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over this mall."

He quickly drew out of the bunch

the square white envelope I know he

was most analous to find. They used

to write to each other every day. It

was so long from each night to the

next, at which time they were logether,

I heard the tearing of the envelope, and

1 started up, "What ----," 1 began,

It was from the girl.

I tried to say something.

lies, and faith but a mockery!"

raised; "lips that seemed the dwelling

place of truth-heart from which I

thought angels might have learned loy-

alty and love-soul that seemed whiter

than the robes of saints!-honor is but

a rag and constancy a devil's lie "

hard, I know, but-

fact.

bis bend.

Lester tossed me the letter.

I lit a cigar, sat lown, and walted.

forman and a second and a secon HE curtain rang down, and the of engagements kept me too busy to

HE curfain rang diffrance in the set much of Lester until three or four never have done anybody any barm. The story is told that an appointment play was over, it partook of trag-been called, but it partook of trag-days before the time. I was to act as how like some ferectous assirstin with to a consulship was secured by a man to a consulship was secured by a man edy, and its strong elimaxes, handled sthey were by competent players, down to his rooms to see him about as they were received by the audience with the arangements. I overtook him on ancontrolled storms of applause. the street and we walked down togeth-

My friend Lester and I, old theater er. He caried in his hand a bunch of poers as we were, thrilled with the thers at the strong human touch of the actors' art, and were silent as we the light. slowly moved outward in the perfumed gush and chatter of the fashionable mud. We went to a quiet restaurant we knew of, where the noisier pleasure seekers did not follow, and ordered our hops and ale.

Released from the spell of the couneffeit world in which we had lived for same two hours, the prosale reality of actual life soon brought us back to our armal condition of mind.

"Doesn't it seem strange," said Lester, who carried all kinds of theories a his head. "that a play like that should upress any one as a true representaon of life ?"

"So it seemed to me." I answered, in mesurprise, for Lester, I had noticed, had yielded as fully, if not more so, to he shell of the performance than 1 nyself had. "The plot was far less imtable than the happenings set forth courdaily papers, the situations were characters that she had married aning of the characters unusually well a few vague excuses and regrets that mageal

"Yes," said Lester, "I know that's se, but you haven't caught my idea. a wonder, though, for I haven't admaced it yet. 1 was just thinking of the language that play wrights and novhas put in the mouths of their chargers. When do you ever hear real ople use such stilted high-flown talk? f course I know it's necessary for am to improve on our everyday slipad lings, or the whole thing would a flasco, but, all the same it isn't me to nature. I refer particularly to ong emotional scenes. In such erises areal life the participants will always he what little ideas of grammar, conraction, and choice of language they erally have, and either stammer out a lat of idiotic commonplaces, shuply wear, or turn dumb as brates. Now h the novel or the drama their talk livays rises to the emergency. That's n, of course, but it isn't truth."

"I don't altogether agree with you." uid. "I thin kthat even in actual life mm and women when confronted with me great and studen danger, sorrow, after moving sentiment, rise above sit petty conventionalities of expressiturned. While I was closing the door on and use language sometimes as Lester got his pistol and put the ball innate, lofty, and dramatle as that straight for his heart. I knelt in the ging to literature or the stage, We smoke and raised his head. A brief in people has e become slaves to gleam of his old quizzieal, philosophical artificial and have frittered away humor came into his eye, oals on sordid things. We express "Frank," he said, with a faint smile,

ves Jerkily, slangily, and poor- "did you hear me get off my star in at pertness, and brevity, taik? You were right-right-aboutave a foolish dislike for allowing that-after all."-Detroit Free Press. were concealed in two beams of a ouse in Dash street. Send there as

# A HAIR-DRESSER'S GRATITUDE.

He Restored the Priceless Crawa

J-wets of France. On the 16th of September, 1702, the frown Jewels of France were stolen. The following curious story of their theft and recovery was afterward contributed to the Revue Retrospective by

Setgeant Marcean, an official of the National Assembly. Marceau was one on the locomotive, and was particularly day visiting the prisons, when a conlict sent for him. The creature was listener. He spoke to the student after shivering with fear, and begged pite. the lecture, and asked him: "Well, I ously that he nlight be allowed to be suppose you understand all about the shaved. This was against the prison locomotive now?" "Yes," was the reegulations, but the man was insistent, ply, "all but one thing," "And what is Tyling ont:

best man, and one afternoon 1 ran my hair thus! Let me be shaved and by his use of a quotation from "Trildecently dressed, so that I may receive some pity when I go to the scaffold! I was by occupation a holies' hairdresser, so you can see I was not a

letters he had just received by mail. scoundrel. Lester opened his door and turned on Marceau was so touched by this strange and pathetic appeal that he "Fumilie those things out of the rockgranted the favor. er." he said, "and excuse my glancing

In the stress of affairs he thought no nore about the wretched barber, who he supposed had been executed. Shortly afterward the crown jewels disappeared, and though every effort was

made, no trace of them could be found. One day a mulatto woman, who came constantly to the tribune of the Jacobin Club, approached Marceau, who He inquired the name of it. "A Lion, was a member, and said:

the rustle of its contents as he unfolded it. Then there was such a long silence that I looked up. Lester was staring at the letter in his hand with a face white as chalk and a look upon no living human being but you. He is swan I don't know as I blame Gerome it like that of an animal when it dies. under an obligation to you, he says." With little faith in the woman's story,

Marceau answered: "Bring him in at once?" An hour later a man dressed in the I made out of the scrawling, sloping uniform of the National Guard entered

the apartment, and said, in a faitering other man that afternoon. There were Woley "Monsieur Administrator, I can show only accentuated the horror of the bare you where to find the crown jewels, but you must give me your word of onor not to denounce me."

"Denounce you for rendering such an "Old man." I said; "er-you mustimportant service?" replied Marceau. you know-bear up-she's-you know You will rather deserve a reward." "I can take no reward except my life. Lester didn't hear me. He straight-

My name canot appear in this matter ened up and held his hand high above without gisking my head." "False!" he cried, "oh, God! false!

ask," said the magistrate. Infinite and all powerful Ruler of the universe, is love but another name for sleur?' inquired the National Guards-

DIST. "Lester," I said, "listen to me. It's "No, I never saw you before." "Eyes with heaven's own light in

magistrate that you will not give me them," he went on, with his arm still up!" cried the man again "Why all this mystery?" demanded

the magistrate. "If you know any- face of the duchess; "I think they must thing, reveal it. If you were an accomplice, I will protect you." "No, sir," was the reply, "I had nothing to do with it. I am Lamievette,

Somebody knocked at the door and the hair-dresser, whom you allowed to sprang toward it. Lester opened a be shaved at the conciergerie. Aldrawer to his table and fumbled in it. though I have been set free by the pop-A man had brought a package for ular judges, the tribunal may arrest Lester. It was the girl's presents reme again.

"Do not be afraid," said Marceau Tell what you know about this theft. After kissing the magistrate's hand, the hair-dresser continued: "Two fellow-prisoners of mine were

talking together one night about the theft, and although they used thieves' slang I was able to understand them. pretended to be asleep, and I heard



The professor of mechanics at an English college once gave a lecture upstruck by the absorption of one juvenile tions by allowing greater freedom to and mistake. that?" said the professor, kindly. - 21

"Oh, he merciful, Monsteur Adminis- can't make out what makes the locomo

by." While in company with certain high political personages, he had oversion to inquire the price of some triffing object, and in an off-hand way used the Laird's version, and after saying "Comblang?" added "Je prong." The political personages were highly impressed by his knowledge of languages. A few weeks later he received the gift of a consulate in a French town.

A countryman strayed into a Cleveland art store, the other day, and seensed most struck with a pleture representing a lion stalking in solitary majesty through the rulus of an ancient temple. after Gerome," answered the proprie-"What would you say if I enabled tor; "you seem to be pleased with that ron to recover the missing crown jew- ploture?" "Yes," the old gentleman reels? I know a man who has the secret, plied, "I do sort of like it. That's a but he declares that he will reveal it to powerful ugly lookin' heast that, and I

very much for glitin' out of the way."

parents and friends became very much ful shughter which had taken place inalarmed about the matter, and his fath- the center of the ship, I was not very or sent for a physician some miles fond of the janut; but my conscience away "in haste," urging his speedy would not let me send another on an coming. The physician, however, took errand I was afraid to undertake mythe matter more philosophically, and self, and away I posted towards the wrote the following note: "Do not be fore magnzine. When I arrived on the darmed. If, after three weeks, the bul- main deck, along which I had to pass, let is not removed, give the boy a there was not a single man standing charge of gunpowder, Yours truly, the whole way from the main mast for-, M. D. P. S .- Do not shoot the ward, a district containing eight guns boy at anybody.

The queen, when Princess Victoria, was one day reading Roman history. "Speak! I promise you what you with the Duchess of Northumberian-I. It happened to be the passage wacre a "Do you not recognize me, then, mon- Roman lady, having visited Cornella, "the mother of the Graechi," displayed art casket of p ecicus stones, and called upon the Roman matron to produce her "Oh, sir, let me have your word as a jewels in return, when Cornella brought forward her children, exclaiming: These are my jewels!" "Jewels!" said the little princess, looking up into the have been Cornellans."

A fond mother recently took her 4year-old girl to a photographer to have her picture taken, but the child could not be made to sit still. Finally the photographer said to the despairing mother: "Madam, if you will leave the little one alone with me for a moment, I think I can succeed." The mother left the room, and in a few minutes was summoned back by the triumphant photographer, who produced a satisfactory negative. When they reached home. the mother asked: "Nellie, what did the man say to you when I left you alone with him?". "He thaid," lisped "thit thill, you little imp, or FII thunth you." them say that all the crown Jewels

# whereas a girl's lack of years is her LET US ALL LAUGH. the present tendency for woman's

In the water

Modesty.

Light-minded young thing in a bath

Aunt Margaret-Indeed I am. Nothing shall induce me to take off an-

Vengeance.

A Reminder.

Angelina-So this is the information

Clerk-It is; what can I do for you?

Just Suited Him.

Aptomb.

Happy Thought.

will be no marriage or giving in mar-

Mrs. Brown-Jones-They say there

Her husband-That's what makes it

"Is my hat straight?" And Angelina

#### enter fredom will be defented if we allow it to guide the action of our girls JOKES FROM THE PENS OF The danger to immaturity always be-VARIOUS HUMORISTS. omes greater as the danger to maturity grows less. This we should nev-Fleasant Incidents Occurring the er overlook. It is a blessed change that things are safely possible to wom-World Over-Sayings that Are Cheeron which were absolutely impossible a ful to Old or Young - Funny few yours ago. But progress is dangr-Selections that You Will Enjoy. ous as well as healthful. If parents interpret the present changing condi-

### their daughters they will make a very ing suit-Surely, Aunt Margaret, you are not going to wear your spectacles

## CARNAGE AT COPENHAGEN.

The Desolution Wrought Upon a other thing -New York Tribune.

Single British Ship. Capt. Alfred T. Mahan, who recently

"Who was that man who was just resigned from the United States navy n order to devote his entire attention escorted through this place by a o literary pursuits, contributes to the posse?" inquired the man from the Century an article on "Nelson in the East. "Some desperate character, no Battle of Copenhagen." Capi. Mahan doubt." says that the Danes fought not only "No, stranger," replied Derringer with great resolution, but with an ef- Dan. "He's worse'n a desperate charfectiveness that is really remarkable in acter. He's a blame fool. That posse

view of the rawness of the material is composed of his feller-citizens in a hastily worked up for the occusion. He town which some years since he peradds: A singular picture of the desola- sunded 'em to name 'Trilby,' "-Wash tion wrought on the decks of the Mon-ington Star. arch has been given by a midshipmer

on board of her: "Toward the close of Tompkins-Why do you wear that the action the colonel commanding the string on your finger? detachment of soldlers on board told

Forget-To remind me that I have me that the quarter-deck guns wanted made up my mind to trust to my memquill or the tubes (which are used as ory in the future,-Philadelphia North more safe and expeditious than lowe American, priming), and wanted me to send some

one, adding, his own men were too ig. Information Given While You Wait, norant of the ship, or he would have sent one of them. I told him I knew hureau3

no one that could so well be spared as A lad in a remote country village myself. He, however, oldected to my swallowed a small leaden bullet. His going; and as I was aware of the dreadlooked appealingly at the busy young man, whose reply was lost in the nurmur of the waves,-Chautauqua Assembly Herald. on a side, some of which were run out ready for firing, others lay dismounted.

and others remained as they were after recolling. . . . "I hastened down the fore ladder to

to find somebody alive. I was obliged to wait for a few minutes for my cargo, Chief Oolakagalala-Without excepand after this pause I own 1 felt something like regret, if not fear, as I Standard. remounted the ladder on my return. This, however, entirely subsided when

I saw the sun shining and the old blue "I never met a man with more suensign flying as lofty as ever. I never perb self-possession than Gen. Begfelt the genuine sense of glory so commore. pletely as at that moment. I took off "No; the general is never embarrassmy hat by an involuntary motion, and ed except financially,"--Indianapolis

gave three cheers as I jumped on to the Journal. uuarter-deck. Col. Hutchinson welomed me at my quarters as if I had been on a hazardous enterprise and had returned in triumph; the first lientenant also expressed great satisfaction at seeing me in such high spirits and heaven .- The Yellow Book. so notive.

The effect of splinters-tragments of wood, whether large or small, being technically so call d-is shown by the doing to-day? same writer in a few scattered but Mother-He cut off a plece of the

"I lef' him there to make the best of

A Good Boy. Father-Well, what has Tommy been

graphic sentences: "Our signal mid- cat's tall, broke three windows, blackshipman was bruised from head to foot ened the cook's eve and built a bonfire

Lucrative, "Going to Klondike to dig gold, are 20017

"No," sold the man with the hawksbill nose, "I sha'n't prospect. I mean to go into business. I haven't quite made up my mind whether to open a saloon or a combined undersking and shipping establishment."- Indianapolis Journal.

Explained.

"It seems to be a case of genuine at tachment," said the young woman. "She hasn't filted him yet."

"No." replied Miss Cavenne, "She heartily dislikes the girl that he is go ing to give the engagement ring to next."-Washington Star,



"Very good, my dear sir; we shall see at the post mortem."-Punch,

A Second Sherlock Folders, First tramp-Here comes a likely looklu' guy. I'll just brace him fer a

dime. Second tramp-It's no use; he has no dough

First tramp-How d'yer know? Second tramp-Why, If he had he'd be ridin' a wheel, not walkin' .-- Up-to-Date.

Furety Insant.

Attorney-What was there about the accessed that led you to believe he was of unsound mind?

Witness-Well, for the one thing, he abhorred bicycles .- Boston Traveler.

#### Misu derstood.

"I hear you are going to marry again."

"That," said the lady who had already disposed of four husbands, "that is my business."

"Ob, your business? I thought it was merely your recreation."-Indianapolis Journal.

#### The First Fire,

"And now, children, can you tell me how the blazing sword got there? You may answer, Willie."

"Please, ma'am, I guess it caught when Adam got fired."-Cleveland tion the best I ever tasted .-- Syracuse Plain Dealer.

#### Must Fail to succeed.

Griggs-'Fraid it's going to be a bad year for the Delaware peach growers. Briggs-How's that?

Griggs-They can't get good prices for their fruit if the peach crop isn't a failure .- Exchange.

### Dispurity.

"You're not going to the Klondike re gion, are you?" said the impecunious man's friend. "No."

"Don't like the climate?"

"It isn't the climate, "It's the surface conditions. There are too many mountain passes and no railway pass es."-Washington Star.

A Frize Winner.

SU the lower deck, and felt really relieved The new missionary man-Wasn't my predecessor a good man?

a wee what is in our hearts. hole talk is devoted to diplomacy. in, and the concentiment of our is. But, at heart we are still and women, and a genuine and rful emotion will, I think, in five out of six, bring to the lips words as theatric, melodramatic and gey" as those we heard on the is to night or read in books." m're wrong, old man," said Lester ever murinuring highway, and the boys

spasifive way. "We're hopelessly and givis, instead of stringing up a duturesque in our parlance. Get by road, tumble into pants and pole of us into an end of fifth act de- away for dear life-the boys much like sent, and we either get tongue. other boys, but the girls reduced facof talk unintelligible rot. Give similes of their mothers and elder sisalf an hour for preparation, and ters, chad in bright but short raiseent, night think up something appro- and visible afar off through their to say, but not off hand. We let strange mob-caps with wings. As one just as the fellow did who on g home and finding his horse and Leipe to Lubbenau, these wings grow burned up, remarked: 'Well, I smaller and collapse, while the skirts this is "diculous!" Grief grow longer and more resemble the oroutgrammar, and sudden shocks dinary dress of women. At a dance the tal to syntax. People don't in- Spreewalder knows instantly, by the a heroics nowadays. They sim- peculiarities of her costume, from what in't do it. The twentleth century re is unfavorable to them. r in the play to-night the pa- alarming girth are no more, the gown and wonderfully fetching mono- reaches the ankles, and the cap fits of the artist's wife when he is close to the head instead of resting on a at to her killed in the duel? What framework as in Burg. Thus the dress a woman off the stage do? Cry, in Leipe is perhaps more graceful, but e, and about all she would say it is more commonplace; it no longer be something like, 'Oh, isn't it testifies to that pride of the pensant fully awful?"

and fragrant, "you can't expect his womanfolk and the variety of their to talk blank verse and indulge caps, by the richness of their dress as ted apostrophe on ordinary oc- well as their jewelry. , but I dare say that the first in happen to witness a scene e proper amount of tragedy in Il hear some talk very much the kind you find between novel coval across the footlights" mess not," said Lester.

1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1 er was a brilllant young man, with some engerness the phan- truth. tope, and we confided in each Cerning the cut and fit of our added to toilsome effort, that all great g laurel wreaths.

er bank that was likely to cave cess of any kind without great labor. e was devoted to Lester, and whenever we met I had girl up in every possible style and for dessert. I envied him his ut happiness, and encouraged in his belief that the earth was for her to inhabit.

re was no nonsense, and very litance about Lester. He was ingirl he talked about his busithe house they were to build. out after matter of that sort. wedding day was set and a rush than or its bulk.

# Costumes of the Spreewald.

moves down stream from Burg by

vallage a woman or girl has come. At

Leipe the multitudinous skirts of

father or husband which is shown by

I said, as the chops came up the number of yards in the skirts of

quickly as possible, for they may not Consul-General de Kay writes a payet have been taken away. But I enper entitled "An Inland Venice" for the treat you not to mention my name?" Century. It is a description of life in The search was made, and the jewthe Serblan Swamp, Vendland, Mr. de Kny snys: "School out" at the village where the hairdresser had said they were. The thieves were never traced school of Burg is a pretty sight. The substantial brick building overlooks the

# They Were Once Newsboys.

Nearly forty years ago the New York Children's Aid Society took charte of small street walf named Andy Burke. He had been selling newspapers, but the society sent him west to grow up with the country. He succoeded so well that he was made Governor of North Dakota some five or six years ago.

The "Silver Tongued Orator" of Conacticut was a newsboy at the Grand Central depot in New York when he attracted the attention of a gentleman named Waller and his wife, who took tue had home with them, gave him their name and educated him. He is now evening. He peered through a window, Thomas N. Waller, a well-known law- and saw his mother slitting alone, knityer, who has been Governor of the ting. Then he stepped sofily into the Nutmog State."

des was a great power in New York and looked up at her son, but did not and national politics, began life as a rise, "Francis," she said, severely, newsboy, and so did the late Daniel "have you left the army?" "No, mother Manning, who was a Cabinet minister only on leave. I'm going back next during Mr. Cleveland's first Presiden- week." "Then," General Walker used tial term.

newsboy, and his route was between wondered what she would have done if Albany and ouffalo. He worked hard 1 had left the army." in his business and before he was 14 had made and saved \$500 in profits.

knocking down a sea," and that in spite

of the fact that the wind may still be

high. It's rather hard to understand

just how such tiny drops can flatten

down the enormous swells of an angry

ocean, but the observations of a well-

known English scientist explain it

clearly. Each drop, he says, sends be-

low the surface a certain quantity of

water in the form of rings, which, with

gradually decreasing velocity and in-

creasing size, descend as much as eight-

een inches below the surface. There-

fore, when hain is falling on the sea,

there is as much motion immediately

beneath the surface as above, only the

drops are larger and their motion slow-

he water at the surface is being made

to continually change places with that

Bad Year for Italian Vineyards.

sumer and autumn was disastrous to

the vineyards of Italy. The wine had

to be doctored with alcohol and golor-

ing matter to such an extent that it be-

came injurious to health, and large

quantities have been destroyed by the

A man who will work, and is nonest,

The extraordinary rainfall of last

tion is destroyed.

supliary inspectors.

business

Thus unseen by the human eye,

#### No Success Without Work. When Charles Dickens sold that all Calms the Sea. Sallors speak of a heavy shower

that he had accomplished had been achieved by diligent, patient, persevering application, he only stated what has been the experience of every successful man. Nothing is more important to young men than that they should early

and a future before him. I also learn and fully comprehend this great It is step by step, by tollsome effort

achievements are made. As has been " was engaged to a girl with the well remarked, there is no royal road d direct frankness of a child, and to anything else of great value in this Y-seven fathoms deep. ! had life, Work-stendy, long-continued and into them and always felt like regular application-is the only price ag hack a step or two when I did. for which anything worth the having relashes looked to me like rushes can be bought. There is no great suc

# Shrugging the Shoulders,

Shrugging the shoulders in cold weather is probably the survival of an beneath, and in this way the wave moold instinct, which prompts them to put the skin of the back on the stretch. and so erect the bairy covering of that

part. The hair is now reduced to a mere downy covering, but the old inpractical, and when he called stinct still remains in common with other still remain still being that all ers; the rule apparently being that all ind the architecture and drain- instincts which are harmless to their possessors are constant, in spite of any ed to me, for safety's sake, he change of structure. All animals with have talked more of stars and long hair or feathers crect their coats affinity and those things. It in cold weather, for the warmth of such to my mind that those eyes a covering depends on its thickness and a fear matter of that sort. The amount of air it contains rather is worth all the evangelists now in the business.

Professor Max Muller tells a characteristic story of Lord Macaulay in bis was my companion on the quarter-deck. York Tribune. "Literary Recollections" in Cosmopolis, and who was as cool and apparently The advisability of providing for the in- unconcerned as usual, shared the same struction in Sanskrit of English youths fate, 4 attended him to the lower deck. destined for service in India was a deal but could not prevail upon myself to set els were discovered, concealed exactly bated question, and Macaulay sent for foot on the ladder to the cockpit." «The Professor Muller, who was an advocate cockpit is the place below the waterline of such instruction, in order to hear where the wounded are taken.)

what he had to say in its support. The interview lasted an hour, during which his cay. As the splinters were so plen- said Mr. Dolan. the professor found it impossible to get utul, it may be wondered how I gan a word edgewise against the flood of caped; the fact is, I did not escape on arguments against his position which poured from the historian's lips. When I was in a cloud, but being some little the harangue was ended, he was dis- distance before the wheel, I did not renissed with thanks for the valuable information he had imparted. Our first lieutenant, Mr. Yelland, had

When the war broke out, the late | taken care to have the decks swept, and General Francis A. Walker, who had everything clean and nice, before we went into action. He had dressed himgraduated a year before from Antherst, went to the front. He obtained a leave self in full uniform, with his cocked hat of absence to go home to Massachuset on square" (a touch which recalls setts, and arrived there without having | Collingood's eccentric captain, Roth notified his mother that he was coming. eram, at Trafalgar, who, upon being remonstrated with for the exposure full When he approached the house, it was dress entailed, replied, "I have always fought in a cocked hat, and I always will"), "his shirt-frill stiff starched, and ro in and st nd ig before her s id, -udhis cravat tied tight under his chin. as

Thurlow Weed, who for many dee- denly; "Mother," Mrs. Walker started usual. How he escaped unhurt seems subsided I saw first his cocked hat his person, his face suiling, so that alto say, "she jumped from her chair and together one might imagine him dress. Ex-Senator David R. Hill was a train came and klosed me. I have always ed for his wedding day.

Young Girl's Liberty.

and perch. How did these fish get The liberty and freedom of action althere? For that matter, how do the owed young girls of to-day is the subct of a forcible editorial by Edward W. Bok in the Ladies' Home Journal. That everything in life is tending to make people freer in thought and action is undoubtedly true, and it is a healthfultendency in the main-healthful for people of years and self-control," writes Mr. Bok. "But no advan tage is without its disadvantages. The freer our lives become along healthful and safe lines the healthier will our nilnds become. But before we can safe ly profit by these advantages we must have lived long enough to know how to use them and to understand what phases of them to disregard. Because women are freer to travel alone than do.

ever before, it does not necessarily follow that it is wise and right that young girls should be permitted to travel alone. Here comes the truth of the proverb that 'what's one man's polsor is another's meat.' The time was when a woman could not, with self-respect go to a place of entertainment unat tended. Now she can. But that does not make it right for a girl to do so The chaperon is none the less indispensable to girls to day than she was thirty years ago. She is really more necessary, for, as things become more and more possible for women, they should become more impossible for girls. This may sound hard and severe, but young girls must remember that a woman's years are her protection I in hoping.

with splinters in such a manner as in the cellar.

ringe in heaven.

compelled him to leave the deck. Mr. Father-Is that all? Tommy must Le Vescente, another midshipman, who have been a good boy to-day,-New

#### No Head for Figures. "Women have no head for figures." "That's so. My wife insists that she is only two years older now than she was in 1893."- Boston Traveler.

### Reliable.

'Yez know Casey, the contractor,'

'OI do," replied Rafferty. 'Is he what ye'd call reliable?"

tirely. When the wheel was shot away "He is the most reliable man OI lver knew. Whiniver he tells yez anythin' kin depind an it's not bein' so."-Washington Star. ceive any of the larger pleces. \* \* \*

# One of the Signs.

"Do you think the era of prosperity 1s upon mi?"

"It must be. I've had a new telephone put in and every time I ask for any one the main office tells me he's busy."-Detroit Free Press.

#### Keonomy.

"I would stop drinkin'," said Mr. Lushforth, "but I can't afford to." "Can't afford to?" queried the man

who was concerned. "No. Stop drinkin', wife would get concerful. Several times I lost sight a new hat. New-hie-hat, have to of him in a cloud of splinters; as they have new dress to match it. No tellin' where would end. Whatcher goin' emerging, then by degrees the rest of Unve?"-Indianapolis Journal,

#### What He Wanted.

In a maine

Proprietor-I want a boy who doesn't smoke, chew, swear, read dime novols-

Boy-Naw; what youse wants is gal!-Adapta Constitution.

#### Invious.

"L" said the daughter of a newly plutocratic sire, "was caught in the rain yesterday and ruined a \$50 suit." "And," said the girl who was poor but proud, "a twelve-dollar complexton,"-Indianapolis Journal.

#### The True Measure

"The true measure of success," be gan the grocer oracularly, "is not the plaudits of the vulgar crowd." "What is it, then?" asked the sarcasing it over her shoulders to wear to the tic loufer; "thirteen ounces to the

#### The Up-to-Date Man. He-And you will?

She (blushingly)-Yes. He-Well, dear, here is a choice col-

me just for such purposes as this. You ' sawdust leaves a residue of twenty may have first pick .- North American. | kegs of charcoal,



He-Why are you leaving the water so soon?

She-Well, I promised my sister to lend her this suit for the bleycle parade at 3 o'clock .- Louisville Post.

#### Reasonable.

"What a wonderful lamp that one of Aladdin's was," said Mr. Hicks. "Oh, I don't know," said Johnnie Hicks. "It was probably a kerosene lamp and he couldn't rub it without striking oil."-Harper's Bazar.

#### A Startling Illustration.

"A New York widow is suing a man for hugging her so hard that he broke two of her ribs."

"Hope it wasn't a newspaper man illustrating the power of the press."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### Away Ahead.

Yukon-Since the Klondike discoverles the forty-niners will have to give way to the ninety-seveners." Wheeler-Why, of course. The '97 represents the most advanced type of wheel. The forty-niner wouldn't be in it. But who's Kloudike? What wheel does he make?-Philadelphia North American.

A Different Matter,

Real estate agent (out West)-Goodmorning, sir. What can I do for you! William, bring the gentleman a cigar. Do you want to buy a lot? Caller-No, I want to sell one.

Agent-William, never mind the cigar.-New York Weekly.

#### Gas from Sawdust.

The town of Deseronto, in Canada, where there are several large lumber mills, is partially lighted by gas made from sawdust. The sawdust is charged in retorts which are heated by a wood fire, the gas from the retorts passing into a series of colls and thence into the purifiers, which are similar to those used for coal gas. Lime is the principal purifying agent employ-When it passes out of the retorts ed. the gas possesses an odor much less disagreeable than that of ordinary lighting gas, and resembles somewhat that of smoke from a fire of greer wood or leaves. The works in use are small, turning out dally 540 cubic me ters of gas, for the production of which about two tons of sawdust are requir ed. A man and boy furnish all the labor needed at the works. The gas in an ordinary burner gives an illumina tion of about dighteen candle power The best quality comes from resinous jection of rings which I brought with woods. A quantity of 100 kegs of



fish get into the many little lakes on the tops of mountains? It is well known that fish will get into these mountain lakes, and that without a way of swimming up into them or being carried by men. It is the general

bellef that birds do the most of the work by carrying the eggs. It is well known that waterfowl distribute y-jlow perch by carrying the sticky eggs on their feet. Bass do not become distributed except by band of man or by going up stream. Trout go anywhere where there is water enough to float a chip, and pickerel get moved about

from place to place the same as perch

# Mrs. Bancroft's New Shawi.

Mrs. Bancroft, the wife of the his orian, when staying in London, went one day to an afternoon musicale in Mayfair. On the way she was attracted by a display of shawle, in a Regent street window, says the Illustrated American, and, stopping the cab, went into the shop and bought one, throwsocial gathering. The astonished guests | pound?"-Indianapolis Journal. at the musicale were edified by the sight of the elegant Mrs. Bancroft floating through the drawing rooms with a placard on her back bearing the words. "Very Chaste."

There is an awful lot of time wasted