Who was string up straight in a straightbacked chair There wasn't a mast in her shiring bale, There wasn't a speck on her dainty dress,

And her may face was full of distress. When I drew near to this maiden fair, Bbe anddenly rompled ber shining hair

And dropping slows "In a heap" on the Elplifted her voice in a wall most sore.

"Now, what is the matter, my pretty

"I'm all grown up?" she delefully said, MODER COST DO.

For Humpty Dumpty and Riddle-Me-Ree. "There's Little Boy Ecc, who used to

Under our haystack, and fall askep-"Did up" my hair in this twist so queer!

"And the Dog and the Fiddle, they left

When the huly into a woman grew; The Dish has bidden away with the And the Cow has stayed at the back of

"The Little-Old-Woman who-Swept-the Is cought in her cobwets high and dry;

And Jack and his Beanstalk I cannot find

"I wouldn't be arazed—not a single mite If the Bugahoo I should meet to-night; The Bogy Man I'd be glad to see-But they'll never, no, never, come back to

"I watched in the garden last night at

A fairy favor to find, but-hark! other is calling-don't you hear? Young ladies don't sit on the floor, my -Zion's Herald.



Young Jimmy Steevens went from tervening time in which to prepare for the handling of his new implement. The intention had been that young Steevens should stick to the plow, for his father and mother were getting old. and the two elder brothers had already gone to the war, expecting to be home in three months, and now two years swang it backward and forward from had passed without their return; one of hand to hand to keep himself awake; them, indeed, it was guessed, would all at once he missed it, and it fell clatnever come back, although his name tering among the dead leaves at the was not in the list of dead, but in the foot of the tree. He picked it up quick apprehensive roll-call of the missing

country appeared to need bim more. and it called out his name blindfold. He leaned the gun against the tree and by means of the draft. There being moved his arms up and down. He no money in the Steevens family to buy | blinked at the stars, and the movement a substitute, Jimmy let go the handle of his arms seemed to become more and of the plow and shouldered a gun, more mechanical, until at last a wagou There was little time to waste in the half-laden with new-made hay drove camp of instruction, for the country up beside him, and he saw his father ou was londly calling for more men, and the load driving the horses. a farmer's boy can stop a bullet as well as the most expert soldler, even | last load, and it looks like rain." though he may not direct it with much "I don't see, father, how I am to stand accuracy. So with the farm-yard cries sentry and lead hay at the same time, scarcely out of his ears, Jimmy found replied Jimmy. bimself in the rough and ready turmoil of the camp, flong unprepared into sol- casy. You may as well be doing that diering; splendid material to make a as moving your arms up and down. warrior of in time, through the hard. unsympathetic handling of that great and noticing the haycocks beside him that was searching for him falled to it deep into the sweet-smelling hay. find him for some months, what with The pitchfork sank down through the ing in a blanket, Jimmy would be as and haycock both disappeared, and good a soldier as the rest of them, ready Jimmy found himself trying to extrito kill or be killed.

Hard as farm work may be, it is at least regular, and in the quiet of the was in despair. country a man gets a good night's sleep. Jimmy found that the only regular for it," he said dismally. "I can't keep thing about soldiering was its irregu- awake if I am to stand still." larity. He had been up two days and wanted was one uninterrupted good sound asleep. So he set his ingenuity night's sleep; but grim fate, who was to work to keep himself awake. He waiting for him, decreed that Jimmy needed a sharp lesson, he told himself, should be sent out from midnight till 4 and so he prepared one. o'clock as a sentry, where, most import-ant of all things he was not to do, he piece of string. He made a loop with the unfortunate idea that young fel- over the lower branch of the tree, he workshop, made better sentinels than three or four times, so that if tricks of the trade.

It was ten minutes to 12 when Jimmy was awakened by a rough shake from a rough hand grasping his shoul-He was drunken with sleep, and would have given anything for another hour of it, but he was murched through the camp, and then across a narrow field to the edge of a plantation; here he relieved a man whom he could not point. see in the darkness, and who had been standing under a tree.

tacked, but if he heard anyone ap- voice, but the import of the words were silently as be could and give warning. mind. If suddenly surrounded, he was to fire his gun, but it was impressed upon him my. that the great point was to keep the enemy in ignorance of the fact that he | the man. was there; therefore he most not walk. por move, but stand with his back and then he wondered why his hand against the tree and keep his ears wide had not dropped on the bayonet point.

The relieved man of the guard walked noiselessly away, and Jimmy was on," said the officer. "I have it. You Press.

THE LITTLE GIRL THAT GREW UP. | left alone in the deep darkness cansed | were asleep at your post. Here, Johneams, it would be through that bit of my prisoner."

broad, smooth face of the watch,

over and over, but somehow they seem said to him: ed to convey little meaning to his partially-stopeded brain. "Five minutes after twelve," he reiterated, and closed frown on his face, and drawing a long his tired eyes for a second until he breath. could comprehend what he was saying stared again at his watch he was start- a woke. led nearly out of his wits. At first ne ten minutes. It was now a quarter, after twelve. In that seeming second he had been askep ten minutes, standlog with the watch in his hand. It eer, turning to his writing again, rightened him to think that this was ircumstances a man would have fall- shoot him en. If, with his back against the tree, not happen before his long four hours' watch was over? If he could only pace for himself." up and down, he might keep himself awake, but to stand there like a statue | cer quietly. "Take him away, Ser--the very thought made him shudder. | geant. The safety of an army probably dekeep awake at all hazards, for the out of the tent army's sake, if not for his own. He knew that the penalty of sleep was ed Jimmy. "I must be tried by a jury death. "I must keep awake; I must or something."

"It isn't daylight yet, father," he said, light in the east already. and as he spoke he saw above him the clear starlit sky, and he gasped, "I

keep awake," he kept repeating to him-

have been asleep again." With trembling hands he took out the silver watch. Actually the bright star seemed to have shifted in the sky. He was useless. He had slept two hours rubbed his eyes two or three times bethe plow to the bayonet, with little to- fore he could persuade himself that the watch was not playing tricks with him. It was seven minutes to 1 o'clock.

"I have been asleep for nearly three quarters of an hour." he said with hor ror, as he placed the watch in his vest pocket again. He picked up his gun with a hayonet ou the end of it, and ly and stood, at once all alert, at the Much as the farm needed Jimmy, his foot of the tree to listen. Nothing but the deepest stillness surrounded him.

"Come, Jimmy," he said, "this is the

"Oh," said the old man, "It's quite Jimmy saw there was truth in this, machine, the army. If but the bullet | he took a pitchfork in his hand and dug hav and struck something; then wagon

> cate the point of his bayonet from one of the gnarled roots of the tree. He "I may as well lie down and be shot

He looked again at his watch. It was a night on the cars, he had marched, twenty minutes past one. He had some not knowing where he was going, coun- thought of saving himself by rushing ter-marched, halted, slept when he into camp and crying that he heard could, bugled up again, as it seemed, some one coming through the wood, but almost before he had lain down, and he knew that would be treachery to of all things on earth that Jimmy most comrades, all of whom were doubtless

must not fall asleep. The Captain had it which he put round his wrist; then, lows fresh from the farm; or from the wrapped the unlooped end of the string the old stagers who were up to the weight of his arm came upon the loop the cord would untwine from the branch and his hand would come down. He leaned his gun against the tree with the bayonet point upwards, and his open palm bovering a few inches above

the sharp needle of the bayonet. "I shall stand this way till four o'clock," he said," and if I fall asleep my hand will drop spon the bayones

Again he looked at his watch and saw It was half past one. Two hours and a Jimmy's instructions were that he half still to stand guard! As he stared was not to march up and down nor to out into the night he suddenly saw an move from the foot of the tree; he was officer and soldier before him. The not to fire his gun unless directly at- officer had spoken in a low, threatening proach be must make for the camp as completely missed by Jimmy's dazed he saw that the minute hand had mov-

"What did you say, sir?" asked Jim-

"You were asleep at your post," said

"I swear I was not," cried Jimmy. He felt for his gun; it was not there. "You need not search for your weap-

by the overshadowing tree. He was at | son," he added in a low voice, "take the edge of a wood, and if the enemy this fellow's place. Come, sir, you are Can Cover Great Distances Quickly

Jimmy hadn't a word to say, but fol-The night was very clear, very elent, lowed the man into the camp. They people of Helena, the capital of Monand very dark. The clearness of the passed between the silent tents, seeing tans, were surprised to see riding air was abown by the brilliant twink- sentinels standing here and there five through their streets a justy of eight ling of the stars. Jimmy pulled out his starues. At last, near the center of the colored soldiers and a white officer of pen-faced after watch, and found that encampment, they came to a large tent the United States army, all mounted by holding it at a certain angle, the which showed that a light was burning on hicycles. They were weather-bestlight from one clear star would just within. The Sergeant, or whoever be en and covered with the dust of the coable him dimly to discern the time. was (Jimmy had been too recent a re- hills and pixins; and they carried a although he had to look sharply to see eruit to know the distinction of the great weight of rations, blankels, tents, the position of the large hands on the army), raised a fup of the feat and en- cooking utensils and error tires and tered. As officer with stern and hap- parts of hiercies, besides rifes and "Fire minutes after twelve," said gard face looked up from a rough table thirty rounds of amounts in every Finney to blusself, repeating the words whereon he was writing. The Sergean: man.

"Caught asleep at his post, sir." "Ab," said the officer with a deep

to himself; when he opened them and had to speak twice to him before to

"Ah." repeated the officer; then thought the minute hand had dropped Jimmy: "What have you to say, sir" "I suppose it's true," admitted Jin-"I did my best to keep awake." "The usual excuse," replied the off-

"Place him under guard till daybreak. possible; he imagined that under such | Then have out a file of twelve men and

"Good God?" eried Jimmy, "you surehe could sleep as comfortably as bying by don't murder a man who has come to in his own bed at the farm, what might light for you in that off-hand way with out even hearing what he has in my

"I have heard you," rejoined the off-

The Sergeant grasped young Steepended spon his vigilance. He must wens roughly by the arm and led him "This isn't right, you know," protest-

"Oh, don't trouble about that, sonny,"

self; then he was astonished to hear replied the Sergeant. "What the Genhis father say: "Come, Jimmy, it is eral says is usually right; if there is time to get up; this will never do, you anything wrong about it there will be know." He saw the kindly face of the an inquiry later, but that won't belp you much. See, it is beginning to get

"What time was it when you found me?" asked Jimmy, in despair. "We found you at four o'clock, when

we came to change guard." Then Jimmy saw that further protest and a half.

"Ob, if I had only another chance," he grouned. "I don't feel much like sleep now. Don't you think the General would give me another chance?" The Sergeant shook his head unsympathetically.

"Too much depends on it," he said. "The General has wanted to make an example for some time, short and sharp, and you're the man to furnish

The Sergeant turned Jimmy over to two armed men.

"Guard this youngster," be said. "He's to be shot at daybreak, and it's getting near that time now. I'll go and rout out a squad. Don't waste any time lamenting, youngster." This to Jimmy: "If you have any prayers, now's your time.

"It's all irregular," cried Jimmy to the sentries on each side of him. man's life can't be taken away at the simple word of another man.

But the sentries' business was not to answer, so they stood, two grim, voice less automatons, one on either side of him. All the time there was running in Jimmy's mind a borrible sense of the irregularity of it all. If the country, if the newspapers knew of this, th would be a fuss made, but he felt that when the fuss came it would be too late to help him. The steady tramp of a number of men broke into his reverie. The gray of the coming day was spreading over the east.

"Right out! March!" said the Ser-

They stood him up with his back against a tree, the twelve men drawn in line before him, and appallingly

won't have my eyes bandaged." said Jimmy, "I want to see them fire," "Very well," replied the Sergeant, putting the handkerchief in his pocket nonchalantly, as if it were a point not worth discussing.

Jimmy felt as if he would choke. His heart was beating with tremendous rapidity, and his breath came in thick gasps. There was a short, sharp command from the Sergeant and the twelve rifles were leveled at his breast. He heard the word "Fire," and then the ringing of a dozen shots, and it struck him as curious that they did not go off simultaneously, but with a perceptible interval between, as if some had besitated to pull the trigger. Then the amazing fact struck him that all the bullets had gone through the palm of his hand, which was the more astonishing because he had kept his hands behind him. He found himself looking curiously at the palm of his hand, and feeling the warm blood trickle over it.

Well, I'll be blessed," said Jimmy; "this was a dream, too, but what a horrible one. My hand has come down on the bayonet point, after all. I wonder how long I've been asleep this time. It was half past one when I last looked at my watch."

Jimmy pulled out the big silver timepiece once more, and turned it toward the glittering star. It still seemed to be half past one, but as he looked closer ed just perceptibly beyond the bulf-past point.

"Good heavens!" gasped Jimmy in amazement; "have I dreamt all that ghastly stuff in thirty seconds. But, hang it, I knew the General's proceedings weren't regular."

The pain in Jimmy's paim kept him awake till four o'clock and release came.-Luke Sharp, in Detroit Free SULDIERS ON WHEELS

and Carry Full rupplies.

in the month of September inst the

These wheelmen were a detachmen of the Twenty-fifth Regiment of Unit ed States Intentry. They had come on their whels from Fort Missouls, by goon runes. way of Fort Yellowstone and the Na-"I took his gan away from him and though Park, having covered altypether a distance of eleven hundred miles in twenty-two days. In the meantime they had made and broken camp in the rain, ridden through mud. sand, dust and water, and over rocks, ruts and stones. They had crossed mounrain ranges and forded streams-in fact, they had stopped for nothing. Much of the distance and been rough riding in every sense of the word.

The journey was really made to test the question whether the hicycle is suitfor such military purposes as it would have to serve if used in estern eampaigns. It was not a test of rapid- that in the prese ity, but of durability.

on the wheel.

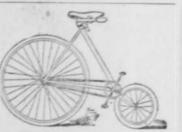
No such test of the blevele has prob- perfectly happy. ably been made before. The military tests of the wheel in Europe have involved no riding over so rough and mountainous a country to such a dis-

The machines and the men stood the work well. No man and no wheel broke down, though to the wheels a certain amount of repair was, of course, necessary. Lieutenant Moss, who commanded the expedition, regards it as entirely a success, and as demonstrating the utility of the bicycle for actual military purposes. He believes that soon every regiment in the army will have its bicycle corps.

FREAKS IN WHEELS.

Some Queer English Notions Pre-sented to the Public.

At the Stanley cycle show in England this year there have been on display some novel creations in wheels. Perhaps the most interesting of them is sun and she is burned, she should not the triangular framed wheel, with handle bars to the rear of the saddle, giving the rider the bolt upright, or, as it should be dissolved some ordinary is sometimes called, the hygienic posi- soda. This takes the sting out of the tion while riding. The triangle frame burn and prepares the face for an apwas originated by a New London, plication of some soothing lotion.



NEW TRIANGULAR FRAME. Conn., manufacturer, who exhibited a and of too much or too little fiesh is uswheel of that description at the '96 unily an absorbing process which cycle show in Madison Square Garden. leaves very little time for other things, But the handle bars on his muchine and the average woman soon wearies were on the front tube, and not behind of it if she has the courage to atte the saddle, which gave the rider a lean- it at all. ing position. Another curious feature tables and plenty of butter, drink milk.

He—He has just had a case in wh. build, can be of the English freak is that it is driven sweet wine and stout, take cod-liver he prescribed millinery for hyster with grooved sprockets and a band, in oil, go to bed early, sleep a little during Puck., place of toothed sprockets and chain.



ENGLISH FRAME PUMP

steel hinges, which allow considerable forward and backward play. likely to become popular. The use of one of the tubes in the frame as a pump ler the house dress of the future will cylinder has been tried in this country in a slightly different form without success. But the English inventor claims that he has overcome all the difficulties experienced in previous experiments, and that he has a device which is easily applied to any wheel and furnishes a powerful pump that will not get out of order and is always ready

A Hen's Remarkable Fast. The length of time a hen can sur-

vive without food or water is something remarkable. About the middle of September an Ohio farmer put a setting hen in an empty barrel, placing a lid on top. He forgot all about the ben until three months after, when he was surprised to find it alive. It had through the brain has a tendency to remained in the barrel during all that cause wakefulness. Tight or ill-fitting cords for the year, or the equivalent of the barrel during all that cause wakefulness. Tight or ill-fitting 225,000,000 feet of spruce logs. time without a drop of water or food. articles of dress, especially about the in a very short time it was restored to neck or waist, and tight shoes and The finger ring was the earliest

CEAT HER HUSBAND

cot election Mrs. Martho Cannon of Salt Lake follow. ted her bushand for a pale Senate by more than she is a Democrat and Republican. A believer she is the fourth wife of

man she defeated and has three children when she supports by her inis 32 years of age and is an unusually She is well educated and a fine stump

it is a good thing for women. A fourth his constitutional should be ad The eight soldiers carried everything wife has more liberty than a whole one. observed. To take him our a necessary to an actual campaign in She is only one-fourth the slave that days and keep him at home as an enemy's country. Barrage, arms, a whole wife is. As woman's infinence is to pave the way for all sors ammunition, rations, blankets, tents on min grows min will become less ness. The child will be made and spare apparatus made, in fact, domineering, have more regard for the liable to take cold who is kept i such a load as ordinary bicyclists feelings and illerty of his life companion some days than the one at would think it impossible to carry over ion, and when woman's victory is com-good roads. But these men were com-pletely won polygan; will disappear. mon soldiers, and in no sense experts for each member of both sexes will find his or her affinity, and both will be

> Hints for Beauty Seekers. In addition to its daily brushing, It monogram in gold. A soup-box will be found that frequent changing of added to match them, and son

> Going gloveless not only tans the long enough to require one -hands, but hardens them. Therefore Home Journal. the wise damsel who objects to wearing tight gloves by day, but who has equal prejudices against a barsh skin, wear at night loose gloves, rubbed on the inside with cold cream. If the fingers are cut out there is no disagreeaule sensation connected with the operation.

If you have a rooted objection to turning a livid lobster bue and still retain a fondness for aquatic sports, rub cold cream into your face before going forth. Wipe it off with a soft rug and apply powder with inartistic liberality. No veil will be needed with this prote tion.

When the summer girl's complexion wash her face in cold water, but in water as bot as she can bear it. In it

For Slender Wamen, Columns of conflicting advice have been written from time to time for the the best exercise in the world. A benefit of women who wish to get thin, yet you will find learned doctors to and, as it is not enough for the woman who desires to put on a little extra fiesh down stairs. to draw her conclusions from the reverse side of the fleshy woman's instructions, she is coming in for a goodly share of counsel, too, which is all excellent in a way, but the regime of exercise and diet which is advised for perfect development from the stand each day, and laugh as much as possi- A woman will argue that her deth The new seat-post is decidedly novel. ble," will often help the thin woman are more sensible than men's It is a double-barreled affair, the top immensely. Cream may be substituted when she has to lean against the w and bottom bars being connected by for the cod-liver oil if preferred.

A Prayer for Girls,

You ask for a little prayer. Here is Mr. B. Reeder-I'm told you'd like one written by Jeremy Taylor in his effort to teach the world what was Standish, Now, I have a green but meant by holy living: "Teach me to I'd like to show you. Miss Sandi watch over all my ways, that I may never be surprised by sudden tempta-well with my new billiard cloth rab tions or a careless spirit, nor ever return to folly and vanity. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth, and keep the door of my lips, that I offend not in my tongue, neither against plety nor charity. Teach me to think of bothing but Thee, and what is in order to Thy glory and service; to speak nothing but of Thee and Thy glories; and to do nothing but what becomes Thy servant, whom Thy Infinite mercy, by the grace of Thy holy spirit hath scaled up to the day of Redemption."—Ladies' Home Journal.

The Dress of the Future, ording to Mrs. Annie Jenness Mil not in the least resemble the long-skirted affair of to-day. The skirt of this rational gown will come half way etween the kpee and the ankle, and the waist and the skirt will be in onece. This simple affair may be worn now confronted with the unique bile the mother of the family is loung. | tions that spruce is worth more

by a little Eton jacket, rather more well as the saw mill. A recent cald elaborately made, which may be slip- lation, made by experts in the luped on in the emergency caused by the trade, shows that at least 65 per unsensonable caller. This is supposed of all the spruce cut in the fo to represent utility in dress. Keeping Insomnia at Bay, Everything which increases the

ould be kept warm, s ulation may be pro however, from physical are various moral causes brain equally inimical to the mind is quieted the vessels is to contract and

Scandinavia bears the being the only nation of the the pavy of which the wo perils as the men. Wheth on board is the wife of th of the commonest sailor. ing physician. She pelled by government to do a of a man before the m women are even compe guard at night. Women p a usual thing in the mavy of Scandinavian and Danish gon

In the matter of If the baby is even polygamy Mrs. be should have his daily al-Cannon believes ter what the state of condition of society From the first time he is to

A tortoise-shell puff-box and are newer for the baby's basks are those of either silver or ivory. elaborate ones have an initia the style of dressing the hair improves a tiny comb is put with the though few young bables have

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Jenkins-Had you any luck on p Warm Wea

Western trip? hs chicke Jackson-Great luck! The baby of our teeth while I was away.-Pack wes of frest Woman's Amirbility. nd hardy

Bess-If I were in your shoesd, howev Madge-Don't talk of impossibil that w Flin wat the Fair Sex if roosti He-I think Dr. Jenkins will w

to get the hooks and eyes together the waist of her dress,-Detroit Fr Press.

-Harper's Engar.

"Dearest," she asked, spuggling ey will s to him, "are you sure you love me! than you did your first wife? rs of their darling," he replied, "I paid only for her wedding ring. Yours cost \$ fodder cro Then a look of trust overspre attention a countenance, and she murmured eans of the you have made me so happy.

have prov land Leader. No other 1 "Inere?" said the young won en better wants to wear them. fodder, dr husband. "A woman on a bleyele reen variety ped a runsway team a few days d a half ton And she says it was her bloom dder, and ne enabled her to do so, protein to th der. Most of 'em I've seen would # nade of hair a clock, and perhaps it might work and without a team,"-Cincinnati Enquirer. ce with the

Wonder at Demand for Spruce at the Verm ered unequi Timber cutters in this country della yielded r per acre, a ng in her room or attending to her lit- market as material for wood pulp. comising for necessary duties about the house, as lumber. Spruce is the only tein.-Agrict should be supplemented, however, that is in demand in the pulp Suger Rec nk very favo gar beets to to milch cow of beets, che of cornmeal ; of the country this year will go to pulp mill. During 1897 fully meal for cords of spruce woods will be co I substitute amount of blood ordinarily sirculating sulphate. This will aggregate 3 for the roots oots, giving o cords for the year, or the equivalent them to sp

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