Why should I love the wild bird's lilt, Or notice where his nest is built? The pale-faced night, the pink-cheek-

ed dawn Look on my life but to be gone.

Here is the "Lovers' Walk," where we-

A month ago, but years to me, Beneath a rosy, dimpling sky, Strolled oft together, he and I. And I was all his world-ah! me, The days I never more may see!

I know each shrub and flower here; For his dear sake each one is dear. He rested there, beneath that tree, And, whispering sweet love to me, Smoothed tenderly my silken hair, fair.

But now, those hands with fond caress

A head of golden wimples press. He looks into her smiling eyes And sees a picture of the skies. They stroll together here-and I? I am a dog! They pass me by.

wo more such love may bless my life

For master has brought home a wife. -Leslie's Monthly.

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觀點數數說疑疑認定的說說疑疑說說說說說說說說說說說說說說說說說 Billy Allen sat on the choppingblock, whittling dejectedly. He had been listening to a conversation between his father and mother, and it was quite evident that things were 'going to the dogs." The crops had failed miserably, the interest on the mortgage would be due in two months, and even with the money that his sister Emma earned in the corn cannery, could not be met by fifty dollars.

But what had hurt Billy worst of all had been his mother's final remark; the pathos had been in her voice perhaps more than in the words themselves.

"It's a pretty place," she had said, turning away; and Billy knew that meant they would have to leave the old, rocky, hillside farm, which, after all, they loved.

He was summoned to carry the and melancholy with unproductive thought.

His aunt lived a mile and a half away, in the middle of Pembridge village. To Billy, whose own home at the foot of a mountain and behind a forest was remote, the village was a highly interesting place; and in summer the most interesting thing in it was his aunt's house, for she "took in" boarders. At the evening hour, when Billy arrived with the milk, these well-dressed city people would usually be sitting on the piazza or under the trees, or perhaps playing croquet on Mrs. Snyder's bit of lawn.

On this evening Billy looked at them wistfully. They seemed to him so inhumanly free from all the cares and worries of this world.

He carried the milk into the kitchen. His aunt was on the back porch, turning the crank of an icecream freezer

"Billy," she said, "have you five minutes to spare? Turn this a while, and I'll give you some of the icecream." Billy took his aunt's place, remark-

ing his time was not valuable. "They're going to have a party tonight," she explained, pouring the milk into her pans. "It makes lots of extra work, but land! they pay.

I don't complain." "How did you get 'em, Aunt Sue?" Billy asked, languidly. "Advertised. Can't get anything

without advertising, nowadays." "They have to have croquet and hammocks and ice-cream, don't they, Aunt Sue?"

"My folks do. My sakes, they want the earth! But there's always a profit on it if you manage right," she added, cheerfully,

On the way home Billy's thoughts centered upon summer boarders. If there were only some way of persuading them to come to his mother's house! There were two spare rooms, decently furnished and every one said his mother was a "natural-born" cook. But what attractions could he offer in place of such impossible luxuries a gun. Did you see how he looked as his aunt was able to afford? Noth- at ours? Maybe he could kill the ing except the great, overtowering bear." mountain, with its trout brooks and its one traditional bear-which many professed to have seen and at which five dollars," he said.

a few had shot. When Billy reached home, he said to his mother:

"If you had boarders, mother, how much would you charge them?"

"That depends," she answered, with. | tion epeech. out much interest. "Aunt Sue gets from seven to ten dollars a week. If folks would put up with what we for you; it's all been fun for me." could give them, I'd be glad to get five dollars. With the garden-truck I could save half of that."

"Would you like to take boarders, mother?"

seem as casual as possible.

Billy did not wish to rouse his mother's hopes. He determined to By picking blackberries, which he a Boston newspaper. Then he cast nibble.

taken this step, two clerks in a Bos- lishment which advertises under the 000. ton dry-goods store sat down to supper in their boarding-house and ion. spread out a newspaper between them.

"Look here, Dalton, how's this?" said one of them, pointing with his finger at an advertisement, which ran as follows:

Boarders Wanted. Farmhouse on Little Hawk Mountain. Fine scenery, trout brooks, swimming in the lake, And said 'twas wondrous fine and maybe a shot at a bear. No hammocks or croquet, and just plain country living, but mother's a first-rate cook. Five dollars a week. W. Allen, Pembridge, Maine,

Dalton broke out laughing. "Isn't that delicious? He calls his wife 'mother!' I vote we go there."

"It looks like what we want," said the other man, Cornish, "and with vacation only ten days away, we'd better make up our minds now. This W. Allen is evidently an honest, straightforward old fellow, who will treat us well and make no fuss about

"We must get some buckshot and load up a few shells for that bear," remarked Dalton.

When Billy opened a letter and read that Mr. Thomas Dalton and Mr. Edward Cornish wished to engage two rooms for two weeks, and would arrive on August 31st, he was tremuous with joy at his success. He gave the letter to his mother without a word; and when he saw how her face lighted up, first with surprise and then with sudden hope, he went out and split wood for an hour, because he felt so happy that he had to break something.

During the week before the thirtyfirst there seemed to be a new spirit of energy in the Allen family. Billy's his claws and held it up the length mother freshened up the spare rooms with pictures and chairs from her on the skid and stood above him and own room, and gaily stripped her own he easily held me and the skid, which and Billy's beds of the best sheets I should judge would weigh more and coverings.

go back inclined to give us a recom- 119 pounds. Put a stick in the claw mendation, even if the rest of us of a wounded eagle and let him grasp have to put up with a few things," she said.

Her husband displayed a renewed activity in cultivating the garden, From Forest and Stream. daily can of milk to his Aunt Sue, which at least had not suffered much and having harnessed the horse, he from the bad year. And Billy went drove off on his errand, still frowning about, tinkering and mending, and rooting the grass out of the path; It Was Previously Unknown and It it did not do much good, but it showed a good spirit. Also he wrote a formal jetter to Mr. Dalton, announcing that he had reserved two rooms

for him and his friend. On the afternoon of the last day of and two young men alighted. Billy and. sauntered forward, with a broad, embarrassed smile on his freckled face.

men to him. "Can you direct us wealth. to Mr. W. Allen's house?" "I'm W. Allen," said Billy. "Let

Dalton stared down at the small his valise

me take your things."

with whom I've corresponded?"

take these?" "I guess we're better able to lug

follow." And that was what Billy did indefatigably for the next two weeks. numbers and are counted among the The young men had taken a fancy to valuable resources of the island, as him, and insisted that he should ac there is a good market for their plumcompany them on all their excursions. age in Europe, particularly in France. 'le guided them to all the trout Trade in these feathers has already brooks, where their success was be begun, and they are the first of the youd anything that they had dream island's resources to be shipped to ed; they took him swimming with Europe. them in the lake. Two days they beat the mountain slopes in search seems to be fairly healthful. No repof the bear; but a traditional bear tiles or venomous insects can be is always hard to kill, and doubtless found, and the only quadruped that that one still roams the forests of the island seems to possess is a

Little Hawk. last view of the distant lake, Cornish | York Sun.

said to Dalton: "The little fellow ought to have

Dalton laughed, "There's a village boy who offers a muzzle-loader for

That afternoon they sought out the village boy and secured the gun, heard Tony's version. and in the evening, just before leaving for their train, Cornish gave it to Billy, with an elaborate presenta-

"But you oughtn't to give it to me!" cried the boy. I haven't done a thing "Never mind," said Dalton. "All we ask is that when he come back to stay with you next summer, you

have a bearskin to show us." The Allens' "summer season" did The boy tried to make his question not close for three weeks longer, On returning to the city Cornish and Da!-

"Would I be glad of a fortune?" ton sent a friend of theirs with his two young sons.

The upshot of it all was that with proceed on his own responsibility. the money that Emma earned at the canning factory, where she had had sold to his aunt, he earned enough more work than usual, the Allens money to insert one advertisement in tided over their hard times. And now even Aunt Sue's boarding-house is his balt out into the great, rich no more prosperous and no better world, and waited anxiously for a supplied with croquet and hammocks, and offers ice-cream to its guests On the second day after Billy had no more frequently than the estabname of W. Allen-Youth's Compan

THE STRENGTH OF AN EAGLE.

Weight the Bird Could Carry In

Flight-His Strong Claws. While I cannot give any positive proof of how much a bald eagle can carry, I should suppose that he could carry at least as much in propor tion to his weight as a hawk or a spring turkeys, 12@17. horned owl. I have the recorded weight of a male baid eagle weighing nine and one-quarter pounds and 3 female weighing twelve pounds.

A horned owl will weigh from four to five pounds, and I have several times known one to carry off a large house cat. One was a very large one and the owner told me he could hear the cat cry as he was being carried off. Now, any one who will weigh a large house cat will find it to weigh at least ten pounds.

I have seen a goshawk carry off a hen fully twice its own weight, and I have taken from a marsh hawk a very large chicken which would weigh more than twice what the hawk would. The marsh hawk is one of our weakest hawks, but he had carried this chicken over a quarter of a mile. My belief is that if a hawk or horned owl can carry more than twice its weight (and I know posttively that they can) that an eagle could, if occasion required, do as much in proportion to his weight, which would be to carry eighteen or twenty pounds.

Once when an eagle, shot through the body with a rifle ball, lay on its back, I upended a long road skid and dropped it on him. Before it reached him he stretched up and caught it in of his legs above him. I walked up than twenty pounds. I took pains to "I'm going to see that our guests be weighed the same day and weighed a small tree with the other and a man must be stronger than I ever was to take the stick from him .-

### JAPAN GETS A NEW ISLAND

Bids Fair to Be Wealth Producing.

The Japanese report the discovery of a previously unknown island about 280 miles east of Formosa. The discovery is somewhat surprising at August he was at the station, with this late date. The Japanese flag has the old horse and wagon, to meet been raised over !t. and the name the guests. When the train stopped Nishigawa has been given to the isl-

A Japanese agent, Mr. Nishihata, is very enthusiastic over the discov-"Hello, son!" said one of the young ery. He says it has great natural

He found in the waters between the surrounding flat reef and the shores of the island several kinds of salable shells and mother of pearl in abundboy, who strove to relieve him of ance. There are also inexhaustible supplies of commercial ceral; and "Well, well!" exclaimed the young better still he found enormous quanman. "And you're the gentleman titles of calcium phosphate on the reefs, that will afford the pest of arti-"Yes, sir," said Billy, still tugging ficial fertilizer, and he thinks the at the valise. "Won't you let me supply is sufficient to keep miners

busy for fifty or sixty years, As his vessel approached the islthem than you are," Cornish remark- and Mr Nishthata saw a cloud of ed, looking kindly at the small, eager | birds hovering over it, and he found figure. "You lead the way and we'll later that they were of a species which the Japanese call osadori. These birds abound there in great

The flora is tropical, but the island variety of rat about the size of a The young men joked Billy a good rabbit. This addition of a few score deal about the bear, but on the last of square miles to the known land day of their vacation, when they surface of the earth bids fair to add had strolled to the hilltop for a a little to the world's wealth.-New

### Aesop in "Little Italy."

A school teacher in the Italian quarter of an American city told her children the story of the fox and the grapes. Tony was especially delighted with the story, and eagerly sought his chum, Joe, who was in another class. By good luck, the teacher over-

In his excited, broken English he told the fable much as it is written, until he came to the end. This was his rendering of the climax: "De olda fox he say, "De grape no

good, anyhow; alla sour! I guess 1 go getta de banan'.' "-- Youth's Companion. Argentina is said to be the only country in the world whose Congress

appropriates \$12,000 a year to aid the

work of the National Council of

### COMMERCIAL COLUMN

the returns from Billy's boarders and Weekly Review of Trade and Latest Market Reports.

> New York. - Wheat - Receipts, 95,800; exports, 646,578. Sales, 1,-600,000. Spot steady. No. 2 red, 1.09 ½ elevator; No. 2 red, 1.09 % f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Du-luth, 1.13% f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 1.09% f. o. b. afloat. Corn-Receipts, 9,675. Sales, 80,-Spot easy; No. 1, 71% nominal elevator, and 72% nominal f. o. b. afloat to arrive; No. 2, 79c. spot.

Oats - Receipts, 63,000. steady; mixed, 26@32 pounds, 52@52½; natural white, 26@32 pounds, 50@511/2; clipped white, 34@42 pounds, 53@59.

Poultry-Alive easy; spring chick-12; fowls, 11; turkeys, 12; dressed, frregular; Western spring chickens, 15@20; fowls, 10@14; Butter-Firm; receipts, 8,054;

creamery, specials, 29 1/2; extras, 28 1/2 @ 29; thirds to firsts, 20 @ 27; held, firsts to specials, 24 1/2 @ 28; State dairy, common to the finest, 20 @ 27 1/2; Western imitation creamery, firsts, 20 1/2 @ 21. Eggs-Strong; receipts, 10,998;

State, Pennsylvania, and near-by selected white, fancy, 46@48; do. fair to choice, 34@45; brown and mixed, fancy, 36@38; do., fair to choice, 30@35; Western firsts, 32@ 32 1/2; seconds, 29 @ 31.

Philadelphia. - Wheat - Steady; contract grade, November, 1.02@ 1.02 % c. Corn-Steady; No. 2 new yellow,

for local trade, 70@73c. Oats-Easier; No. 2 white, nataral, 53c.

Butter - Firm; extra Western preamery, 29 1/2 c.; do., near-by prints,

Eggs-Firm; good demand; Pennsylvania and other near-by firsts, free cases, 31c. at mark; do., current rein returnable cases, 30 at mark; Western firsts, free cases, 31 at mark; do., current receipts, free cases, 29@30.

Cheese-Firm; New York, full creams, choice, 13 1/2 c.; do., fair to good, 12 1/2 @ 13.

Poultry-Alive, firm and higher; fowls, 12@13 1/2 c.; old roosters, 9@ spring chickens, 12@13%; ducks, 11@12.

Potatoes - Firm; Pennsylvania, per bu. 78@80c,; New York, choice, 72@75; do., fair to good, 68@70.

Baltimore .- Flour -- Firm and unchanged; receipts, 17,764 bbls.; exports, 13,218 bbls. Wheat - Dull; spot, contract,

1.01 1/4 @ 1.01 1/2; spot No. 2 red Western, 1.03 1/4; November, 1.01 1/2; December, 1.02 1/2 @1.02%; steamer No. 2 red, 98% @981/2; receipts, 33,431 bush.; exports, 16,000 bush.; Southern, on grade, 98 1/4 @ 98 1/4.

Corn - Easy: year, 36@664 January, 65 1/2 6 25 %; receipts, 3, 753 bush.; new, Southern yellow corn. 76.

Oats-Firm; No. 2 white, 53@ 531/2; No. 3 white, 52@53; No. 2 mixed, 51 1/2 @ 52; receipts, 1,500 bush.

-Firm; No. 2 Western export, 82@821/2; receipts, 3,731 bush. Hay-Firmer; No. 1 timothy,

14.50; No. al clover mixed, 11.50. Butter-Steady; fancy imitation 22@23; fancy creamery, 29@30; fancy ladle, 20@21; store-packed. 17@18.

Eggs-Steady; 29@30. Cheese-Quiet; new, large, 13%; new, flats, 13%; new, small, 14.

New York .- Beeves -- Receipts, 1. 244; seven cars on sale; no trading; feeling steady; dressed beef firm at 7 to 10%c. per pound for native sides; Texas beef at 5% to 7c.

Calves-Receipts, 162. Markel steady; common to good veals, 5.0( to 8.50 per 100 pounds; barn yard calves, 3.50.

Hogs-Receipts, 1,755. Feeling firm; State pigs sold at 5.50 per 100 pounds.

Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 443; market steady. Sheep, 2.50 to 4.25; culls, 2.00 to 2.25; yearlings 4.50 to 5.00; lambs, 5.50 to 6.50; culls, 4.00.

Chicago. - Cattle - Receipts estimated, 5,000; market 10 to 20c. higher. Steers, 4.00@7.50; cows 3.00@5.00; helfers, 2.50@4.60; bulls, 2.50@4.50; calves, 3.00@ 7.85; stockers and feeders, 2.50@

Hogs-Receipts estimated about 23,000; market 5c. higher; choice heavy shipping, 5.30 6.35; butchers, 6.20 6.35; light mixed, 5.60 6 5.90; choice light, 5.50@6.15; pack-5.85@6.35; pigs, 4.25@5.50; bulk of sales, 6.30@6.35.

Sheep-Receipts estimated, 000; market 10 to 15c. higher; sheep, 4.40@5.00; lambs, 4.75@ 6.50; yearlings, 3.85@5.25.

### THIS AND THAT.

London imports 1,000,000 pounds of butter a week from Siberia. The trolley lines of the country are capitalized at \$38,000 a mile. Properly used, a government bulletin says, nuts are easily digested.

Sarah P. Morrison has entered the graduate school of the University of Indiana at 75. The maximum load of a Georgia mule is fixed by law at 2,500 pounds. Cumminton, Mass., is 13 miles from any means of transportation

Wesley Yankee, of Kansas City, Mo., and his descendants cast 23 votes for Bryan Tuesday. The phonograph has been introinto a nickel-in-the-slot

except a country road

weighing machine to announce a person's weight orally. A street up a hill in Berlin is so steep that it is built in steps, wag-on traffic being impossible on account of the grade.

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### SPORTING BREVITIES.

P. T. Powers was elected president of the Eastern Baseball League. New laws for the regulation of motor boats are likely to be passed at the next session of Congress.

The Pittsburg Club has purchased pitcher Robert Vail from the Ports-mouth Club, of the Virginia League. One hundred and forty-three head of brood mares sold at auction for \$27,700 at the McGrathiana stud disposal in Kentucky.

Thomas C. Jefferson, one of the best known owners of trotting and saddle horses in Kentucky, died at his home in Lexington, Ky., aged fifty-seven years.

James R. Keene headed the list of winning owners for the racing season which came to an end at Jamaica recently with a grand total of \$282,-000 in round figures. John L. Sullivan, for twelve years

the heavyweight champion puglist of the world, celebrated his fiftieth birthday at Hot Springs by taking the pledge for the rest of his life. Shipment to England of the choicest thoroughbreds in the Keene, Bel-

mont, Whitney, Duryea and Hitchcock stables amounts to a final surrender of the racetrack interests. With an average speed of sixty-four miles an hour, Herbert Lytic drove Clifford W. Brokaw's Isotta car to victory in the fastest of the

five sweepstakes which opened the new Long Island motor parkway. The ten-mile Marathon run to be held in conjunction with the Brooklyn Postoffice games on Saturday, January 16, is going to be an interesting affair. All the old-timers will start. The feature will be the race of Gillespie, who wins a bride if he crosses

the tape first. Official announcement was made that George Stallings will manage the New York American League baseball team next season.

Prepared For War. Holland's ultimatum to Venezuela has expired and President Castro ordered 50,000 troops to be ready to take the field.

Germany's Great Wheat Crop. Germany's wheat crop this year will exceed that of 1907, so also will rye. The gain will be 680,000 tons.

### PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Richard Croker decided to leave Ireland for a visit to the United States.

President C. W. Ellot, of Harvard resigned, and his resignation, to take effect May 19, 1909, was accepted. Howard Gould won the honors for chrysanthemums at the first day of the National Flower Show in Chicago. Seth Low succeeds James R. Morse in the presidency of the American

Asiatic Association, now eleven years

Dr. Sven Hedin, the Swedish explorer, says that he has discovered the true sources of the Bramaputra

DeLancey Nicoll, attorney, of New York City, said that Howard Gould's income had been cut down \$300,000 and was now only \$400,000.

One of the best known mining men in the country, Walter Fitch, has resigned as superintendent of the Calumet and Hecla properties. Duchess Alexandra Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein was married in

Berlin to Prince August William of Prussia, fourth son of the Emperor. R, W. Gilder, of the Century, said that the Kaiser article was not with-drawn because of anything in it likely to cause international complications. Kenyon Cox, the painter, is also an accomplished writer. He is a son of General Jacob D. Cox, Secretary of

the Interior in President Grant's first Amid great ceremony the Czar of Bulgaria convened the National Assembly for the first time since claiming regal dignity, and was enthusias-

tically cheered by the people. Henry P. Davidson, vice-president of the First National Bank of New York, and Professor A. P. Andrews, members of the National Monetary Commission, have returned from an official trip to Europe.

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