has been sent to room bare-headed, with his overcoat prison for failing to pay his wife \$400 that he borrowed before their maron his arm, and paraded the corridors. asking every one he met if he had seen riage. This seems to be a harsh and a tall hat straying about anywhere. unnecessary proceeding when the wife could have canceled the debt on the He was asking the question of Capt.
May, the doorkeeper at the looby door,
when the page came up with the missing article in his hand. Senator Vance
was just saying:
"Of course I don't think you have installment plan by rummaging her husband's inside pockets in the misty morning light and quietly appropriating all the small change.

The latest novelty in the "pocket goods" line is a pocketknife case. It is made of soft leather or chamois skin and is furnished with a metal snap class at one end. It is designed to you metal states to be seen that the same t seen it, you know, but I was just ask-ing, like the man who came into my office once when I was governor of North Carolina. He was a trampish-looking man, and his clothing was keep a knife from rusting, and also to keep dust from getting into it. Like the popular English key chain it is a foreign invention, and is said to have first been used in Vienna, where it is worn and seedy. He looked carefully around the room and then said:
"Governor, you an't seen nothin' of a pair of boots around here, have you? I left 'em in in that corner last night, not considered good form to carry a "I answered that I had not seen the penknife loose.

Fish charms have been met with "I knew some d—d thief had stolen them,' said the unknown. Of course I knowed it wasn't you, but I just thought I'd ask."

among many nations. The fish called the bullhead is used by some of the Russian peasants as a charm against fever. Many kinds of fish have two hard bones just within the sides of the head, and one species, the malgre, has these bones larger in proportion than most others. These two bones, called China and Japan are pre-eminently colic stones are regarded to possess medical virtues. They were meunted in gold and hung round the neck.

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were wont to wear finger rings in which stones were set, and these stones were credited with the possession of war credited with the possession of was simply touched with the ring; sometimes he put it on his finger for awhile. Many a patient has worn awhile. Many a patient has worn awhile. Many a patient has worn awhile of stop hemorrhage. If the desired result followed, the ring was nureservedly regarded as the healing agent; if the cure did not follow, we are told nothing about it.

A peculiar result of the drinking of

A peculiar result of the drinking of ice-cold water from a spring in Ston-ington, Conn., is reported. The water flows from a crack in a high rock, and the veins of a man who drinks from it begin to swell, and he looks and feels as though he were about to burst for the next ten minutes. The swelling gradually subsides and no seriou effect is felt, except a slight buzzing in the ears. It is the talk of the neighborhood, and everybody is eager to

WIT AND HUMOR.

All those who pass through the door to success will find it labeled "push."— Oil City Blizzard.

Many a man who can't sing a note has great capacity for making things hum. - Rochester Union. Don't attempt to drown your sorrow

in drink, you will find that sorrow can wim. - Binghamton Leader. The way of the transgressor is hard, yet good people tell us it is the easiest thing in the world to follow it.—Rome

"Jones lives in Cincinnati now. Makes \$10,000 a year from his pen. Does he do his own packing?

It was possibly because Henry Clay was strong on the stump that a cigar was named after him. -N. F. Com-

He—"Why, I love you so much, Ethel, that I'd die for you if you'd marry me." She—"I'd niarry you if I believed it."—N. Y. Sun. The right to bear arms in a free country cannot be infringed upon by

any social edicts against decollete

ses. - Boston Courier. Man is made in God's own image; and, naturally, the more intellectual a man is the higher his estimate of his Maker. - Boston Transcript.

"Money talks." "Yep. If you doubt it go to the opera. It talks all through, and it's mighty little music poverty gets."-N. Y. Sun. Briggs - "Wonder what possessed him to jump into the river?" - There was a woman at the bottom

of it, I believe."-N. Y. Herald. One swallow does not make a sumis bound around by the electric wire mer, but it frequently creates a sensa-"innards."—Binghamton Leader.

Johnny-"Pa. what do they ring

church bells for, anyhow?" Pa-"To make people believe there's fire in the other world, my son."—Epoch. The poet who asserts that life is but a dream was never called upon to help move a stove or get a barrel of eider down the cellar stairs, - Texas Siftings. Miss Elder-"O. I don't think it so much to take a prize for beauty; for that, you know, one only needs to have

Scientists say the earth is really growing larger. If Jay Gould wants it he had better take it now, or it may get too big for even him to manage. Texas Siftings.

a beautiful exterior!"-Fliegende Black-

Physiologists say that the older a man grows the smaller his brain becomes. This explains why the old man knows nothing and the young one everything .- Hoston Courier Judge-"Do you think you could

give a verilict in accordance with the evidence?" Would-Be Juror-"I do." Lawyer (for the defense, hastily) -"Challenged for cause!"-N. Y. Weekly. "If it hadn't been for me little Harry Parker would have gotten a good licking to-day, ma. He struck me, you know," "And what did you do, my son?" "I didn't hit him back,"—N. Y. Sun.

"Why should the spirit of mortal be proud?" sounds like a philosophical, rational question; but the man who asked it never succeeded in holding the baby the first time he tried .- Merchant

Brown-"Hello! what's this? Another murderer at large? Why don't the police exercise a little energy and scour the country?" Bass—"Because they haven't got the sand."—Boston Transcript.

"I am all out of breath," said Soaker, who had been running for a train. "Glad of it," said Noaker. "Hope the next lot you take in will not be so strongly flavored with whisky."-Bos-Grossbore—'I'd have you to know, sir, that I came from a good family."

Fogg-"Did you? And they neglected to give you a character when you left? Poor fellow, I pity you; I do indeed." -Boston Transcript At the Theater Box-Office: "Is everything full already? Haven't you even one seat for me?" Cashier - "Don't

be troubled. If you will wait till the

second act there will be plenty of room."—Fliegende Blaetter. "I am from Philadelphia," remarked Mr. Chestnut as he took the peu to register at a New York hotel, "All right," replied the clerk; "I'll send a boy to your room with you to show you how to turn off the gas."-N. Y. Sun: He-"How frank it is for Miss Hardhed to own to being 35 when she would easily pass for 20 years of age." -"She isn't more than 19.

\$17 a week for ascribing her good looks to Peaches' soap,-Terre Haute Ex-New Girl-"There's one thing I don't like about the master. He keeps calling me 'my dear." Mrs. Fig-'O, you mustn't mind that. It's only a habit of his. Why, he even addresses me that way sometimes. - Terre Haute

Brown-Old Pecksniff is the most religious man I ever saw. He kept dinner waiting over tifteen minutes today while he said grace." Merritt-"Yet I know when he holds a fellow's note he doesn't give him a moment's grace."- Epoch.

Mamma—"Well, Nellie, what did you learn at the Sunday-school to-day?" Nellie—"That I must sell three tickets for the concert next week, givs 20 cents to buy a present for the superintendent, and—that Noah built the ark."—N. Y. Herald.

The latest odd thing in furniture is a set upholstered with paim-leaf fans. A single fan forms the seat and another fan the back of a chair. The frame-work is of gilded bent wood. Two fans make a cute substitute for the cushioned bottom of a tete-a-tete, and

▲ West Virginia man has patented Medicinal rings were at one time an invention for making houses with-

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Roller Casting a Specialty.

107 Fourth St., East Portland, Or, "Is marriage a failure?" asked the olderly Spilkins of a former flame, who had been a party to a May and Decem-ber marriage. "No," she replied, with ber marriage. "No." she replied, with a glance toward her husband in the

next room. "Not a failure. Only a borhood, and everyondy have the state of the water. A specitive the effect of the water. A specitive the effect of the water. A specitive the specific temporary embarrassment." — N. Y. M. Y. M Father-"Aha, so you run way from Sunday-school to go skating and broke through the ice, did you? Son—'No. I dinn't. I fell asleep in church and got locked in." Father—"But how did you get so wet?" Son-"That's from the tears I shed when I waked up."-

linghamton Republican. Old Friend (unexpected arrival)-"And so this is your daughter's com-ing-out party?" Practical Mother— "Yes, and if I hadn't gut my veto on those dressmakers she would have been out a good deal further than she is."—N. Y. Weekly.

Dolliver—"What a peculiar book-re-riewer Razzle is! Did you ever notice how confused his ideas seem to be?how rambling and incoherent?" Pompous-"Yes; I've noticed it." (Struck with an idea.) "Perhaps he reads the books he reviews!"—Lippincott's Maga-

Mr. Crusty (rebuking his wife for the melange of this and that upon the floor) -- "My dear. I do not like this; there is a place for everything." Mrs. Crusty (who is not alarmed, as a rule, by Mr. Crusty's remarks)— This is the place, too, isn't it? And now that you are here the collections seems to be complete."—Philadelphia Press. The Rev. Dr. Primrose-"I was de-

lighted to receive those cast-off garments for the poor of my parish. It shows that there is still some hope of your becoming a Christian." Brown "Well, you see the old clothes man offered me only six shillings for the lot and I would sooner have thrown them in the fire than be cheated like that."-

The following telegram is handed in at a station in Paris: "Monsieur X., ne: Overwheimed with grief; uncle dead; come at once; division next Thursday." Operator — "Makes two francs and forty." Stranger (after tion of "ethereal mildness" in a man's fumbling in his pockets) - Sapristil I "You can omit a few words." "Very well; omit Overwhelmed with grief." "You can omit a few words." -Le Figaro.

"Box and Cox" in Iceland.

Speaking to me about his Icelandic tour last summer Mr. Hall Caine told me the following amusing incident: Although Iceland is the home of old sagas, yet, until within the last three years, a play has never been seen by the inhabitants. But three years ago, feeling the long winter absolutely infinding the long winter absolutely in-tolerable, shut in by ice and snow and the everlasting mountains, the inhabitants of Reikajavik resolved to attempt the drama. Of all the plays on earth they chose "Box and Cox." What would their weird, stern ancestors have said? "Box and Cox," however, "caught on," and in that land of winter it was the only thing that was not a frost. Night after night, week after week, it was played to an ever en-thusiastic audience, until at last a special law was passed in the houses of parliament forbidding its representa-

tion more than a certain and a very limited number of times. -Pall Mall

How to Approach the Mayor. "Know the Mayor of this town?" inquired a man in a plaid cape over-coat yesterday of a policeman on Third

"I want to see him on particular business. Say, what is his specialty, anyway?" How do you mean?" "Why, what's the best way to approach him; who does he affect the

most, wealthy classes or literary tal-"I couldn't tell von." "You see, mine's a delicate mission.

I would like a straight tip as to whether it's best to approach him as a representative of an Euglish syndicate

or a contributor to the North American "Why don't you go to him for just what you are?" ·Oh, first impressions go a long way. you know. I'm selling a patent catarra nullifier, but it won't do to say so at first, as I want his indorsement. I must strike in as an Eastern capitalist aching to sock a couple of millions of dollars into real estate and from that

lead up to catarrh and the Latinized nasal organs. See P" "I guess your scheme won't work."
"Think not? How would it do to pose as a man from Kokomo who wants to build two cotton mills and a distillery?"

"Wouldn't do,"

"Not fetching enough, eh? Say I go in first with a scheme to work over straw stacks into wall paper?" 'Twouldn't catch on.

"Wall, how would the idea strike him to drop letter carriers and shoot mail into residences by pneumatic She gets "O, go on."
"Wouldn't hit him, eh? I believe
"Wouldn't hit him, eh? I believe I'll go in the interests of the beet-sugar

"That might do; the Mayor's a judge of beats." "O. you're satirical. But I'm up on human nature. If Congress wasn't in mession Pd go as a strayed junketer whose pass had run out. As it is Pve decided to approach him as one of the United States Fish Commissioners with twenty-three car loads of black bass eggs and a ton of salmon fry."—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Odd Furniture.

cushioned bottom of a tete-a tete, and even the table-top is of fans.

The debt of Canada at the beginning of the present year was \$204,018,644.