"Davy." said the widow, "can't you SDEAR ?"

"Can if I want to "

"Speak to Mr. Grav." "Don't want to right now. Will after awhile."

"You are a fine little man," said the visitor. "How old are you ?" "Five years old."

"Oh, you are not that old," said the widow, with an embarrassed air,

"That's what you said, anyway."

"Davy!" "Said it some time ago..."

"David !" "Before he got to coming here,"

"Oh, you are such a young pear! Mr. Gray, please excuse me a moment. I must go out and give some instructions for ditmar "

When the widow had gone the box

turned to the visitor and said : "Did you come to sea my maw ?" "Well, er-that is, my little man, I

came to see both of you." "How old are you ?"

"Oh, not very old,"

"Older'n my paw ?" "How long has your father been

dead ?" "Ain't dead"

"What ?" "I say he sin't dead. Paw an' maw fit, an' paw went away, an' one day maw told me not to call him paw any more,

but I do, all the same. How much money have you got ?" "Not much,"

"Yes, you have,"

"How do you know?" "Maw told Mrs. Buck that you had a bushel of money. Are you going to marry my maw ?"

"You must not ask such questions," said the visitor, coloring deeply. "Have you got any sense?"

"Why, of course: What makes you nek 911

"I know " "Well, tell me,"

"You might get mad."

"Oh, no, I won't," "Sho" 'nuff 9"

11 Yes. 22

"Well, maw told old Misses Buck you didn't have no sense, but said she didn't care.

The widow entered, "Well, Davy, have you been a good boy? Why, Mr. Gray, you are not going to leave?" "Yes, madam. I must go,"

"Oh, do wait until after dinner." "I am not hungiv. Good day,"

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Modern form-Ferewarned, forearm-

Shakespeare - Both of you are birds of self-same feather. Modern form-Birds of a feather flock together.

Shakespeare Strike new, or else the fron cools. Modern form-Strike white the irou is

Shakespeare-

id be a ten days' monder at the

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the markets every season, and yet the

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on paper, but that kind of work never

Philadelphia the coming winter, and efforts will be made to make it the largest of the kind ever held in the United Do not feed corn to heavily to breeding stock, or too much fat will be the result, which is detrimental to fecund-

ity. Ground oats and shorts make an excellent grain diet if given once a day with plenty of grass, Western dairymen agree that it pays to cut the grass crops and feed the same to cows in the stalls instead of allowing them to graze on the grass and trample

it, while the saving in manure and fencing is a big thing. With the use of bulls of the beef-producing breeds steers are now raised that reach nearly 800 pounds when 1 year old, and that shows the value of the breeds, the best results being obtained from the very best grades and also by

very liberal feeding. When milking have a pail of clean water near in which to wash off the cow's teats, that no filth or dried skin may fall into the milk pail. It is not an agreeable thought that such foreign substances have ever mixed with the

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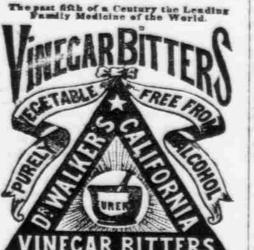
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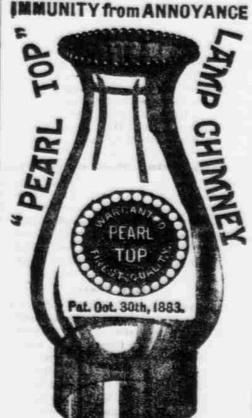
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balloons, there was no way to make them descend or to keep them near the surface of the earth except to open the valve and allow part of the coufined gas to escape. It often happens that this gas is wanted before the trip is completed. So, too, there was no way to make the balloon ascend, except to throw out ballast, which usually consists of bags of sand. By the use of the apparatus employed by these Frenchmen, all the gas, except what escapes through the cloth, is kept to the end of the trip. In making a voyage requiring a day and a night, the tendency of a balloon is to sink after sunset, and to rise after the sun has made its appearance. If the trip is made over water, the apparatus employed by these Frenchmen will keep the balloon as near the surface as is desired all the time. Unfortunately, however, the apparatus cannot be used while passing over land.

These balloonists think they made another valuable discovery. In passing over several vessels they let drop some small torpedoes, which exploded on their decks. They accordingly claim that balloons may be made very useful in war by enabling persons to drop toredoes, bombs and various explosive instruments on vessels, in for fications and on buildings in towns: They claim that by dropping a heavy bomb the balloon would be given such an impulse upward that the occupants would be beyond the reach of bullets before the persons below would have time to fire In case the vessel was demolished by the explosion of a bomb, there would be no

one left to discharge firearms. It is scarcely likely, however, balloons will ever be used for the purpose suggested. Only highly civilized nations could employ balloons in warfare, and among such nations civilization extends to the arts of war as well as to those of peace. The people who would drop torpedoes from an elevation on vessels and unfortified towns would be likely to be classed with those who fire explosive bullets and make use of noxious gases and virulent poisons. They would be given a place among the enemies of the human race, and treated as such.

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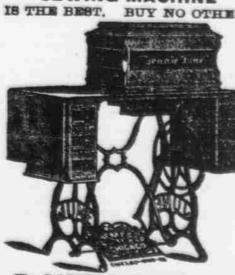
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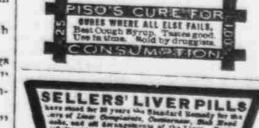
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