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MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1901.

FOR THE LITTLE PEOPLE

SOME OF THE GAMES PLAYED BY THE BOYS

"Run-a-Mile" and Some Other Means Whereby Young America Vents His Surplus Physical Energy.

A boy of yesterday stopped to watch some children playing in the street. One of the boys covered his eyes in the old, familiar way, and the boy of yesterday was confident that he was going to witness the good old fashioned game of "I spy." But the subsequent developments were so at variance with the familiar rules that he was distinctly puzzled. So he sought counsel of his nephew, Major (aged 11).

"Why, that was Run-a-mile," Major answered. The boy of yesterday explained that Run-a-mile was foreign to his experience, and drew from Major the following:

In Run-a-mile the boys count out and "It" hides his eyes. He is then touched by one boy, who immediately conceals himself with the others. When "It" has counted 100 or so he starts out to find the toucher. Each player, when discovered, steps from his hiding place, but offers no information as to the whereabouts of the "toucher"—unless, indeed, he be that same, in which case the exciting race to home occurs, and if "It" gets there first he may set any task he pleases for the toucher to perform, even to the running of a mile. But it is safe to say that this penalty is seldom exacted—or paid.

Now, that is a far cry from hide-and-seek, so, too, is willy-willy wolf, in which "It" is the "wolf" and reverses the usual methods by hiding himself. The others then try to find him, and the successful boy sets up a shout of "I spy!" The "wolf" cries "Stand!" and the boy must not move until he shouts "I am willy-willy wolf!" At this the willy-willy wolf makes after him, and when the boy is caught he becomes himself a wolf, and must help to capture still another, until all are wolves. An interesting technicality of this game is that should the boy cry "I spy willy-willy dog," or "horse" or any other name except "wolf," the "wolf" may not stir from his position.

Prisoner's base also survives, but in two novel forms.

In one of these, Red-Rover, "It"



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stands in the middle of the street and calls

"Red-Rover, Red-Rover, Someone come over!"

"Some one" may be Tom Brown, or Dick, or Harry, but the player must be called by name. The boy so indicated tries to cross without being caught. If captured, he becomes a Red-Rover, and helps to catch the rest.

The second variation is known as One-foot-off-two-feet-off. In this "It" commands those on the sidewalk, "One foot off!" All must promptly put their right feet in the gutter, and at the order, "Two feet off!" all run to the opposite curb. The captured assist as in Red-Rover.

Another new game is "Stealing Hats." In this the boys choose sides, each side placing its hats on the curbing opposite the others, and trying to protect them while at the same time endeavoring to steal the hats of the enemy. The side which succeeds in acquiring all the hats, of course, wins. But it hard on the rats, as mothers will testify.

Leap-frog is seldom played as of old, but is father to two important offshoots. In the favorite, Bombay, the leaper tries to take several "backs" at one spring. "Backs" are also offered in many various and difficult positions. Spanish-fly is the second form, wherein the leaper takes but a single "back," but is required to "do stunts" while leaping, the command being given by the "captain." "Johnny jump the apple cart" is one at which the leaper tries to throw the frog on the ground. "Cut butter" and "Cut cheese" are merely different ways of smiting the "frog" in the ribs with the edge of the hands. "Mamma, spank the baby" needs no explanation—his as obvious as it is unpleasant for the "frog."

Seven Years in Bed.

"Will wonders ever cease?" inquire the friends of Mrs. L. Pease, of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." Women suffering from headache, backache, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, fainting and dizzy spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed. Tallman & Co. Only 50c.

People in the Penitentiary.

Walla Walla, Dec. 9.—There are 538 men confined in the state penitentiary, the largest in the history of the institution. The number has been increased from 520 recently by large additions from the coast cities, and there are others under sentence who will arrive shortly. The increase in population at the prison is a matter of comment here, as but two years ago less than 300 men were confined within the walls. For some unexplained reason, the number of convicts has increased rapidly for two years, many of the men being sent up for long terms.

W. & C. R. R. Making a Fill.

Walla Walla, Dec. 9.—Today a large force of men were put to work to make a heavy fill in the roadbed of the Washington & Columbia River railway near Riverside station, on the Touchet river. A large bridge is to be replaced with earth, a concrete arch providing a roadway under the track, now provided by the trestle. The work will require the labor of 50 men, a steam shovel, a lot of cars, an engine, and a number of horses for at least two months.

SCORE WAS 6 TO 0 BARGAIN DAY!

BEST EXHIBITION OF FOOTBALL EVER SEEN HERE.

Teams Fought Over the Ground Inch by Inch—Battled for the Victory in Royal Style—Scoring Was in the First Half—High School Almost Forced the Ball Over Academy's Goal Line, But Were Held for Downs With no Score to Their Credit.

John E. Thompson, coach of the high school team, thus reviews the Saturday football game:

A Great Game.

"It was a great game, and was considered by the people on the side lines as the finest exhibition of football seen on the Pendleton grounds this year. The Pendleton Academy and the high school have been threatening to come together for some time, and yesterday afternoon they fought it out in royal style, the game resulting in a score of 6 to 0 in favor of the academy.

"The score does not in any way tell the story of the game. The thing was done in the first half. Captain Wyrick, of the High School, won the toss and chose the west goal. Academy kicked off to McCarty, who immediately started on the run down the field behind a good interference. He slipped in the mud and fell. Cronin tried to take the ball from him, but while the pass was being made the pair were tackled and the ball fumbled. An academy man fell on it and the first scoring took place on the high school 7-yard line. A touchdown was scored in four downs and the academy kicked goal. During the remainder of the half the ball was in the middle. Thereafter it was the high school's game. They took the ball on their own 25-goal line, and forced it by hard tandem line backs to the academy 2-yard line, where they were held for downs. Three times the academy brought the ball out to their 30-yard line, only to have it forced back into dangerous proximity to their goal line.

"The game ended with the ball on the academy's 10-yard line.

"Slusher made a spectacular play during the first part of the second half, running 20 yards before he was downed. Hill played a strong defensive game.

"For the high school it is difficult to make comparisons. The team work was excellent and the physical condition of the team showed up well in the last half. Baker and Cronin were probably most effective in offensive play."

Referee—Bryson.
Time keepers—Conklin and Pond.
Yardmen—Stevens and Penland.

HOW A SHARPER FAILED

MARSHAL HEATHMAN SQUELCHED A "CON" MAN.

Portland Sharp Left Town Money Short After Beginning to Sell Silver Dollars for 90 Cents.

Fred S. Walton, of Portland, who claimed to be representing the Quaker Medicine company, did not find Marshal Heathman asleep when he arrived here Saturday. Otherwise, he might have gone out with some of the hard-earned cash of the gullible and they would have had experience enough with a "sharper" to have lasted a few weeks.

Saturday morning Walton appeared before the city recorder and asked that he be issued a license to sell notions on the streets. Just before noon he appeared in a livery rig and, after driving up and down proclaiming what he was going to do, he stopped on the corner of Main and Alta streets and began selling silver dollars for 90 cents. He was allowed to continue until \$20 had been disposed of at this price and then he announced that he was going to lunch and that he would again appear at the same place, where he would sell \$5 for \$4. He made the fatal mistake of proclaiming to the large crowd that had gathered to hear him, that he was a "sharper" and intended to "take \$1,000 out of the city" before he left. When he returned Marshal Heathman was at the appointed place and informed the "sharper" that his license had been revoked and he would have to "move on." He could not do that kind of business here.

Made Him Angry.

At this Walton was very angry and threatened to sue the city for damages, but this had no effect on the cold-hearted marshal, who told him to "sue" if he wanted to, but he could not sell dollars in Pendleton at a discount. It might be well to state that silver dollars pass here at full face value and the man who sells them at a discount is looked upon with suspicion by the police.

Just what Walton's scheme was is not known, but it is thought that he intended to work the old confidence game of selling five, ten or twenty dollars at a discount and give a ticket to the purchaser calling for the amount of money he paid and probably that much more, and then, when all bit that would, he was going to make his escape with the "hoodle." However, whatever was his scheme, Marshal Heathman was "too many" for him. Instead of taking out "a thousand dollars" he went away several dollars short, as a reminder to him in after years that Pendleton people were not so "easy" after all.

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