For cheering folks along.

A laugh is just like music, It lingers in the heart, And where its melody is heard The ills of life depart;

And happy thoughts come crowding Its Joyful notes to greet— A laugh is just like music For making living sweet! St. Louis Republic.

MONEY AND MATRIMONY

LLYN rode across the prairie Joyously and looked longingly toward the East, where the sun was scarce an hour high. The fresh, bracing air seemed to permeate every thre of his being, and he drew in great breaths of it, feeling a wild sort of pleasure in the mere fact of being alive.

For once in three years he was happy, and be had been in that beatific state for two whole days. The rest of the cowboys of the outfit did not know what to make of it. Cayuse Ike said he had been "locoed," for Allyn had been nicknamed by the camp Sorrowful Jim, and to see him boyishly exuberant and in a gay humor was an unheard-of thing until the last day or so.

Allyn had once made the mistake of considering life a very serious matter indeed, and then, after trying for a year to practice law and not getting anyone to practice upon, he had given it up in disgust and migrated to the ome of opportunity in hope of getting

During his idle hours Allyn had fallen in love, and he took that very seriously also. It went hard with him, for he had nothing on earth except a few bonds an old aunt had left him, and the revenue from them did not amount to \$300 a year. At the rate his practice was not increasing have been a your Allyn if he waited huselah would compared with revenue from his profession to "Jim," she said. are acting very foolishly. What don't matter if you haven't any money? I don't want

I've got enough, or will have

when I am 24, when I get control of it.



would bold us up until you could es tablish a paying practice. Now, don't

"Nelly," he said solemnly, "I cannot afford to marry now. People would say that I married you for your money. and I don't intend to put myself in a position where such a motive could be

"Well, Jim," and there were tears in her voice, "I don't think you are acting fairly toward me. Here I am ar orphan, with nobody on earth to love ex-cept you so that life without you will be worse than no life at all, and now you say you cannot marry me until you make what it took my father a lifetime to accumulate. Why, by that time, I'll have wrinkles and maybe false teeth and glasses, and be a hor-

rid, snuffy, fussy old woman." "No. Nell, I don't want to make \$200,-000. If I had \$100,000 it would be all right. And it will not take long. Out West I will make it quickly. Just you stand fast and wait for me."

"Oh, I'll wait, but I think you are hateful and pigheaded just the same. Would you marry me if I hadn't any

"Yes, gladly, and we would be happy, You would manage somehow. But now my self-respect will not allow

So it was that he went to make his fortune and at the same time peace with his unduly-active conscience. To his utter disgust, he found, after a year's prospecting, that gold mines were not at all plentiful, and that every foot of the mountains had been prospected over time and again. A year in Mexico assured him that the business of finding silver mines lying around loose had also played out long ago, and that it took lots of capital to start ranching on a paying basis. Funds were getting low, so he secured a place as one of the herdsmen of the XXX outfit, and on account of his grave demeanor was promptly named by the other cowpunchers Sorrowful Jim.

And the name stuck to him. During all his wanderings he had written to Nell as regularly as possible, and had begun to regret in a measure his puritanical conscience. At \$40 a month and grub he did not see that a fortune was in immediate pect. Absence had indeed made his heart grow fonder, and he longed for a sight of Nell's laughing eyes and

dimpled face. Yet he would not acknowledge himself beaten or that he would give in. Much against his inclination he remained consumed with a desire to see her, yet impelled to remain in stiffnecked pride, acting as avant courier and escort for a lot of wild-eyed, longnorned steers, all the while cursing himself for a fool. So he and the rest of the outfit did not have much in common together, and he grew more and

more unsociable and lonely. Small wonder was it, then, that when received a letter from her he felt that his voluntary exile was broken. His penance was done, and he was

free to return to civilization and Nelly. You come on, Jim, dear," the letter said-"that is, of course, if you care to \$300 a year."

LOGAN EQUESTRIAN STATUE UNIQUE AMONG MONUMENTS.



LOGAN EQUESTRIAN STATUE IN WASHINGTON.

The bronze statue of John A. Logan, which was recently unveiled in Washing ton with impressive ceremonies, is a handsome addition to the monuments of the capital city and one of the most unique. It is the conception of Franklin Simmons, a distinguished sculptor, and is one of the finest memorials of the equestrian style that have ever been unveiled in this country. It is the only monument wholly of bronze to be found in America. Both pedestal and statue were made in Italy and, while on exhibition in Rome, was viewed with curiosity by thousands. Its beauty so impressed King Humbert that he knighted Mr. Simmons for his

destal is about twenty-five feet in height. On one side is a group representing Gen. Legan in consultation with the officers of his command. These are portraits of the leading generals of the Army of the Tennessee, namely: Dodge, Hazen, Slocum, Leggett, Mower and Blair, and of Capt. Strong On the opposite side of the pedestal Gen. Logan is represented as taking the oath of office as Senator of the United States before Vice-President Arthur. Grouped around are Senator of the United States before Vice-resident Arthur. Grouped around are Senators Cullom, Evants, Coukling, Morton, Miller, Voorhees and Thurman, of whom there are now living only Gen. Dodge and Senator Cullom. On the front of this beautiful pedestal is an ideal figure, about life-size, representing the "Defense of the Union," and on the other end a figure of the same size representing "Preservation of the Union." These allegorical figures are beautically and the same size representing the "Defense of the Union." tifully and appropriately draped and are stately and imposing. Surmounting the pedestal is the equestrian figure, which measures 14½ feet in height. Gen. Logan is represented as riding along the line of battle, his sword unsheathed, and the horse moving forward at a gentle trot, slightly held in check. The general's appearance exhibits great force and energy, and the whole impression given by the statue is one of dignity, beauty and power.

have now only enough left to bring me stopped the word. in \$300 a year-exactly what you had. do not own another thing on earth. asked. I had concluded that the money without you was not worth having, and as long as you are so stubborn about it I paid too much for me?" saw that I must give in, so I have done so gladly. I have got to be 24, as you know, and have absolute control over I have given away my fortune.

"You have cost me nearly \$100,000. so I'm of the opinion that you had betvictim. I don't propose to tell you another thing about it, as you have no right to know now. After-after- of well, some time I will tell you what I did with the rest of the money, but just now it is no affair of yours. You will simply have to take my word for it. Come on, Jim. I am anxious to see

So it was that Jim was so happy. He had only two days more to wait; then he would get his month's wages. He had \$400 saved up, and he reflected that he and Nelly would manage to get along on that for a while. His pride was riding rampant, also, and his con science was very self-satisfied, indeed for had he not held out against the allurements of beauty, wealth, position, ease everything? It was victory well worth rejoicing for.

The ceremony was over, the few intimate friends had taken their departure, and Jim and Nell looked at each other in a bewildered sort of way.

"I think we ought to take a trip, Jim I'm so deadly tired of this place. don't know what to do. Let's go to Europe. I've always wanted to go there."

"Nell, are you crazy? I can't afford trip to Europe, and you know it. And you haven't any money, either, so bow

are we to go?" "I think it very unkind of a perso of your wealth to be taunting me with my poverty. For a man as rich as you, I think you are undoubtedly close." Her eyes twinkled merrily. "I want to go to Europe, and now I've got you to go with me you ought to be glad of the opportunity."

"Nell, dear, if I could afford it you know I would be delighted to take

"Well, you can afford it."

"I tell you I cannot." bundle of books and papers. He picked up the first one and read the inside page: "First National Bank, in the curb. account with James M. Allyn. Deposited May 1, \$35,000; May 9, \$12,000; May 12, \$12,000."

"What does this mean, Nell?" he asked wonderinkly as he looked at another book and read: "Received May 9. bonds, mortgages, stocks and securities duly transferred and assigned to James M. Allyn, and aggregating \$130,-000, and more particularly described as follows: "The Trust and Safe Deposit Company." Nell was hugely enjoying the situation. She seated herself on the arm of the chair and

said. "You dear old stupid, mulish, stubborn thing, I told you the truth, for I gave everything I owned to you before I wrote that letter. I told the truth. for I reserved just enough to bring me

take an almost doweriess bride. 1 "Well, I'll be-" She kissed him and "Are you going to Europe?" she

"Oh, I don't know. Not so long as my property. So, in order to get you, steamer leaving to-morrow evening."-Yonkers Statesman.

OHIO MAN'S ROMANCE.

Gains a Wife Through Pretty Dining

Room Girl's Mishap. Earl W. Henning, wife of a wealthy manufacturer of Massillon, Oblo. Their acquaintance dated from a mishap in the dining room, when Miss Fisher



MRS. EARL W. HENNING.

upset a glass of milk over Mr. Henning while he was at the hotel.

Although confused over the accident. the pretty waltress apologized so gracefully that the beart of the stranger was touched, and he decided then and there to lay slege to the young woman's heart. That he succeeded is evidenced by the wedding which has since been solemnized. Mrs. Henning is 22 years old and is very pretty. She is an or

phan. Good Story on Senator Jones. They are telling this story in Washington about Senator Jones of Arkansas chairman of the Democratic National Committee, who is a member of spected a team that was standing by

"Here, you!" shounted the driver "what are you doing there feeling about that horse's neck? "I'm an officer of the Humane Society," replied Senator Jones, mildly, "and

"Well," snarled the driver, "if that along and get a cop and have me arrested.

The man who talks about the weather in a very low, confidential voice

never had a secret in his life important enough to keep from his wife. After a young men has called on a girl as often as three times, she begins with hard-headed economy, who dared to beg her mother for a half dollar to the superstitious terrors of her own go and have ber fortune told. conscience in her high-handed and im- phia Record.

WHAT LIVING COSTS IN OUR NEIGHBOR COUNTRY.

Various Household Articles Looked Upon by Americans as Necessities Cost About Three Times as Much as They Do at Home.

to which most Americans who come here are accustomed, and which they look upon as a necessity wherever they may be located, says a writer in Modern Mexico. Mexico is a silver country, but that very fact makes many things that the foreigner demands as necessities so much higher. Mexican concessors money is on a silv , basis, but living expenses for the average American in Mexico, at least, are on a gold basis. In fact, for the family that keeps house here, expenses as a rule, will average about three Mexican dollars that of my ministers. to one American dollar for the same relative standard of living. This ratio may be too high in comparison with the larger cities of the Atlantic coast, but it certainly is not for smaller places, or Western cities. House rent in the capital is an important item. It is practically impossible to secure a The answer came: "Am not particuhouse with any degree of privacy or modern conveniences for less than \$75 for a scrap-book." per month. Servants are paid less than in the United States, housemaids receiving from \$6 to \$9 a month, but on the other hand, many households that managed comfortably with one maid for general housework in the North here find it necessary to employ two or three. Boarding is cheaper, particularly for those without families Single rooms rent for from \$20 to \$40 per month. Day board can be secured at city restaurants and private boarding houses for from \$30 to \$40 per month. It is in the matter of clothing and general household supplies that the American family in Mexico finds the greatest expense. Fine French goods, gloves and broadcloth cost about the same number of silver dollars here that they do in gold in the United States, but the things that are classed Judge asked. The witness replied that as daily necessities by the average American cost much more. In the plainer lines of dry goods it is but natural. considering the double value of the gold dollars in the countries from which most of them are imported, the duties and freights added, that nothing is to be found for less than three times as many silver dollars as they Father Stanton talked so fast that he cost in gold dollars in the countries did not have a chance to say anything where they are manufactured. Gentlemen's ready made clothing is practically unknown among the better classes. business suit of good English woolen costs from \$40 to \$50. Few American very sorry," replied Father Stanton, families are content to live upon the submissively, "but it is the very best-I products of this country entirely. A can get for three shillings and sixfew fresh vegetables and fruits are pence a pound." nearly always cheap. Potatoes are eggs are cheap at 25 cents a dozen. No giving a recruit a short lecture upon the United States in gold. Fifteen "Yes. I think I would enjoy the cent quality of American canned fruit trip myself, but don't you think you costs \$1.50 a can here. The cheapest what astonished at this singular definicanned vegetables cost from 00 to 80 cents a can. The package cereals, that tured to ask the sergeant for his auyou are nice as you are now. Come retail at \$1-3 cents in the States, cost on. Let's get ready and catch the 40c to 50 cents here. Imported American, and the best native, butter is from the following: "The military service from 13 to 16 cents a litre, a trifle more attention to the orders of a superior." ago. han a quart. In meats, beef costs 30 cents a pound, pork 35 cents, mutton 30 cents, bacon and lard 40 cents a pound. Mexican flour is 7 cents a A few weeks ago Miss Ethlyn Fisher pound and native sugar 11 cents. These was a dining room girl in a botel in figures are all given in Mexican money, an Englishman. These gentlemen be Williamsport, Pa., but she is now Mrs as nearly all who come to Mexico receive salaries in the currency of the country. This paper has frequently spoken of the class of opportunities offered here to young men who are well equipped in some special line, but the man with a family who has employment certainly cannot expect to better himself by removing here for less than three times as much in silver as he can earn at home in gold. Aside also from the greater cost of inany things must be considered the clipped." The Frenchman-"Hero's to lack of English school advantages. These are limited in the capital and in most points in the interior they are entirely lacking. Wherever found, they

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S FAULTS. She Was Very Vain and Inordinately Fond or Fine Dress.

the English language.

must, of course, be reckoned as an ad-

ditional expense, as there are, natural-

ly, no public schools here conducted in

Yet Elizabeth was never really successful with her wardrobe as a more feminine woman might have been. Her dresses were never beautiful, only ludicrously and most inappropriately magnificent; laden with jewels, weighted down with cloth of gold, stiff with silver embroidery, and so heavy that even her big, powerful frame must (without supporting vanity) have felt the fatigue of carrying them about, her sweet face. Elizabeth was certainly vain, but she "I suppose you'll think it's foolish, cannot claim femininity merely on that maybe," she said, "but I did have one account, for vanity is by no means an great disappointment, and I've never exclusively, feminine characteristic; forgotten it. There was a man that there are perhaps more vain women the Humane Society, and wears a than vain men, because women have badge that entitles him to investigate more leisure, and their costumes afford "I know better-you can. Why, just the condition of any animal that ap- greater opportunities for vanity than look at these," and she handed him a pears to be ill treated. One day as he the strangely hideous clothing which didn't. came down from the Capitol, he in custom has arranged for men; but no thoughtful (feminine) observer can doubt that a vain man is vainer than

a vain woman! Elizabeth's hands were her especial pride, and, judging from her portraits, they were certainly beautiful; they were laden with jewels, and it was her I want to see if this collar fits this habit in public to pull her rings off with absent artlessness, and push them | ago, but I've never ceased regretting on again, moving those white hands collar don't fit that horse any better about in the most obvious way. Once, than your collar fits you, you just run during the grave consideration of a sinte paper, where in her cold sagnetty never took second place, she interrupted the discussion to ask whether the Duc d'Anjou, who was at one time one of her suitors, had been told what a pretty foot she had, and how white and well rounded was her arm? This, In the woman who financed the Armada

THE RESERVE TO STREET, STREET,

EXPENSES IN MEXICO. pudent treatment of the bishops, whose SUPPOSE WE SMILE. sterest in methods of torture for state prisoners was most mechanical and intelligent, entirely unhampered by any squeamish feminine hesitation as to blood or pain-is most curious. In connection with this last characteristic of cruelty, vanity is not at all unprecedented. Indeed, if one observe closely. one will notice that excessively vain persons have almost always a strange inclination toward crucky. The accounts of what Queen Elizabeth per-Living expenses in the City of Mex- mitted and indeed commanded in this respect will hardly bear reading by us shall get rich at it." ico, or in fact any of the larger cities of Mexico, cannot be said to be cheap. sensitive folk to-day.—Margaret Deland with regard to the standard of living in Harper's Bazar.

***************** GOOD Short Stories

When that very limited monarch, Louis-Philippe, was asked to pardon Sloper. Barbes, he replied: "He has my pardon; now I will see if I can get him L. O. Howard, the distinguished en-

tomologist, felt somewhat flattered at receiving one day a letter from a gentleman asking him to send a copy of his report. Mr. Howard replied promptly, and asked to which particular report his correspondent referred. lar which one you send. I want it

Dr. Milan Soule writes that hypnotic suggestion has enabled him to afford complete or partial relief in several instances. An accomplished and wellknown medical man gravely assured him "that he had frequently cured his wife of seasickness after the acute stage had passed by compelling her attention while he slowly read aloud the first chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew."

During the recent trial of certain members of the Belton Park Club la Eugland, who were charged with illegally employing a number of youngsters as caddles who should have been at school, it was stated that the caddies were given luncheon and tea. "Why did you give them tea?" the it was usual to give caddles tea. "Ah," said the judge, thoughtfully, "I presume that makes them tea-caddies."

The late Dr. Creighton, Bishop of London, once made a visit to Father Stanton's church in High Holborn, a most ritualistic organization service was not quite to his liking, but until he got into his carriage to go was my hair that was being combed. away. Then he remarked: your service, Stanton, but I don't like if I was doin' the combing.-Philadelyour incense." "Very sorry, my lord, phia Press.

A Russian military paper tells of a never lower than 314 cents a pound and Beutenant who overheard a sergeant the house.—Brooklyn Life. imported groceries are less than four his duties. "The military service," times as much in silver as they are in said the sergeant, "requires little prayer to God, and a strict attention to the orders of a superior." Some tion of military duty, the officer venthority. Whereupon the sergeant produced an ancient volume, containing 80 to 90 cents a pound. Milk costs requires little; prayer to God and strict large as those I got here a few days Recently in Los Angeles (save an A

bany minister) five prominent gentle- are flannel cakes, and flannel will men of foreign birth chanced to meet. shrink.-Philadelphia Record. One was a Russian, one a Turk, one a Frenchman, one an American, and one came intimate, and finally a champagne supper was proposed, at which each gentleman, to be in keeping with the times, was to give a toast to his native country, the one giving the best to be at no expense for the wine. Here are the toasts given: The Ross'an-"Here's to the stars and bars of Russia, that were never pulled down." The Turk-"Here's to the moons of the cock of France, whose feathers were never picked." The American-"Here's to the Stars and Stripes of America, never trailed in defeat." The Englishman-"Here's to the rampin', roarin' lion of Great Britain, that tore down the stars and bars of Russia, clipped the wings of Turkey picked the feathers of the cock of France, and ran like h-I from the Stars me, lady. Wot ker goin' to do 'bout it? and Stripes of the United States of America.

A Shadow on Her Life. Somebody once asked a tranquil old resident of Nantucket if her life had always run as smoothly as she could

wish; if no great sorrows or disappointments had ever come to mar its seren The old lady sat looking out of the window for a moment, and then turned to her questioner with a little smile on came to the island once with a handorgan and a monkey. He got as far as

the corner of our street, and I thought dignantly. he was coming right this way, but he "I was housed with a cold and couldn't go out to see him and his monkey, so I only caught just a glimpse of them. They played balf an

hour in the next street. "Disappointments like that stay by folks all their lives," she added, after a sympathetic ejaculation from her visitor. "It was more than thirty years I didn't see that monkey. I've been wonderfully blessed in every other way, dear; but that organ-grinder never came to the Island again, never!"

Unneighborly. Hoax-You're a fine fellow! Joax-What's the matter? "You've given your wife a twenty-

five-dollar bonnet." "Well, you don't have to pay for It. "No; but I have to pay for another one just like it for my wife."-Philadel-

HUMOROUS PARAGRAPHS FROM THE COMIC PAPERS.

Pleasant Incidents Occurring the World Over-Sayings that Are Cheerful to Old or Young-Funny Selections that Everybody Will Enjoy.

"I've got a great scheme," said he. "I "Again?" asked his friend, who knew the usual results of his schemes.

"O, this will pay. I'm going to take I large consignment of mice to Kansas and sell them to saloenkeepers at \$5 a dozen."-Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

The Reasons.
Funnyboy-This weather ought to be

Growler-Boiled! Why boiled? Funnyboy Because it's so raw! Ally



Reporter-Young Scribbler has gone on a terrible bat; his best girl rejected Editor-Unaccompanied by stamps, I

Off Again, On Again. "Very well," said she, in a huff, "all is over between us. I'll thank you to re-

turn my letters. "All right," said be, "Til send them to you the first thing in the morning." "Oh, there's no killing hurry. Suppose you er bring them with you when you call to-morrow evening .-Philadelphia Press.

He'd Sett'e Old Scores Tommy-O! Ouch! Stop that! Mamma-Why, Tommy, aren't you ashamed? I wouldn't cry that way if it Tommy (flercely)-I'll bet you would

Yabsley-I wish I could break my wife of the habit of presenting me with cigars every opportunity she gets. Jollyboy-Do as I do. Smoke them in Ensily Adjuste t. "Pardon me," said the busy man to

the insurance agent who had forced his way into his office, "but I'm not prepared to talk to you to-day." "Don't let that worry you," replied the insurance agent, "I'll do the talking.-Philadelphia Press.

Easily Explained.

o? Well, you see, these



Indignant Ike-Dat cur o' yourn bit Housewife-Oh, I shan't do anything for him, but just let him die. We were going to poison him anyway!

Why Did He? Alex. Smart-Say, didn't Henpeck know his wife before he married her?

Numskull-Why, certainly he did! Alex. Smart-Then why did he marry her?-Ohio State Journal. More to Follow. "I've turned highwayman," chuckled

the sofa. "What!" exclaimed the chair. "Yes. I held a couple up last night." -Philadelphia Record.

The Antocrat. "Of course I am master in my own house," said Mr. Meekton a little in-"How do you manage it?" "I tell Henrietta to do just what she

pleases. And she goes ahead and does it."-Washington Star. A Treasure. Mrs. Polkadot-She is a fine nurse, isn't she?

Mrs. Pahducah-Ideal! Why, I can go for days without even seeing the children.-Brooklyn Life. Can't Last Forever.

Hopley-What seems to trouble your baby? Popley (wearily)-I suppose it troubles him to think that eventually he'll have to go to sleep at night.-Philadel-

phia Press. A Profession for Him. Fond Mother (of delicate dude)-I

for bringing it about. think it is time Clarence selected a profession. What would you advise? Old Gent (reflectively)-He might do nicely as a typewriter girl.-New York

All Plain to Him Now. "Here," said the foreman of the presroom, leading his visitors into another apartment, "are the great presses. The matter is stereotyped in the form of curved plates, these are placed on the cylinders, and as they revolve they leave their impression on the paper that unwinds from that huge roll at the back of the press."

"I see now," remarked one of the visitors, a person of much sagacity, "what is meant when we read of an item going the rounds of the press."

Strauge. "Strange thing happened to the Widow Jones. An ôld bachelor friend

said she looked younger than she did twenty years before." "It was doubtless a well-meant com-

pliment." "But it came as such a surprise to her that her hair turned black that same night."-Philadelphia Times.

At a Brooklyn Musicale. "It's funny that you should be so tall. Your brother, the artist, is short, isn't

He (absently)-Yes, usually.-Brooklyn Life.

A Cautions Parrot.
Fair Visitor-What a lovely parrot! (To parrot) Polly want a cracker? Polly (eautiously)-Did you make it yourself?-What to Eat.

A Prawback to Success.
"Daughter, that young Perkins who comes here seems a very patient admirer."

"Oh, yes, pa; he's awfully patientbut he isn't a bit persevering."

An Unknown Fpecies. "The homely girl is unknown in journalism," said the talkative critic. have never found her getting married. dying, being murdered, run over, injured in any way, entertaining or being entertained or anything else. It is always her fine-looking, pretty or handsome sisters that figure in all of these things."

His Friend-Your son is home from college, is he? It must give a young man a lot of mental trainin'.

The Farmer-Well, he don't seem to be overtrained.-Puck. Ostentation. Nell-Mrs. Newrich wants to impress

verybody with her wealth. Belle-Yes, she never puts less than a 5 cent stamp on her letters.-Philadelphia Record.



First Visitor-Whut's that fer? Second Visitor-Guess it's to pass Missouri River water through before drinking.

Taking a Mean Advantage.
"It's got so," the man in the brown jean suit was saying, "that you can't trust anybody these days. I saw an advertisement of a man in the East that said for 10 cents he'd send a book of forty-five pages of mighty spicy read-

"Well," they asked him, "what did you get when you sent the 10 cents?" "A catalogue of a spice mill, by gosh!" Poor Fellow!

Mrs. Houskeep-Now, you've had your dinner, will you saw some wood for me? Wragson Tatters-Say, lady, I'm afraid!

Mrs. Houskeep-Afraid of work, I suppose? Wragson Tatters-It isn't that, lady; but I'm a kleptomaniae, an' I'm afraid

I'd steal the saw!-Philadelphia Press. Wiggles-There was a man hurt in a

French duel once. Waggles-Really? Wiggles-Yes; one of the seconds fell out of the tree into which he had climbed for safety.-Somerville Jour-

Cold. He-I have been longing for this moment, Miss Flossie, when I can lay my burning heart at your feet. Flossie-Oh, it's very kind of you. My feet are so cold!-Ally Sloper.

Why She Discarded Him "Don't despair, Edward, even if father does say you'll be young enough to marry five years from now.' "Oh, I don't care for myself, but how about you?"-Philadelphia Times.

Not the Same Wood. Lady-Come back here! You promised to saw some wood if I gave you your dinner. Tramp-Madam, I had reference to another lady's wood farther up the rond. Good day.

Charles Dickens and His Cat. Charles Dickens was a lover of animals, and had a special fondness for cats. One of his favorites, known for her devotion to Dickens as "the master's cat," used to follow him about like a dog, and sit beside him while he wrote. One night Dickens was reading at a small table by the light of a candle, with pussy, as usual, at his elbow. Suddenly the light went out. Dickens was much interested in his

book, relighted the candle, going on reading. In a short time the light again became dim, and, turning suddenly, Dickens found puss deliberately putting out the candle with her paw, and looking at him appealingly as she did so. Not till then did her master guess what was wrong. The little creature felt neglected and wanted to be petted, and extinguishing the candle was the best device she could think of

When a man gets angry his reason takes a short vacation.

Any act is meritorious that is not a