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THE enrollment in Salem's public schools and at the university this year is flattering.

A HALF-DOZEN of the most successful men of New York were recently asked what chance young men have to get on in the world these days.

By next season Salem will have a fruit cannery of large proportions. It is proposed to establish storage depots in the east and elsewhere and sell the goods direct to the retailer.

SALEM is now going to have another line of street railway. The new line will run from Commercial street to the penitentiary and the asylum.

THERE is a mortgage on the White house. The Virginia legislature has a claim against the government for the money borrowed by General Washington to build the present structure.

EDUCATION AND BUSINESS.

An exchange gives the following solid remarks of wisdom, which many a young man will do to heed: "There is occasionally a young man in this day of general enlightenment and intelligence who believes it is possible for a commercial school to guarantee in advance that when he has passed through its course of study it will have a snug business position, attended with little labor and a magnificent salary ready to his hand.

HOODOOS.

A Chicago lawyer has explained to a Chicago court that a hoodoo is something which pursues a man with misfortune, much in the manner that a wheelbarrow makes its haunting presence known for a weary while to the unfortunate who has stumbled over it in the dark.

AGRICULTURAL FAIRS.

This is the season of the agricultural fairs. That farmers should interest themselves in these exhibitions seems to go without saying, and presents a question which evidently answers itself.

A successful agricultural fair is a grand object lesson for the farmers and a means of mutual instruction. The fine stock, excellent products, and the opportunities of conversation and consultation offer invaluable educational facilities which are not to be neglected.

Every farmer should be an exhibitor at the fairs. He should make a special part of his work to prepare something for exhibition. And this, not so much for the value of the premiums offered, but for the sake of comparison and comparing notes with other exhibitors.

For one postmaster who performs his duty in notifying publishers that their papers addressed to certain parties remain dead in the office, there are many who neglect that duty.

THE remark of the man who has not visited Salem for several months is, "Well, Salem is having a nice healthy boom." That is a fact. She is improving more than in many years and is building some very fine houses.

Slipping on my shoes, I lighted three or four gas-jets, unfastened a back door and shouted down the alley for a policeman. As soon as he came I let him inside of the store, and then we began to reconnoiter and ascertain the status of affairs at the front.

TOO LATE! TOO LATE!

They stole all my lightning before it struck, And bottled my thunder before it burst.

There is Homer, too, has been highly praised For writing my thoughts before I was born.

And the world unites to praise Cheero, The while they laugh my conceits to scorn.

They spoke before I had ever a chance, These pirates who scuttled my song-ships grand.

They wrote my thoughts and were covered with praise, They spoke my thoughts and men called them great.

While I languish unknown in these subsequent days, A man who was born too late!

—S. W. Foss, in Yankee Blade.

FIGHTING WITH BURGLARS.

Two Victorious Encounters with Mignight Marauders.

ADVENTURE NO. 1.

Twice in my life I have been placed in positions that served to "harrow up my soul, freeze my young blood," and turned me as gray as a rat's before my fortieth birthday.

I was hired, when a small lad, as an under-clerk or apprentice in a wholesale hardware store in New York. After several years' service, during which I gained a good practical knowledge of the business and gradual promotion, I became the head salesman and enjoyed the fullest confidence of my employers.

For many years I had slept alone in the store. Every evening the doors and windows in the rear were protected with heavy iron shutters, secured from outside and strongly barred and bolted inside; the hatchways leading to the cellar and second floor were securely covered and fastened; one of the massive wooden front doors was bolted at the top and bottom, while the other was only carefully locked, and the key was seldom removed.

My bed occupied a corner of the counting-room, midway between the front and rear of the store. Upon entering I always turned off all the lights, for, if necessary, I could, from long familiarity with the store and its contents, make my way safely about all parts of it in the most profound darkness.

In all my mercantile life the premises had never been beset by burglars, and, indeed, the store was so carefully closed and guarded against intruders that it was deemed invulnerable.

One night I was suddenly awakened by some noise that seemed to come from outside of the store. As I raised myself in bed to listen I heard a neighboring city clock strike two. When its vibrations ceased, I felt sure that something was wrong at the front door.

I listened for a few seconds, I could hear faint whispers, and then the sound of a small saw. Then I knew that burglars were cutting a hole in the door, in order that the key might be reached and turned.

I could have frightened away the intruders by making a noise and lighting the gas, but I wished, if possible, to thwart their purpose in another manner, and capture one of the marauders. With this intention I cautiously crept to a package of stout boot-cords, one of which I seized, and returned to the door. In the end of the cord I made an easy-running noose, and strongly fastened the bright leg of a neighboring counter that supported heavy boxes of tin-plate.

Then I carefully held the noose around the place where the burglars were cutting the hole. After waiting a few minutes, I heard them remove the piece of wood which they had sawed out. The light of a bull-eye lamp flashed for an instant at the aperture, sufficiently to reveal its outline and enable me to adjust the noose. Then a man's arm was thrust through the hole.

This was the opportunity for which I had waited. A quick and vigorous movement drew the noose tightly around the fellow's wrist, and then I hauled on the cord with all my strength until I had pulled the arm through the hole as far as I could, notwithstanding the opposition manifested by its owner.

There was no noise, although the fellow was undoubtedly in great pain; and when I had firmly secured the cord to the counter I felt along it until I touched the arm, and found that it had been forced through the opening almost to the shoulder.

I was not in the least frightened. I had one of the burglars a prisoner, and I knew that the others would not long remain with him. On the whole, I was rather pleasantly excited, and quite exultant over my success.

The policeman then returned to the alley and made his way to the front, picking up another officer on the street to assist him. Presently I heard them shouting to me that the burglar was dead; that his companions, finding it impossible to release him, and fearful that he would expose them to the authorities, had cut his throat from ear to ear.

I was young and unused to dreadful acts like this, and the unexpected development not only astonished me, but so shocked my nerves that I nearly fainted. The return of the policeman to aid me in loosening the arm and open the front door partially restored me; but after the dead burglar had been removed and the doors were securely fastened, I could do nothing but walk the floor in great nervous distress until it was time to open the store for business in the morning.

Then, when the clerks arrived, and I had related my adventure to them, I was fain to go home and avoid the excitement that I knew would distract me if I remained to answer the thousand questions that would be asked of me.

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Magistrate—What's the prisoner's name? Officer—She is known as Big Amy. Magistrate—Then I shall not commit her. Officer—Why not, sir? Magistrate—It is illegal to commit bigamy.

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