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AFLOAT UPON THE ICE. A TALE OF THE ST. LAWRENCE. It was one day last February, when

the noble St. Lawrence was covered with ice as bright as crystal and as smooth as sume it as the "finest a mirror, that in company with Letty Mordaunt, I went out skating. The ice was over a foot in thickness, but a strong wind had a few days previously opened a channel in the centre of the river, in which much loose ice was floating. Lettie had never before had a pond to skate upon that would compare with it, and, as she was an accomplished skater, she was delighted. I have always maintained that a pretty girl never appears to better ad-

vantage that when she is engaged in skating; and I had always thought Lettie was a very pretty girl and had become quite captivated by her charms; but she never appeared half so lovely to me as opon this occasion ; and as we went bold-

ly forward, or circled in the most graceful manner, you may depend that I enjoyed myself highly, and think that she did also. The river is about two miles in width

where we were skating, and in the distance were to be seen the several islands that lie a short distance above the Gallop

would be the maddest of folly.

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"Is there no hope ?" she faintly in- of their frail craft. It was impossible to quired, her tone indicating that she did proceed back, so over the rapids we went. not expect an affirmative answer. "I see no possible chance of escape," I

replied; and our speed continued to inrapids as we neared them. "How long will it be before we shall

reach them ?" she asked.

"We cannot have but a few minutes longer to spend upon earth," I replied. She leaned upon me, but I felt stronger when supporting her than when alone. I saw no way to avert our fate, and expected to be in eternity in a short time. Although life was dear to me, I would most willingly have relinquished it, if by so do- the jaws of destruction, and they were ing hers could have been saved. Yet the more than satisfied. the fate that decreed that we were to die together, robbed it of all its terrors as far as I was concerned. It was then I realized how much I loved her, and I felt I could not die without telling her of it.

"Lettie," said I, "we shall soon be at the rapids, but I cannot die without telling you how dear you are to me. I would quickly sacrifice my life to save yours; but that is denied me. If we were spared I would offer you the homage of a lifetime, Will you now accept it for all eternity ?" A faint flush overspread her cheeks as Rapids, and are famed for their power, I ceased speaking, the last time I thought which is so great that no vessel can ap- that they would ever be crimsoned before proach within a considerable distance of they were cold in death. She clung still the lower part of them. There is a single closer to me, and a firmer pressure of the channel through which steamers are some- hand was the sufficient and only answer. times piloted at favorable seasons of the I felt that I was loved !

year ; but to attempt to pass them out of For a few moments we were both silent. the channel, or without skillful pilotage, I noticed that her tears were flowing, and the sight of them almost caused me to lose There were a considerable number of my self-possession. We had already passskaters out with us; but we struck out ed several of the islands that stud the boldly for the centre of the river and soon river immediately above the rapids, and were at a distance from them. We did our rate of speed was constantly increasnot stop until within a few rods of the ing. I drew her closely to me, and enopen water, knowing as we did that the deavored to prepare myself for the apice was sufficiently strong to bear us. We proaching moment, when we would go had skated three or four miles, and felt down together to a watery grave. My

emotions of various persons would be when

No craft other than like the one that we were in, and guided by experienced persons, would have ever gone through safecrease and louder grew the roar of the ly. Now running within a few inches of a rock, now circling around the outer edge of an eddy, and then skipping over the boiling waters and plunging down a waterfall. A motion of mine or a false stroke of theirs would have capsized us and sent us all into eternity. But we were safe ; and I quickly rejoined Lettic, who soon recovered from the effects of her ride.

I rewarded my rescuers as well as money could do so, for snatching me from

Lettie and I will soon be joined in wedlock ; and I hope that our voyage down the stream of life may be more pleasant than was our excursion down the St. Lawrence.

Your Change, Sir.

One of the most nondescrip specimens of humanity called dandies, traveling through Connecticut a few days since in his own or borrowed conveyance, was brought up with a "round turn" at a tollgate, which he designed to pass without paying the usual fee, When he found himself in limbo, from which he could not escape "forking over," he inquired of a young lady who was in attendance at the could pass the formidable barrier.

"Three cents, sir, is the charge for single wagons," replied the young lady. "Three cents is a three pence, the half of a six pence; one of the smallest bits of silver in use, eh ! young woman am I right ?" said the dandy, feeling his pockets for the change.

"Three cents, sir, if you please," said

"In your office of highwayman, young

A WARNING TO MOTHERS.

BY JOHN QUILL.

tro-glicerine accident is too funny to be witheld :

This horrible tale was related to me by Archibald Haggerty, the young gentleman and rubbed his fists into his eyes like he was tryin' to gouge 'em. And us fellers we didn't pay no attention to Joe McGinnis, and we went on playin,' and never there stuff, you know, Mr. Quill, it had been and leaked out all over that there board on which Joe McGinnis was a set-

tiu', and the first thing Joe McGinnis knowed, his pants was soaked with nitroglycerine, like he had sot down in a river. Yes, it was. And Joe McGinnis when he felt it a gettin' damp, he pranced home and tho't he'd dry them pants of his'n by gate, how much he had to pay before he the stove. But, you know, old Mrs. Mc-Ginnis, when she seed Joe, she was mad

as fory, and she just rose right up and snorted : "I say, you Joe, you outrageous willin" where'v you bin with them there pants?" "And then old Mrs. McGinnis she just

made a rush for Joe, Mr. Qoill, and she grabbled a hold of Joe, and lay him acoss her lap this here way, you know. Then she lefted up that there number six-teen nis like sin. But when she struck that

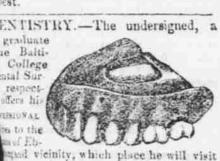
A Pleasant Incident.

One of the pleasant things we saw on our late journey was a glimpse of two lit-The following account of the latest ni- tle sisters of charity. Somewhere above Fitchburg, as we stopped for twenty minutes at a station, I amused myself by

looking out of a window at a pretty waterfall which came tumbling over the who blacks boots . "Mr. Quill, you see rocks, and spread into a wide pool that Joe McGinnis and me, and a lot of us fel- flowed up to the railway. Close by stood lers was a playin' marvels down to Pine a cattle train, and the mournful sounds street wharf one day ,and Joe McGinnis that came from it touched my heart.' Full had no luck. He blowed on his alley, in the hot sun stood the cars, and every and said conjurin' over it, and spit on it, crevice of room between the bars across and said 'fen everythings,' but't wan't no the doorway was filled with pathetic use for us fellers won his commoners and noses, sniffling eagerly at the sultry gusta his bull's eye, and his glass agate, and his that blew by, with now and then a freshwhite alleys, until Joe just busted out a er pool that lay dimpling before them. cryin' and went and set down on a board, How they must have sufficied, in sight of water, with the cool dash of the fall tantalizing them, and not a drop to wet their poor parched mouths. The cows lowed dismally, and the sheep tumbled one over saw that Joe had gone and sot down on the other, in their frantic attempts to a place where some feller had been ship- | reach the blessed air, bleating so plaintivepin' this year nitro-glycerine. And that ly the while, that I was tempted to get out and see what I could do for them.

But the time was nearly up, and while I hesitated two little girls appeared, and did the good deed much better than I could have done it. I couldn't hear what they said ; but their friendly little faces " grew quite lovely to me, in spite of the tan, the old bats, the bare feet and shabby gowns, as they worked away so heartily. One pulled off her aproit, and spread it on the grass, emptying the berries from her pail upon it, ran to the pool and returned with it dripping, to hold it up to the suffering sheep, who stratched their hot tongues gratefully to meet it, and lapped the precious water with an eagerness that made little Barefoot's task a hard one. But to and fro she ran, never tireil, though the small pail was soon empty ; and her friend meantime pulled great handfuls of clover fist o' hern intendin' to spank Joe McGin- and grass for the cows, and having no ail, filled her "picking-dish" with water nitro-glycerine, Mr. Quill, wasn't there a to threw on the poor dusty noses appealregular bustin' out of things! Je-ru-sa- ing to her through the bars. I wish I could have told the tender-hearted chila grumble and roar, and a rarin', tarin', dren how beautiful their compassion thunder and lightnin' explosion, and then made that hot, noisy place, and what a about thirty billion of earthquakes all run sweet picture I took away with me of into one, and Joe McGinnis was blown those two little sisters of charity .- Merry's Museum.

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ORNEY AT LAW, Johnstown, Pa .he in building on corner of Main and in street, opposite Mansion House, dior. Entrance on Franklin street. istown, Jan. 31, 1867. tf. L PERSHING, ATTORNEY-AT-

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the necessity of resting a few moments, mind was busy, and I wondered how long and accordingly stood for a while, gazing it would be before our fate would be upon the blue waters of the flowing river known; of the various conjectures that and the surrounding scenery, which is our disappearance would give rise to ; and very fine. I rather think that I cast an where our bodies would be found, or if occasional glance at the features of my they would become entangled among the fair companion, which were radiant with rocks and our fates never known, and if in the glow of excitement occasioned by the the death-struggle we could still maintain exercise of skating. We stood there rath- hold of each other, and our spirits soar up er longer than we intended to, for we car- in unison. I also wondered in what manried on an animated conversation and the ner our deaths would be announced in the moments passed swiftly. At length Let- journals of the day. Whether it would be a "melancholy accident," or if we were tie suddenly remarked : found clinging to each other, as a "ro-

"Look where we are." "I see," said I, not comprehending her mantic casualty," and fancied what the meaning. "Had you forgotten it ?"

"We are farther down the river than they learned of it. These reflections were we were when we stopped. We were all stopped by my noticing a fisherman's then opposite to that windmill," pointing but upon an island only a short distance to the ruins of one that stood upon the from us, with a couple of men engaged at opposite bank, a relic of the last century, work in front of it. about half a mile above us.

I pointed it out to Lettie, and said, "We may yet be saved, if I can only at-Somewhat surprised at this, I looked around us, and was not long in discovering tract their attention. Have courage and the cause of the change. We were afloat! I will attempt it." -I left her and proceeded to the extreme

The ice upon which we were standing had become seperated from the main body and edge of the ice nearest to the island, and carried away by the action of the current. then gathering all my breath for an effort, As it was a large piece, being at least one- called to them. As our lives depended eighth of a mile in extent, I felt no very upon the result, of course, I made a much great apprehension in regard to our safety, louder noise than I could upon an ordinathinking it would soon float against the ry occasion, although my emotion was at edge of the firm ice, so that we could easi- first so great that I could hardly control ly get off it, and so have the occurrence iny voice. At length I succeeded, and to remember only as a pleasant adventure. had the satisfaction of seeing a boat put I assured Lettie that there was no danger, out after us. Although we were at some and we patiently waited for the current to distance from them, and going very raprelease us from captivity upon our floating idly. I had no doubt that they would island, continuing our conversation as overtake us. Just as everything seemed cheerfully as before. My expectations to be well again, I was surprised to hear were not fulfilled, for in about balf an a cry from Lettie, which caused me to hour we had reached the open river where look round quickly. I was startled by

the rapidity of the current had either car- the new aspect of affairs. The ice, owing ried away the ice or prevented its forma- to the action of the waves, and my weight tion, and now the fearful truth flashed upon one edge of it, had parted, and we upon my mind. We were going directly were upon separate pieces. Lettie had towards the Gallop Rapids, and at a rate sunk down upon the ice and was gazing that would bring us to them in less than earnestly towards me. The pieces of ice were caught in eddies and went off in op-

an hour. Lettie must have noticed the expression posite channels ; but it was with the greatof my countenance, for she clung to me lest delight that I saw the boatman row after her, leaving me to my fate, and and said: "Do not fear to alarm me by telling when I had passed the island and looked

me the worst. Are we not in very great back, I saw that she was rescued. Safe in the boat! my feelings almost danger ?" overcame me ; and if ever I earnestly re-

"I am afraid that we are," I replied : but keep up your courage and we will turned thanks to an overruling Provihope for the best." Eagerly I scanned the surrounding land, a considerable distance from her, I caught honing to observe some one whose atten- a last glance, and saw that, although altion I might attract. I skated round the most fainting, she was gazing after me. edges of the ice and halloed as loudly as I knew that the boatman would not think possible, but the wind made it impossible of following me, for I was now upon the for me to be heard at any great distance, edge of the rapids. The principal events and we were unnoticed. It now blew of my life passed rapidly in review thro'

quitoviolently, and caused the water to my mind, and my memory was very ac-

coman, you will substract the amount of your demand from this piece, and return me the balance as conveniently quick as your ordinary locomotion will allow," said the dandy gentleman, at the same time purposely dropping a shilling piece into the mud beneath his wagon, "Ah ! there it is in the mud, I declare. I would not dirty my fingers for twenty of them."

The young lady took the shilling from the mud, where he had dropped it, went into the house, and returned with nine cents which she placed immediately under the wheel, where she had taken up the shilling.

"Hillow, hillow, young woman, what is it you're doing ?" said the dandy. Why don't you put the coin in my hand, eh ?"

The girl archly replied : "Sir, I found your money under the wagon ; there you will find your change." And as she turned to go into the house, she gave the fellow a most significant smile, and added: "I wouldn't dirty my fingers for twenty of them? would you, Mr. Dandy-man? -ha, ha, ha-there's your change, sir," and she closed the door.

The gentleman dismounted, picked up "his coppers," and was off at full speed impatient to get out of sight and hearing. If he should ever happen in that country again, he will take care how he makes change with Yankee girls.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS -The following notices are selected from a hu morous cotemporary :--

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"ISAAC .- Your article on 'frogs' is received. It makes us laff like lightning. Your idea that frogs was discovered by Kristopher Columbus, in the year 1492. has slipped our memory."

"NOAH .- We very humbly dekline your essa on the flood. Your remarks might possibly lead one more man to think as you do, and we don't want our columns to be held responsible for increasing the number of phools. The world has already got more phools than there is any

run over the ice, rendering it quite diffi- tive; but the sweetest remembrance of all able and commodious Tavern Stand A GERMAN CUSTOM -A letter from cult for us to stand up, and breaking up was of that moment during the last hour, Almanac. Weimar says they have two very pretty a man to sink in it. HORNAKER. the ice that we were upon, rendering it when Lettie confessed that she loved me. DEMAKER & OATMAN, ATTOR-GEO. W. OATMAN A petrifying lake in Ireland is also customs there connected with the erection still smaller and threatening to hasten our The last hope had fled, and I was cal-A GOOD THING .- A gentleman from mentioned as remarkable, and the Lake terms. It is one of the most desirable stands of houses. One is that a young child aldoom. On we drifted, hope fading as we culating the moments that would elapse Illinois, who thought himself peculiarly ways drives the first null into one of the Neagh has also the same property of appassed onward, and the voice of death before the ice would be dashed to pieces, fitted to represent the country abroad, fo! parently turning wood into stope. But timbers, and an inscription is placed upon seeming to sound in the distant roar of when turning round to take a farewell look lowed Mr. Lincoln with great pertinacity, F. P. TIERNEY, the wood, bearing the name and age of the these petrifactions are no other than inthe rapids that was now to be faintly at earth and sky, I saw a canoe, propelled child, date of erection, &c. Then when button-boling him at all times and in every RNEY AT LAW, Ebensburg, Pa.crustations like the water of Arcubil, near heard in the distance. L gave up all hope by a couple of skillful voyagers, coming Jan. 6, 1870. tf. Ebensburg, Pa. the house is raised, a few planks are laid place without the slightest mercy. Fi-Colonade Row. of attracting attention, and returned to rapidly after me ; but although it fairly Paris. a. 5. 1867-tf. for flooring in an upper story, when the nally the President, with a pleasant smile,

dence, it was then. Although I was at

lem ! I guess so ! There was a kind of through the windows and the door, and the fire place, in little bits of chunks about

the size of a marvel, and he never knowed what ailed him, while Mrs. McGinnis went a pitchin' through the ceilin' and the garret about'ten thousand miles, along with chairs and stovepipe, and pans, and cats, and soup-tureens and one thing another; and she never come down again, she didn't. And that was what ailed Joe McGinnis, as sure as you're born. And now, Mr. Quill, couldn't you give a fel-

low a quarter for Christmas ?" It was a sad fate, that of young Joseph McGinnis ; and what a solemn warning it conveys to mothers. How careful should every parent be to examine her child's trowsers with chemical tests for nitroglycerine before inflicting punishment. Let mothers lay the lesson to heart and resolve hereafter to exercise loving vigilance, lest they, too' should perish as this wretched Mrs. McGinnis did, without a chance to get off any last words.

CERTAIN SIGNS-When the roosters are observed before daylite in the morning lamentations, then look out for some sud den weather and a severe pucker in the money market.

When yu see 13 geese walking lojun file and toeing in, you can deliberately bet yure last surviving dollar on a hard winter and a great fluctiousness during the next season in the price of cowhide boot.

If pigs squeal in the nite, and grasshoppers come oph ov their roost and mingle in a free fight, you may hope for high winds in a few weeks, and also the typus fever in yure naborhood

When spiders are seen climbing up the wall backwards, and frogs cough as if they had the hicups, look out for rain. This iz also a sure sign that children will have the measles light.

If bees hang around their hives, and mules are seen in a brown study, a storm of some kind is cooking, and yu will notiss the market for herring is very cadaverous and chilly.

Jist before a heavy sno storm, of 3 foot deep, chimbly swallows are uncommon skarse, and in the moral world there iz a grate lazyness in the agytashun of the temperance question.

When hens lay 2 eggs a day, and men cease to bragg and wimmin cease to cackkle, then Injun summer draws ni, and the Millenium aiu't fur oph .- Josh Billings

THE WONDERS .- This world of ours is filled with wonders. The thieroscope reveals them not less than the telescope, each at either extreme of breation. In the insect creation, particularly, there is so much to know that has never been dreamed of-wheels within wheels, without computation or number. Let us take a rapid glance at the proofs of this statement, the polypus, it is said, like the fabled bydra, receives new life from the knife which is lifted to destroy it. The fly spider lavs an egg as large as itself. There are four thousand and forty-one muscles in the caterpillar. Hooke discovered fourteen thousand mirrors in the eye of a drone; and to effect the respiration of a carp, thirteen thousand three hundred arteries, vessels, veins, boncs, etc., are necessary. The body of every spider contains four little masses pierced with a multitude of imperceptible holes, cach hole permitting the passage of a single thread ; all the threads, to the amount of a thousand to each mass, joined together soreing among the klouds, and attering when they come out, and make the single thread with which the spider spins its web; so that what we call a spider's thread consists of more than four thonsand united. Lenwhenock, by means of mis croscopes, observed spiders no bigger than the grain of sand, and which span threads so fine that it took four thousand of them to equal in magnitude a single hair .-People's Home Journal.

> REMARKABLE LAKES -The most remarkable lake perhaps in the world is the Dead Sea, the waters of which contain bitumen as well as salt; this bitumen, which is called the "bitumen of India," is no other than the asphaltum, which has caused some autilors to call this sea Lake Asphaltum.

> The land which borders on this lake contains a great quantity of bitumen, and many have applied the fables to this lake which the poets feign of the Lake Averna us, that no fish could live in it, and that birds that attempted to fly over it wars sufficated ; but neither of these lakes produce such mortal events ; fish live in both, birds pass over them, and men bathe in them without the least danger.

> Such, indeed, is the specific gravity of the water from the fluid holding in solution nearly one-fourth of its weight of its various salts that it would be difficult for

need of."