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TO PUT a whole novel into a brief story is a presentious undertaking, but it can sometimes be done by cutting out descriptions, comments and the preity sayings that the writer thinks could not but please the world For the sake of those who now deserve nothing but commendation there is an adoption of fictitious names, all the rest being a veritable relation of facts.

Judson Fishe had gone through Yale His churps all called him "Jud," and It is not aming to follow the example of his friends. He was from an old family of wealth. His allowance was fusiishly large and a red streak would come nearer than any other one symbol to characterizing his college career. He gave many a night feast and the total of the bills was larger than that of many a prosperous family. He loved gambling and lost much. He loaned a great deal of money that was never returned. In short, he was a good fellow and plucked all along the line.

After graduating Jud was sent abroad and for two years helped to enliven the old world at the same time acquiring considerable knowledge, for he was one of those chaps who come very near to learning by absorption. Through some mysterious gift or inspiration he was frequently enabled to lliuminate a subject over which instructors has differed for years. Among his deceptive peculiarities was a face as fair as a woman's, silken brown hair that waved in a way to make many a lady envious, unstudied grace and small, white hands. But he had muscles of steel, could concentrate all his strength in a single effort, had a ligerish quicknoss of movement and war yonderfully skilled in the ways of ord g and defense. During his visit to the continent he pinked a saucy young German officer who resented the fact that Jud would not salute in a cafe when ordered to do so; disarmed a jealous Italian youth and punctured the sword arm of a Frenchman who questioned American bravery. On his way home he was in London long enough to knock out a bully who provoked a quarrel just because Jud looked so effeminate and easy.

After returning he had not been with the family two weeks before he was fathoms deep in love with the pretty governess. In a month he proposed to her and was accepted with the proviso that parental consent was given to the marriage. Then came the fireworks. His proud mother had been a shop girl and his proud father had inherited the bulk of his fortune. There was no chance to deny that the governess was a better woman than Jud was a man, but the projudice of caste takes root in strange soil and the paternal ultimatum was that if the son took the governess for his bride he would be disowned and disinherited.

syally by the non and won from him a affection that she had never before sloyed. But the father . as as gran

and showed his moral obliquit, by infaring the governess, who had rested the stmost pressure to disreand his will. She evidenced her conrasting ... audeur of character by gong later and doing more than auvone ise to bring Mrs. Fiske through a critical iffnors.

After the manner of such hot-headed young men. Jud turne., the tables by disowning his father and serving notice that he would never touch a cent of money made, owned or dis-

urned by the head of the house. Then he gifted, but bitter, youth started for went in search of anything that night aid him to forget. The grant interior of civilization was too tame for him. He went to the frontier and plunged into the excesses which it oflered. His gambling mania was stimutated and his bad luck clung to him. The professionals looked upon him as the tenderest of tenderfeet and stored him so openly that even he

ion ly detected their methods. There vere two unceremonious funerals the ext morning and Jud was unnarmou.

incidentally he had tarust fame upon aimself and from then on got a square deal, though the fact dld not materia ly improve his circumstances. The trouble was that he did not like men of a lesser general intelligence to get the better of aim, and builed his lues without spaial regard to the value of his hands. One alternoon it was whispered about with bated breath that the bad man of a neighboring camp was com is down to clean up on the death dealer of the camp with which Jud was identified. The visitor who was

coming upon his own invitation, had a i. . ifying record covering most of the outlines of civilization in this country. The consequence was that his proposed victim rode away that night and the town went into the mmended itself to Jud. He went to saloon with the biggest red light and conferred with the proprietor. It can be epitomized.

Jud asked if the attacking cham- to follow. pion knew the local "faise alarm" who had disappeared. He did not; never saw him.

"Then I'm he," smiled Jud. "Want to die ?"

happen to belong here at present and have a whole lot of municipal pride. Understand?"

The invader came with becoming horsemanship and armament. The cluded. rough chivniry of the day and environment gave him right of way until

I o'rter pay my respecks. Kin it be I'm lool in' at him?" as he frowned on the assembled crowd.

The proprietor called the guest aside and was seen to point down the street. There was Jud with his hands crossed behind his back, walking slowby as his eyes sindled the ground.

"What'er yer givin' me?" and the invader glared. "That there is a woman in disguise. But I reckon she's good enough fur this outfit. I'll jest step down there and spank her and f'll wait 'round here 'long 'nough fur to ascertain certain whether you got

anything else stronger or more bitin'. Away went the bulky desperado and tapped Jud on the shoulder. He turned slowly and the allen grabbed him. It was the game just as the young fellow had planned it. He kiched a Colt's out of the older man's hands, inocked him down faster than he could get up, removed his cartridge belt, twisted his ears, tweaked his nose and ended by kicking him to the camp limits. It was the most disgraceful thing that ever happened to a gun shark on the frontier, and you may be sure that he never went back to his own crowd to tell the story.

Jud was now a hero, but the very fact that opposition had been wiped out made him tired. He took the back track as far as Denver and there had a yearning that induced him to write to his mother. Then he plunged again, lost his money, as usual, went clear to the lowest stratum, and while trying to live on his wits was befogging them with dissipation.

As a financial crisis approached he rented rooms over a German saloon, and was never crowded for payment because his singing, story-telling, genial ways and ability to quiet disorderly patrons made him worth more than he cost. One day he made the discovery that the Western Union telegraph wires crossed the roof over his head. He tapped them, with the asdepths of humiliation. The situation sistance of a practical man whom he had cultivated in the saloon. Having advance information on every race he coined money and gained the reputation of a man whose judgment it was good

> One night the tapped wire gave him this: "Drura is dangerously sick and

been that you come at once." The relegram was signed by his

mother and addressed to him in his "Not at all particular, thank you. I own name, which he had not used for months. Had it gone to the main office he would never have called for it, and That blood-letter must not come here | could not have been found. Drurs was and go away to tell that he could not the governess and the only woman he get a rise out of the whole burg. I'm loved. It was a call from the past: a 'Harp Wilkins' till the thing's over. call that he must answer. The interim of desperate and riotous flying seemed wiped out. He broke all of the newer clatter and display of his horse, his and wo - connections, "leak" wire in-

Jud reached home in the shortest time possible. His strong presence was he faced the one he was after. He the medicine needed by the loyal gov rode straight to the man with whom erness, and she mended from the mo-Jud had conferred, swaggered in and ment of his coming. The stern father called for a drink to all hands. After | could hold out no longer. The young

Detroit Free Press.

The Years Are Flowers.

Out of eternity they spring. The flower-years, b dding, blossoming; Opening, opening like the rose, The Young Year blows.

The years are flowers of shade and sun. lossoms wither, stays not one; -Fading, fading like the rose, The Old Year goes. John Vance Cheney, in Youth's Companion.

In Another Way.

She-Mrs. Sparker has done nothing lately but run down her neighbors. He-I had no idea she was such a gossip.

She-Who said anything about gossip? She is learning to drive her new motor-car.-Cassell's.

Had Wide Experience.

Butta-Do you really think man the noblest work of God? Cutts-Indeed I do. Butts-What's your business? Cutts-Me? Oh, I am a ladies' tailor. -Cincinnati Commercial Tribune,



Maud" -- Have you seen Millie since she came back to town? Noodles-Yaas. Maudie-How did she look? Noodles-The other way.

> Pessimism. First a snow and then a freeze, You slide around and slip. And then a thaw on top of these, And then a case of grip, -Washington Star.

> > Willing to Oblige.

Penman-Have you read my latest book? Brokley-No, lend me \$2 and I'll go out and buy one .- Yonkers Statesman.

The Time for Chloroform. "I hear he refused to take chloro-

form when he was operated on?" "Yes; he said he'd rather take it when he paid his bill."-Tit-Bits,

After Facts.

"How old did your sister say she is?" "Eighteen." "How old is she?"--Houtton Post.

between Butte and Yuba counties.

With the opening of the schools A rancher named Rogers left his after the long summer vacation little daughter, Florence, in care it always seems queer to see such of Bruno, a great Dane, and with small boys in the back seats, says his wife hastened across the Youth's Companion. Those who woods to assist a neighbor a mile went in June appeared consider. away to fight the fire that was ably larger than the class that threatening his barn.

now take their places. Not only In less than an hour the wind are these highest grade boys and shifted so as to menace the Roggirls of September younger than ers premises. Realizing the dantheir predecessors of June, but ger. Rogers, his wife and three they seem less prepared for the neighbors started on the run, but they could not keep pace with the studies before them.

It is much the same in life. flames. Whenever new men come to the Mrs. Rogers fainted before comfront to take places which have ing in sight of the house. When been long filled by their elders, it the men reached the edge of the seems as if the world were falling clearing the flames were all about into the hands of a younger gen- it, the stables on fire, and the eration. The lieutenants who be- house was just beginning to blaze. come captains appear younger Rogers, now frantic, was prethan ever to the colonels who paring to dash through the circle of flames to rescue his child. But lock on.

In new countries, where promo- before he could reach his house, tion in civil life is most rapid, it out burst big Bruno through the often seems as if youngsters were kitchen window, holding the lit wholly in control. They do get the girl in his great jaws.

ahead faster in the places which When he landed with a bonnee do not attract the men that have Bruno dropped Florence for an passed middle life. Yet taking instant; but picking her up again the world as a whole, the figures he came bounding on across the would doubtless show that each clearing, the weeds of which were decade was using about the same then on fire. He ran straight to proportion of the young, the mid- Rogers and gently deposited the dle-aged and the old. The new oc- frightened child at his feet.

cupant of any position who at- Bruno seemed to have realized tracts attention because of his hisown peril as well as Florence's. youthfulness soon loses this dis- He was in a closed room, and so tinction. People forget that he made a bold dash through a winever had it. dow with his liftle charge. Flor-

'This college has been waiting ence's face and hands were pain-25 years for us" was the inscrip- fully cut with glass and her clothtion on the banner which the ing scorched. The dog was also freshmen class of Harvard coilege gashed, and his hair burned off in carried in a procession at the time places.

that institution was celebrating the completion of two and a half centuries of life. There was deep truth in this bit of waggishness. The world is waiting all the time for the small boys in the back seats, whether the seats be in the schoolroom, the court house, the

pulpit, the counting-room, or on the farm.

DOG SAVED CHILD'S LIFE. Daughter of California Rancher Car-

ried from Burning Building by Great Daus.

Stories of doys which have res-He was probably hit in the imagincued people from fire or water are _tion .- Chicago Chronicle. not uncommon. One, however,

of Smallpox.

J. K. Stuart, assistant her commissioner, is now thorou: immune from smallpox, says Denver Republican. Through lowing the prescription of on the deputies in the health cos sioner's office, he has rend himself impervious to the atta of the loathsome disease. Ins of being grateful Stuart sw dire revenge on his fellow ployes.

Health Commissioner Sha the other day informed St that he would have to hand! the smallpox cases. The ! immediately began to inamong the clerks how he could teet himself against all possi of contagion.

"I know just one thing." one. "Get some bisulphic carbon. Take a long smell every three hours. After a there will be absolutely no d. of your contracting smallps matter how virulent the di may be."

Now, bisulphide of c smells like the concentrated of eggs decayed for genera back. But Stuart did not that. He bought a bottle d stuff and conscientionaly long sniff of it every three Finally the treatment beray severe. He dashed the bo the floor and shouted:

"I'd rather have all the pox in the world than take a smell of that stuff."

The laugh that follow vealed the joke to the as health commissioner. N swears he will get even.

"The first thing some o practical jokers know," h "they will find their 1 stuffed with limburger che

Pearls of Sulu.

Some years ago the sultar In learned that the pearl fis! were reaping big profits. plied his revenue collector sieves and ordered that ai found near Suin must be te these sieves. Those that c through were to be reta the fishermen; those t mained in the sieves wer long to the sultan for the nearly ruined the pearl t

way through the hardest rock. The hasty torrent rushes over is with hideous roar and leaves no trace behind .--- Carlyle. Vital Spot. Among the wounded at Liaovang was a war correspondent.

Don't Be Too Strong.

The weakest living creature, by

oncentrating his powers on a sin-

gle object, can accomplish some-

thing. The strongest, by dispos

ng of his overmany, may fail to

ccomplish anything. The drop,

y continually falling, bores its