MISSING LINKS.

Dolls have been the p'aythings for children of all nationalities.

Frogs are estimated to devour every season fifty-seven times their own weight in insects.

The paper stockings now being mannfactured in Germany are said to be a great preventive of colds.

A novel mowing machine is being built for use on the Erie canal. It is to run over the bottom of the canal bed, and cut the long grass which grows there.

Arctic explorers who have found themselves in the midst of an aurora describe it as producing a cooling, prickly sensation and a very exhilarating effect.

The Medical News asserts that even sewer water can be converted into pure drinking water by sand filtration in filter basins, at the rate of 2,000,000 gallons an acre daily.

A Geneva watchmaker has devised a timeplece that will distinctly articulate the hours by means of a phonographic plate. The cuckoo will soon become an extinct bird.

One of Patt's trials is the mania persons seem to have that she should adopt their children. She declares that she receives hundred of offers of bables for adoption in the course of a year.

The largest family in the world is that of the King of Siam. His Ma-jesty is a much married man, and has two official wives, eight-eight wives of minor order and seventy-two children. Many savage nations worshipped only the malevolent deities, on the prin-ciple that the good gods would do all they could for humanity anyhow, while the evil gods or demons needed

concillation. Cleveland is one of the eight Presidenis who never attended college, the others being Washington, Jackson, Van Buren, Taylor, Filimore, Lincoln and Johnson. The other fifteen, inciuding Grant, who was a West Pointer, were all college-bred men.

It is spring and sometimes almost midsonner now in the magazine offices. The Christmas numbers were got out of the way weeks ago, and later numbers have long been in various states of forwardness. The spring poem inspired by the glorles of last May is now in type for May, '95.

The Rothschilds smoke the most costly costly cigars that are made-the "Henry Clay Sobranos," which cost nearly five shillings. These are wrap-ped in gold leaf and packed in Hitle inlaid cedar wood cabinets. These millionaire princes buy three cabinets at a time, containing 42,000 cigars, 20,-000 Havanas, and one kind originally made for Marshal Prim as a present for Napoleon III., at a cost of 30,000 francs. Each cigar was tipped with gold at each end, and stamped with the imperial N in gold. By way of acknowledging the gift Napoleon sent him a pair of magnificent Sevres vases.

CURRENT EVENTS.

There will not be a total eclipse of the sun until the twenty-first century. Los Angeles, Cal., is to have an International Exposition, after the order of the one held in San Francisco, which will begin the latter part of October.

Yaquina Bar, Oregon, is 800 feet west of where it was when the first pile was driven in the Government attics ten years ago, and where the bar used to be there is now thirty feet of water.

At the Hyglenic Congress just held In Budapest the fact was brought to light that stammering is far more common among men than women, the proportion of male and female stammermes being almost four to one.

The programme of the concentrat-

A FORTUNATE FAINT. A Woman Spared by an Angry Lion m she Seemed Dead.

"A fainting fit is something not unasually to be desired," remarked Mar-jus L. Wilson, of Athens, Ga., to a San Francisco Examiner reporter, "but I recall an instance where a swoon proved to be about the best thing that could have happened to a certain young indy, as it probably was the means of saving her life.

"During the street parade of a circus, a few years ago, a full-grown lion managed in some way to break the fastenings of his cage and bounded out in the midst of the crowd of people who were collected in the street. Of course, the people were frightened nearly out of their wits, and fled in every direction. One woman was so badly terrified that she sank to the ground in a dead faint not more than ten feet from where the llon stood lashing his tail and glaring about him. No one dared to approach the woman to bear her to a place of safety, noither was there a gun nor pistol handy with which to kill the benst.

"All at once the lion turned his gaze on the prostrate form of the woman, and with an awful roar reached her side with one bound. 'The spectators were horrified, expecting the next moment to see the poor woman torn limb from limb. To the great astonishment of every one, the lion, instead of mangling the body, simply sniffed at it, turned it over with his paws, and, after cycling it suspiciously, walked away. He thought the woman was dead. After some time and a good deal of trouble the llon was captured by his keepers and recaged." away.



Mrs. Shoppen-And you are sure the colors will not run? Clerk-Certain of it! These goods were made in Philadelphia.

He Will Live On.

A man who had just dined at a Woodward avenue restaurant recently was picking his teeth in that self-satisfied way so aggravating to a hungry person when he was accosted by a destrian, who promptly introduced mself as follows: "'Deevening, sir. I am a bum. My

name is Davison. I want to ask a favor of you." "I swore off long ago," replied the

diner as he carried the toothpick over to his other jaw.

"You mistake my object, sir! I am not asking you for money to pay for drink, lodgings or food. I do not want to go to Toledo, Buffalo, or Chicago. In fact, sir, I do not want money to live on, but to die on."

"Um! Want to die, ch?" "I do, sir. This is my last night in the beautiful city of Detroit and also on earth. By midnight my soul shall have winged its weary flight to that mysterious realm." 'Going to commit suicide?"

"I am. I have coolly and calmly figured it out. Life has been a fail-It is not worth the living. In that other land I can perhaps become a successful vag." "But why should a dying man want

METHODS OF PRIMABY READING. pencil.'

VII. The Sentence Method. Continued .-- Exercises Belore Books are Used .-- First Step.

By William Noetling.

"The object of this step is to awaken thought in the mind of the child by means of objects, and to give to the thought complete oral expression.

" The teacher should be provided with a number of objects such as may be readily handled. At first those only should be used that will admit of the use of the article a before the fore. name.

" WITH OBJECTS IN HAND First -Let the teacher and each pupil take and object in each hand.

"The teacher will call upon one of the pupils to tell what he has, and in reply the pupil will probably hold up the object and pronounce its name.

" Teacher-'Jane, what have you?'

" Jane-'A pencil?" " Teacher-'Who has a pencil ? '

" Jane-'I have.'

"Teacher-'Now tell me all about

"Jane-'I have got a pencil.'

" Teacher-Very well ! But will one of you tell me what he has and leave out the word 'got.' " Churles-'I have a knife.'

" Teacher-That is right. Now

Jane will try again. Tell me what vou have? "Jane-'I have a pencil.'

" It is best to secure the proper expression from the children, though it may take some time. But if the teacher fails in this, she will hold up her own object, and say, 'I have a book.' Then call upon one of the children who will very likely respond properly. 'I have a knife.'

" The form of expression once obtained, there will be very little difficulty in obtaining similar expressions from each member of the class. Let each hold up his object and tell what he has. This done, let the children change objects, and repeat the exercise, telling what each one has.

" Second-Next let two or three children take hold of the same object, and let one of them make the statement, 'We have a doll.

" Third-Let one pupil hold an object and call upon another to make the statement. If a boy has an object, the response will be, 'He has a knife'; if a girl, 'She has a pencil.'

" Fourth-The teacher will hold an object, and the pupil will make the statement to the teacher, 'You have a map.'

" Fifth-Two or more members of the class will hold an object, and one of the others will make the statement to the teacher, as to the remaining members of the class, 'They have a book '

" These forms of expression will be repeated and changed in their order until there is no confusion or tendency to error in expression. The children should instantly respond with the appropriate expression.

"Each teacher will select such objects as the circumstances may require. The following list may serve as a hint to the kind of objects which may be used. When the objects can-

"The teacher will proceed in the same way until several children have objects in their hands, representing as many sentences upon the board.

"The teacher will next call upon the first child to point out and read his sentence, which he will readily do as he still holds the object in his hand. " Each child, in turn, will be called upon to point out and read his particular sentence. * * *

" Next, the pupils may exchange objects, and point out the sentences that express the new order of things under the same condition as be-. . .

"These lessons are to be continued day after day, care being taken to vary the order and the objects, so that the children cannot recall the sentences by their location. * *

"ANALYSIS. Soon after children begin to read sentences, it will be found that they recognize individual words. From the study of the sentence as a whole they have discovered the elements or words of which the sentence is composed. * * *

"WRITING. Early in this step some, if not all, of the children will have the impulse to write. This should be encouraged. * * *

"LETTERS. While directing the writing the teacher will speak of the letters as though they were known to the pupils, showing the size of the m's, t's, &c., and in this way it will soon be discovered that the children can distinguish the letters and name them.

"TEACHER'S WORK. There should be no careless work on the part of the teacher.

Everything written upon the board should therefore be absolutely correct in spelling, use of capitals, punctuation, grammatical construction, penmanship, and in form, such as indentations, margins, &c."

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would make a failure of it.

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of the army contemplated by the War Department will include large sconomies in the reduction of employes and the disposal of surplus animals. Fully 150 Indian scouts will be dropgod from the pay rolls.

The London Daily News says: "Is there anything new? Our Secretary of Legation at Peking writes: 'I hear of the existence in Peking, as well as Canton, of large and ancient establighments for the artificial incubation of hens' and ducks' eggs. As yet I have not been able to visit and inspect

In the office of the Pall Mall Magazine the phonograph has been put to a novel use. An article is read in front of the receiving funnel, and the waxen cylinder is sent to the printer, who sets it in a duplicate machine and puts the tubes in his ears. He then regulates the speed to suit himself and sets by ear instead of by eye.--Mail and Express.

Light may be thrown upon the vexed question of the origin of man in the Western Hemisphere by a recent dis-covery in South Mexico. In a rock hewn tomb has been found a bronze and hammered iron sword, bearing on its blade and handle, in rich inlaying of silver, characters of record and representations of life distinctively Assyrian and Greelan.

The Westminster Gazette calls attention to the fact, upon authority of Consul General Patrick Collins, that negroes are flocking to England in great numbers. 'The steamship com-panies confirm Mr. Collins' statements, and add that nearly all the wealthy colored folks are sending their sons to study law, medicine or art in London. Most of these people are West Indian negroes and not Afro-Americans. The wealthy Afro-Americans send their sons to be educated at Harward, Yale and Oberlin, and only in isolated cases do they send them to Europe.

STUB ENDS OF THOUGHT.

A kiss is Cupid's starting point. Religion is not thinking; it is doing, No man ever stole money to hoard it. Temptation will sit up all night with a man

A million dollars clarifies the matrimonial atmosphere.

Very few persons have opportunity delivered at their doors.

Compliments are healthful when taken in moderation.

Marriage is the hereafter of courtship, and people never know what it will be till they go there.

"I owe a man in this town twenty-

five cents. He is a good man, but poor. He lent me the money to keep me from suffering, and 1 won't be mean enough to die and leave him to whistle for it. I want to put that quarter in his hand and say to him: 'Jim,' old boy, I am going hence, but before I go I want to square up. Here's your quarter and may heaven reward you for your kindness.' That's what I want to say, sir, and I now ask you for the coin."

"Yes. You are sure to die?"

"My mind is irrevocably made up." "And Jim must have his quarter?" "He must."

"I'll do better than that," said the man as he pulled out book and pencil. "Give me Jim's address and I'll call around in the morning and break the sad news of your death and hand him

half. What's the full name, please?" The full name? Sir, you are evidently a heartless human reptile, and want nothing more to do with you. Keep your money, sir-keep money, sir-keep your money and 1'll be hanged if I commit sulcide. No, sir-no, sir. When I see such evi-dences of the cruel heartlessness of the world it decides me to live on just as long as I can and be just as mean as I can. Consider our interview at an end. Good night, sir."

And he drew himself up and stalked off through the darkness and left the man to chew his toothpick and look after him and regret his unjust suspicions.-Detroit Free Press.

One Exception.

Teacher-Give an example of the truth of the motto: "United we stand, divided we fall."

Johnny-I-I can't think of any, ma'am. I don't believe it's true, anyhow.

"What? Do you know of any case in which it is not true?" "Yes'm. A step-ladder."-Chicago Tribune.

Knew What She Wanted. Pretty Girl (mountain resort)-I

ant a yachting cap.

Dealer-We do not keep them. There is not a sheet of water big enough to sall in within 200 miles of this place. Pretty Girl-Oh, you mistake. I did not ask for a yacht. I said yachting

He Expected Something.

she-What do you expect to get on your birthday? He-Jilted by my sweetheart, discharged by my employer, and dunned

by my creditors .- Truth.

not be used, a toy or picture representing it may be substituted.

"Book, slate, pencil, paper, knife, string, board, chalk, desk, seat, table, door, window, hat, cap, boat, shoe, clock, watch, doll, knife, match, wood, stove, girl, boy, man, woman, house, barn, dog, cat, corn, horse, rat, pig, sheep, glass, nail. &c.

" In regard to words other than the names of familiar objects, the book which is to be used should be taken as a guide,

"WITH THE OBJECT IN SIGHT. First. Place the object before the class, and call upon a child to tell what he sees, and he will respond, 'I see a hat.'

" Let another speak for himself and his companions with 'We see a clock.' Introduce the other pronouns with the verb see, as in previous exercises. Next introduce other verbs."

In this practical way the children are taught the use of correct English.

SECOND STEP.

verse of that of the first, namely, "to awaken in the mind of the child the exact thought contained in oral expression, and to verify it by appro-priate concrete representation."

THIRD STEP.

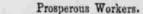
"The object of this step is to awaken in the mind of the child the exact thought contained in written expression, and to enable him to express it in the language used. This is Read. Pres. Church, Helena, Mon. ing.

"While of necessity, in reading, the lesson will be a success where the with safety and it does all that is expression fails to awaken the thought. * * *

"The teacher goes to the board, and in a clear bold hand writes a sentence, as: 'I have a knile' The pupils see the writing but of course do not know what it means. The teacher will call a pupil and put a knife in his | His plan is to issue a whole lot of nonhands, and the pupil, in response to interest-bearing bonds. But as that the impulse which is the result of would seem to ruin the non interestprevious training will instantly hold up the knife and say 'I have a knife.' suffer defeat. It is well, however, for "The teacher writes another sen- the committee to get his ideas about

tence, as, 'I have a pencil,' and puts the straightening up our financial emthe object in the hands of another barrassment; for Coxey is authority child who will respond, 'I have a on embarrassment.

of power on a large scale by the latest smoke the chimneys. It will not char the improved mode. While the parent wick. It has a high fire test. It will not company will control the use of this explode. It is pre-eminently a family safety power and own the dam, stations, etc., oil, branch companies are to be formed in Baltimore and any other city or town where the power is transmitted to any extent. The branches will pay the parent concern so much for their franchises and rent the power in the We stake our Reputation, as Refine district where they are incorporated.



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