************** PAYING THE POSTAGE.

Postage was always a sore point in the old days. It might be either prepaid or collected on delivery, and unlucky recipients of long-winded epistles or other useless matter often had a substantial grievance. The author of "The Old Farmer and his Almanac," gives a few of Mr. Thomas' frequent hints to his contributors to pay the postage on what they sent to him.

His first allusion to the matter was in the Almanack for 1806, and is appended to a compliment which he pays to a highly respected Quaker correspondent:

"Friend R. D. is tendered the editor's best thanks, for his several valuable communications, at the same time solicits a continuance of his correspondence. The postage the editor will ever be happy in paying, though in some is a great looser."

One of the "loosing" cases appears

"A. R. Q. is thanked for his seasonremind him that his communications come so coated up that we are obliged to pay dcuble postage on them, we would advise him in future to leave off the wrapper or pay the postage."

Again in 1810: "E. W. and others will be kind enough to pay postage on answers to Riddles in future, or they will not be noticed."

A little later: "G. S. our Boston querest, have no objection to his asking questions every day in the year, provided he pays the postage."

E. F. in 1812 appears as a sinner against several principles: his "anecdote is of the coarser kind, and not capable of being polished without injuring the pith. His Meteorological observations, if correctly taken, would be useful. He will do well to remember the postage in future."

By 1814 the postage nuisance seems to have become intolerable. "J. H. is informed that "we conceive his Questions to be unimportant, and not worth the money we paid for them," and finally there is an emphatic pronunciamento to the world at large: "No notice will in future be taken of

any answers to queries unless post Different Views of It.

Magazine.") "What is the secret of success?" asked the magazine. 'Do write," said the pen.

(Nellie Munson Holman in "Succe

"Be progressive," said the euchre

"Be careful not to break your word,"

said the typewriter. "Don't be afraid to strike when you

find your match," said the lamp. "Push and pull," said the door. 'Stand firm and unyielding," said

the flagstaff. 'Don't change with every wind that blows," said the weather vane.

"Never become dull and rusty," said you your first week's salary the hoe. "Climb steadily up," said the hill.

clouds," said the sun.

pistil."

Not a Favorite Breed.

Lovers of good, plain dogs, which ington Life. have been allowed to grow naturally. will appreciate the story of the English peddler who went to a dealer in dogs and thus described what he wanted:

"Hi wants a kind of dog about so 'igh an' so long. Hit's a kind of gry- a woman with a child." ound, an' yet it ain't a gry'ound, because 'is tyle is shorter nor any o' these 'ere gry'ounds an' 'is nose is shorter, an' 'e ain't so slim round the body. But still 'e's a kind o' gry-'ound. Do you keep such dogs?" "No," replied the dog man. "We

drowns 'em." At the present moment there are 194 monuments in Germany that have been completed to Prince Bismarck, while

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He-As I sat there alone, Hilda came along and offered me a penny for my thoughts. She-The extravagant creature!—Boston Transcript.

Old Gent-My poor child! Did not your parents leave you anything when these closely, no doubt was felt in they died? Poor Child-Yep! Dey left my mind but that they belonged to a me an orphan!—Boston Transcript.

"He has?" "Yes, papa. And

apolis Star.

Oh, I s'pose I'd blow about half uv able information. Though we would tryin' ter find out wot wuz de matter wid me.-Ex.

"What does the first expert say?" the second expert?" "Not guilty." There's a third expert, isn't there?" "Yes; he says both the other experts are liars."-Houston Chronicle.

Officer-What is the complaint here! sir. Officer (tasting)-Well, I think it's excellent soup. Orderly-Yes, sir; that's the trouble; they want to persuade us it's tea.—Glasgow Evening Times.

Fond Young Mother (with her first born)-Now, which of us do you think he is like? Friend (judicially)-Well, of course, intelligence has not really dawned in his countenance yet, but he's wonderfully like both of you .-

Broadway-Too bad about old Gottrocks. Manhattan-Why, what's the matter with him? Broadway-He started in to make enough money to retire on, and made so much that he's got to work overtime to take care of it.-Life.

-Washington Star.

Guest-This is the fourth time I've "Be exact and on time," said the every time I started down the half faltered unexpectedly in setting the Free Press.

> The Actor-Look here, old man, I wish you'd lend me five dollars in advance, and take it out of my first week's salary. The Manager-But, my dear fellow, just supposing, for the sake of argument, that I couldn't pay would I be?-Life.

The managing editor wheeled his "Keep bright and don't mind the chair around and pushed a button in the wall. The person wanted entered. indecorous for a young man to take "Cultivate a calm exterior, but be "Here," said the editor, "are a num. an active part in the proceedings of ready for emergencies," said the inno- ber of directions from outsiders as to the town meeting. He was there to cent flower; "even I always carry a the best way to run a newspaper. See vote-silently-and was expected to that they are all carried out." And restrain the speech of his deep, attenthe office boy, gathering them all into tive mind. No wonder, then, that a large waste basket, did so.-Wash- Judge Spear turned upon the auda-

"Give you a hickel?" said Miss De Style: "oh, no. I never dispense promiscuous alms. Why do you not obwas the timid reply, "I have a small Judge Spear proceeded as usual to baby, and people won't be bothered by regulate the calendar of the town "Then, you year. absurd creature, why not leave the child at home with its nurse?"-Philadelphia Bulletin.

he laugh the most. "Well," he said, "I do not know, but I always laugh when I think of the Irishriding down the line one day, when I saw an Irishman mounted on a mule, The mule finally got its hoof caught in the stirrup, when, in the excitement, the Irishman remarked:

on, I'll get off!" "It's mighty easy to make a mistake n a person," remarked John A. Mc-Call of the New York Life Insurance Company a few days ago to a friend. 'It's like the case of a sea captain once knew. He got married late in the honeymoon when his wife packed somer man, 'Well,' remarked the cap-

In Doubt.

"Is your invention a success " "I don't know yet," answered the mechanical genius. "It is such a simple and effective device that I don't know whether I can develop enough imaginative eloquence concerning it to make people subscribe for stock."-

Washington Star. There Are Others. Rhymer-I say, old man, are you ever troubled with writer's cramps? Spacer-Sure thing, especially when

the expected check fails to arrive.

FAMOUS FRIGATE FOUND.

Philadelphia, Destroyed in Tripoli

Charles Wellington Furlong made asystematic search at Tripoli of Barbary for the lost remains of the famous American frigate Philadelphia, destroyed in the harbor of Tripoli 100 years ago. He tells in Harper's Magatine the romantic story of how he found the vessel at last:

"In less than an hour my search was rewarded by seeing the broken ends of the great ribs of a vessel protruding through dull-colored eel-grass. I neticed that this grass seemed to follow the line of the ribs, and carefully noted its character, further to aid me in my search. Examining large vessel, and ordered the boat-"Oh, papa, the duke has proposed to man to let fall the anchor.

"The lead gave us two and a half he says I can wear a coronet! Here's and three fathoms. Hastily undressthe pawn toicke for it!"-Cleveland ing, we dived several times. Mr. Riley first succeeded in buoying the spot Duffer-I've been figuring on the ex- by going down with the line and slippenses of an automobile, and I find ping it over one of the ribs. While the greatest cost is the operation. Puf- on the bottom I carefully examined fer-Mechanical or surgical?-Indian- the timbers. These were honey-combed in certain parts in a peculiar way. Jim-Say, Bill, wot would yer do The continual sea-wash of a century if yer had a million dollars? Bill- seemed to have made its inroads at the softest places, and they gave every it makin' meself sick an' de other haif appearance in form of partially burned stumps. The wood seemed almost as hard as fron. Much of it was inclosed in a fossil crust, and only by 'He says the prisoner is guilty." "And repeated efforts I succeeded in breaking off a small piece. The many winds from the desert and the shifting shoals of sand had filled in and around the frigate and her keel must have lain buried nearly two fathoms deeper than Orderly (offering basin)—Taste that the present sea-bottom. The freshening breeze made further investigation impossible; so, after taking bearings and leaving the spot buoyed, we returned to the shore, landing amid an awaiting, curious crowd of Turks, Arabs and blacks.

"Six days later, through the courtesy and interest of the officers of the Greek warships Crete and Paralos, a ship's cutter and machine-boat with divers were placed at my disposal."

A PIECE OF THE TOWN'S MIND. 2........

About fifty years ago Justice William T. Spear was a well-known lawyer in Plymouth, Mass. He took a "Which do you think counts for the deep interest in the affairs of the most in life, money or brains?" "Well," community, and his acquaintance with answered Miss Cayenne, "I see so parliamentary usage lifted him above many people who manage to get on those who simply vote others into ofwith so little of either, that I am be- fice. As nearly as might be, he was ginning to lose my respect for both." the "Town's Mind," to use the large

phrase invented by the forefathers. In this character Judge Spear never rung for ice water! Bell Boy-I know failed to attend town meeting and it, sir, but the hotel is full of people rarely failed to speak with force and that were at that same banquet, and clear intention, but on one occasion he to your room somebody reached out little state in motion. He rose in the and snatched the pitcher!-Detroit house of freedom with all his accustomed dignity, and began with au thority:

"I am not here Mr. Moderator-He hesitated a moment, then began again:

"I am not here, sir-"

Again he paused, and in the silence out:

"Tell us where you are, then!" Fifty years ago it was considered clous speaker with a mighty frown.

"I am not here, sir," he thundered "to be barked at by every puppy that crawls into the town house!

Then, turning to the moderator

A Tantalizing River.

The suit of Kansas against the ditch owners of Colorado, to prevent Gen. "Phil" Sheridan was at one them taking water out of the upper time asked at what little incident did Arkansas river, had a round in Hutchinson when depositions were taken before the United States commissioner. The State of Colorado conducted the man and the army mule. I was side of the ditch owners, and was represented by four lawyers, while Kanwhich was kicking its legs rather free- is hard to depend on when it comes to not in the blame directory. Think of as the stream almost disappears and a whole year before I can have it inthe catfish have to go ashore to get a serted! Cure for insomnia, tush!" Well, begorrah, if you're goin' to get drink and the Kansas attorneys think their side is proven, along comes a angrily out of the car.—New York Sun. flood and the Colorado folks rejoice. And then when the torrent is raging, knocking out bridges and filling the life and progressed little further than such a stream as the Arkansas at all, than 25 cents he would get off and up her duds and ran off with a hand- was given by witnesses along the riv. and put him off. The Dutchman ran tain ruefully, as he contemplated the ing their inning. But the evidence walk. The engineer began to blow deserted home, seem like I got things thus far given by the witnesses at the whistle. The Dutchman said: wrong. I thought I had got a mate, but it seems I got a skipper instead." Garden City, Great Bend, Larned and "You can vissle all you vant to, I here supposed in behalf of the Col. you't come pack." here, subpoensed in behalf of the Col. von't come pack." orado contention, is against Colorado and in favor of the view of the case taken by the Jayhawkers.

> Identified. Mrs. Jawback-James, Jou're a per-

fect fool! Mr. Jawback-I knew something like that would happen when marriage made you and me one. — Cleveland

Lender. Among the hard things in this world to understand are mules, women, gasoline engines, automobiles and eless telegraphy.





The right of a municipal corporation which has a contract right to purchase waterworks from one who undertakes to construct and operate them, to sell cities, although still too new to admit and transfer it to a third person, is sustained in De Motte vs. Valparaiso son with the electric car. (Ind.) 66 L. R. A. 117.

A municipal corporation is held, in Bowden vs. Kansas City (Kan.), 66 L. R. A. 181, to be performing a ministerial public duty in maintaining a fire station, and to be liable in damages to an employe for personal injuries sustained, resulting from neglect on the part of the corporation to furnish him a reasonably safe place in which to work.

A carrier which issues, in exchange for bills of lading surrendered to it, orders directing the delivery of grain en route to certain purchasers or the consignee or his order on presentation of the orders and stamps across the face of them a statement, signed by its agent, that cars will be delivered on them the same as on the bills of lading taken up, is held, in National Newark Banking Company vs. Delaware, L. & W. R. Co. (N. J. Err & App.) 66 L. R. A. 595, to be thereby charged with notice of the rights of a bank to which the orders are transferred upon the indorsement of the consignee and to be liable to it in an action for the conversion of the grain by delivering it to the purchasers from the consignee upon the latter's written instructions without presentation of the orders.

POOR CURE FOR INSOMNIA.

One Man Says Reading of City Direct ory Excites Him Unduly.

"Insomnia?" said the man wearing the medical vandyke. "Ah, my friend, don't monkey with opiates or sleeping margin being two-thirds of the oper drafts. Just take a copy of the city directory, start at A and before you Just Discrimination in Railway Rates, have read many pages you'll fall asleep. Try it.'

me to do," retorted the man with the tried it."

"Wasn't successful, eh?" night I took a copy of the city direc- ever character.' tory and started up and down the mo notonous array of names. I got through

drowsy when I hit the B bunch." "Before long I came to the name J is my landlord and I don't mind telling you that I am behind two months in the rent. Do you think that jolt to my memory was the slightest aid to slum-

ber, hey?" "But you persevered?" "I did, sir; I kept right on like fantastic fool and that's why I am a nervous wreck this morning."

"Before long my optics were trailing down the D column and my head

Getting wiser, I skipped the E bunch, because I knew it contained the names of a coal man and a grocer that have been writing me dunning letters.

"With a sort of delirious determination I started through the F department and in less than five minutes I struck the name 'Firkins, J. Fenimore.' a gentleman who went bankrupt re cently and swindled me out of a lot of hard-earned money. Of course that recollection had a sweet soporific effect on my nerves, didn't h .

"But then you stopped reading?" "No. I kept right on and received a most crushing blow to my self-esteem right in the G column, where I ought to have been at home. My name, sir, sas had but two. The Arkansas river the name of J. Archibald Guffkins, was giving evidence on its own hook. Just that, sir, think of that! And it will be

Whereat the sleepless one stalked

The Dutchman's Revenge. The Lidgerwood, N. D., Broadaxe hearts of the Denver attorneys with tells of a Dutchman who refused to joy, the bottom drops out and it re pay 85 cents fare to Hankinson. He quires a pump to prove that there is stated that before he would pay more A year ago the Kansas side of the case walk. The conductor stopped his train er. Now the Colorado people are hav. ahead of the engine and started to

> The Old Man's Joke. "Young man, do you mean to tell me that you indulge in cigarettes?" "Ye-yes, sir."

> "And I wouldn't be surprised if you had a box in your pocket right now?" "Ye-yes, sir." "Then give me one; I'm dying for

smoke."-Houston Post Enough Said.

"Flanagan called ye a liar, did he? "He did thot." "An' what did ye do?" "Flanagan."-Philadelphia Ledger. THE MOTOR OMNIBUS.

Comparison of Merits of Electric Car

and Self-Driven Carriage.
In England, where the use of electricity for the operation of street railways is more of a novelty than in the United States, the wisdom of the practice is occasionally challenged. For instance, an engineering expert, writing to the London Times a few days ago, expressed the opinion that some of the smaller English cities which had authorized the construction of trolley lines might in time regret their "precipitation." He then proceeded to point out the merits of the self-propelled omnibus, which is probably more common in the streets of London than in New York or other American of a thoroughly satisfactory compari-In at least one respect the omnibus

is distinctly superior to its rival. In extremely narrow streets it is less of an obstruction to drays, cabs and private carriages and is less liable to be delayed by a blockade than a vehicle which must follow a line of rails. The first cost of a motor omnibus is estimated by the correspondent of the Times as about the same as that of the trolley car, but the latter requires an additional investment of capital for track, overhead wire or conduit and her supremacy in the motor world that power house. An omnibus line, then, calls for a smaller outlay to begin with. On the other hand, less power is needed to move a car than a carriage which volved in the construction of the autoruns on the ordinary pavement of a street. Rails facilitate movement by A course of instruction is being arrangreducing friction. Again, a vehicle which generates its own power experiences greater difficulty in climbing steep grades than one which derives power from a central station. Finally, the trolley car has from two to three times the capacity of the omnibus Theoretically, if not practically, therefore, its earnings should be larger.

The contributor to our London con temporary has undertaken to get a little light on this last point, but confess es that he has not been able to obtain as much as he could wish. Here, however, is the result in a nutshell: For the omnibus the cost of operation is 9 or 10 pence per car mile and its re ceipts 13 or 14, an excess ranging from one-third to one-half. For the trolley car the cost of operation averages (pence and the receipts 10 pence, the ating charges.—New York Tribune.

All railroad men quailfied to speak on the subject in a responsible way are "That's just what another fool told likely to agree with President Famuel Spencer of the Southern railway when dark circles under his eyes. "And I he says: "There is no division of opinion as to the desirability of stopping all secret or unjustly discrimina "Well, not by a jugful. Only last tory devices and practices of whatso Mr. Spencer, in speaking of "unjust

ly discriminatory" rates and devices, the A's all right and was just getting makes a distinction which is at once apparent to common sense. There may be discrimination in freight rates which is just, reasonable and imperatively re-Herkimer Browne. Well, sir, that man quired by the complex commercial and geographical conditions with which expert rate makers have to deal. To abolish such open and honest discrimination might paralyze the industries of cities, states and whole sections of our national territory.

This distinction between just and unjust discrimination is clearly recognized in the conclusions of the international Railway congress, published yesterday:

ing down the D column and my head was wearily sinking back on the pillow. Just then my eye lit on the name, Davies, David H., M. D.

"Well, that happens to be the name of the medico who pulled me through a bad case of the grip last winter. I owe him \$25 for medical attendance.

The present proposal is, as Mr. Walker D. Hines, of Louisville, how a in his remarkable testimony the other day before the senate committee at Washington, to crystallize flexible and justly discriminatory rates into fixed government rates which cannot be changed except by the intervention of some government tribunal, and by this very process to increase "the temptation to depart from the published rate and the lawful rate in order to meet some ovepowering and urgent commer-cial condition"—New York Sun.

Off Duty.

"Hello!" cried the policeman, "reading a paper, eh? I thought you were a blind man." "So I am during business hours," the blind beggar replied, "but I'm off duty chap, row."—Philadelphia Press.

Idleness is many gathered miseries in one name.—Richter.

Come Now

You don't like those gray hairs, do you? And your husband certainly doesn't like them. Then why not try a bottle of Aver's Hair Vigor? It restores color to gray hair every time, all the deep, rich color of early life. And it cures dandruff also.

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ls Nation of Chauffeurs.

The French nation so closely guards plans are being made so that every French boy will be made familiar with the operation and the principles inmobile, says the Philadelphia Record. ed for introduction into the public schools. There are a number of technical schools where the details of automobile instructions are imparted to those who desire such knowledge.

It is said that no city in the world gives the same encouragement to automobiling as Paris. It has been decided that all the public hospitals shall be equipped with self-propelled ambulances and a very speedy car has been ordered to be attached to the municipal laboratory, where all the bombs found on the streets of that city shall be taken for investigation and destruction.

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A Son's Suggestion. Father (cutting the whip smartly through the air)—See, Tommy, how I make the horse go faster without strik-

Tommy-Papa, why don't you spank us children that way?-Glasgow Times.

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The elephant for a long time showed signs of dissatisfaction, and at last his jealousy reached a point where it must find expression. When the usual crowd gathered about the camel the elephant prepared for action. He filled his trunk with water, and with deliberate sim discharged the water all over the people who stood looking at the baby camel.

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Too Deep for Him. "There's one thing I can't understand

about farming," said the city chap who had contracted with a farmer for a week's board, as he watched the hired man turning the soil. "What be that, young feller?" queried

the honest old granger, as he bit off a generous hunk of home-made tobacco.
"I can't understand," said the city why the ground was placed bottom side up, so that it has to be turned over with a plow before the crops can be planted."

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