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IN THE OLD DAYS.

Dear Grandmamma sighed As she slowly untied The packet she found in the loft; The paper was bluish, The words were too foolish, sentiments, we thought, were soft

Now if our dear Granny Were young, like our Fanny, Who lingered last night at the gate, It would not seem queer, To be called "love" and "dear." And "prithee, sweet, tell me my fate."

But it sounded so silly To sing "Your sweet Willie," "Who worships the ground at your feet," Now Grandpa takes enuff And thinks it enough To doze, in the sun in his seat.

When Grandma wasyoung When Grandina wasyoung Her praises were sumg By rapturous lover a seore; I wish 'twas the fashion To record the blind passion In verses of twenty or more.

Then pen, ink and paper, Some wax and a taper, Were all the expenses incurred; Now, costly bouquets, Drives, operas, plays, And "seats in the parquette preferred.

The, old-fashiond ways,

The, old-fashiond way of The minuet's maze, The somets by messenger sent; A seat meant for one, Her promise is won, And all without costing a cent. —Chicago Journal.

THE MAN-EATER.

A STORY OF INDIA.

There were two entrances to the drawing room; this must be born in mind. The house itself was old-fashioned, a large and many-gabled one, standing standing alone and solitary in a spacious garden; all the windows had been closed and the jalousies shut and se-cured from the outside! the tatty-grass

blinds on the piazza had been rolled up cartridges, "Come along; stay, let me and put away until another blazing morning called for their refreshing shade. The locality was near that part of the

delta called the Sunderbunds, through a dangerous illness-a brave and trustwhich the Ganges expands its branchworthy man, who would have laid his es as it approaches the sea-a labyife down for Godfrey. rinth of creeks and rivers, of jungle and stagnant water. The night was fine, but moonless; there was a heavy dew loo, after my recital. rapidly falling, like a misty rain, which in hot countries, is a perfectly natural as if the question were superflous. occurrence.

I went into the drawing-room by what might be called the back door, as it led into the back drawing-room, and smaller of the two; the other, a far larger apartment, communicated with this one by great folding doors of gold and The back drawing-room was white. very full of furniture, rather inconveniently so. As I was carrying an armful of books, and in my disengaged hand a lamp, I proceeded, with now, who can see in the dark ?--not tolerable security, though slowly, but then, of course, I knew the room and the sahib, but yes, the tiger." could have gone to my destination in the dark. What struck me as both about it at once." From the garden. curious and irritative was the fancy er's outhouse we brought a roll of wire

that the room seemed more impe-

y noise or disturbing the hand that paling its silver fire. held the lamp, and then, raising with slow effort one of the heavy little "But, Ramee, the shutters are still fastened !'

chairs that had blocked my passage, I "Sahib, I unfastened them; they are silently swung it on to my shoulders open the breatdth of a man's hand; and held it so that it covered my head. presently the light will stream through." then turned slowly sidewise, with my "Quick ; fetch another rifle." mind impressed with the necessity of

When he returned, I took the gun keeping the lamp as far as possible beand gave him my revolver. hind me. This struck me at the time A light breath of wind passed muras clever and of unquestionable impor-

muring through the feathery crowns of tance in saving my life. I managed to the slender cocoa-palms, two great walk gently out of the room. I supspears of light shot up in the sky, somepose I had been in it five minutes, but it where in the garden a bird sang-the sun had risen. "Wait the signal," seemed like a weary hour.

As I closed the door and locked it, my whispered my brother ; "now, Ramee." brother unexpectedly came down the The Hindoo knelt down and imitated passage and passed me on the little the bleating of a kid that had lost its for congress years ago. flight of stairs; he was rather in a hur- mother. At the instant Ramee sprang The gentleman who flight of stairs; he was rather in a hur-

to his feet, the silence was rent by a "Godfrey;" I called out to him, "do sundering crash and a sudden, terrific you mind pulling the front door to in roar; the shutters were torn from their the large drawing-room as you go by ?" sockets, a great mass hurled itself pre-It seems strange now, but I could cipitately through the window, and the think of nothing else to say then, and tiger, with its head and shoulders bur-I said it slowly and quite naturally. ied in the lime-covered debris, was grap-He assented and disappeared, and I, pling in maddened fury with an enemy without noticing it at the time, took up he could not see nor make much imthe chair again, and with my lamp aspression upon.

cended the short flight of stairs, and Our guns were at our shoulders. proceeded along the passage to my own The animal was twenty feet from us, room, walking slowly and guardedly. tearing up the graveled path, and coil-The mind had evidently been so shock ing itself in inextricable confusion in ed that it had not recovered its domithe broken netting and splintered ladnant sway over the body. Upon reachder. Ramee uttered a loud cry. The ing my own room, I put the chair care- animal had freed its head, and stood fully down and sat upon it. The lamp with its bleeding mouth in an enforced I had placed on the table at the same listening attitude. It was the moment time. I sat there a few seconds, feebly Godfrey had waited for, and he fired. wondering which room the tiger The tiger, evidently not seeing him, was in. Then I got up with sprang at the window again, but missed a sudden alacrity, took from its case a the opening, hurling itself against the large revolver, and turned into the paswall and falling on the broken shutters. At the minute it alighted, I aimed at it's coons. "If any one ever told you he sage again. In a minute or so I was in Godfrey's room. He was half un-dressed. "What's the matter?" he de-it gave a convulsive leap and turned its what never happened. Come can't he it gave a convulsive leap and turned its what never happened. Coons can't be manded, with startled eyes. When I bloodshot eyes in our direction. Then trapped except in one way, and I never had told him he took my hand and Godfrey fired again and told me to do wrung it. "You may thank God that the same. vou are alive, old fellow." Then he

"It is the man-eater !" said the Hin-

"Yes, Ramee ; tell me your plan."

As the Hindoo rapidly unfolded it,

"Cunning must be met with cun

ning," said the Hindoo. "It'll take three hours to arrange," I

him?

strange idea.

remarked.

"Back ! back !" cried Ramee. dressed hurriedly, took a heavy rifle The animal had gathered itself together and sprang forward with one carries the keenest scent in front of it of from a rack, and filled his pockets with mighty bound, ann rolled, over with a scream of dying rage. go first; your nerves are a bit shaky

When we came to measure the bru e We creptout and awakened the punafterward, we found it was fifteen feet kah wallah, an old and faithful Hindoo, from the nose to the tip of his tail. whom my brother once nursed during The Argonaut.

After Half a Century.

Meeting of Brothers who were Parted for Fifty Years.

"You will come with us, Remee?" In conversation with an aged gentleasked my brother. The old man smiled man from Pembroke, Ky., a Chronicle reporter heard a story which reads like a "Will the sahib let his servant advise omance, but nevertheless is true.

Away back near the close of the last century there lived a happy family in caught by me, until one day a new idea the "Old Dominion," blest with all the my brother smiled dubiously at the comforts that surrounded a Virginia homestead at that date. The family consisted of father and mother and two sons. They were as happy as one could imag-tiful, you will be likely to discover some ine a family to be, who were blest with all the luxuries of primitive husbandry hide at the side of the creek and keep "Three hours will bring the dawn; The father was stricken with paralysis one day, and lived only a short time. The demise of the father was soon fol-fish. The way he fishes for them is to "Very well," said Godfrey, "let's see

notes, and soon found out that they were ter home he rolls himself with his head the same brothers, and that they were between his hind legs, and very close to the same brothers that parted in boy- his hams, at that, and gives bimself up hood, vowing eternal enmity to each to oblivion. When he comes out in the other. They fell on each other's necks spring he's as thin as a shadow. I've year and wept like children, a curious crowd cut down dozens of coon trees in the win-

standing around looking at the transac-tion. When the two brothers parted in rolled up position, with not a vestige of boyhood they had heard nothing of each anything to eat in the hole. If a other-in fact, they had not tried to comes out on a winter's day and the communicate. They are both now dead, ground is all covered with snow, he will but have descendants living within ten accept the inevitable and walk on the miles of Clarksville, and others near snow to his destination, but if the snow Hopkinsville and Pembroke. They is in patches, or lies in scattered banks, were both good citizens, and the young- the coon will follow the leading of the er of the two was sent as a representative bare ground around the patches of snow, to the Kentucky legislature two or three keeping shy of all contact with them, altimes, and made one unsuccessful race though such a course may lead him at New Iberia, La.

miles out of his way. The coon is an The gentleman who gave the infor- interesting creature, and is worthy of a mation is now an old man and says that good deal of study.—Hammondsport the circumstances occurred as related Cor. New York Sun.

The Short Line.

Read This.

About Pianos.

"Very few know how to take care of

above, when be was a boy. They lived on adjoining farms after the older one moved to Kentucky, and were fast friends. Their names are withheld on account of Are You Going West? If You are, family relations, but the whole affair certainly occurred as narrated above. If it doesn't read like a romance, what is it?-Clarksville (Tenn.) Chronicle.

One of the Animals you Can't Catch in a Trap out of Water.

They Are Very Fond of Crawfish and

Tree-His Habits in Winter, Especially the Long Fast.

had trapped a coon ?" said P. B. Eyler, of Pittsburg, who has been spending a few days on Lake Keuka, and says that if there is anything he knows all about found a coon hunter vet who knew how

& St. Paul Railway. If any information is desired write to John R. Pott, Traveling Passenger Agent, Williamsport, Pa. Maps and time tables furnish-ed free.

know the danger it threatens him with.

your vicinity in which crawfish are plenvery quiet.

lowed by that of the mother, and the two boys were left to divide the estate, the stream. The crawfish live under the two boys were left to divide the estate, the stream. the father having made no will. Things stones on the bottom. The coon feels

All Sorts of Paragraphs

-Over 5,000 Russians have settled in and around Eureka, Cal., within a

-One of the visitors at Fortress Monroe last week was 60 feet long. It was a whale coon

-A competent authority thinks that the Paris Exposition drew at least \$250 .-000,000 into Paris.

--Twenty-four sportsmen shot 485 rabbits in the vicinity of Jerseyville, Ill., the other day.

-Minnows two inches long are said to have been taken from a 74-foot well

-An Albany, Vt., man has shipped to Western markets this year 8,000 tons of maple sugar, valued at \$97,000.

-Jules Millet, a nephew of the celebrated French painter, lives in New York and makes brierwood pipes for a living.

-The Brazilians are said to form the largest and richest foreign colony in-The lines of the Chicago, Milwaukee Paris. They never haggle over any-& St. Paul Railway extend through Il- thing.

linoise, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Min--The year 2118, according to the President of the Manchester Geological Society, will see the exhaustion of the English coal.

-GeorgeLedicker caught a monster spotted snake near Bell fontaine, O. It is seven feet long, and playtul and harmless as a kitten.

-A Salem county, N. J., woman, past 30 years of age, saw the railroad and took her first ride in a passenger train a day or two ago.

-Farmer Harms, of Kent, Kings county. Ore., cut down a cottonwood, tree last month from which he took 700 St Paul connections are made with all pounds of fine honey.

-The largest salmon ever taken from "National Route." At this point con- weight of four of them were as follows: nections are made for points in Kansas, 43, 44, 48 and 55 pounds.

Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and California. All ticket agents sell via -Phonographs are to be put in the postoffices of Mexico, to be used by this line, and if you intend going West persons unable to write, in order to you will make no mistake by asking for your tickets by the Chicago, Milwaukee send messages to friends through the mails.

> -A year ago, in Henderson, Ky., Mrs. Mary Beck, aged 64, and Wallis E. Yanson, aged 24, were married. The old woman is now seeking a divorce.

-A wealthy man who has been convicted of shooting partridges near Laurel, Del., and shipping them out of the State contrary to law, will have to pay \$480 in fines.

-Isaac Harris captured a large bald "How do you do it here?" asked the eagle near the Lewistown. O., reservoir "It is a popular notion that pianos Tuesday. The bird is a noble one, and could be more fallacious. Pianos are not nearly so much affected by heat or -A wealthy Colorado woman says

-A wealthy Colorado woman says cold as they are by dryness, and, reverse-ly, by dampness. It is not generally reached her during the last six weeks known that the sounding board, the life called in the aggregate, for a sum of of a piano, is forced into the case when money as large as her entire fortune.

it is made so tightly that it bulges-up in -The belle at a recent dog teast on the center, on the same principle as a an Indian reservation in Dakota wore violin. The wood is supposed to be as a jacket trimmed with teeth from 150 dry as possible, but, of course, it conelks, which she herself had slain. tains some moisture, and gathers more on damp days and in handling. Now, tribe

-The dogs in Birdsboro, Pa., are all mad As everybody wants a revolver and the board loses its shape and gets dealers in weapons are reaping a great flabby and cracks. Even if it doesn't harvest. The citizens have determined on completely exterminating the canine grows thin and tinny, the felt cloth and population. leather used in the action dry up, and -A citizen of Hawkinsville. Ga., the whole machine rattles. who was suffering from asthma, was "How do you prevent this?" advised to try a remedy sometimes used "Keep a growing plant in your room and so long as your plant thrives your piano ought to, or else there is some- boiled it, made a tea, drank the liquid and was completely cured. thing wrong with it. It should be noted how much wore water will have to be -A big black diamond picked up in poured into the flower pot in the room Brazil is on 'exhibition in New York. where the piano is than in any other It looks like a piece of chestnut coal in room. In Germany it is the practice to the rough, but it would take a good keep a large vase or urn with a sopping many tons of coal of any kind to equal wet sponge in it near or under the piano | the value of this lump. It weighs 3671 and keep it moistened. This is kept up carats, and is worth \$5,000. -An Augusta, Me., whist crank has York Mail and Express. occupied his time during the past two years in the construction of an elegant whist table on which he hopes to win a A Cat That Lives on Canaries good many rubbers. It consists of 500 George Fair, of the Haymarket theapieces of wood, no two of the same size and of nearly every variety that grows. ter, says: I have a tiger cat, a pug dog, seventeen gold fish, and forty canaries. -A lately married Belfast, Me., The dog is the most submissive of the couple cannot be accused of hasty aclot. He has been licked so many times tion. They were published and the certificate was issued a year ago, but that his tail won't curl. Ever see a pug dog with the curl taken out of his tail. the knot was not tied until last Friday. I've got one. But the cat is the boss. A young lady who has had experience, Mrs. Fair is very much attached to the suggests that the bride probably had to cat. I wanted her to sell the cat, or let wait for the dressmaker. me bring it down here, or kill it-any--The feat of playing 20 games of thing to get it out of the house. No, checkers simultaneously and winning sir, she wouldn't have it. Said the cat all but one, which was a draw, was accould stav in the house as long as she did. complished by Clarence A. Freeman, in One day she went home and found a lot Providence, R. I., a few days ago. of feathers on the floor, and the cat His contestants were experts from all over Rhode Island. The play lasted asleep on top of the piano. The cat had eaten the canary-several canaries. I just 1 hour and 40 minutes. -A whistling contest, open to young go now," but she said no. For two or ladies only, occured at the Congregathree days we noticed that the cat didn't tional Church in Litchfield, Mich. Tuesday evening, and the oldest inhabitant confessed he never before saw such a puckering of ruby lips. Miss Pearl Playford took first prize with an andante quaver that made the windows now to appease the cat's appetite. The rattle. -Mrs. Bootman, of Hoosick Falls, N. Y. will be 94 years old on Sunday, the 15th inst. She is in good health, and mental activity. She confesses to being Spoiled His Programme. an old, if not a great sinner, and having been recently converted, will, on her 94th birthday, be admitted to member-A thug who was recently imprisoned in Idia, having been caught almost in ship in the Methodist Church on conactual commission of a murder. complained bitterly to an English officer at fession of faith. having been deprived of the opportunity to fulfill his ambition. He had begun -In Germantown lives a noble Nimrod who shot for one of his female friends a crow, and from the day she received it, stuffed and mounted, she at the time of his capture was in a fair has been followed by misfortune. She way to carry out his design. He had already killed 700 persons, and if the finally gave it away and the spell was removed Another girl who moves in the "set" religiously carries an umbrelauthorities would have let him alone for quite a little while longer he would la of antique design, and she says it is have reached the 1.000 mark. He was her mascot.

nesota, South Dakota and North Dakota. The Company owns and operates nearly 5,700 miles of railroad. It has Can Be Trapped Under Water-How to Smoke Him Out of a the finest equipments, with all the latest improvements. Vestibuled trains, heated by steam and lighted with electricity. It is the short line between Chicago and Council Bluffs, where it connects with the Union Pacific and B. & M. R'ys for

"Did you ever hear any one say he

it was done.

The coon leaves the coldest scent behind it of any animal that lives, but it any animal. You may track a coon to his home in the crevice of some rock, which is a favorite retreat for him. You may place your trap in front of the hole, and disguise it as you may, cover it with leaves a foot deep, if you like, but that coon will never leave that hole as

long as that trap is there. He will starve to death first, as I have proved on more than one occasion. He can smell the iron of the trap, and he seems to

a piano," said a musical man to a reporter who visited his warerooms. He knows it will be death to leave the hole, and he prefers death by starvation to being trapped. I have tried iron scribe traps and snares and all sorts of devices, but could not succeed in fooling one of these wise little animals into getting struck me. It isn't often you see a coon

The coon is particularly fond of craw-

points in Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and California. It is the oldest and shortest line between Chicago and St. Paul and Minneapolis, running through Milwaukee, La Crosse and Winona. At lines for points in the Northwest. The

ded than ever with the furniture-dark. old-fashioned rosewood furniture, which had been made to match the piano. The various articles looked as if they had been dragged about the room. Possibly the darkness above and around me helped the illusion : anyway: they had the appearance of having been gradually spread toward the centre of the room round a heavy and solid room in which the tiger lay hidden, and the doors of which had table. It was this table that I wished to go to. I walked very been licked. Our operations so far had slowly, partly because I-did not been conducted upon the veranda outwish to spill the books which I had side, near the gardener's room; we spent the last hour in collecting, and partly because of an unaccountably then rolled up the wire netting and carhorrible feeling which had come over ried it round the corner of the house to me. This part of the house was quite within a few yards of the big window silent; indeed, it was often so of an here it was unrolled again and flattenevening. My brother had passed me ed, out, then upon its surface we pouron his way upstairs, having been all ed all the shavings, rags, leaves and refuse we had collected, and upon this day at Madrepore, and no doubt being mass smeared and spread a quantity of tired had gone to bed. There were very few stairs at all, as the house was practi- lime left by the workmen for the morcally a one-storied one. rambling and row. This we smoothed down as well full of angles having been built and ad- as we were able, till the whole mass assumed some consistency and clung to deed added to at various times; here the interstices of the netting. Remee and there little staircases streamed out. next took some stout twine and improleading to long passages and unexpectvised a rough kind of a needle from a ed cupboards; the back drawing-room bamboo-cane. With this implement door itself opened from a side-flight of he sewed all over the mass of stuff, five stairs. As I had encountered two thus making a string-netting which small chairs and an overturned music helped to keep the composition in its stands I stood still for a second. place. So far, so good; the most diflooking for a clear passage, and thereficult operation yet remained. by holding the lamp high and well in front of me; as I paused amid the com-"Take my gun," said Godfrey to me "and give me the revolver." "Sahib," whispered the Hindoo, plete silence which reigned, an immense tiger slowly crossed the path of placing a restraining hand upon my light, turning on me two burning, yelbrother, "let Remee complete his work low eyes, gleaming like vivid topazes. -is it not his duty? If he fails he I stood there in stiffened terror and shall suffer." heard my heart beat. The tiger's "You foolish man," said Godfrey, mouth was parted and running with sa-"how can you do it alone?" With liva; so wide was it hanging open at the slow and noiseless steps the netting, corners that the serrated edges of the looking very like a large mattress, was lower lips were plainly visible. It glarcarried exactly opposite the window ed with a steadfast look of such grinand laid gently down; then both rening cruelty, such conscious malignity, tired as siletly as they had advanced. that it froze my blood and turned my limbs to stone. house a ladder, and with a gesture of The tiger crossed the India-matting

entreaty signed to my brother to stand of the room with a noiseless, swinging aside and take his rifle in his hand. gait : as it appeared to have come from With bare feet the Hindoo crept up to the obscurity near the piano, so it vanished into the obscurity beyond--the window again and reared the ladder against the wall. Taking a coil of that is, outside the pathway of the rope from his aeck, he deftly fastened lantern-light. I stood perfectly immot to the highest wall staple of the out vable, still clutching the books with side shutter. Descending, he quickly my left arm, still holding the lamp beenlaced the short stand in the netting, fore me, still gazing at the place it had placed the ladder on the other side, and crossed, and apparently forever seeing ran the thong to the other staple. For that awful look upon the tiger's face. the first time he made noise, but it was It seemed as if my eyes saw the face. unavoidable, caused by the netting bethough my mind had rapidly suggested ing drawn upward till it hung like a the frightful probability that the tiger was behind me. At the same time, by and hidding the window from us. some dual mental process, it was hold-Godfrey and I stood ready to fire. ing out hope that the animal had passed through the great folding doors into the dark room beyond. I have no remembrance at all of my mind dictating the next action. I pursued ; it seemed just an instinct indulged in by the body the two lower staples on either side. upon its own account for its own im-

moved on pretty smoothly for awhile un-til the elder brother married and tried to netting which had been put there for fencing in a paddock a few days previtake possession of the homestead and side and the other on the other side. It ously. Together we collected armsful make a general utility man of his 16-is a comical sight to see a coon fishing of shavings the workmen had not clearyear-old brother. The outcome of this ed away, quantities of dried leaves. was that the younger brother proposed to leave home, and called for his half of rags-everything we could find soft and pliable; and, having cut the wire into his father's estate. He was met by his nothing, every sense seeming to be conthree square lengths, firmly lashed married brother, and was told that he centrated on the business beneath the them together, one over the other. could have nothing. A quarrel ensued, and a fight in which the boy came out he has fastened on a crawfish, for the ex-When completed, it was the shape but rather larger than the window in the considerably bruised by his brother, was the result.

DRIVEN FROM HOME.

The young man, stung to the quick by the crawfish out of the water, and, standthe brutal treatment of his brothra, packed up what few clothing he could carry in a sack and turned his back upon the home of his childhood, to try his for- the sweet meat more accessible. The tunes in the west.

At that early day Kentucky and Tennessee were open for settlers, and people were pouring into the new states by the hunderds. One day a youthful ooking person came into a settlement, ping for coons. I thought that by plac near where the town of Pembroke, Ky. is now located, and asked for work. He creek where coons did their fishing they told the people that he was from Virgin- | could be deceived, and more than likely ia and had come west to make his fortune. He was taken into full membership by this band of pioneer settlers and given | favorite crawfishing route for coons, and work and a place to sleep. He worked along awhile and finally entered a piece trap. And that is the only way you of land for himself. He turned out to be the shrewdest man in the camp, and soon was recognized as a leader in all ing coons out of hollow trees where they public affairs. He grew wealthy by de- have been located. If they say they

regarded as one of the rich men of the kind, I don't believe them. Coon huncommunity. In early days he moved to Clarksville and went into the lumber business-that is, he employed a force of the smoke of which will force a coon to men in rafting logs down the Cumber- beat a retreat from his hollow tree. You eat anything. He refused beefsteak, land before there was much of a settlement here. This venture proved remunerative beyond his most sanguine coon. expectations, and he soon went back to every little while like a man with the isty him. So we are raising canaries the Pembroke neighborhood and invest- hay fever, but that is all the effect the ed his gains in land.

village, and people were raising all kinds the tree, you must take what we call a Tribune. of farm products in the neighborhood, an sulphur match over in western Pennsylelderly looking gentleman drove into the vania. The coon hunting sulphur Ramee then brought from the outtown one day and put up at the little match is made by melting down a quan-tavern. He remained in the town several days before he made known his busi- a strip of muslin a few inches long and ness. When he had examined the country closely, he made known that he wished to buy a home. He was referred, by the landlord of the tavern, to the gentleman mentioned in connection with the early settlement of the place.

REUNITED.

He sought out the man who owned more property in that conntry than any one else, and made known his business A trade was soon made, and when documents were drawn up transferring the property, the elderly gentleman become great curtain, covering the shutter very much excited and betraved consid. erable emotion. On being questioned by the gentleman he said : "I once had a The Hindoo, perspiring at every pore, brother by your name who left Virginia lescended the ladder, which he lowered some fifty years ago at the age of about and placed horizontally on the win-16 years, and seeing the name brings up dow-sill, and lashed it to the bottom of thoughts of home, when he and I were the netting and again fastened that to boys together, happy in a father and mother's love." The man wept bitterly

under each stone he comes to fore paws, thrusting one under on one crack the tone loses its resonance and for crawfish. He keeps his head high in the air, moving it up and down and to and fro, his eyes evidently gazing at water. You can tell in a second when pression on his face changes instantly from the dull, vacant stare to one of brightness and animation. He draws

ing on his hind feet, rolls it smartly between his paws. This crushes the shell and claws of the crawfish, and makes all the time the fires are on."--New coon eats his capture with great relish,

and then begins the search for another

While watching a coon fishing in this way one day I got the new idea of traping a steel trap under the water in the caught. I tried the experiment. sank two traps at different places on a the same afternoon found a coon in each can trap a coon.

I often hear hun'ers talk about smokgrees, and by the time the section in have done the smoking by burning straw or leaves or substances of that ters in western Pennsylvania know by said to Mrs. Fair, "I guess the cat will experience that there is only one thing, may burn leaves or straw till the cows mutton chops, whipped cream, and all come home, but you won't get your of the dainties. He had tasted the ca-You can hear him sneezing nary, and nothing but canary would satsmoke will have on him. If you want dog eats the bones and the crumbs which After Pembroke had become a little to get your coon by smoking him out of fall from his master's table.-Chicago

an inch cr two wide in it.

When you run your coon into a hollow tree all you've got to do is to put your sulphur match at the bottom of the hole and light it. It won't be burning ten life with the fixed determination to kill seconds before Mr. Coon will pop out of an even thousand human beings, and his hollow as if he'd been shot from a catapult, and then if you don't get him it's your fault.

I never read anything about the habits of the coon yet that didn't say that the animal lays up stores to subsist on during the winter, and I never met anywilling to agree to give himself up body who professed to know anything again if he were allowed to go free long about coons that didn't hold the same enough to bag the additional 300 needthing. A coon depends on stores it coled, and he thought it a great hardship lects to see it through winter just about that so reasonable a request should be as much as the bear does, and everyrefused .- San Francisco Chronicle. body knows that the bear goes to sleep in his hole when the weather drives him

in, and doesn't generally wake up until spring, and so he can't eat much. entitled to a pension it's me." Mudge The coon does the same thing, except that mediate preservation. I laid the books very carefully down without making the slightest unnecessa-which the morning star was slowly interval of the books of the same time, except that is the war, was and said that he had hunted for a broth-ier, for years, that he drove away from without making the slightest unnecessa-which the morning star was slowly interval of the books of the same time, except that is the war, was and said that he had hunted for a broth-er, for years, that he drove away from home in Virginia. The men compared the country. When he goes to his win-ed at Shiloh."—Terre Haute Express. fine day and take a little stroll through fellow my wife was engaged to got kill-

-George Hardy, a poor hostler, who picked up a lot on the edge of Bar Harbor a few years ago for \$150 and sold it for \$600, built a livery stable on a half acre of ground bordering on the site of the Malvern Hotel. As his stable became more objectionable to the Mal--Mr. N. Peck--"I think if any one vern's guests the price of Hardy's prop-titled to a pension it's me." Mudge erty climbed up. He absolutely refused erty climbed up. He absolutely refused offers of from \$5,000 up as high as \$18,--"You were never in the war, were offers of from \$5.000 up as high as \$18,-you?" Mr. N. Peck-"No; but the 000, and finally thought he was doing the Malvern's owner a great favor when he sold out for \$20,000.