

WHEN CUPID DELAYED DINNER.

By Bessie K. Hoover.
IT WAS 8 o'clock on a raw morning in early summer, and the teams that were to take them to the lake had not yet arrived.



"Aw, thunder!" grumbled Ike, brushing in the wagon when Ike Clutter, brushed aside the squirming children, forcibly took his seat beside her.

"Take the dinner out by the lake-not too near the water," directed Mrs. Pashley, who was going about with a pained, consecrated face as if they had just been shipwrecked on a desert island.

fant class and my five and go. The rest of you can do what you please."
She would have opened her own basket and fed the children, but it contained only sour pickles and cabbage salad, and she dared not thrust such food on the empty stomachs of the infant class, not to mention her own five.

She Conquered the Germans.
In the Franco-German war the French hospital at Vendome was in charge of Mme. Coralie Cahen, one of the most noted nurses of the time.

A Story of Henry Clay.
The following anecdote of Henry Clay was told by one of his personal friends:
While making the journey to Washington on the National road, just after his nomination as candidate for the presidency, he was traveling one stormy night, wrapped up in a huge cloak, on the back seat of the stage-coach when two passengers entered.

Flying Fish.
At one time it was widely credited that flying fish possessed the power to accelerate their passage through the air by flapping their "wings," as their enormously elongated pectoral fins are sometimes called.



ORDERED THE FOOD DUMPED ON THE GROUND.

Chinese Laundry Tickets.
It is not generally known that the Chinese laundry system of ticketing a bundle of soiled clothes is based on the many gods and goddesses of the laundry.

Tenure of Office Act.
The tenure of office act, passed by congress in February, 1867, during its bitter fight with President Andrew Johnson, was a bill limiting the powers of the president in removals from office.

The Standard Size.
"Here's another alleged humorous article about coal by that new jokesmith of ours," said the editor's assistant.

Bonaparte as a Deadhead.
Frederic Febvre publishes in the Paris Gaulois an interesting document preserved in the archives of the Theatre Francais. It runs as follows:
"Pass the citizen Bonaparte to this evening's performance of 'Manlius.'—Talm."

Evidence Against Him.
"I am proud to say," said the man with the loud voice, "that I have never made a serious mistake in my life."

The Law's Delay.
Betty—That case hasn't come up yet. Isn't the law's delay maddening? Clisic (absentmindedly)—Perfectly frightful! I've been six months getting that young barrister to propose.—London Opinion.

Natural Anxiety.
A very talkative little boy was allowed to accompany his father to a friend's house on the understanding that he should not speak until somebody asked him a question.

She Speaks Out.
"You aren't earning very much."
"But, my darling, two can live as cheaply as one."
"I don't yearn to live cheaply, young man."—St. Louis Republic.

Great Success.
"Were the amateur theatricals good?"
"Splendid! I never saw anything worse."—Life.

He doubles his troubles who borrows tomorrow's.—Spanish Proverb.