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A NEW HACK

Will be placed upon this line in a short EXPRESS and other business attended to The Way Mark Twain Tells It.

As a satire upon one of the most frequent modes of acquiring wealth, and what some call "respectability," in these immoral

times, the following will serve its

"Samuel McFadden was watchman in a bank. He was poor, but honest, and his life was without reproach. The trouble with him was that he felt that he was not appreciated. His salary was only four dollars a week, and when he asked to have it raised, the President, Cashier and Board of Directors glared at him through their spectacles and frowned on him, and told him to go out and stop his insolence, when he knew business was dull and the bank could not meet its expenses, let alone lavishing one dollar on such a miserable worm as Samuel Mc Fadden. And then Samuel Mc Fadden felt depressed, sad, and the haughty scorn of the President and Cashier cut him to the soul. He would often go out into the side vard and bow his venerable 24-inch head, and weep gallons and gallons of tears over his insignificance, and pray that he might be worthy of the President's

One night a happy thought struck him; a gleam of light burst upon him, and gazing down the dim vista of years with his eyes all blinded by joyous tears, he saw himself rich and respected. So Samuel McFadden fooled around and got a jimmy, a monkeywrench, a cross-cut saw, a cold chisel, a drill, and a ton of gunpowder and nitro-glycerine and such things. Then, in the dead of night he went to the fire-proof safe, and after working at it for awhile, burst the door and brick into an immortal smash, with such a perfect success that there was not enough left of that safe to make a carpet tack. Mr. Mc Facden then began to load up with coupons, greenbacks, currency and specie, and to nail all the odd change that was lying anywhere, so that he pranced out of the bank with more than a million dollars on him. He then retired to an unassuming residence ont of town, and sent word to the detectives where he was.

. A detective called on him the next day with a soothing note treated it with lofty scorn. Detectives called on him every day with humble notes from the President, Cashier, and Board of Directors. At last the bank officers per, to which McFadden was invited. He came, and as the bank officers bowed down in the dust B STOTE before him, he pondered well over the bitter past, and his soul was

filled with exultation. Before he drove away in his carriage that night, it was fixed that McFadden was to keep a half a million of that money and to be unmolested if he returned the other half. He fulfilled his contract like an honest man, but refused with haughty disdain the offer of the Cashier to marry his daugh-

Mac is now honored and reholy principles into the child's pleasantness. mind and shows him how, by honesty and perseverance, and frugality, and nitro-glycerine, and and affluence.

A popular doctor in Oswego

Extraordinary Statements by Bis-

A correspondent of of the New after giving expression to his our side-I mean who really comprehend the real meaning of the conflict in which we are engaged, or does not understand it. If he did he would change sides in a moment. The Crown Prince perhaps does understand it, but he if he is not already there. fight is the Empire against the or a Republic against God; and have something to worship, well, we had the field wholly to selves, we could so obliterate the idea of God and of the imaginary rights bestowed on man by Him as their Creator, that the substitution of the State in His place would be effected, and the State. as in Pagan Rome, be all in all. He also said: Nothing has amused me more than the praises which I have received from Protestant Churchmen of England and America. I have wished to crush Rome that I might crush Christianity. They praised me for my services in the cause of what they called 'reformed Christianity.' If anything could console for the cha- of a recent date, says a strange grin which I forsee I am to endure and remarkable phenomenon was for some time to come, it would be observed at sunrise on Friday last.

it they never will. A Mother's Tact.

from the Cashier. McFadden magazines, was just as busily cut- affidavit to the above. The same ser- exclaiming, after a reference to ting out pictures.

said Aunt Martha, who had come Bonham Enterprise: "A few days Easter you appeared in your pulin for a cosy chat. Mamma knew ago a Mr. Hardin, residing some pit with a crown and a palm!" this; but she knew, too, that a few five or six miles east of this place, "What!" exclaimed the Bishop, gave a magnificent private sup- minutes' work would make all saw something that resembled an in astonishment. "Nonsense! You says: Mr. Iscariot may have been right again, and Josie was happy. enormous serpent floating in a know better."

> of a horse that he considered a the fields, observed the same thing, in your hand. marvel of beauty. It was a real and were seriously frightened. It | "It is a libel! Who could have

he held it up. "Play he's holding up one foot,"

the mother said quickly. "Do real horses, mamma?"

"Oh, yes, sometimes."

spected. He moves in the best of er's answer, but the quick sympa- Grove. The question is, what is would be no denying. society; he browses around in thy, the ready tact made all right. it, and where did it come from? purple and fine linen and other The boy's heart was comforted,

box; play that's the wood house."
Pleased and proud, the little gave a prescription, with directeamster drew load after load till tions to take a tea-spoonful every the papers were all picked up, three years. The patient recov- without his ever thinking he was doing anything but play.

Astounding Report.

horrible and almost incredible con-York World, under date of Berlin, dition of affairs in the Vermont June 10, makes public a most re- Insane Asylum is described in the markable conversation with Prince report of the Legislative Commit-Bismarck, in which the Prince, tee appointed to investigate the management of that institution. weariness of spirits, is made to The Committee's first discovery say: "The truth is there are not was that the asylum, which is conhalf a dozen men in Germany on trolled by a private corporation, was greatly overcrowded, 480 patients being packed into a space intended to accomodate but 300 at and in which, notwithstanding the most. This, however, is but a our success thus far, I now believe trifling matter in comparison to we shall be beaten. The Emper-other revelations. Seventy five of these unfortunates were thrust away in subterranean dungeons, dark, damp, foul and pervaded with unendurable stenches. Some will put himself on the other side; were confined in appartments nine feet by four in size, with air and ventilation only through auger Church. It is a fight of the State holes bored in the doors. The acfor the Empire, and the Monarchy, tive as well as the passive inflictions put upon these poor people in his place. Men say they must is placed in the bathing tub and a continuous stream of cold water then let them worship the State. allowed to fall upon his head. This Let it take the place of the family torture, it may be remarked in rose and cheered the Georgian, while gaged in selling bales of goods. as well as of the Deity. Let it be passing, was one of the most excruthe Deity. In two generations, if ciating known in the dark ages, re-knives were generally drawn, and have been consigned through and the manager appeared before the fraud and bribery. The picture is footlights and explained that the as complete as Charles Reade fense to anybody; that "Othello" was could make it, but without the romince of fiction. The reality is something for the Legislature of Vermont to deal with promptly and severely; for it is too disgraceful for belief, except as attested by an official investigation such as has produced this astounding re-

> The Fort Scott (Kan.) Monitor pent has been in Texas, as will be his high church principles: float along without any effort. about; it is so absurd."

good clothes, and enjoys himself and he went on with his play, first rate. And he often takes his infant son on his knee and tells with no jar of nerves or temper, land, Maine for an assault, sent a is considerable of a wag, sorely prominent candidates at the next him of his early life and instils and auntie's call lost none of its pathetic appeal to the judge, in vexed the spirit of the accom-"I'm tired of cutting pieces, married two months & I hante give any satisfactory explanation. mamma," said Josie, after a while. had my Honey Moon yet, this is and then, with a laugh and a "Well, get your horse-wagon, the first time I ever was in jail or twinkle of the eves, he exclaimed: cross-cut saws, and monkey and play these bits, of paper are errested. If you will Consider my "Why, Bishop, haven't you a wrenches, and familiarity with wood, and you are going to bring case & let off on a fine I will re- crown on your head and a palm the detective system, even the me a load. Draw it over to that turn to My Darling wife." The in your hand? See?" poor may rise to respectability corner by the fire, and put them stern decrees of justice were car. The Bishop was so much and put them into the kindling ried out nevertheless.

> settled it to their saisfation that lemnity that settled on his fea-"indigenovs cholera" owes its ori- tures as he left shortly after, leads gin solely to eating fruit contain- his friends to believe that he did ing the "germs of caterpillars."

Shakespeare a Californian.

The New York letter to the The Boston Post says: A most Boston Times tells the following: Senator Nye, of Nevada, rays he the railroad will come to it. went to the little town of San the Northern and Southern feeling

regarding the war ran high. He attended the theatre one evening, and "Othello" was the play. The acting, as may be supposed, was wretched enough. But the the fact that the leading character in the the play had his face blackened, was sufficient to enlist the liveliest made up of very rough fellows. As 000 tons of ice were reduced to the catastrophe drew nigh there ashes. was intense excitement. Just as When a naughty little boy "Othello" was on the point of breaks a window, he should be lank Georgian jumped upon the panes and penalties go together. stage and drawing a navy revolver, pointed it at the actor's head, with these menancing words: "Don't lay a finger on that ere and the other his profits from the the State will get the worst of it, equally inhuman. Among them If yer do, I'll riddle yer like a pepper unless it succeeds in destroying was the punishment of the bath, in box. If yer want to do anything of this sort yer can take one of yer owns white woman, yer G-d- nigger. the idea of God and placing itself which the patient, securely bound, this sort yer can take one of yer own, piled up around the pedestal of the color, d- yer! But don't touch that white gal, or I'll make a case for the Coroner. d-quick!"

All the Southerners in the house knives were generally drawn, and tragedy was not designed to give ofnot a "nigger" but a Moor; that Bill Shakespeare, who was an old Califormian, had written the piece and was 'sound on the goose.'

This brilliant speech restored peace. The weapons were put up; the curtain rose, and the "Moor" went on with his slaying. At the end of the drama three cheers were given for Bill Shakespeare, the old Californian, and the excitable crowd dispersed to the nearest grog shops.

A Joke on a Bishop.

A good story is told of a well to witness the amazement of the The sky was clear and the sun known Episcopal Bishop of a good friends of mine when they un- rose entirely unobscured. When neighboring diocese. We refrain answered, "No sur; he's in jale." derstand the truth, but understand the disc of the sun was about half from giving the name from apway above the horizon, the form preciable motives of delicacy. The of a huge serpent, apparently per- Bishop is a very staid, glum sort fect in form, was plainly seen en of a good man, and the last one The mother was sewing busily, circling it, and was visible for in the world to enjoy a joke, esand Josie, sitting on the carpet be- some moments. The editor has pecially one on himself. A wagside her, and provided with dull, the statement from two reliable ging friend, meeting him the other rounded scissors and some old witnesses, who are willing to make day in a car, astonished him by

"It would litter the carpet," so seen by the following from the "Why, Bishop, I hear that on

All went well till the little boy cloud over his farm. Several par- "Yes," replied the other, "with found that he had cut off the leg ties of men and boys, at work in a crown on your head and a palm

disappointment and grief to the seemed to be as large and as long started such a story?" responded as a telegraph pole, was of a vel- the distinguished prelate, warmly. "Mamma, see !" and half crying, low, striped color and seemed to "But, pshaw! it is too idle to talk brought into a lawsuit (the Hon-

"I will:" and sunshine chased a genuine snake. The cloud and afraid the libelous, atrocious re-

which he said: "I have only been plished prelate before he would

pleased with the explanation that he succeeded in raising a laugh. Southwestern sanitarians have though the expression of fierce so-

not thoroughly enjoy the joke.

CLIPPINGS.

Vancouver is now deeply interested to know how near and when

The India widows don't burn Juan, California, in 1863, where themselves any more. They find it more agreeable to marry again. The ladies do their hair up so

high now that they have to stand on something to put on their hats. When may a man be said to be

literally immersed in his business? When giving a swimming lesson: A paper announces that by the. interest of the audience, largely recent burning of an ice-house 20,-

smothering "Desdemonia," a tall, punished on the principle that

What is the difference between a Jew and a lawyer? The one gets his law from the prophets.

Blocks of cut stone have been Lincoln statue in Union square, suggesting the idea that the figure above represent an auctioneer en-

A grocer asked an artist. "Is sculpture difficult?" The artist sulting usually in insanity or death. for a time a terrible scene of blood- replied: "Why, bless you, no. To this asylum of horrors the Com- shed was threatened. The play was You have only to take a block of mittee also state that sane men interrupted, the curtain descended, marble, a mallet and a chisle, and knock off all the marble you don't

In a Pittsburg hotel recently. the Hutchinson family were refused entertainment on account of their temperance principles and songs. Only a short time previous, a temperance meeting was broken up there by the rum power.

An old lady at the Waterbury postoffice the other day, and asked, "Is there a letter for John if ye please, sur?" There being several persons of that name in town, and a letter for one of them, the clerk asked if this John was in business? The innocent

While there are about 10,000 men who think they know all about the perpetual motion principle, it is safe to say that there is not a solitary soul in this universe who can explain why a railroad engineer blows his whistle as he shoots by a passenger train. People who have popped up from their seats and clutched their scalps on these occasions are somewhat interested in an explanation.

The Columbus, Ohio, Journal a gentleman who was much misunderstood by the people of the period. Some scribe probably placed the thirty pleces of silver where he thought they would do the most good; and when poor Judas found that he had been P. Pilate, Chief Justice), he went They could see it coil itself up, The conversation was changed and hung himself. That was turn over, and thrust forward its but the Bishop did not forget his where he made a mistake. He huge head as if striking at some friend's words; they preyed on ought to have sent the money thing, displaying the maneuvers of his mind and worried him; he was down to a Capernium female seminary, and then appealed to the away the cloud that in another serpent moved in an easterly di- port would get into the papers, generous confidence of a constituminute would have rained down. rection, and were seen by persons and then it would become a pop. ency with whose feelings and in-It was a little thing, the moth- a few miles this side of Honey ularly accepted fact, which there terests every throb of his heart beat in unison. The editor of He sought his friend the next the Gallilean Telegram would day at his office, for the purpose have made a very nice thing of

> A noted horse-jocky down East was awakened one morning by a violent thunder-storm. Being somewhat timid, he awoke his wife with: "Wife! wife! do you suppose the Day of Judgement has come?" "Shut up, you fool!" was the affectionate reply; "how can the day of Judgment come in the night?"

A Terre Haute editor, who speaks with the air of a man who has discovered a new fact by experience, says the way to prevent bleeding at the nose is to keep your nose out of other peoples business.