### TYING THE KNOT.

"This is a true-lover's knot," he said, As he twisted over a bit of thread, And carefully drawing the ends outstrair Presented the form of the figure eight. "It is, my darling, a double noose, Pretty to look at if left quite loose, But two hearts closely we may unite By pulling the ends of the cord up tat.

"This is a bowline knot," quoth he To the merry maiden upon his known in the "And terrible things on the migh ship "And terrible things on the migh should would happen, you know, if this ot should

sip: In dropping the anchor, in hois ig the sail, In making safe from the fearf gale: And the bowline knot you winderstand Should never be made by a coless hand.

"And this is a weaver's knomy dear; An intricate puzzle to you fear; But you'll find you'll ofth have use for it When the children's stocks you learn to

knit.
Oh, what confusion and as beside,
If a knot in the warp ve left untied!
Hither and you would be stitches run,
And the weaver's weether be soon und "In tying a knot, if u tie it wrong You can't depend o't very long; But if made as it aght to be—firm and

'Twill hold, and then, and always last.

Now which of the knots do you like the best?'

Said best?' best?"
Said he—and transiden whom he addressed
Like a woman-swered, and queried, too,
'I like the tr-lover's knot. Don't you?"

## A LETER OF INTRODUCTION.

"I'm sry I can't go to London with you said Mr. Bridgnorth, who had juscrossed the Channel with me, as stood chatting at the Dover raway station, whither he had come (see me off.

Ourrief acquaintance, struck up the nht before on the Calais packet, had een rendered so agreeable by Mr. ridgnorth's affability, that I wasnore than half prepared, if not to spute the dogma that gruffness is a predominating feature of Englis manners, at least to admit that

its a rule not without exception.

"It would afford me pleasure," he ided, "to act the part of 'guide, philsopher and friend' on your first isit to the metropolis; but since that cannot be-business before pleasure, you know-I've written a letter to a chum of mine in town, which you would do well to present to him as soon as possible, for he's a connoisseur in city life, and will see you suitably bestowed."

I thanked my new friend for his kindness, put his lette in my pocket, and, bidding him maty warm adieux, hurried at the call of the guard to take my place aboa'd the train.

I was followed up the steps by a thick-set and ratler coarse-featured man, who, beside myself, was the sole occupant d the compartment.

The door was leked, the bell rung, and the train st in motion. The stout entleman busied him-

self, for a time, with his newspaper, and then thew it down with a grunt. The next haf-hour he looked out of the window his face betokening anything but leasure at the prospect, the charmsof which were not heightened by theeffect of a dull Autumn

Turningabout, with another grunt, his deep-et, gray eyes glanced me over keeny

"I do" I answered-mentally add-

ng, "Inquisitiveness, I see, is clusivey a Yankee fault."

"Seems to me I've seen him before what might his name be?" "Bridgnorth." "And your own ?"

this cross-examination. "How long have you known Mr. Bridgnorth?" continued my inquis-

"Since we got on the Calais boat together last evening," I replied. "Humph!"

I thought it was now my turn. "Do you reside in London?" I be gan.

"Yes."

"Hanley."

"May I inquire your name?" MacGrumlie. Scotch extraction, I presume?

"Can't say-never, saw the family

"Nor need you wish to, if it's known the tip of my tongue, but I left it

"By the way," I said, after a pause,
"Mr. Bridgnorth was kind enough to give me a letter of introduction to a friend of his; perhaps, on our arrival you can direct me to the place mentioned in the address,"

What is it?" I showed him the superscription. handed the letter back

"Do you want to go there at once?" he inquired. "I might as well," said I; "I have

friend's kindly offices."

we'll take the cab together."

contrasting the hours so lately en-livened by Mr. Bridgnorth's wit and it is also a fact, too, that close space gayety, with those whose tedium had ing of the cross girders of a bridge of "humphs" and grunts.

It was dark when we reached the city. My companion hailed a cab, gave the driver the direction, and, the costume grows as the season ad jumping in by my side, we were soon vances.

rattlip down a shabby, ill-lighted

street ...pre you are!" said MacGrumlie, as e checked up in front of a so ore-looking building.

ew words were spent in leave-king. I got out, paid my share of e fare, and having, with difficulty, fistinguished the number on the door, I rang the bell, while the cab turned the next corner.

Several minutes elapsed, and I was on the point of giving the bell another pull, when I heard steps inside. The door opened, and a not very prepossessing male servant growled:

"What do you want?"
"I have a letter for Mr. Fitz
Quagg," I said; "is he in?" Gimme it, an' I'll see," said the lackey, snatching rather than rethe letter from my hand. Without inviting me to enter. he

slammed the door in my face, and I

heard his heavy tramp retreating. After another delay, and a sound of lighter footsteps, the door was man, in a garb, as revealed by the imperfect light, which appeared more flashy than genteel, stood before me.

"Sorry to've kept you waiting, Mr. Hanley," he said, seizing my hand coldially. "Have read Bridg's letter—capital fellow, Bridg. Any friend of his always welcome. Just going to dine with a few friends. Must join us. Good way to introduce you. Come, come, Dick"-turning to his surly servant—"run ahead, and tell them to put another name in the

Cutting short my acknowledgments, Mr. Fitz Quagg took my arm, and we sauntered leisurely along. As we turned a corner to go down a street less inviting, if anything, than the one we had left I caught a glimpse, I fancied, of a form on the other side of the way, much resembling the burly figure of MacGrumlie.

We stopped, at length, before a door at which my companion knocked peculiarly. We were at once admitted, and Mr. Fitz Quagg led the way to a room lighted by a dim lamp, where, half invisible in an atmosphere of smoke, sat three of his familiar spirits, each with a pipe in his mouth.

"I say, Dick," said Fitz Quagg, the eremony of introduction over, up the glasses while we're waiting for the solids." Soon each man had a tumbler of

punch before him. "Here's to our better acquaintance

-no heeltaps, mind," called out the hilarious Fitz Quagg, rising, and draining his joram in honor of the sentiment. Out of sheer politeness I swallowed

the abominable stuff, though the taste half sickened me. In a few seconds my head began to whirl. Fitz Quagg and his friends seemed to be spinning round the room. The clouds of smoke thickened. My temples throbbed. A dull heaviness settled on my brain, and then came unconsciousness.

How long it was before my faculties returned, I do not know; but whon they did, my companions had disappeared. I felt for my watch to note the time. It was gone, and my pocket book and money with it. The truth flashed upon me. "Drugged and robbed!" I ex-

elaimed. "You've hit it exactly," answered a voice which I had heard before; and,

"Do yo know the the gentleman you were talking with just before the train stated?" he asked, in a quick, impassive face of the gruff Mac-Grumlie. than thousands would have done.

"Never mind," he continued; "your property and the robbers are both safe at the station house. The fellow idea which Edger Poe put into the was thrown in like this!" you parted with this morning is a head of his imaginary millionaire noted thief, whose face having grown it is to be done, no doubt, with skill it was, but they are the same kind of plying his trade on the Continent of "Hanley."
I was more amused than anoyed at his cross-examination.
"How long have you known Mr. Bridgnorth?" continued my inquistor.
"Since we got on the Calais boat "Since we got on the Calais "Since we got on the Calais boat "Since we got on the Calais "Since we got on the Calais" "Since we got on the Ca his city friends, trusting to their honor to remit him his share of the spoil.

"As an old detective, I had little difficulty in fathoming his scheme, as soon as I had learned he had given you a letter. So I kept close watch on your movements from the moment you left the cab, which I dismissed immediately after. Then as soon as I had learned he had dismissed immediately after. Then, waiting till things had gone far enough to insure the rogues a good by its fruit," was the retort I had on term of penal servitude, I summoned assistance and pounced upon them before they could make off with their plunder."

A writer in one of the London technical journals asserts that continuous girders, in iron work, though economical in first cost, are objectionable extent by a man with a hundred an exciting scuffle ensued. A police for use in road bridges, owing to vibratious, repeated shocks, or vibra-With another of his "humphs" he tions producing fatigue, will eventually cause the failure of all iron structures in which corrosion is not allowed to alter the conditions under which they were built; and as it may that really to use it with a visible no acquaintances in London, and Mr. be concluded that the vibrations in result adequate to the power expendcontinuous girders are more numered, there is no way except to in you up. Come on," and he hustled ous, with an equal number of shocks crease his business operations. That Mr. Mulkittle from his seat and Bridgnorth has assured me of his continuous girders are more numer-ed, there is no way except to in-"I'll show you the way," Mr. Mac- of the same intensity, than in those is the reason why, in America, he shoved him through the crowd out Grumlie was kind enough to say; of the non-continuous type, the life continues his trade; and why his son, into the open air so quickly that the with on my road home. You can of the former will be shorter than with still greater wealth, will be boy lost sight of his father, and would leave the luggage at the station, and that of the latter. Again, alter-tempted to continue after him, and to have cried out in alarm, but just ations in foundations, which often keep on rolling up the snowball till then the clown began to sing about This agreed to, the conversation change the conditions essential to smaller men declare, as they are meeting somebody in the garden declaring now about the railway where the praties grow. part to revive it. I couldn't help ders, are less liable to exert their kings, that it's becoming dangerous. influence on non-continuous girders; nothing to relieve it but MacGrum- increases the number and extent of lie's ever-recurring soliloquies of the vibrations, and has an injurious effect on the girders themselves.

The taste for a dash of yellow in

## SOLID MEN.

The Limited Capacity of Millionaires for Real Enjoyment—Discomforts of Wealth

Neatly Described. Those who watch the new mammoth millionaires now coming forward in looked at the "grand aggregation," such numbers from America and Aus but when his son tried to direct his tralia say that one definite reason for dreading them is their incapacity for spending their fortunes in amusing bag heck, boobing up from the top of a cage, the good man made a presenting their fortunes in amusing bag heck, boobing up from the top of a cage, the good man made a present the capacity for spending their fortunes in amusing bag heck, boobing up from the top of a cage, the good man made a present the capacity for spending their fortunes in amusing bag heck, boobing up from the top of a cage, the good man made a present the capacity for spending their fortunes in amusing bag heck, boobing up from the top of a cage, the good man made a present the capacity for spending their fortunes in amusing bag heck, boobing up from the cop of a cage, the good man made a present the capacity for spending their fortunes in amusing bag heck, boobing up from the capacity for the capacity themselves. A man who has made procession. "Ah Lord," twenty millions sterling, say by vast 'corners" in railway shares, finds that unless he goes on making money or is one of those fortunate persons who street and see it again,' can continuously devote himself to an the boy, who thought that his father's object, the eacess of which his fortune transcends that of other rich men, is of very little use to him. He can, of course, get out of it all the father quickly replied. personal luxury, in the way of fine nouses and good eating, and purple again opened, and a youngish-looking and fine linen generally, that he may happen to wish for, but in those things there is for him no special satisfac-tion. Anybody with, say, £50,000 a year, or other bread-and-butter fortunes of that kind, can buy all the personal luxuries he can enjoy, including in some places social deference; and the mammoth millionaire wants something more. He wants to feel the value of the difference between his resources and those of the merely rich, to do or enjoy something which they cannot attempt. Elephantine amusements may be amusing, but they are only elephantine, and he is a mammoth, wants larger trees to crush through, bigger forests suggests an enormous cancer. The to browse in, a deeper swamp in which boy ran into the house to get his a sheet of his paper upon which he surprise of everybody) and am able to gambol and roll. In a little planet like ours this is not easy to obtain. He desires, like the rest of us, to uti lize his special advantage, which is the command of the modern form of the wishing cap in a degree to which turned in exultation. no one else can pretend, and it is dif ficult to wish for anything that no-body with a smaller cap can get. He If you be a good boy I'll either take glass in a state of fusion. On recan travel very pleasantly; but so can you or let you go with some of the the ordinary wealthy man, money neighbors," and the child, well know-completely resisted the action of the beyond a certain amount adding ing that he would accompany his heat, and the engraving to have prelittle either to the enjoyment or the father, despite the neighbor proviso, served all its sharpness. conveniences of travel. The present writer was traveling once on the track of an Empress, and was so incon"squawl" that she would like to go, venienced by her wealth that he the boy said, consolingly:

watched to see what it gave her. It was very little indeed, nothing compared with what she obtained from her European rank. When crossing When evening came he was in a the Alps she swept up for two days in advance every available horse, the whole, no quicker than other people. The huge suite seemed to be and sometimes creating wearisome turn. delay. There was a physician, for in stance, who actually fell ill, to the loss of eleven hours. The Empress upset the traveling arrangements of a great | a lion." line for three days by her requirements in the way of a special train and extra precautions; but any one to hire a saloon carriage for herself, history. and pay for a pilot engine in front, a matter of less than a pound a mile, would have traveled with just as much personal enjoyment. The Empress rank, no doubt, helped her greatly in opening inaccessible castles, attracting experts as Ciceroni, and securing her near Naples a par adise to live in which no money would have purchased; but the command

As to creating a grand place—the

and judgment; but when the colossal lions. once enters into an enterprise of that Ascertaining, probably, that kind, it becomes unenjoyable. No they'd chaw him; don't you?"
and a large sum about you, he private man would be happier even "Not if the Lord was with him." in his own thoughts for creating a Versailles, and short of Versailes, half a million well laid out will do millionaire is a collector, he can make a mammoth collection; but when once you have acquired all the snuff boxes, or jade bowls, or fine cat's eyes to be A collection loses its charms when nce it is magnified into a museum. Besides, all these things cost comparatively little. They can, any one of them, be done to any reasonable caught the insulter by the hair, and come seems respectable poverty. The rate the boys, and exclaimed: true mammoth Crossus is forced to accumulate by the difficulty of get- two boys to fightin'! Had my eye on ting rid of his money, and soon finds

> No rain has fallen in the vicinity I'll clip you with the billy." of Rio Grande City for a month. Rangers report water and grass and that I have left my son in the scarce. The drouth is terrible all show." over Western Texas, and disastrous fires are reported in stock districts

Conscience warns us as a friend before it punishes us as a judge.

### GOING TO A CIRCUS.

Gorgeous plumes nodded in the streets, the elephant marched with awkward tread, aud the painted young lady in an airy costume rode in the lion's den. The circus had come. Mr. Mulkittle stood at the gate and attention to a horrible head and long bag neck, bobbing up from the top said when the procession had passed, "to think of the vain pomp and per-nicious show of this world."

"We can run agross to the next solemn declaration had been made in regret that the cavalcade had so soon passed away.

"I don't want to see it again." the

"Have you got enough?"

"I didn't care to see it at all." Why didn't you go in the house when it, as the patents that he had apyou saw it coming?"

"If you keep on talking that way you shan't go to the show."
"May I go?" the child exclaimed in ecstasy, for the first time realizing that there might be some hope. "If

ma says I may, mayn't I?" 'You can't go alone?' "But can't you go with me?"

"I don't care to go, but if your mother says you may, probably I'll ing that had been submitted to the go with you to-night," and the reverend gentleman plucked a rose, held the stem in his mouth in that way which, viewed at a distance, bility. By request the inventor for a mother's consent, and the minister, knowing he would get it, took the sition. Neither the ink nor the paper rose from his mouth, sniffed it, and was changed. In order to demonleaned on the gate with an air of strate by a most conclusive test how satisfaction. Pretty soon the boy re- great a heat the paper and ink were "Now may I go?" he asked.

when the "mammoth steam piano" engaging at one point no less than eighty; but she could only sit in one restrain himself, but cried in imsible haste to the Sioux country. As place in one barouche, and moved, on patience at his father's seeming unconcern.

When they entered the menagerie merely a burden, choking up the roads, calling forth tiresome crowds that he scarcely knew which way to pipe was in due course handed to

> Mulkittle. "There is a sacred ox, and here is

gazed in fascination at the beast that arm, felt his biceps curiously. Then, figured so conspiciously in sacred

"Is that the kinder lion that Samson killed?" "Yes, that's the kind."

"Do you think Samson could kill this one." "Oh, yes." "And if he was ter kill him would

he find honey in him?" "No."

"How came him to find honey in the 'Gray Ram."

of millions of itself produced no more | the one he killed?"

"I don't know what kind of a den

"I bet if Daniel was ter go in there "The Lord could make 'em tuck

their tails and scoot, couldn't He?" "Hush, sir! or I'll take you home. all that is required. To "found a Do you hear me? Come on," he confamily" in the English sense, is in tinued, as the band with a loud burst America or Australia impossible; and a great estate gives comparative little circus pavilion and secured seats. Influence, and beyond a certain limit when the performance began the quite attainable by any rich man, no boy sat in speechless rapture; but particular pleasure. What is the use when a man came out and began to

procured, a thousand more specimens claimed, turning to a boy who had adds very little to your gratification. claimed, turning to a boy who had pinched him. "Don't you pinch me

of the millionairs, to whom that in- Mulkittle, who was trying to sepa-

"Come on here! Fine man to get you for some time. Turn me loose! I'm a minister!

"Fine minister you are! I've sized

"Now you mosey," said the police man; "don't you attempt to go back. "I tell you that I am a minister,

mance was over, when he found the boy, who was trying to make arrangements to attend the grand "con-

The walk home was silent and cit." uninteresting, and when Mrs. Mulkittle spoke of the show, the minister requested her not to mention it, that he did not like to recall such worldliness. Yesterday morning he received a note from the Executive

Committee of the church which read: "We understand that you attended the circus, got drunk, got two boys inte a fight and then tried to whip a policeman. Please inform us when you will be ready to submit to an investigation."- Arkansas Traveler.

## INCUMBUSTIBLE PAPER.

Mr. G. Meyer, at a recent meeting of the Societo d'Encouragement, exhibited a new paste combination de signed for the manufacture of incumbustible cardboard or paper of all sorts and shades. The inventor did not wish to make known at the time the chemical composition of the paste. Then what made you stand here? and also of a new ink exhibited with plied for in Germany and America had not yet been obtained. He made known the fact, nevertheless, that asbsetos was the principal thing employed in the manufacture of his inwho hunt for it. combustible paper.

He presented specimens of writing, printing, engraving, etc., made with his inks of different colors, and also showed a water-color drawcapable of withstanding, Mr. Meyer then placed a lithograph, 15x16 centi-

#### A MINSTREL MAN'S SAD FATE AMONG THE INDIANS.

Some four years ago the Sioux on "You can't go, for the lions and the Dakota reservation became restless, and, among other suspicious movements, fixed a date for a grand When evening came he was in a powwow at Sun Dance. The Govern-perfect flutter of excitement, and ment at once dispatched word to Crook, who was known by the Indians the General's party on his arrival sauntered into the council meeting, the surprise and discomfiture of the Crook, he made a fatherly but sig-"This is a Bengal tiger," said Mr. nificantly admonitory address that ulkittle. "rattled" our saddled-tinted wards still more. As he ceased an extremelion."

The boy stood for a moment and the floor, and, seizing the General's with an expression of great contempt, he exclaimed in the Sioux tongue:

"This cannot be the great warrior his arm is like a squaw's!" At this a white-haired chief named Red Cloud angrily pushed the young brave aside, exclaiming: "The Gray Fox' fights with his head, not his

arm. "Then," instantly retorted the

The entire audience instantly fell "Because the Lord put it there." upon the speaker, and after a desper-"Was the lion's den that Daniel ate struggle he was bound hand and foot and searched. Under his moccasins were found a pair of yellow-topped, toothpick shoes, and his buckskin shirt contained an eightcarat diamond cut out of the bottom of a goblet. He confessed to being the end man of a wrecked minstrel troupe, who was trying to scalp his back to the settlements.

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#### WHERE TO SEE THE GREAT TROTTERS OF NEW YORK.

[Officinnati Times-Star.]

boy sat in speechless rapture; but when a man came out and began to handle cannon-balls and hold the boys at arm's length, the enthusiastic child pulled his father's coat and asked:

"He's almost as strong as Samson, ain't he?"

"No."

"Why ain't he? Quit that!" he exclaimed, turning to a boy who had pinched him. "Don't you pinch me again."

"I will if I wan't to. Do you dare me?" and he pinched him again. Young Mulkittle reached around and caught the insulter by the hair, and an exciting scuffle ensued. A policeman rushed to the scene, seized Mr.

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