Robin is Learning to Walk-Re No Longer Hops.

Of course you all know the robin. Whether you live in city or country, one, or into the nearest park or garden. If you have but a square rod of lawn, be is almost certain to find it out sooner or later and to visit it in search of seen him there, and have bidden him help himself to the worms and wel-

But as you watched him gliding over the lawn, I wonder if you have noticed that the fine fellow has a thought perfect himself in a new accomplishment? Perhaps you have not thought of it, yet it really seems to be so. The red-breast is learning to walk!

For generations unnumbered his anthe proper and dignified gait for a bird, scarf he felt a joyous commotion. and even now his first cousins, the wood thrush and the veery and the woodlands; having taken it upon himing laid aside the traditional russet garb of the renowned thrush family and donned a trim business suit in keeping with his character, is quite ready to accept any other change, either of costume or of custom, that seems likely to redound to his advantage.

One morning, when I had gone to

the park for a stroll, there suddenly flitted before me a robin whose whole manner and bearing seemed to say. "Watch me!" He alighted on the ground just ahead, gave his wings and tall a flirt, and, seeing that my eyes were upon him, he started forward and actually ran perhaps thirty steps without a suspicion of a hop. Then he looked up at me with an expression that scemed to say, "Thought we couldn't do it, did you? Well, what do you think now?" and took another run longer than the first.

I applauded the feat as it deserved, and assured the fine fellow that his feat should be heralded to the world. I feel bound to add that even this advanced student of the art of walking paid very little attention to worms while he was making his feet work independently. He certainly walked far better than I had supposed it possible for any robin to do, and his accom-plishment justifies the prediction that the time is not very distant when ev-ery robin will do a "square heel and

toe" without difficulty.

If this statement sounds improbable, go for a walk and watch Master Robin yourself; but it would be folly to pre-diet how long it may be before his old-school cousins, the wood thrush, the veery and others, will even attempt to follow his example. — Our Animal Friends,

Canonization of Santa Zita. Santa Zita, who resided for the greater portion of her life in Genoa, Italy, has been canonized. She was a very plous churchwoman, but always very domesticated. She remained longer than usual at church one day, and quite forgot that there were to be a number of people at the house that day for dinner. On awakening she burried forth from the sacred edifice in a way which was far indeed from her wont, but, on reaching the kitchen, raculous help she had received, and it was agreed on all sides that she deserved to be canonized. Accordingly she became Santa Zita.

A German Peasant Poetess.

Johanna Ambrosius, the German peasant poet, whose works have been compared to all that is classic in German literature, says a writer in the Philadelphia Press, was the second child of a workingman, and, as her mother was an invalid, Johanna and her sister, while yet more children, were compelled to do all the housework for the family. At twenty she became the wife of a young peasant named Voight, and a son and a daughter were born to her. In the midst of all this, and while absolutely deprived of all literary aids, she persevered in her writing, till her poetry demanded the attention of the finest minds of Germany. Now that opportunity is given her in which to enjoy Lessing, Schiller and Goethe, she speaks of the long, profitless period of her womanhood as 'those twelve dumb years."

In Gorgeous Headgear. It seems to me that the hat must besome part of every horse's wardrobe. judging by the effects the recently tropical weather had upon these poor creatures. Numberless cases of sudden ill-ness, which was bad both for the animals themselves and for the people who were riding or driving them, were brought to light last week. Some borses were actually seen in the park wearing hats which were of a Salvation Army bonnet type of pattern, One of the humorous papers suggested that this new fashion would result in unheard-of extravagances in flowers and ostrich plumes, and that horses would soon take such an interest in their own headgear that they would insist upon stepping to look in at all the more fascinating milliners' windows .- London Lady.

Princess Mand Carves Meerschaun Princess Mand is entitled to consideration from the point of view of the great tobacco trade, according to report, because she is an expert carver in meerschaum. In the German lenguage, which all the members of her house speak so well, she would be called a Brenstindrechslerin. Her cousin, the German Emperor, has a very fine pipe on which was carved by the Princess the figure of a warrior.

To her husband she gave a meerschaum with a Danish satior engraved. spon the bowl. and makemaked

One Day's Experience.

It was on an electric car, bound from Harvard square to Boston. He was a susceptible Harvard student, he is the only bird, except perhaps the intruding house sparrow, that is sure to come into your yard, if you have to see. He wore an immaculate she as pretty a girl as you could wish white scarf and was arrayed like a lily of the field. She had brown eyes she knew how to use them. She left the car at the central gate of the Common, and he sighed and watched her through the car window until she hensive grasp of the facts that there is was out of sight.

An hour later he was strolling beyond his hunting, and that, even through West street viewing the shop-while he works, he is endeavoring to pers with a critical eye. Suddenly, from the mysterious interior of a dry goods store, a bundle in her hand, her chase, she came forth fairer than becestors have taught that hopping is fore, and underneath the immaculate

hermit thrush, are uncompromising House, and, as in duty bound, made hoppers. But Sir Robin, having left a cursory examination of the ladies' the ancestral halls—that is to say, the dining room. He had inspected self to be the progressive member of a very conservative family; having come into the gardens and orchards underneath a mirror she sat, divested two of these seasons. scarcely half the tables when his heart where worms are most abundant; have of her wraps and nothing short of

waiter calling the police.

threatening rainstorm, bound for Park have lost sight of the fact that besquare. In front of the Tremont theatre he thought of his immaculate sumer a considerable period must scarf and fine raiment and sought elapse at the best and that factories shelter in a doorway.

despair in her face, without mackintosh to shield her from the rain.

He glanced at her a moment, rolled up his twelve dollar trousers and departed on a run. A few doors down dashed into it.

"Give me an umbrella, quick," he

"Here is one," said the clerk; \$4.50, genuine natural wood and"-"Hang the wood," said he.

He dived into his pocket. A two dollar bill, two ones and forty-five cents in change.

"Call it \$4.45. It's all I've got."
"All right," said the clerk.

He threw down the money and rushed back to the doorway. She was gone.

started to walk to Cambridge.-Boston Herald.

The Game They Played.

"Saw a funny thing on a train out of New York not long ago," said the drummer, fixing himself comfortably for story telling.

"What was it?" asked a Cleveland

"A couple of card sharps sat across what was her surprise and delight to the aisle from me and time hung and a party of cherub celestials busy heavily on their hands, for there wasn't preparing the meal. She did not inter-tere, but was at first not unwilling to accept the praise which was lavished they were disconsolate. After awhile pented, however, and told the world but they out pretty soon and released but they quit pretty soon and relapsed the truth about the spiritual and micouragement. They saw that I had been watching them, and after a few minutes I called across and asked why they didn't keep on with their game. "'It ain't no good,' said the one

"'Why not?' I inquired. 'You're

both good players.' 1

next the aisle gruffly."

"'That's it, pardner,' he explained with a short laugh; 'both of us hold the same hands every deal." - Detroit Free Press.

Here is a diamond, here a piece of charcoal. Both carbon; yet between present or future, or by any reference them stands the mightiest of magi- to the social habits or conventions cians-Nature. The food on your with which the said line of conduct table, and your own body; elementally may or may not accord. Such moral the same; yet between the two stands the digestion, the arbiter of growth

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The champion hunter and trapper of central Pennsylvania is John P. the line of the Pennsylvania railroad Swoope, of Alexandria, Huntingdon west from Philadelphia to Harrisburg county, who devotes his entire time to was made last week by T. Jeff. Gillthe exciting sport. And well he may, man, engineer of limited express. The for if reports are true, he makes quite train ran the distance of 107 miles in a nice thing out of it at the county's one hour and fifty-four minutes, inexpense, as for instance: During the cluding two stops. ten and one half months of the present year of noxious animals alone Mr. Swoope has killed 939 foxes, 13 wild- facture of cotton was invented in cats and 1,29c minks, on which he 1786. It was designed to card, rove received a bounty of \$1,087.50.

Why Trade Doesn't Boom.

Some disappointment is expressed in trade circles that the activity which followed quick on the heels of the election has not been maintained, and the disappointed are asking why the good times promised as a result of Mc-Kinley's election have not been realithat extended back to her soul, and zed. Both the disappointment and the inquiry are based upon a partial view of the business situation and fail to convince those with a compreany real cause for disappointment.

When the election was held, the fall wholesale and jobbing season was already over. The retailers throughout the country had already purchased the stocks, meagre though they were, they cheeks flushed with the ardor of the thought were actually necessary. They are not likely to purchase heavily until they lay in stock for the spring trade. The disappointed jobbers and At I o'clock he was at the Adams wholesalers are those who have not House, and, as in duty bound, made taken into account the fact that when one season of usual activity in trade is past, general activity cannot be expected until the next trade season is reached. The election fell between

There has been a general revival of production, however, and many long "It is fate," said he, and stared at lidle manufactories are now running her until there was danger of the head full time to produce the goods that will be wanted for the spring trade. Those who are complaining of dull At 4 o'clock he was hurrying up Those who are complaining of dull trade in their own particular staples may be busier than ever before and Another moment and the world goods still move slowly in jobbers' around him grew misty. She stood hands. The resumption of the factorbeside him, her skirts in hand and ies, however, gives the workingmen money to purchase with and benefits the local retail trade. With the advent of the spring demand the goods now being turned out in the factories will begin to move to their final destithe street was a furnishing store. He nation for distribution to the con-

The goods will be wanted and the consumers will have money to pay for them. This has been a year of bountiful crops and of good prices, and the money which has been paid and is still to be paid for the country's wheat, cotton, corn and other agricultural staples is certain to find its way into the avenues of trade and quicken business into healthy activity in the near future. Those who are complaining of dull business have expected too much and made too little Then he raised his umbrella and allowance for the time required for goods to reach consumers and realize returns in money to pay for the manu-facture and distribution of more

The disappointed should make due allowance for the season and the time necessary for goods to pass from factory, and cultivate the grace of patience. The farmer who plants his corn doesn't dig it up the next day to see if it has begun to grow. He waits till it does grow. Trade is in some degree a process of planting and waiting, and experienced tradesmen will do the necessary waiting in patience and with good humor .- Phila.

William Henry Ott, alias "Mustang Bill," says that he used Ayer's Hair Vigor for nearly five years, and owes to it his splendid hair, of which he is justly proud. Mr. Ott has ridden the plains for twenty-five years, and is well known in Wyoming and the North-

The True Moral Standard-

The moral motive arises not by contemplation of the gratification given by a certain line of conduct to God or by recollection of superimposed pleasures, secular or supernatural, motive has nothing to do with obedience to the revealed will of God, or with the extraneous conceptions of We cannot make a diamond; we heaven and hell, or with punishment No. But by means of the Shaker Di- the favor or disfavor of public opinion. or reward from earthly rulers, or with otherwise fermend and poison the tion and life. The compulsion of sentation of the relation between acsystem. In all forms of dyspepsia morality therefore is inner and not and incipient consumption, with weak- outer compulsion, its authority inner and not outer authority, its restraints prostration the Cordial is the success- those arising from the connection of cause and effect, its sanctions natural, not supernatural, essential and not assists nature to nourish. A trial bot- fortuitous. The foundations of the tle-enough to show its merit-10 moral code thus belong to the very nature of sentient life itself, and its dictates therefore possess a validity, a reach, a significance, a sacredness, to which no others can conceivably lay claim.

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