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Taking The Census -- Rules for the Assistant Marshalls.

To-day the work of taking the census begins. Notwithstanding the fact that

Marshals must take pains to employ

Don't call a man an "artist" because he goes out whitewashing, or a "sailor"

When a lawyer, a merchant, or a

expect to travel that way again. In the tobacco business make the prop er distinction between wholesale and

retail and "pigtail," Don't put down a teacher of boxing as a "glover," or a sausagemaker who

Separate the cooks and waiters at the cooks and female waiters.

is, you may set them down as of "no My poor friend Auerbach's health occupation," for it is evident they have to occupation to speak of. Use the term "huckster" in all cases

er," indicate whether you mean "crockery-packer," "mule-packer," "porkpacker," or Governor Packer, of Pennsylvania,

whiskey, or horse-race.

designated, if they have any, as "Retired merchant, Governor of Massachusetts;" "Bone-boiler, Representa-

up in the morning. It isn't necessary to inquire the occu

pation of children under a year old. Set them down under the general head of "milkers."

When an able-bedied young man depends upon a poor and feeble old mother for support, set him down as a "loaf-

Be very particular in taking "Diseass," particularly small-pox. The Cen-

attention to it.

Among social statistics the amount of courting done by our young people is important. Careful and delicate inquiry will result in an accurate and valuable estimate of the amount of gas, oil, tallow candles, &c., consumed in "sitting

up" Sunday nights. We trust that with the above rules always at hand the census takers will be enabled to perform their duty creditably and satisfactorily. - Cincinnati

THE DOCTOR FOOLED. - A poor Yankee doctor was once called from his bed on a stormy night with the startling summons: "Doctor, I want you to come right straight away off to Bank's. His

child is dead." "Then why do you come ?"

A Funny Bird.

'the Doctor:"

"He's pisoned. They've given him laudinum instead of paregorick." "How much have they given him?"

won't get over it." The doctor pushes off through the

the way, and at length arrives at the house of his poisoned patient and finds er, the planks were lifted, and awful to last a night cap appears from a chamber evaporated insufficiently—any more window, and a woman's voice squeaks out, "Who's there?"

"The dector, to be sure; you sent for him. What is the matter?"

"Oh, ils no matter, dector. Ephraim that's all." "How much laudanum did he swal-

"Only two drops. Taint hurt him at The doctor turns away, buttoning up

his over-coat under his throat, and tries to whistle away his mortification and anger, when a voice calls: "Doctor, doctor?" "Well what do you want?"

"You wen't charge nothing for this

ly unpopular man, put the usual ques-tion: "Are you willing to go, my ment, and the Count saw, if he could friend?" "Oh, yes," said the sick man;

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He looked mortial sad, and his eyes was as brigh

brough the windows he saw, as he thrave The light of the candles and fires so warm; But a big chunk of ice hung over his head. Wid a shrivel and group, by St. Patrick! he said,

Whist a bit! said an owld man, whose head we As the shnow that fell down on that miserabl

hure ye'll full in the wather, me bit of a lad-For the night is so dark and the walkin' is bad Bedad! he'd not lisht to a word that was said. But he'd go till the top if he wint on his head, Be Jabers!

t bright, buxom young girl such as liked to be Axed him wadn't be shtop, and how could be re

Be Jabers !

And ye musa't be axing whin he did go away; For wouldn't be be a bastely gossoon To be lavin' his darlint in the shwate honey-Whin the owld man has paraties enough and to

-Harper's Magazine for Jun

Miscellaneous.

LEGEND OF THE FATAL RING.

[CONCLUDED.] I fell back insensible. How long I but awoke before it was light. I sprang looked everywhere to see had my supernatural visitor left any trace behind but I could find no clue to the mystery. that mysterious being have been? I that might have been sympathy. My first thought was to secrete the ring; ed familiar to me. I had seen them this accomplished, I lay down and long-this accomplished, I lay down a look that none but she could have! my fate. Could her troubled spirit have come to agony? Perhaps it was to ask me to

for imagination-I saw engraved upon

seemed only too clear. It had been the La dy Theresa, but not come for sympathy-no. She had removed the fatal curse hanging over her brother's house It leaves all that behind.' -that brother she loved so dearly-and was selected out of the whole world to carry the dreadful weight with me to the grave. I clasped my hands over my eyes, for it seemed to be written in blazing characters round the walls that fearful secret into my ears. I flung myself on the floor howling in the madness of despair, and calling down fearful imprecations on the head of the being whom a moment before I had almost revered as an angel of light. At fell I nto a deep sleep, from which I did

the truth flashed across me. I sprang seemed ready to fall. 1 dressed myself with scrupulous care,

never think of it again. I ought to said that he also had an early engage. Blenheim, carrying his wife with him: matry; I had no worldly cares, and my ment, and that they could go together, but causing it to be reported in Rome minu was liable to be infected with Under these circumstances, Fritag was that they had gone to Milan. Shortly strange delusions. In this way I argued very glad to remain beneath so good a lafter the birth of his child, he himself to myself, knowing, ay! feeling from shelter. The next morning, it seems, strangled the new-born babe in the the Superintendent of the Census has the bottom of my heart, bound body the jager knocked at his door to tell him mother's presence; the sight of her issued quite minute instructions to the and soul to a spirit. I hastened to the the Count was waiting; but receiving murdered infant deprived the poor Assistant Marshalls, we venture to assaloon-none of the family had made no answer, concluded he had left the Counters of reason. He then placed sist in making their duties more plain their appearance. Again I was alone; Castle. So the Count departed without her under the care of the old hag with tothem. Each Assistant Marshal should the solitude I had iled from above, pur- him. When the party assembled at whom she was found, thinking, perhaps, cut these instructions out and paste sued me here. I examined the pictures | breakfast, one of the domestics announce | she was as safe there as in her grave; them carefully in his hat. which I had seen many times before; ed to the Countess that Herr Fritag had and by this means tried to quiet his conwho left that fearful legacy, ever stand was dead; but perceiving he still

sented itself to her mind. to the mirrors; thought I was good It was the room she and the Count had enough looking. I was in good practoccupied; and since her demise it had 'Black Chamber.' The first night I tion. tice, and very highly educated; many a the reputation of being haunted. girl would be only too glad to have me;

re veal to me the secret of her dying can testify on eath all I have stated?' without any result. It was all in vain, in praise of sewing machines, just as if er," bear a message. Oh! that I had been I, and had you not assured me you the curtains, changed the position of The "Dector's" best performance is a ble to question her! How I cursed my had examined every part of your room the furniture—there was no trace. Frit- when he imitates a hawk. He reserves trembling timidity, that had prevented so carefully, I should have had some ag showed the exact place of the spirit's this time piece of acting until his mis-

abstraction.

rousing him, than for any real obstacle till he could account satisfactorily for but run to shelter, cackling in the greatit presented to my mind, 'the ring is it. the stumbling-block to me. If the ap-

He interrupted me:

pressed me down. I could not at first sation; the perspiration hung in drops recollect what had occurred. By degrees on my forehead. As to Auerbach, he

Just then I heard a footstep; tremb

Immediately I heard a voice exclaim-*Where in the world are you? What

To my infinite relief I recognized

'You both know Fritag,' said he,

torrents of rain; so they pressed Fritag thought no sooner presented itself to I seized the ring, and hid it in my to remain. He said he would willingly, his mind than he hastened to put it in

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by a spectre, to whom they belonged, waiting breakfast; but there was no fided his secret was his sister, but she the barn, when you may inquire there, without hope of release? Again, at answer. After a delay of a couple of was in no way partaker of the deed, not but not otherwise. This duty must be that terrible thought, I turned from hours, they broke open the door, when having heard of it till after his second performed by the Assistant Marshal them, and reckoned the panes of glass they found poor Fritag insensible, lying marriage. The weight of this dreadful alone; he can't send a boy, in each window. Did she, the Countess, across the bed; they thought at first he secret broke her heart. here where I was standing? Perhaps breathed, they used the usual remedies, after this foul deed to Rome, and there maker," no matter if he calls himself a it was in this spot that thought first pre- and he soon showed signs of returning caused it to be circulated that his wife minister or an editor, put him down as consciousness. They then entreated and child were dead. A few months a shoemaker, I looked at the breakfast table; it was him to say what had happened, when after he sought from Monsieur Dugue haid for four, the Count, his wife, and he stated that the night before he notic- the hand of his fair daughter; the am-

have introduced her as making her ap-Fritag was not afraid of spirits, and pearance there, the nurse had gone to manufacturer has retired from business, but I had not money enough. In the settled himself for the night without a feast in the lower stories, and think- say "retired lawyer," "retired merchmidst of these reflections a pretty young any apprehension. He had been in ling she had left her charge asteep, ven- ant," &c. If a man has served a term woman with a child passed the window | bed about a couple of hours, when he | tured down the private passage I have | in the penitentiary you may say "rejust opposite to me; they stopped, and was awakened by a noise proceeding described, the existence of which was tired convict." she gathered flowers and played with from the further extremity of the room. only known to herself. The wretched the little boy; I watched her for some He sat up, and was terrified by seeing a creature, missing her guardian and see- and freemasons. time. Oh! that I knew who she was- tall female, clad in white, with glaring ing the door open, hastened down the that I could get acquainted with her! eyes and bright golden hair flowing steps; pushing the other door back, she She seemed an upper servant. What over her shoulders. Stalking up to the matter; I would marry her; yes, she bed, she silently beckoned to him, and thinking she saw her husband in bed, would be my wife. I would love and he mechanically rose and followed her in the fren zy of the moment put the protect her; she was poor, I would make through a long narrow passage, when fated ring on his finger, and then reher rich, I would make her a lady. She she turned aside into a room, quite turned, before she was detected, into would never refuse me; and once mar- brightened by the moonlight streaming her own apartment. The next time ried I should be safe, and could defy through the window, but so covered she was not so fortunate. The second buys up cats as a "fur dealer." the spirit. Without a moment's hesi- with dust that it seemed as if no mor- visit was when her nurse was engaged tation I hurried along the corridor, and tal had been in it for years. She raised in a similar manner as before, and she down the terrace; a turn in the path the lid of a chest, and with a wild gave, as she thought, to her husband suddenly brought me before the girl; I scream held towards him the skeleton his murdered child. It was just then knelt at her feet, caught her dress, told of achild. At this moment he describ- the woman discovered her and took

lution of the mystery came too late. ned by every one, and left alone with credulous. The skeptical portions of pernatural being, were too much for my dreadful secret. Fearful of meet- the household tried to persuade Fritag his strength, which gradually gave way and in less than a year he died.

remained in this state I don't know; ried down the steps into the thicket. I 'The Countess, a women of strong saw servants out looking for me and mind, insisted on sending for the magfrom my bed, lighted a candle, and the young woman I had been speaking istrate, and having a thorough inspecto, pointed out to them the direction I tion of the room. Accordingly a carmust have taken. I lay hid under a riage was despatched for that functionbush, not moving a limb, lest they ary without delay. It was some time I thought I must have had a frightful should see me; and when they had re- before he arrived, as the distance from dream, till my eye fell on a ring upon turned, I left my retreat and ran, al- the castle to his residence is about ten ache, and nursed its beak in its claw, my finger that I had never seen before. Most flew home. Those I met on the What could this mean? Who could way looked at me with a vague glance leave the room for one moment till he if in the greatest agony, and, in answer

yes-I remembered they were none that hour I was ill three months of the him to inspect the apartment, and so confidential whisper, "Give us a drop other than those of the Lady Theresa, very same disease that Lady Theresa put a stop to the reports circulated of whiskey, do," Now it was, too, that I recollected dis- had died of. When I left my sick-bed about its being 'haunted;' but somehow tinetly the same beautiful hair. The I was another creature; I no longer the Count always contrived to put it off. a little piece of cloth underneath its eyes, though wild, still had the same strove to shut out the hateful truth His absence now prevented any further claw which rested on the perch, and loving, melancholy expression. That from myself, but humbly submitted to obstacle, and without delay Herr Saltag going through the motions with the accompanied by the Countess and Frit- other, getting into difficulties with its Now, what do you say to this, for I ag, searched every part of the room, but thread, and finally singing a loud song 'I cannot but allow it is strange,' said that they shifted the bed, took down it were an advertison, ent. entrance and exit. The wall was next | tress is feeding her poultry; then, when 'As I stated,' replied Auerbach, 'de- sounded-it was solid masonry. There all the hens and chickens, turkeys and down, listening intensely in fear of ception was impossible. I was as wide was not a panel that could slide up or pigeous are in the quiet enjoyment of hearing her footsteps. I took off the awake as you are now. And, besides, down. The Countess declared there their breakfast or supper, the peculiar ring to look at the gift of the dead, the fatal ring; what else could that was no passage connecting that room shrill cry of a hawk is heard overhead, mean?" And he relapsed into a state of with any other in the tower. Still Fritag and the "Doctor" is seen circling in the persisted in his story; and the magis air, uttering a scream occasionally. The 'Well,' said I, more with the idea of trate said he would not leave the place fowls never find out that it is a hoax,

'Accordingly he ordered a ladder, and pearance was not a deception, it must mounting it, passed his hand carefully have been a spirit; but I cannot under- over the wall, as if by chance he might in their house. As soon as the ground they ought to appear. Such inconsis- This led to a flight of steps, also made I was wedded to a dead bride! I felt as have not worn it since that fatal night, that belonged to a superannuated nurse Saying this, he took from his breast coming to the steps. Into this the maga curious looking box, and handed it to istrate went. It was as Fritag describlength nature exhausted itself, and I | I can hardly describe the sensation perceived the trace of a naked footwith which I raised the lid, and took | Following this foot-print they came to not awake till the bright beams of the out a very old-fashioned ring, with the window-sill, but no chest was visible. After examining all around, the far advanced. I looked around in sur- true enough, the heraldic bearings of Countess suggested that the windowprise at finding myself stretched on the the Count Albrecht Von Silberstein's sill itself might be raised; but there ground, though an indescribable weight | family. I felt a nervous, creeping sen- | neither seemed hinge nor lock. Howevrelate, the skelet on was found there,

'Herr Saltag would not allow the Countess to proceed any further; and his attendants, he proceeded with Friting to the door, which was easily opened, there they saw the identical white figure crouched in the corner, her benuutter consternation, he beheld, in the ghastly misery of madness, the Count's

This fearful tragedy is soon elucidat-'I have been,' he broke forth, 'kept at a beautiful but portionless girl, whom

cling, fasten, eat into my very life; and him to a large ball at the Castle of Silonly get her out of the way, he might "I am." "Well," said the simple-mindcasily obtain the hand and fortune of ed minister, "I am glad you are, for

wondered who they represented; had not gone with the Count. She immedi-science by not having deprived her of actual inquiry at every dwelling-house, they a secret to hide; were they pursued ately sent to let him know they were life. The only being to whom he con- unless the head of the house is out in Count Von Silber tein hastened back intelligible terms. If a man is a "shoe-

myself. Who could the fourth be? The ed the gloomy appearance of the room bitious old merchant was dazzled by a simply because he tends a saw-mill. A Countess' sister? Ah! here was a to his attendant, who said it had hardly glittering coronet, and forced his refue- man may be "engaged in a bank," and chance; I would marry her! I walked been used since the late Countess' death. tant child to marry the Count. The yet be nothing but a burglar, and you poor maniae had always occupied the must be careful and make the distinc-

Distinguish between stone-masons

Be particular and never describe a woman as an "old maid," if you ever

hetels, particularly if they have male When you find men who are ashamed or afraid to tell what their occupation

where it applies. If any one objects,

When you employ the word "pack-

A recent traveler in Australia thus In using the term "Judge," let us describes the performances of a tame know whether he is judge of a court, cockatoo, known by its pet name of

Officials should have their profession It pretended to have a violent tooth-

previously, but when or where? Yes- ed, oh! how carnestly, for death! From He had often pressed the Count to allow of its 1 etch, and saying in a hoarse bu done by observing which call the other

sus Bureau desires all the statistica possible regarding small-pox, and Assistant Marshals must give their personal

est alarm-hens eackling loudly for their chicks, turkeys crouching under the bushes, the pigeons taking refuge is quite clear, cocky changes his wild Times, June 1.

"FLIPPITY-FLOPPITY."-A country ens, remarks, in a suffocated voice, girl once went into the city to pay a visit to one of her old and best friends: this friend was married to a rich city merchant, and a leader of fashion. In city etiquette, of course, the visitor was verdant, and made numerous mistakes. Her friend wished to initiate her into the "mysteries," and as they were going to a large ball, gave her the following instruction, viz: "Eat only one small cake and one saucer of ice cream. and when your attendant presses you to take more, answer that you have "Do'no. A great deal. Think he masticated a sufficiency, and more would be a superfluity." Things went on very smoothly until her attendant storm, meets with divers mishaps by asked her to partake of more refreshments, when, to the horror of her friend and amusement of the company, she all closed. He knocks furiously, and at answered, in a loud voice; "I nave would go flippity-floppity."

IT is related that Rev. Dr. Samuel West, of New Bedford, once reduced a refractory choir in the following way : It having been rumored that they would not sing a note on the next Sabbath, he commenced morning worship by giving out the hymn: "Come, ye who love the Lord." After reading it t hrough, he looked up very emphatically at the choir, and said: "You will begin at the second verse:

Who never knew our God."

Not wishing to be catalogued as heathen, the choir sang.

n Congress a political jollification was held, professedly in honor of the birthday of Jefferson. Davy met several of the company going home from the festival, and thus graphically described their condition: "They were so drunk that I'll be - if either of them could hit the ground with his hat in three times

A CONUNDRUM for the times. Why it fastens on the sleepers.

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Twas growing dark so terrible fasht,
When through a town up the mountain the
pashed
A broth of a boy, to his neck in the shnow. As he walked, his shillainh he swarm to and fro Saying, it's up till the top I'm bound for to go, Be jabers!

As a fire of turf on a cowid winther night, And divil a word that he said could ye tell As he opened his mouth and let out a yell, It's up till the top of the mountain I'll go, Onless covered up will this bothersome show Be jabers!

It's up till the very lip-top I will rush, And then if it falls it's not meself it'll crush,

sist!
So, snapping his fingers and winking his eye,
White similing upon her, he made this reply—
Faith I meant to kape on till I got to the top,
But as yer shwate self has axed me I may as we He shtopped all night and he shtopped all day.

spare, Shure he moight as well shtay if he's comfortable there, Be jabers!

A GERMAN STORY.

In this excited state of mind I sat when oh! horror more terrible than words can express-too terrible even

it the heraldic bearings of Count Von Silberstein's family. The Legend of the Fatal Ring burst, as it were upon my mind; the whole

on my feet, examined the door to learn as I had left it, doors and windows barred fast. My secret was my own. No mortal knew what had happened, and no one should ever know.

for how long? There was no second re- berstein. The night proved a tempesing in that black forever.

arranged the furniture, so that no trace is the matter?" was left of my impotent fury; and the ring-the hateful ring-should I fling it Fordinand's voice, and calling him to wretched victim. Fritag caught the out of the window, or bury it deep in my aid, we got poor Auerbach to bed, the earth? No, I dare not part with it; where, after administering some remethrow it where I would, send it to dies, we succeeded in restoring conthe most distant part of the world, it sciousness. still comes back to me, and perhaps in a When I related to Ferdinand what way that would expose me to the whole | had passed, he started convulsively. world. I knew its power; it fixed itself on its possessor. Had I not but now court all day, on account of that identi- he had married, were travelling abroad, seen the truth of this; for years, it may eal Black Chamber.' te for centuries, it had clung to Count | I urged him to relate his story, and Clara Dogue, the daughter and only Von Silberstein's name; and new by he began: her means, I dare not mention her name, fulfilling the prediction, it would 'Count Von Silberstein lately invited

her I adored her, would guard her as a ed all changing and becoming black as her away. tender flower, if she would but unite pitch. The next thing he was conscious her fate to mine. The poor creature of was the buzz of voices round his improved only for a short time; the sothought I was mad; she screamed, bed. caught the child in her arms, and ran "All the listeners to this mysterious The shock his constitution had receivinto the eastle. I saw what I had done, story were struck with amazement. The ed from that strange visitant, and the let that old huck elir about it all he she would give the alarm, they would old housekeeper said the room was fre- indissoluble contract by which he had pleases. That's all the good it will do consider me insane; I should be shun- quented by a spirit, and so said all the supposed himself to be bound to a su- him.

ing any one, I left the terrace, and hur- that he must have had a bad dream.

doubts.

to Join my spirit-bride ?" sun showed me that the morning was strange characters engraved on it; and,

and seen my delirious frenzy. All was ran to assist Auerbach, who had fainted 'I come-1 come!'

stand a spirit having anything to do discover a hidden spring. After about with the fading things of this world. an hour s pent in this way, he exclaimnote for peals of laughter from a high ed suddenly, 'I have it, I have it!' and tree, and, finally alighting on the top by pressing hard with his finger, of a hencoop filled with trembling chick-You first deny the existence of spirits he moved a heavy door sliding into the then you must define the exact way wall, so as not to be perceptible outside, "You'll be the death of me." tency! But perhaps you will not be so in the wall; then another spring-door skeptical if I show you the ring. I opened into a set of rooms in the tower, if voices of thunder were shricking the now years gone by; but something urges of t he family, who lived in these apartme to look at it to-night. Who knows ments. The room into which Fritag but it may be a warning that I am soon had been led the night before, was to the left of this narrow passage, before ed, covered thick with dust; but they

whether any one had entered the room | ling, I let the ring fall on the floor, and | giving the body of the child to one of ag. They descended the steps, and go- Is better. We got a little frightened, tiful golden hair banging disheveled over her; and the witch-like nurse, with all. Wonderful bad storm to-night," her arm raised, about to strike her wo man's arm before it felt, when, to his

> ed. Count You Suberstein and his wife, when they met with Mademoiselle child of a wealthy merchant. The Countess was near her confine-

moval, no hope, no dawning of morn- tuous one; thunder and lightning, and Mademoiselle Clara. The fiendish the neighbors are willing. bosom. Why should I indulge the feel- save that he had an appointment early execution. He traveled back in dising, it was a childish fancy? I would the next morning in town. The Count guise to his Castle of Silberstein, near mense fruit crop this season,

A COUNTRY clergyman, paying professional visit to a dying neighbor, who was a very churlish and universal.