ALONE.

I miss you, my darling, my darling; The embers burn low on the hearth ; And stilled is the air of the household And hushed is the voice of its mirth; The rain plashes fast on the terrace, The winds past the lattices moan;

The midnight chimes out from the minister. And I am alone.

I want you, my darling, my darling; I am tired with care and with fret; I would nestle in silence beside you,

And all but your presence forget.

In the hush of the happiness given

To those who through trusting have grown To the fullness of love and contentment; But I am alone.

I call you, my darling, my darling;" My voice echoes back on my heart; I stretch my arms to you in longing,

And lo! they fall empty apart. I whisper the sweet words you taught me,

The words that we only have known, Till the blank of the dumber air is bitter,

For I am alone.

I need you, my darling, my darling ; With its yearning my very heart aches; The load that divides us weighs harder;

I shrink from the jar that it makes. Old sorrows rise up before me; Old doubts my spirit they own

Oh, come through the darkness and save

me, For I am alone.

THE TRAMP.

I had a talk the other day with one of the damsels whose business it is to stand on their toes and whirl around upon the stage with giddy velocity for the amusement of the general public, She was a master of her profession, being able to execute an endless variety of very clever and difficult steps and terpsichorean feats with unerring grace and precision. She had danced before several of the crowned heads of Europe, and the crowned heads were reported as having nodded graciously in pleased approval. Off the stage, divested of glittering bangles and mechanical effects, the little dancer seemed a very sallow complexioned, hollow-eyed and generally commonplace individual, in-She looked tired and worn, depet while her eyes lacked that sparkle of excitement which characterized them when bowing her acknowledgments to the applauding public. From the luxmrious daily life of a tramp, I pitied the poor little butterfly and sought a little

information regarding her methods. "Is not your profession attended with considerable physical pain?" I inquired.

"Some of the positions and steps are very painful at first," she replied. "This discomfort is reduced through

practice?" "Yes, it grows less as time passes, but we never overcome it entirely."

"Do you have any means of relief?" "We bathe our joints in alcohol.

This reduces the feverishness temporarily. Whirling on our toes is perhaps the most painful of all."

"What requisites are essential for success in your profession?"

"Grace and beauty of form. The latter is absolutely indispensable where the public is to be pleased altogether

world for myself at 21 without a penny rattan upon which he was accustomed to my name and with but limited to rely for support. advantages in the way of education?" "Yes, sir.,

"You also know that my father had previously died penniless and that I had nothing to depend upon except my individuul energy and perseverance?" Ve-e-s sir!"

"How much am I worth now?" The young man rallied the small stock of brains at his command and wrestled

arithmetic. "About \$200,000, I believe, sir," he said at last.

"A little more than that sum," the satisfaction. "Now, how old am I,

Robert?" "Fifty-three," the young man replied with a slight drawl, the words sliding down the effeminate rattan lazily. "Size of my family?"

"Mother, yourself, Lizzie, Viola, and myself."

"Exactly. In some respects your mathematical ability is greater than I had dared hope for, Robert Now, with a family of five on my hands, I have done pretty well in 32 years financially, have I not?"

"You bet!" the youth blurted out with more energy than he had previously displayed.

"Ever see me smoke a 25-cent cigar?" "N-n-no, sir!"

"Do I break any considerable number of bottles of champagne at \$2 50 per break?"

"Never knew you to drink a drop of anything intoxicating in my life, sir," Robert asserted, shifting his slight form door. When the locality was gained I to the opposite edge of the chair nervously.

He was beginning to eatch the drift of the conversation.

"How many times per week do I find my way into the green-room of the variety theatres, and chuck the pretty actresses under their painted chins at a bottle of wine per chuck. Robert?"

"Y-you don't go there at all, of course, sir," Robert admitted.

'Oh, I don't go there at all-don't I? Never made any of my \$200,000 clean afford out of her salary of \$25 a month cash capital in smoking eigars, drinking It occurred to her that if she could aschampagne or chucking giddy maidens under the chin, didn't 1? Then my tact for business must have developed know of any collection of bills of this as they looked their project grew and character among my assets, my son?" "N-no, sir,"

"Then the speedy damsels that look to me for their fund of amusement in ment. They scrimped on their summer this direction, cannot have enjoyed as hats and dresses and bought a secondmany privileges as those of some other hand parlor cook stove and a few dishpersons I might name. Ever notice the es, rented their rooms very plainly fur-skillfal manner in which I handle a nished in a cheap quarter and entered billiard cue during an all night siege in on their new life. They breakfasted a second class saloon, Robert?"

"I-I guess you never play, sir." dressmaker returning after tea. The bookkeeper comes home at noon, gets located in the sad fact that I never her simple dinner and leaves the houseenjoyed the advantages of a college work until she returns after 6 o'clock, through the eye. A homely or scrawny girl is never successful in winning public approbation in the spectacular." "As age approaches and your plump-"As age approaches and your plumpsearch warrant for the key-hole of the is spent in reading, rest or recreation. ness and vitality forsake you, how do front door for my benefit, my son?" Gradually their rooms have assumed a "You are generally in very early, I cozy, homelike aspect, the dressmaker believe, sir," the young man replied, has bought a sewing machine, the booknow very much embarressed and thor- keeper a writing desk, their food is of better quality at one-half the cost, and "Don't you think parting my watch they are vastly happier in every way. chain in the middle and festooning it It is two years since they entered into gracefully across the outside of my coat this useful and friendly partnership, a genuine stroke of genius and an and the bookkeeper's heart is almost indication of solid commercial ability?" broken because her friend has a lover "N-no sir!" Robert stammered, who is destined some day to break up the cozy home. She wickedly hopes blushing beautifully. "You seem determined to disagree that times will be so hard that they canwith me to-day, my son. Have you not marry, and that Providence will any fault to find with the imported En- send her a lover, or a nice girl to keep glish drawl which I use in telling a house with, as the least compensation

"Don't you sometimes hate yourself, my son, while reading of or gazing upon grand specimens of manhood?" Robert looked ashamed but ventured nothing in reply.

"Now, I have a proposition to make," you at your age I should have regarded old gentleman corrected, with evident street door lies a ton of coal which done in the usual way for 50 cents. Now, as a test of true manhood, I wish you to take the scuttle and defy your worthless companions by performing the task for me. 1 will gladly pay you \$10 dollars for the job, and consider that I have made a good bargain,

besides. Will you accept my offer, Robert?" I listened to this proposition without

regret, glad to lose the coveted half dollar for the sake of proving Robert's manhood.

"I-I'll try, sir," I heard the young man reply, with a rueful glance at his delicate hands and immaculate clothes. Then I stole quietly out of the room and vanished down the stairway. I desired that Robert should have a fair field and no favor.

At sunset I again turned my steps in the direction of the lawyer's street glanced anxiously about me and found that the coal-loomed up in the gathering darkness exactly where 1 had last seen it earlier in the afternoon. Robert's

manhood had been proved !

Two Toilers.

One is a Gressmaker, the other a bookkeeper, the latter from a comfortable country home. For a year she endured life in a boarding house at \$4 a week for board and room. It was all she could sociate a friendly dressmaker with her the two could have a large room and possibly afford the expense of a fire in the itself in some other direction. Let's long winter evenings, so that they could see; perhaps I made my way in the sew, read or chat undisturbed. The world by running up livery bills at the dressmaker consenting the two set out rate of \$15 or \$20 per week. Do you to find a room suited to their means and finally resolved itself into two rooms and a system of housekeeping, on the smallest possible scale, as an experi-

together and separated for the day, the

Dolls

Millions of china, wax and other dolls are sold in this country, yet none are manufactured here. From Germany, England and France, where labor is cheap, the supply emanates, and the men who control the market are so few the father continued. "I desire to test in number that they can manipulate your manhood. If the test proves doll famines and corners in any quarter satisfactory, I shall at once expend all of the globe, and enrich their pockets the money necessary for giving you a accordingly. The most surprising fact for a moment with a problem in mental start in the world in any direction you about dolls is that their facial features may fancy. The test may seem to you are made to vary equally with those of to be a difficult one, but I can assure the human. While it is true that whole sets of dolls have features intended to it in the light of a picnic. At the be exactly alike, yet the number of differential sets is so vast and inconceivashould be carried upstairs and deposited ble that the variation is nearly equal to in the bin before night. I can hire it that of the human race. When it is remembered that one girl wears out an average of fifty dolls, and that seventy million girls are using an average of five dolls annually, the matter seems easier of comprehension. Facial features are produced and reproduced in dolls by means of models. Those who prepare the models are active in securing sketches of pretty faces. They acquire the ability to portray the features of any face attracting attention. Any one who has passed through a great toy

establishment must have marveled at the long rows of faces of exquisite beau-To the close observer it is apparent ty. that the modelers have faithfully reproduced in clay the features of the successive generations of children. If there were in existence a musuem containing one of each type of feature manufactured every year, it would comprise a faithful panorama of humanity as it appeared in infancy year after year. It s the duty of the modeler of dolls to examine consecutive generations of the human family in different countries in order that the styles in faces may keep pace with the changes of countenances

of children. We have here the fact and its expla-

nation that there are fashions in dolls as well as in dress. An incident is re-lated showing that the road of the modeler is not always of easy travel. One day a celebrated modeler discovered a child with a countenance more beautiful than any he had ever beheld. He spoke kindly to it, and loaded it with sweetmeats and caresses. Then, in a moment of temptation which he could not resist, he bore it away to his studio, where he delineated every feature of its face, and saw so many suggestions for other exquisite models by means of slight modifications that he secretly kept it. The dolls modeled therefrom were sent all over the world, and increased his wealth and position far

zed. The imperfect ones are separated by themselves and sold to "fairs" and 'cheap-John'' concerns, which dispose of them to people who infest such places. One German factory has been

running about one hundred and thirty years, and has produced one billion dolls. have failed owing to the cheap labor abroad. Congress, however, levies thirty five per cent. duty on those toys address him. (which make women of our girls), in expectation of future manufacture here.

The dolls form a miniature world of inanimate women, since the young ladies who play with dolls prefer young lady dolls. It is difficult to compre hend that they require every article in use by the human being except food and

with the fashions in dolls. The "chignon" and "waterfalls," the high back nia. hair and the Langtry bang, with cessively within a few years. All stybrandt. can walk, kneel down, sit down, stand stroked his gray beard thoughtfully. up or be placed in any attitude. Not "They will if you've got rich in the the modern doll has been favored by panion responded: invention, as plants and animals are by

moral teaching.

The Height of Waves, here

Many experiments have been made to 1 with myself." measure the height of waves in all conditions of weather. One authority goes above manufacturers of his kind. When as high as 64 feet, and another as low ested. he was done with the child he took its as five feet, giving it as his reason that life, fearing the consequences of abduc- the penetrating power of wind cannot Meanwhile the stricken parents reach below that depth. Of this philset at work. One day a German detec- ing his calculations in his study. On the into a great toy shop where beautiful as absurd, though it is more in corres-

The Esturning Gold-Humsey.

In the crowd at the Lake Shore Depot was a big fellow wearing z fur overcoat and a broad-brimmed hat. He walked up and down the great platform with his hands in his pockets, Some of the manufacturers are smoking and singing, apparently in the enormously rich. All attempts at best of humor. One of those inquisi-manufacturing dolls in this country tive men always to be found near a railway train, who had been watching him tor some time, finally ventured to

"From the West?"

The individual in fur removed his cigar and replied: "You bet." "Going East?"

"You bet."

The inquisitive man became interes. ted. He was going East too. It was eleven years since he had been east of drink. The styles of doll outfits change Lake Michigan, and he was going down to see the old folks in Pennsylva-

"That ain't a marker to me," said others of their kind, passed away suc- the Westener, with great vehemence. "I went West in '49, and this is my lish dolls to-day have hair a la Rem- first appearance this side of the Rocky Their furniture, dresses and Mountains since. I live when I am to other articles of wear and tear are pat- home in Maine and that's where I am terned after the fashions of the animate going now. When I left there I was a world. The dolls themselves have un | boy of 22 or thereabouts. Do you think dergone a marvellous evolution. They they will know me now?" and he

satisfied with this, the inventor has pro- meantime," said the inquisitive man, vided them with interior apparatus to making an effort to appear as if he did play musical airs. They squall and not care whether the question implied augh artificially. They anatomically by his remark was answered or not. He say "papa" and "mamma." In a word, was equally surprised when his com-

"That's just it, stranger. I've been selection, and threatens to talk to us on the coast these thirty-five years. automatically, and become human with- Jerusalem! but think of it-a lifetime out humanity, and living without life. | almost. I've had mor'n a thousand It cannot be said that the modern prospect sthat were considered immense. progress of the doll toward artificial I've been chasing something, nothing, being has an elevating tendency on the young. The primeval object of the doll I've seen the glitter of gold. Did you among the Greeks and Romans-an ob- ever get that way? No, of course you ject persistent through all later history didn't. I have seen gold everywhere was early to impart to the mind of and yet could not find it. The mounthe young girl the duties of maternity. | tains with their snowy peaks, the glis-The girl with her doll was a mother in tening ice, the sparkling frost have all embryo, as it were, learning maternal filled me with wonder, avarice, greed. duty and love toward offspring. The Everything that shone has tempted doll of to-day is either a source of me. My eyes have been strained so amusement or inordinate vanity. Even long, my whole being has been so abif endowed with an interior phonograph, and thus enabled to reproduce the hu-me to look anywhere or at anything. I man voice in any amount of speech, it like to smoke and close my eyes and must become a mere toy, stripped of its think. A wasted life is not pleasant for reflection. The hardships that I have endured, the things that might have been haunt me and disgust me

"Realtives down East?" inquired the man by his side, who was getting inter-

"Yes, sir, my mother, and that's what's taking me over the divide, stranger. A curious thing about that. had not been idle. Alarm was sounded osopher it may be presumed that he was Mighty curious. For 35 years I hardly through the country, and failing in this a martyr to sea sickness, and that he gave the old lady a thought. She wrote way to secure the child, detectives were must have contented himself with mak- frequently and I wrote when I had time but not like I ought to have done. I tive crossed over into Paris, and went other hand, a height of 64 feet is almost was absorbed in gold hunting when one day I received a letter from her conchildren were employed as pages. He pondence than five feet can possibly be taining her photograph. She's more'n did not find the child, but on the shelves with our conception of the altitude of 75 years old. It struck me like an are manufactured in the province of known to rise 60 feet; yet surges of this moment I lost interest in gold, quartz Thuringia in Germany. This compri- kind are happily scarce, since when they and placers. When I looked at the ses but thirty-five square miles, and occur they are not only in the habit of snowy peaks I saw my mother. I belongs to the Duke of Saxe-Coburg. razing whole towns upon the coast line dreamed of her at night. Her eyes The central market of receipt is Sonne-berg, a city of some 12,000 inhabitants. The population of Thuringia is about 50,-anchor in the neighborhood to the disproperty I had into dust and determin-Every one here is a doll laborer, enga- experience, however, will look with sus- ed to go home. I don't care who knows it. Here's a 49er who has been lured from the gold country by a mother's ture, or at work in the ovens and clay, of the waves. Professor Airy's table tear's. It will pay me richer dividends or elsewhere. The children work until couples speed with dimensions, and as than the things that I have been chasing so long.

"As age approaches and your plumpyou manage to retain your hold upon public affection?"

"We cannot do it. The life of a dancer, in a professional capacity, is a oughly uncomfortable. very short one. The fatigue is intense and tells upon one fearfully. Our use-fulness is at an end in a very few years and we withdraw from the glare and glitter of the footlights to pick up a living as best we can. Sometimes we succeed, and sometimes we-starvel It costs a great deal to satisfy the demands of the human eye in this modern world of sensation."

I went from the presence of the little American dancer-with the charming French name-to one of the pretty parks for which Detroit is noted and seated myself upon a bench to meditate. I tried to compute the cost of pleasing the modern eye. but found the task too herculean for humble endeavor. I glanced about me meditatively and noticed a magnificent mansion upon which an army of workmen were busily engaged in placing the finishing touches. This abode of wealth and luxury faced the park and must have cost an immense fortune in the building. Then I noticed another thing which exactly fitted in with the crotchets of my present train of thought. More than two-thirds of the money lavished upon that modern residence min stammered. had been expended entirely apon adomment for pleasing the eye of the beholder, without in the least adding to the comfort or convenience of the dwellers therein. I thoroughly believe in ren. fall to the ground with sufficient force dering the world as bright and beauti-ful as possible, and, therefore, have Can you lay the charge of failure to mothing to say in regard to the wisdom of spending for show what is so badly needed for the relief of existing misery.

The building, at least, cannot be turned out to die when its beauty is tarnished, I wandered into a Griswold street office a few days ago to request the

privilege of turning an honest penny by carrying up a load of coal which had just been deposited at the door below. I have grown into the habit of regarding such odd jobs as my legitimate prey, and depend upon them as the only means at command by which to provide against actual starvation. The legal gentleman who owned the coal and occupied the neatly fitted up suite of apartments was in his office and also in a very bad temper-sufficiently so to blind his usually keen vision to the fact of my presence. His son-an effeminate appearing swell of about 20 years -was the only other occupant of the room. He sat upon the extreme outer edge of one of the leather covered office chairs, sucked vigorously at the head of a light-waisted rattan walking stick, and appeared very warm and fil at ease. The old gentleman was pleading a cause with much angry earnestness-a cause in which he was evidently more deeply

interested than any which he had pre-viously brought before the bar of human justice. "Robert," he was saying, as I quietly entered and remained standing near the

door, "you know something of my past

'By jove! you knaw; it would for her loss. jury. weally be too nawsty on youah pawt to to convict my client?' "

"Your accent is thoroughly and purely American," the son corrected.

"If I found myself reduced to poverty between this hour and sunset do you

"At a moment's notice, sir." "How is it with yourself, Robert ?"

The young man started with such suddenness that the rattan dropped

towards the son with grave earnestness. pays an income tax or class tax. Under "I-I-don't know, sir," the young

"I think I am pretty well acquainted

with your capabilities, Robert. If the prop formed of my money were suddenly removed from your grasp, you would inform you in regard to what constitutes largest taxpayers as pay one-third ot a useful and progressive citizen at my door?"

Robert seemed to reflect for a moment upon a series of past lectures.

"N-no, sir!" he replied. "Did I send you through school?"

Y-yes, sirl"

the entire country and send you there, at an expense of something like \$2,500 per year?"

"Yes, sirl"

legitimate studies. I am fully aware aspire. that you graduated with distinction in several branches of modern cussedness."

"N-no sir!" "What was the reason, Robert?"

"I-I was expelled before the close of the sophomora year, sir?"

"Your expulsion was my fault, was it not?"

"Oh, no! sir."

"If you suddenly found yourself without resources, what could you do for a livlihood?"

'I-I'm sure I don't know." "Have you attempted to master any

profession?"

"No. sir." "Did I ever request you to concen-

trate your energies in this direction?" "And you always put me off, did you

not?"

"You are aware that I started in the | replied, glancing down at the willowy | ministration.

How They Vote in Germany.

A striking feature of the German municipal system is its entire independence of national politics. No issues but those think I possess sufficient business ability arising out of municipal questions are allowed to influence the city elections. Every male inhabitant 24 years of age has a right to vote on municipal elections provided that he has his own household and is not dependent upon from between his lips to the floor. The father or mother; that he has not receivfather had suddenly abandoned his ed alms from the funds for 12 years; that bantering style of address and turned he has paid all municipal dues; that he one or another of these five conditions all industrious persons in the city are included. That all votes should count equally is regarded as unbusiness like. The arrangement adopted to meet this point of view is this: Voters are divided into three classes, each of which elect one-third of the city council. To the first class are assigned so many of the the taxes assessed; to the second so many as in the aggregate pay the sec-ond-third of the taxes; to the third class belong all not included in the classes elects forty-two members of the sities. council, its influence upon questions "Did I not select the best college in of finance being kept in strict equality the finest wax dolls. It requires almost with its tax payments. The City Council of Berlin has long been conspicuous for the educational and fi nancial standing of its members. "Did you graduate with honor to Election to it is accounted an honor, and plaster of Paris, and the eyes, nose, yourself and me?-- I mean in your to which the ablest men of the city

Mrs. Polk.

eighty-one years of age, recently speak-ing of the time when she was lady of coating of wax; the thinly coated ones the White House, said that she enjoy- usually crack in cold weather. The ed that period of her life, and looked back upon it after forty years with pleasure. She is fond of recalling incidents of Mr. Polk's administration, wax made from the residue of petroand is proud of his career. She says leum. she regards the annexation of Texas war, that is, the acquirement of the modeled by hand, they are baked in a

Nine-tenths of all the dolls produced that the earthquake wave has been 'Poor fool, boy.'

war. where. So it happens that whole families, from the grandsire to the grandchild, labor from generation to generaa mishap befalls the potatoes it brings more misery and woe to them.

If these families have bacon and potatoes once a week during the year they regard It as a season of prosperity. Yet in spite of this poverty they are seldom without their beer. They can go without food and clothes, but never without beer. Every day people may be seen entering Sonneberg with large baskets upon their heads bearing the product of long way down. It is a common shore much money at that." several days' or perhaps a week's industry. For this they receive a dollar, or fifty cents more, which is greedily first and second. Each of the three but scantily divided for absolute neces-

The manufacturers of Paris produce consummate skill to make these toys. Each workman has models at home, and buys materials for manufacture. The skeleton is constructed out of lime mouth and ears are cut with a knife. Mrs. James K. Polk, who is now dresser for a wig, and finally to the work girls to be dressed. The money

China dolls are more exclusively the

Californias, New Mexico, and all those great oven for a week. During this interpose a sheet of goldleaf between some of the most important events in the history of this country. In fact, she thought Mr. Polk's administration was second to none, and she would not event the results of the result of the result of the tenders are never in the history of this country. In fact, will produce disastrous results. A ance thereon of a luminous flash of Territories so rich in mineral ore, as time the utmost care and watchfulness even except the results obtained by Mr. thirty ovens are often full at once in considerable intensity. These experi- doubt-or perhaps twining her vines?" "Yes, sir," stammered the young man. rolling the handle of the rattan to one side to allow the words to escape, "I—I'm afraid not," the young man

000, or 1,500 people to the square mile. | tance of a day's walk inland. Practical ged in making a wig, an eye, a leg, an picion upon most of the scientific theo-arm, a dress, some part of doll furni- ries touching the altitude and velocity they are sent to school, under compul- a sample of his calculations, it may sion, where they remain to the age of be shown that a wave one hundred 14. Then the girls return to their thousand feet in breadth will travel at work for life, and the boys go to the army for a period of years, after which that is ten thousand feet deep. This is they return for life, unless called out by possible, but it is difficult to accept These wretched people have been | such conclusions as exact. At all events trained to this drudgery so long that it there is nothing more deceptive than has become a matter of instinct with the height of waves. The tallest seas them. They are fitted for no other in the world run off Cape Horn, where, work, and if they were, have no money | whether the wind blows east or west, by which to get away. If they went they have a holiday ground within a away, there are few doll makers else- belt of eight or ten degrees that compasses the globe without the interven- He has got a pigeon ranche. tion of a break of land. Any man who has run, say, before a strong westerly tion, and from morning to night. Each gale round the Horn will know the family has a little patch of land, where magnitude of the seas which follow his few potatoes are cultivated. It ship. Viewed from the stern, when the vessel sinks in the trough, the oncoming sea that is about to underrun the

ship, and lift her soaring to the flying heavens, will seem to have its rushing crests which from the deck looked a with the Austin Gan club." long way up, will now appear to be a

going phrase that the seas run mountains high. The idea implied is not very ly supposed to be, no ship could by any possibility live in them. They are lofty to the fancy, because at sea they are usually surveyed from low freeboards.

cific surge would necessarily appear as The figure being ready is dipped into hot wax and dried. It then goes to the painter for features, then to the hair-dresser for features, then to the hair-Thames to the Hooghly.

lamp. Upon going into a dark place and applying the knuckle to the paper a very decided spark will start from the latter a control of the space of t and the results following the Mexican product of the factory. After being latter, accompanied by a slight cracking sound. Take fwo sheets of paper and awsk?"

A Figeon Eanch.

Maj. Ryan has returned to Austin, from a trip to San Antonio.

"Well, who did you see over in San Antonio?" asked Monroe Miller, on meeting him. "Did you see Dave Pulsiver!"

"Yes, I saw Dave. He is getting rich, making money hand over fist. He has got the safest thing you ever saw.

"A pigeon ranche! Why, there can't be money in that." "But there is a bonanza in it the way

Dave manages. I wanted to buy a half interest in it. but he wouldn't sell."

"Do the people eat so many pigeons over at San Antonio."

"No, they don't eat any more pigeons over there than we do here in Austin, summit to the height of the mizzen top; but you see Dave has a contract to furbut when the su mmit is gained by the nish the San Antonio Gun club with observer, and the waves viewed from pigeons. The Gun club is practicing there, it will then be seen that those every day, in order to get up a match

"I don't see ;how he can make so

"You have never seen those San Autonio marksmen shoot. They only hit generally accepted by sailors, though one pigeon in ten. Dave has those the term may be sometimes used by pigeons trained so that as soon as they them for convenience. The truth is, if are shot at and missed, they fly home, waves were as tall as they are popular- and next day, Dave sells them over again to the Gun club, and back they come again all safe and sound. Dave hasn't got a pigeon on his ranche that has not been shot at forty times, and To a spectator on a steamer, with a six he has got more pigeons now than foot height of side, an Atlantic or Pa- when the San Antonio Gun club begon shooting at them."

A FASHIONABLE dude who had been of battle ship, with a thirty foot dip,or from one of those lefty, glazed, castel-lated structures which in former times try lass on an excursion, and received an spending the summer at St. Albans took six months to jog soberly from the invitation to call upon her at her home in East Swinton. Hireing a nobby outfit he drove up there one day last To produce an electric spark it is only week and drew up at the farm house necessary to warm a sheet of paper in door in great state. No one making an front of a good fire or stove or over a appearance, he reached out and tapped

"Aw-is Miss Blank at home, may I

"Naw, she ann't-not to callers." "Will you kindly inform me where

she 18? "Wall if you must know, she ain't a hundred miles off. But she's busy." "Ahl watering her roses, I do not "Naw, she isn't. She's out on the barn roof helping the old man to shin-

The dude drove back to St. Albans,