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his smoke

answered,

sight more fill'n.

PRAYER.

Somebody did a golden deed, Proving himself a friend in need; nebody sang a cheerful song. Brightening the skies the whole day long;-Was that somebody you!

Somebody thought, "'tis sweet to live," Willingly said, "I'm glad to give; Somebody fought a valiant fight. Bravely he lived to shield the right;-Was that somebody you

Somebody idled all the hours, Carelessly crushed life's fairest flowers; Somebody made life loss, not gain, Thoughtlessly seemed to live in vain; Was that somebody you?

Somebody filled the day with light. Constantly chased away the night; Somebody's work bore joy and peace,-Surely his life will never cease:-Was that somobody you? -Iohn R. Clements



THE SHRIMP.

It was a pathetically small and ragged figure that came in out of the rain, which was whipping down upon the pavement as if in chastisement; pathetically small nd ragged and piteously frail and thin. He was not even as tall as the counter: his garments hung loosely upon his tight frame and were amazingly frayed along the edges, and his trousers, which were so long that they overlapped the soles of his shoes, had been beaten by the com-bined energy of rain and wind into ridiculously close union with his fleshless The same sportively brutal elelimbs. ments had pasted his long, unkempt hair down over his ears and over his signifi-cantly low forehead, and had streaked his face and hands, as by digital impression, with the cheap dye from his frowsy cap, which he now twirled unremittingly between his fingers, as he stood before the assembled office force, in a hoarse, rauc-

diminutive, that they, who were strong and well clad and well fed, felt brutishly elephantine and prodigious in comparison -as if health and robustness were shameful things in the presence of such paucity, such poverty. In his low, squeak-ing voice, blinking his eyes simultaneous-

ter spoke of increasing embarrassment, not of amusement. Already he hed at not of amusement. Already he had established a hold upon them because of his weakness, and they could not suffer ever, than the act ievement of a purely him to infringe further with impunity. artistic triumph. They-five of them pitted against the baby figure in man's clothes, shivering with wet and cold—assumed an attitude when the Shrimp wafted into the office of defiance as a defensive measure. He looking very much the same as on the was too young, they told him, to be emsaid not under fourteen years, to which, blinking his eyes with the same snappish velocity as before, he replied:

meek posture, twirling his poor, soaking-wet cap. And so, to lend weight to their victory over him, they told him they

slice of cheap pie. Having swallowed lugubrious voice of one returning from interment.

this, he produced a lighted pipe from one an of his magician's pockets and, jumping upon the window-sill, crawled out through and And yet it was not. A month pas and the opening night of the play in which he was to appear arrived. The of-fice force, individually and collectively, the open window, and curling up on the outer ledge, began, or rather resumed, The bookkeeper remonstrated with him. Didn't he know that tobacco was even worse for little boys than coffee and pie? To which, pipe between his teeth, in his cracked, squeaking whisper, he region of things impossible, for, the morning after the first night, the Shrimp,

unkempt, tousled, frowsy, appeared punctually at nine. A murmur of deri-"Terbaccer's chippern grub, and er darn sion and surprise went up, and they stood take them, blinking madly, and squeaking eaves-dropping at the door of the front out the same words again and again. office as he explained his predicament to The samples came to an end after a That, at least, was human, and a

thought rolled into one. The office was amazed and delighted with this sign of His par thought rolea into one. The once was amazed and delighted with this sign of awakening intelligence. They congratu-lated themselves. Their humanizing in-Oriental scene, and after handing these ed and yelled at the Shrimp, who, shrink-Romans. lated themselves. Their humanizing into the leading man, impersonating a ing from them, turned in another direc-Turk, to throw himself upon knees and tion. But the boys swung about with hands, and in this crouching position act him, and rang out ribald insults, inviting as a sort of human table for the tray, him at the same time "ter club us." Again fluence was beginning to bear fruit. And so it was. His nails, which at first nad been chewed to the depth of one-fourth their natural size, began gradually to assume the aspect of belonging to a human biped. Occasionally he began to wear a collar in addition to his ready-made tie, and on one red-letter day he came in with fleeru e histor, on the costume of red and black ing him with stones and mud. came in with glossy, shining boots. But which he had worn. On the opening the mystery of this extravagance was explained when he told them that the occurred which had not been provided "shine" was a "trade-deal" given in ex- for at rehearsal. A shout of laughter for at rehearsal. A shout of laughter change for an errand. He was mon- had greeted his entrance and subsequent strously proud of his boots while the antics, and had so angered him that he gloss lasted, and rubbed and polished had signified his intention to quit immediately he got off the stage. The curious this is much worse than the other." part was that he had not been in the least "Yessir," said the Shrimp. He sa them every spare moment through the day with a rag steeped in typewriter oil. disconcerted by the flood of amusement This was the first time he evinced any personal pride, and it was significant that the thing which inspired it was his boots, that swept the house. He had not for-gotten his "business." but had calmly, placidly, gone on with his part to the end. But indignation had gathered to a which were too large for his feet, which in turn were too big for his body.

head within him. All this he told them in words badly He became loquacious presently, and took them into his confidence concerning "Me faddern mudder." It was startling garbled and distorted almost beyond recto the office to learn that the grotesque ognition, winding up with:

"I don't hafterstend thet-I tol' de man'ger. I kin be a biznis man, I sez. little wraith, who had esconced himself so securely in their midst, really had a home, and a bed, to which at night he took himself and the rags which covered So I come back to youse."

him and which seemed adhesive rather blind than cohesive, for he had discarded his cap.

have been less of a surprise to them to learn that he slept in a leaky stable or an He found the Shrimp's home—the home

assembled office force, in a hoarse, rauc-ous whisper asking for "wurk." They asked him what he could do, in apologetic tones, for he was so tiny, so diminutive that they who were strong so tiny so joying even the poorest comfort as an in- stood the bed of the invalid sister, a girl trusion, making their compassion less necessary, and liable to dull its edge. And yet he boasted of a home—they could not help speculating as to its dimensions and equipment—and of an invalid sister —"inw'lid sister," he called it. The lat-on her bed in which she had been readly, the words falling from his lips with lightning rapidity, he answered, "En-sister, in connection with the Shrimp, the dry, hard, brittle cough which, to the practiced ear, proclaims as plainly as words, "I am consumption, and I show no seemed as much of a luxury as a chafingmercy.

From the adjoining room proceeded a ing on their sympathy, or trying to, with

deep, guttural snore. "Me farder," explained the Shrimp. "He's drunk. Gits drunk every two They were convinced of the sister's actweeks-every pay-day. Thet's why I hadter stayhome." And with a quick thrust of the thumb in the direction of assured, he continued, "It was a diamond tape, a bee-veil to be tucked into the gar-his sister, he explained that the mother ring." He stopped for the fraction of a ment, riding-boots, gauntlets, and two morning of his advent-a poor, desolate, dared not leave her alone when the "far-

Yet the common words, the hideous grotesqueness of the brutish creature's ocity as before, he replied: 'Yessir." He made no movement after difference in his blinking, feverishly fitful way already sanctified, could not veil a sort

wet cap. And so, to lend weight to their victory over him, they told him they years. And he blinked his watery, bleary verse in the set ramped the mevery morning in the set ramped the mevery morni

man mass came that hoarse call unre-

mittingly, "Samples, free samples." "Funny, ain't he?" said one little girl. An enormous Jewess, with a high bosom and high pompadour and high voice, call-ed to a friend some six feet away, who had voiced their intention of "treating had not succeeded in wedging her way themselves" to see "what sort of a figure through the mob, "He's as ugly as sin." the Shrimp would cut." Their chance to A big, burly Irishman growled out, "That do so passed with the first night into the young un has got a regular Sing Sing region of things impossible, for, the squint," and all the while the Shrimp, ey-must have made them the luxury of the wealthy. It is true, however, that ent combinations, very many of the an-cient equivalents for sweets; the various ignoring these thrusts and insults and taunts, labored industriously, handing sample upon sample to whoever would The samples came to an end after a tell us. It is also probable that the while, and the crowd about him thinned candied fruits especially in evidence at

this time differ only slightly from the melitekta and dulciaria of the Greeks and But when sugar came into general use, sweets biossomed forth in a thousand varieties. I deed, "thousand" is scarcely

from the outskirts of the departing mob, sions to the taste for sweets that came made for the boys, and they, seeing him, in with the time of Elizabeth. scented danger and took to their heels. Quarter of an hour later, in a restaurant, his comrade to save him a piece of over a cup of hot coffee, the chief clerk marchpane. There are not wanting au-was saying reproachfully, "But, Shrimp, thorities to assure us that the "pretty

"Yessir," said the Shrimp. He sat si- tice of the peace, bade to be brought in-lent for a minute, and the chief clerk, to the arbor, were a recognized descriplooking upon the thin and wasted little tion of sweets. In other writers of the face, hammered into spiritual beauty by suffer ng marvelle !.

Then the Shrimp told his tale. The these were not, as the name might indi-"inw'lid" sister had died, died decently cate, twisted up in colored paper and and quietly—the Shrimp laid stress upon called "kisses," such as are still to be that—because his father was still away. found in old fashioned candy shops in and quietly-the Shrimp laid stress upon that-because his father was still away. But there had been no money in the our country, but that they partook rather house to bury her, and they, the Shrimp's of the nature of our aromatic cachous. mother and himself, had an insuperable Even the "sweet potatoes," so affected by mother and himself, had an insuperable Falstaff, were not improbably more or objection to seeing the girl buried in Pot-With that he resumed the industrious ter's Field, "where dey put de poor peo-blinking of his eyes and twirling of his ple," as the Shrimp said, detachedly, lookless what we now call crystallized, and were eaten much as we eat preserved

him and which seemed adhesive rather than cohesive, for he had discarded his patches only intermittently, invariably re-suming them in bad weather. It would have been less of a surprise to them to A packet of sugar was at one time a dent pride; "I wuz makin' fifteen per." the great Gu He regarded the chief clerk dubiously for to his doom.

every day." After that he lapsed into silence, regarding the cup before him with intent, unseeing eyes. He was miles and miles away, the intangible, untraversable, num- ing against the world. Shocking traghis head, and the light that shone from invasion of the his eyes made beautiful indeed the weary, haggard little face, despite their every, fidence.

"There was one t'ing she wanted more'n they first knew him: "I got her a diamond ring, and we

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

DAILY THOUGHT.

Patience is the chiefest fruit of study. Talent sees opportunity, genius creates it, but only pa. its price—according to some authorities, tience and labor reap its most perfect reward. equal to about \$7.50 a pound of our mon- -Zola.

No, if one must have a long cloak, and really a long coat of some sort is necessary in these days of flimsy frocks, it must be so expensive that it cannot be copied, or it must be unquestionably made to go with the dress with which it is worn. I saw one worn by a pretty American woman. It was in dull Persian blue cachemere de soie, and it had a deep band of rich Persian embroidery half way up the skirt part of the coat, sleeves set into the armholes and a lovely old lace collar in that dead cream that goes so well with this particular shade of blue. him again, and some of them began pelt-ing him with stones and mud. throat in a million ways" Other old broidery; here, again the sleeves were The chief clerk, disentangling himself dramatists give us here and there allu- set into the armholes.

> Pearls, all authorities agree, are preeminently in fashion, especially the "old-fashioned" seed pearls. A leading Chestnut street jeweler reset or adjusted some heirlooms of one customer, that were worth \$30,000, and everybody who has pearls is wearing them. They ornament everything, but nothing more beautifully than the sautoirs. Seed pearls are often worn twisted in from two to nine strands. times we meet with constant references to "kissing comfits," and we learn that Slender chains of silver, bearing large filigree plaques of dull finished sterling silver, ornamented with French rhinestones, are likewise greatly in demand.

> > Earrings are fashionable as never before. The pendant and drop forms with pearls and filigrees being favorites. Lorgnette and fan chains are of dull silver, ornamented with filigree links and coral or semi-precious stones.

If you possibly can, have an embroid ered robe in your summer outfit. They are so lovely and fit in so practically for afternoon or evening functions on warm days that I suggest the purchase of one without hesitation.

The embroidered robe is practically self trimmed. The blouse must be cut out and the skirt seamed at the back or the flounce attached, and then the two joined by a belt of the same material, and there you are! A dress is the result that will give a satisfactory feeling of be ing well dressed.

Some robes are bargains as low as \$5 or \$7.50. They need not be followed closely in the making, if you prefer to add your own individuality to the gar-

You can cut the top of the bodice round or square, and make it collarless, to be worn with or without a lace guimpe.

Sleeves can be of the favored kimono type. If the material be too narrow, the sleeves can be pieced by means of straps

If you are short and the skirt pattern second, and then broke into that parling. pairs of gloves. Into this suit he was tripping rapidity of speech which had sewn by a tailor, so that there would be waist line. Little expedients are always suggesting themselves to the woman who must do her own sewing. Handwork can be added here and there:

of the hills so as to get above the bees, lace can be inserted between panels of embroidery; ribbon can be run through buttonholed slots and so on.

costly present to make even to royalty. History tells us of the "comfit-box" that the great Guise missed as he was enticed A Battle With Bees.

In India, about eight miles from the town of Jabalpur, is a place called "The Bee," from the fact that swarms of the insects live there and defend their hold-

tical blinking. It was evident that he able fate. Deer, pigs and even the lordly was bracing himself to a gigantic con- tiger have paid the same penalty for their indiscretion. A bold Englishman, who some years anyt'ing else," he finally nerved himself to say. He eyed the chief clerk closely, having some vague suspicion that his fensive armor. It consisted of a sort of confidence might not be appreciated. Re- overall suit, tied round the neck with

The Candy of Other Days.

Before the general use of sugar. it is

evident that the varieties of sweets, as

we understand the term, must have been

limited; even when sugar became known,

there are in use, today, though in differ-

delicacies "au miel et pistache" are only

another form of the "honey and nuts or

almonds," of which the earliest records

tell us. It is also probable that the

One of the servants of old Capulet begs

little tiny kickshaws" that Shallow, jus-

seemed so amazing, so startling, when no chink or crevice. He took with him a native similarly armored.

The two were to climb up to the back

It became evident to them that he the lordly sum of thirty cents to dispose lacked the intelligence to apply the gen-eral rule to himself. So, kindly—they candy for his "inw'lid sister." could afford to speak kindly now they and opening automatically; then, with a That he did this repeatedly, untiringly, some invisible pocket, with a prestidigitator's speed, pulled forth a creased and greasy paper, which he handed them withwith an affidavit-his "working-papers"and his age was seventeen.

They looked at him and marvelled. And the wonder with which they regarded him was not unmixed with alarm. The victory of which they had been so certain was not theirs, after all. He had faith in that magic paper that attested his age, and he had faith in them. What need to argue in words when he had faith in them. delight and to ride to business as well.

need to argue in words when he had beaten them on their own grounds? They felt the justice of his attitude, and of one accord they discovered that the state of using the office, that he was "gonter-guit." Nothing short of a volcano rising boldly out of the bay, and fully equipped with lava and the other effluvia of a Vesusampling; and the manager, remember-ing his four-year-old at home, who was impending change. Blinking incessantly bigger and stronger than this seventeenyear-old, placidly agreed to the munifihe received the homage of their uncheckcent remuneration of three dollars a ed curiosity in taciturn silence, and only week, which the Shrimp had asked. after repeated shrapnels of incisive ques-

For that was what they called him by tioning did they elicit the statement, made unanimous consent. No one could have without any perceptible note of triumph, said who was responsible for the designation; in some subtle way, their minds working in the same grooves, they evolved the term, and it fitted like the proverbial They didn't suspect-how could they?-that he was enormously, morbidly sensitive concerning his stunted growth, and that they might as well have applied a lash as a nick-name. If they had given the matter a thought, which they didn't, they would have argued that he lacked the brain capacity to be sensitive about anything.

"I'm gonterde stage."

They looked at one another, unbelief

They found him stupid, but they had Shrimp that week. But he was blissfulnot expected to buy a mentality at three dollars a week; they found him in need ly unaware of it. He ate his lunch of pie and coffee, and smoked his pipe, and of ablutions-they provided soap and wat-er and taught him the beauty of cleanlitripped and stumbled over his pontoon ness; they found he had but one jagged, evening came he trudged into the august presence of "de boss," and twirled his wretched set of rags to his back, so they cap in silence until it would please the clubbed together and bought him a suit. They thought it would write joy across that weazened, blank little face, but when they showed it to him, in all the trim neatness of its seven-ninety-eight new-ness, he merely blinked his eyes and ut-tered his chronic monosyllable, "Yessir."

to accept that, his maid-of-all-work word, in place of "thank you," and "de boss" smiled drearily and went back to his fig-They did not despair even then. They had bought a little human machine for three dollars a week, that could walk and run errands and fold circulars and pick ures In the outer office he went from desk to desk and offered to shake hands. His up things and generally do as it was told. They had not bargained for a human soul capable of feeling and expressing pain and joy, and they set themselves the task nanizing the little automaton. of hu

went through that last ceremony in a spirit of manly heroism, for they would not have offended him for worlds-They went about it systematically, and began by giving him lunch-money, for he had gone until then without a midday To their construction he carried the saw that it adorned his breast likewise. Five minutes after the door had closed the saw that it adorned his breast likewise. Women and children, men and boys, were huddled about him, anxious to see him meal. To their consternation, he carried into the office as his first luncheon a can-ister of ill-smelling coffee and a huge last of the Shrimp," in the perfunctorily him, but from the shifting, wobbling hu-

eyes, and submissively, bleatingly uttered, "Yessir." to save five cents. This saving, multi-plied by six through the week, gave him which transfigured him. Truly, the plied by six through the week, gave him which transfigured him. Truly, the

He seemed, too, to be wholly unconthe Island for ninety days-"for gittin' had saved themselves from him-they explained matters. For a moment he stood as before, his emaciated little fin-gers busy with his can his emaciated little fin-to be whony uncon-store doing anything noteworthy, anything so far above the plane that ould have been expected of him as to isfaction that his bibulous father was out gers busy with his cap, his cyes closing render his action monumental, colossal. of the way so his sister could consum-

mate her dying decently. haste, which was almost appalling in its incessantly, in their eyes constituted him It was plain to see, however, that someabruptness, he tore at his coat, and from a combination of hero and martyr; and thing weighed upon him, and presently now, their thirst for the blatantly ex- he made his confession. Pay-day-his tator's speed, pulled forth a creased and greasy paper, which he handed them with-out comment. It was a birth certificate about for means of alleviation, assuming an offhand manner, as he gave them to the form finally of an additional weekly understand, apprised thereof a man who contribution of thirty cents, to enable him to purchase the mean little package had an old score against his father. There had been a little unwillingness to prewhich was his sister's one end-of-the-week cipitate a rousing row-for the score was a very old one-but a dollar, handed by the Shrimp to the instrument he had selected, was eloquent of results. There had been a glorious row-a regular free fight-the police had come in and locked the Shrimp's father up for the night. As he was an old offender, the sentence had been ninety full days. Thus, ingenuousand of one accord they discovered that they needed him. The chief clerk want-ed a boy to be more particularly at his beck and call. The bookkeeper had some beck and call. The bookkeeper had some they needed him. The chief clerk want-ed a boy to be more particularly at his beck and call. The bookkeeper had some they needed him. The chief clerk want-encircling him. yielded to the seductions the set of t encircling him. yielded to the seductions of wonderment. Yet the Shrimp betrayed defatigably, "for her terdie wit' him drunk, perhaps, in de next room."

On the Saturday that followed, as they were closing up, the Shrimp announced briefly: "I've gotter quit here. On ac-count of me inw'lid sister. We need all de money we kin git for her, an' I kin make more money on de outside." But health. no persuasion, no coaxing, could prevail upon him to enlarge on the enigmatical phrase, "on de outside." Looking at

them with frightened hare's eyes, he mumbled, "Some day I'm coming back,

in the improbable contending with belief in the possible. What company was he going to join? What part was he to play? The Shrimp regarded them uncompre-heading. "Dup'no'" he said and show. and den I'll be erbiznis man fergood." In his flurry he telescoped his words even more ruthlessly than usual. They could hendingly. "Dun'no'," he said, and show-ed them a card. "Thet's de-feller," he extract nothing further from him, and tumbled the words from his mouth pell-mell, "wot's engaged me." But of his duties he could tell nothing. finally, to escape their good-natured queries, he bolted from the office without The cold shoulder was shown the

some unie afterward the chief clerk stumbled across the Shrimp unexpected-ly. It was on a Saturday afternoon, and Sixth Avenue in the stretch between Four-teenth and Eighteenth streets was court shoes much as usual; and when Saturday ed with shoppers. A congestion of hu-man beings, concentrating about one cor-ner, carried the chief clerk along like a great man to notice him. That event taking place, he said jerkily and a little uncertainly, "I jes came ter say goo'-by." bit of flotsam in a strong eddy, to his great disgust. But the disgust changed to interest and the interest to intense ex-"Good-by, little man, and good luck to

"Yessir." They had long ago learned citement when he saw that the attraction in the nucleus of the mob was the Shrimp. He was dressed and accoutred in every

particular like a policeman-cap, buttons, gloves, belt, mace, and all-and in his raucous voice he was squeaking, "Samples, His hands were shockingly dirty, and they free samples of de noo toot'-powder." his back was printed the one word "Dentona," and when he turned, the chief clerk

which transfigured him. Truly, the Shrimp was an ever-new revelation. Soon after this they heard from the Shrimp that his father had been sent to the Island for ninety days—"for ritigit paler, a little thinner, a little more worn the structure and the paler, a little thinner, a little more worn the structure and the sweet small which is the sweet small which is attendant the English-and then crawled cautiously forward alone. He could hear an all-pervading that sweet small which is the structure attendant the English-and then crawled cautiously forward alone. He could hear an all-pervading that sweet small which is the structure attendant the English-and then crawled cautiously forward alone. He could hear an all-pervading that sweet small which is the structure attendant the English-and then crawled cautiously forward alone. He could hear an all-pervading that sweet small which is the structure attendant the English-and then crawled cautiously forward alone. He could hear an all-pervading that sweet small which is the structure attendant the English-and then crawled cautiously forward alone. He could hear an all-pervading that sweet small which is the structure attendant the English-social must of necessity be held in the afternoon, and would make a good Satthan of old, sat opposite to him. Presently the squalor and the wretchedness seemed to vanish, and exaltation

only shone from the Shrimp's eyes. He was speaking again. "I hated thet—bein' dressed up, bein'

outern myself, but I'll tellyer wot—I would hev goneon doin'it forevernever, if I coulda kept sis. But it wuzn't no use. the native in charge thereof. She's gone. Dere's nuttin' left for me ter The hunter put one end of a rope round do. So I'm comin' back to youse once a tree growing at the edge of the cliff, gave the other end to his attendant, and more, for terbe a biznes man again."—By Lida C. Schem, in *Harper's Weekly*. wen't over.

Wrecked in Port.

Sometimes a ship which has weathered arctic gales or tropical typhoons, is wrecked in sight of port in some trivial shoal or rock. It is a sad thing. It is sadder yet when a young man who has laid in a store of learning for a life cruise, is wrecked before he leaves the port of home on his life voyage. Sedentary habits, in-nutritious food and insufficient rest often port of Alexandria, Virginia, were \$1,224, develop an inherited weakness in the stuand the amount collected was \$10; the port of Annapolis, Maryland, turned into the coffers of the nation \$3.09 at the exdent. He coughs on rising in the morning but sees no danger in the warning cough. He presses on, eager and am-bitious in his studies and graduation finds pense of \$956; Crisfield, a port in Maryhim with "weak lungs," obstinate cough and conditions which tend to consumption. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures the cough, strengthens "weak lungs," increases the supply of pure blood and so re-establishes the whole body in

The Use of Hickory in the United districts was a little more than \$23 for every dollar collected. States. The country is divided into one hun-dred and sixty districts and ports for the

In co-operation with the National Hickory Association the United States Department of Agriculture has just completed a canvass of principal hickoryusing establishments in order to ascertain their annual requirements.

as much as wishing them good by: the hall as vantage-ground, his raucous voice carried back the words to them, the decreasing supply. So far, however, it has been impossible to get satisfactory it has been impossible to get satisfactory and smiles and smiles.

valet," remarked his wife sympathet-

"A valet?" echoed the clergyman. "Well, my dear, if I had a valley where I now have a mountain it would

preacher as he leaned on the pulpit, "Mankind am like a meerchaum pipe,ington Star.

urday half-holiday affair, especially if that sweet smell which is made up of honey, wax and bee. some of the young boys can be interest-ed. There is pleasant anticipation in

about a hundred yards farther on, the Englishman returned for his native, and together they made their way thither. The cliff was sheer, and even overhang-ing. A dense mass of bees and comb in

contest. Prizes may be offered for the best results on special subjects which require haste and humor, as well as for the

more studied effects, for instance: The largest number of recognizable

people (in one view). Old Folks Away from Home (Grand-

parents). Young Folks Away from Home. Big and Little Folks at Play.

A Random Shot. The Unkindest Cut of All. A Wood Cut.

Our Leaders. To person appearing in largest number

port of Alexandria, Virginia, were \$1,224, of views (not derogatory to photographer). To person making the largest amount from orders.

At the outdoor meeting take the pictures and select the judges. At the expense of \$956; Crisheid, a port in Mary-land, cost the government last year \$3,-286, for which it received \$95 in ex-change. Portsmouth, New Hampshire, however, did a little better; with an ex-pense of \$3,573 it collected \$221.65. Be-idea of \$221.65. Be-idea of \$221.65 be-idea o sides the ports mentioned, many others the report of the "pick" may then be are doing about the same business at a heavy expense. The average cost to the This social can be easily carried out in heavy expense. The average cost to the government for collecting its due in these a young people's society where all are ac-districts was a little more than \$23 for quainted and socials are regularly on the calendar.

A Floral Social .- The lawn of the home collection of the revenues, such as cus-toms and tonnage duties. Of these the where this social was held was lighted by Japanese lanterns, and hammocks, lawn expenses in forty are greater than the receipts, the cost of collection ranging, for every dollar collected, from \$1.50 to \$309.- viting appearance to the grounds and addevery dollar collected, from \$1.50 to \$309.-41. Year after year the attention of Congress hat been called to the condition of afficies with a view to the condition crowned with a wreath of flowers, repreof affairs with a view to the consolida-tion of some of the districts in order to sented our Fairy Queen. She was seated on a rustic chair decorated with foliage reduce the expense, but it only smiles from the woods.

At the entrance two little girls dressed as fairies pinned a flower on each per-son. A small admission fee was charged and a sealed envelope given to each person. When this was presented to the Queen one's fortune was revealed. Music enlivened the evening, and the vocal and instrumental selections were:

May Morning, Denza. Spring Song, Mendelssohn. The Sweetest Flower Sweetest Flower that Grows, Hawley.

Flower Song, Lange. Sweet Bunch of Daisies, (four little girls carrying daisies), Owen. Deep in a Rose's Glowing Heart, Nevin.

Cream Muffins-One and one-half pints your speeches." "Yes." replied the orator. "Just now in my district it is desirable to say as then the flour. Use enough cream to little as possible for which you can be held personally responsible."-Wash-muffin-irons. When hot pour half full and bake quickly.

Pleasant Pellets as ordinary pills are used. One of these pills is a laxative, two to three have a cathartic effect. They do not become a necessity to the user. They cure constipation and its con-sequences and once cured the Pellets can ically. be dispensed with.

Double Trouble Him (just accepted)-"Do you know was awfully nervous until I proposed to Her-"Well, so was I for fear you wouldn't propose.'

-"Bredern," observed a negro

your speeches."

answer."-Ladies' Home Journal. Shifting the Burden.

"I note that you employ a great many quotations from the poes in

Would Do Just as Well. A well known clergyman who is very stout was having unusual difficulty one morning in lacing his shoes. "My dear, you ought to have a

The collection of the revenues at some of the ports of the United States is an expensive business for Uncle Sam. During the past year at a certain port the government paid two men just \$1,100 to collect sixty cents. This is only one in-stance of the kind; there are many simi-

Expensive Revenues.