

The Flag Insulted.

New York, Jan. 4.—Cadets of the St. Louis, of the American line, accused Chief Officer Todd, it is said, of tearing down the American flag from the cadets' room of the steamship while the vessel was bound from Southampton for New York and then trampling it under foot, remarking at the time that it "was a nice thing to have in sight."

The patriotic youngsters protested against the indignity to their country by Chief Officer Todd, who, according to the report, is a British subject, holding a commission in the royal navy reserved. They were told to mind their own business. Despite the warning, the cadets had many conferences as to whether they ought to make a complaint. While the St. Louis lay at the American line pier awaiting the hour of departure, the cadets were still talking of the affair. The matter leaked out, though it was decided not to make a formal report to the company until the St. Louis returns here January 18.

SAM BROWN'S ESCAPE.—It is safe to say that no reliable information has been received concerning Sam Brown since his escape from jail Monday morning. It is quite likely that Mr. McCurdy was mistaken in thinking that he saw him along Deer creek, and other similar rumors have proven unfounded. The officials realize that it is a case of "lost to sight, to memory dear." The Review gave all the particulars concerning his escape that are obtainable, and there is nothing new but wide divergent theories. Robert Hinman, the only occupant of the jail now, is either crazy or playing that he is—most likely the latter. He slams the cell doors and yells like a Comanche all night long, and at intervals during the—Rosebur Review.

MAMMA WAS SO FUNNY.

Miss Birdie McHennepin is one of the belles of Austin. Her intellect, however, does not tower into sublime heights, but to use the cold language of truthfulness she is very much the same kind of a young lady that Gus De Smith is a young man.

Gus De Smith not long since proposed matrimony. He proposed in good faith, in a solemn, impressive manner, upon which Miss Birdie inaugurated a giggle, until Gus was very much disgusted and, arising from his knees, his anger found vent in words. He was mad.

"Miss McHennepin," he finally ejaculated, "with me this is no laughing matter. Why should you see anything ridiculous about it?"

"You must excuse me, Mr. De Smith—really you must—for I am not laughing at you really now, I am not Ma's so funny you know. Really she is just too funny for any use. I was laughing at ma."

"At sour ma?"

"Yes. You see, ma told me only this morning: 'Birdie, you are so green that some donkey will take you yet, and here you come.'"

But he was gone. It was he who banged the door so violently.

"I wonder," said the deserted

Birdie. "I wonder, now, if he is offended at what ma said. But, then ma always was too awfully junny for any kind of use"—Texas Siting.

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