dying. Far down the pathway of the west, I saw a lonely dove in silence flying To be at rest.

Pilgrim of air, I cried, could I but borrow

Thy wandering wings, thy freedom blest.

I'd fly away from every careful sorrow And find my rest.

But when the dusk a filmy veil was weaving.

Back came the dove to seek her nest. Deep in the forest where her mate was grieving-

There was true rest. Peace, heart of mine! no longer sigh

to wander: Lase not thy life in fruitless quest, There are no happy islands over yonder:

> Come home and rest. -Henry Van Dyke.

THE LITTLE WHITE WOOLLY DOG.

One morning, a week or so after said,-Christmas, Jamie was whirling round and round on a stool in front of the glove counter in a large department store. His mother sat near by, trying on gloves. Jamie whirled round and round until he was so dizzy that he had to sit still and look straight

ahead for a long time. When he was quite level-headed again, it suddenly came over him with a flash what he was looking at. It was that large open way near the elevator, through which his father had taken him before Christmas, and there he had discovered-oh, it seemed like hundreds of dolls and hundreds of Teddy bears and woolly lambs and engines and tin soldiers and shaggy dogs.

Quickly Jamie jumped down from the stool and ran to the large door; but, as he entered, he was amazed, instead of long tables covered with Teddy bears and soldiers and drums and things, there were towels and piles of white stuff and brig's colored cloth, Jamie looked from one end of the room to the other. Not even so much as a Teddy bear left. He wondered where in the world they could bave gone.

But yes, there was something left. Jamie spied it, just behind the counter, one little white woolly dog, just like the one he had received for Christmas. There it sat with its head cocked on one side.

As Jamie ran to it and grasped it ightly in his arms, he was surprised to see it wag its tail and try to lick his face. His little white woolly dog at home had never done that.

"Will my little white woolly dog learn to wag his tail and bark?" asked Jamie of this little white woolly

Just then Jamie's mother rushed up, looking all pale and scared.

"Jamie, Jamie," she cried, "you ran away from mother," and pulled him gently to her.

woolly dog, which had been barking at him softly, and put his arms around his mother's neck. He was ever and ever so sorry that he had run away without telling her first where he was going, because he told me so afterwards. He knew that it was not a nice thing to do, because it makes your mother worry and worry, and she has to look for you a long time before she finds you.

I was sitting in Jamie's mother's parlor the day he told me about it from beginning to end-from his getting dizzy to how sorry he felt because his mother had to search for him all over the store, and was afraid he had been killed on the elevator. "What was that little white woolly

dog saying to you when your mother found you, Jamie?" Jamie looked the other way and

said, "Oh, nothing."

"Tell me, Jamie," I said. "You won't tell any one." he asked. "You know I won't, Jamie." Jamle lowered his voice.

"You know, I asked him if my little white woolly dog would ever learn to wag his tail and bark like a reai live dog."

"And what did he say?" I urged. "He said to pierce his ears and tie a green ribbon through the hole in one ear and a yellow ribbon in the other, and that would make him see better. You know people have their ears pierced and wear earrings when they don't see very well."

"Yes," I said; "but about his tail?" "He said to get some one to write Uncle Grif's name on a piece of paper and wrap it tight around my little dog's tail with a red ribbon-you know Uncle Grif is such a wag."

"Yes-and the bark?" "He said to make him a collar of birch bark. See, I've done it all." and Jamie brought forth the little white woolly dog. He looked gay with his red, yellow, and green ribbons, and pretty birch bark collar.

"Now we must wait," I said. "Yes, we must wait," said Jamie, solemnly.

So we waited. Every time I saw Jamie, I would say, "Has he barked?"

"No." "Nor wagged?" "No."

seeing each other, he would call me to bed, and say, ... can audit and

"No wag and our bark yet." That was all for fear some one would find out our secret Every one was trying so hard to discover it. Jamie thought that we had never had such a good one before in all our lives.

The days went on and still Jamie's message was, "No bark and no wag." I knew about patience, so as to cheer a way," and "If in the first you don't succeed, try, try again," and "Pati- of pearls belonging to his Majesty membered afterwards that it was virtue instead of patience.

One day, as I was going about I saw a little black-eyed newsboy standing on the corner holding his bundle of papers under one arm, And | Suez."-Westminster Gazette. what do you think he had under the other arm? A dear little white curly

"Papa, lady?" he cried.

"Not today," I said, and passed on. I found my rubber door-mat at last; this was the fifth store I had been to inquiring for it, and started

As I passed the corner, there stood the little newsboy with his bundle ty in the mechanism. of papers and his dog. I stopped and

"Is that your dog?" "Yes," he answered.

"Would you sell it to me?" I asked. "It is for Jamie. He has waited patiently twenty-five days for his little white woolly dog that he got for Christmas to learn to wag his tail and bark."

Then I told him of the different things Jamie had tried.

The little newsboy was very much interested in Jamie and his methods. "I fear he did not understand the little white dog in the store just right," I said, "or there is some little catch about it that Jamie hasn't done just right; but I've really begun to think that it isn't going to work,' and we both sighed to think of Jamie with a little white woolly dog that

would never bark or wag. "I will sell mine, if it's for Jamie, finally said the black-eyed newsboy, and in a few minutes I was on the street car, hastening to Jamie's house with my rubber door-mat under one arm and Jamie's little white woolly dog under the other. The dog waged his tail and barked so continuously that every one on the car was looking at him.

When I got to Jamie's house, I was too excited to ring the bell, but rushed right in. Jamie was sitting on the floor, looking at a large picture book, and I fairly threw the little white woolly dog at him.

Jamie shrieked, "Is he mine? Realand the little white wool ly dog barked and wagged and jump-

He was named Teddy, of course .-Helen Wilson, in Old and new.

FAMOUS PEARLING GROUNDS.

Fishery on Arabian Seacoast-Collections Owned by Indian Princes.

Prince Ranjitsinhji (the Jam of Jamnagar) has lately leased his pear! fishery off the port of Salaya, on the Jamie dropped the little white Arabian seacoast, to a European concessionaire. This fishery-the only one in Kathlawar-was never properly developed before, neither by the old Jam-Sahib nor by the last ruling Chief of Jamnagar. It is, as a matter of fact, a most valuable adjunct to the State. Most of the divers are natives, and they are particularly expert, being fiterally like armorciad fishes in the sea. Madras too has its This Physician Says Emphatically pearl fisheries, but they do not amount to a great deal, while the well known and famous Ceylon pearling grounds are to some extent exhausted,

Not long ago I visited the collection of pearl and diamonds of his Highness the Maharajah-Gaekwar of Baroda. These pearls are truly magnificent-I never expect to see any finer-and perhaps the gem of the collection is a necklet of immense pearls and emeralds in a gorgeous setting. The Gaekwar is justly proud of his pearls. Among his diamonds he possesses, by the way, the celebrated Star of the South, being the celebrated gem for a long time in the possession of Napoleon Bonaparte, after whose fall it passed to a Parsee merchant of Bombay.

The Nawab of Rampur, in central India, is a Mohammedan chieftain who owns such magnificent pearls that in a few years he has expended a sum of about a million and a half sterling is their acquisition. This now represents a far larger sum than £1,500,000, owing to the circumstances that Indian pearls have gone up in price by leaps and bounds. The Jamnagar collection (Ranjitsinhji's) is very famous, but oddly enough it is more renowned for its emeralds than its pearls. The premier ruling chief of India, the Nizam of Hyderabad, has many precious stones in the pearl, ruby and emerald

line. He has also the enormous diamond known locally as the Nizam. When a few years ago Arthur Priestley, M. P., was in Patlala on a shooting expedition with K. S. Ranjitsinhji, as the guest of the late Maharajah of that thriving State, he was much attracted by a magnificent black pearl which his Highness was wearing. The Maharajah there upon removed it from his vest and insisted upon Mr. Priestley accepting ft. This he did with much reluctance. having admired it (ah he said) in all innocence, and it is one of his cherish York Press

And, if a day went by without our ed possessions to-day. It is valued at several hundred pounds. As a fact over the telephone before he went the Indian black pearl is not altogether rare, but naturally the specimen presented by the Maharajah of Patiala to Mr. Priestley would be one of the meet on the world. Hanagew

If this contemplated "boom" in Eastern pearls comes off the result is bound to be enormously interesting, for there is a vast field to exploit. Near by the coast of Kathiawar are the far famed pearling grounds of the I taught Jamie all the little verses Persian Gulf, which will have such a rude disturbance in the event of an him up during his weary wait. He attack upon our Indian possessions at learned, "Where there's a will, there's any time. Among other Eastern potentates to be named, the collection ence is its own reward," only I re- King Chulalongkors I. of Siamwhich I have also visited-is among the rarest to be seen of men. Certain of these gems were procured upon the town, looking for a rubber door-mat, European markets, but in the majority of cases they are known to have come directly from "east of

TAXICAB MECHANISM

Just What Should Be Done to the Meter Up in Front.

Probably not one person in ten riding in a taximeter cab has any idea how the meter is manipulated. Of course not all of these meters work alike, but there is a general similari-

In London taximeters have to be passed upon by three police officials before they were allowed to be placed | there is a disposition to regard tariff in service, and they have to be periodically tested.

It is not asserted that the record s infallibly accurate, but as a rule the advantage is slightly in favor of the passenger, and practice has shown these taximeters to be more than sufficently accurate for all praegtical purposes.

When a machine is engaged the driver moves the flag downward by means of the handle on the flagpost, and this movement causes the word 'Hired" to be exhibited in place of the words "For Hire" one the main dial, and the initial charge is shown under "Fare."

By means of a handle at the back the driver can then charge for "Extras," such as additional persons, luggage, etc., an indication of these items being also shown on the main

As each of the handles is moved gong is sounded, so that the apparatus cannot be manipulated without the passenger's attention being attracted. When a journey is completed and the fare paid the driver moves the flag up again and the indications on the main dial disappear until the vehicle is again hired. The other handle at the back is for the purpose of winding the clock mechan-

In addition to the items which affect the passenger, however, the apa day's work on the side dial, these indications, reading in order from 69c the top downward in horizontal lines, being as follows?

1. This indicates the number of engagements, for each of which the initial charge has to be accounted for. 2. This indicates all the amounts

received above the initial charges. 3. This indicates the totals of all extras. 4. This indicates the number of

miles travelled without a fare. 5. This indicates the number of miles travelled while engaged and

therefore while earning a fare. By means of these indications the earnings of the day and the work done can be readily computed .- Cassier's Magazine.

IS ALCOHOL A POISON?

That It Is Most Virulent.

Is alcohol a poison to the animal organism? asks Dr. Henry Smith Williams in McClure's Magazine. A poison being, in the ordinary accept ance of the word, an agent that may injuriously affect the tissues of the body, and lend to shorten life,

Students of pathology answer this question with no uncertain voice. The matter is presented in a nutshell by the professor of pathology at Johns Hopkins University, Dr. William H. Welch, when he says: "Alcohol in sufficent quantities is a poison to all living organisms, both animal and vegetable." To that unequivocal pronouncement there is, I believe, no dissenting voice, except that a word quibble was at one time raised over the claim that alcohol in exceedingly small doses might be harmless. The obvious answer is that the same thing is true of any and every poison whatsoever. Arsenic and strychnine. in appropriate doses, are recognized by all physicians as admirable tonics; but no one argues in consequence

that they are not virulent poisons. Open any work on the practice of medicine quite at random, and whether you chance to read of diseased stomach or heart or blood vessels or liver or kidneys or muscles or connective tissues or nerves or brainit is all one; in any case you will learn that alcohol may be an active factor in the causation, and a retard ing factor in the cure, of some, at least, of the important diseases of the organ or set of organs about which you are reading. You will rise with the conviction that alcohol is not merely a poison, but the most subtle. the most far-reaching, and, judged; by its ultimate effects, incomparably, ing firm. the most virulent of all poisons.

A woman can deceive everybody about how she trusts her husband, especially herself, snarls the New

COMMERCIAL COLUMN

Weekly Review of Trade and Latest Market Reports.

Bradstreet's says:

rial developments are generally in the direction of improvement, there is less idle machinery and the tone of affairs generally is still cheerful, but there are numerous irregularities in conditions in different sections and industries. The situation as a whole, therefore, lacks some of the uniformity which characterized it some time ago. Most optimism and strength is exhibited in the leading lines of domestic manufacture and wholesale trade, particularly as to the outlook for next year, and manufacturers are buying more freely of most raw materials, while wholesalers report evidences of scarcity in many lines, especially cotton goods, for spring and later delivery next year.

deal of irregularity, though the advent of rains and snows, followed by colder weather, helped to improve conditions as the week advanced. was rather dull throughout, due to warm weather and the low price of cotton, and even in parts of the West, as well as the entire eastern half of the country, retail trade buying might be better. In some lines of trade, especially iron and steel, discussion as a bar to fullest activities. Collections are better, and money is in better demand for busi-

Business failures in the United States for the week ending November 26 number 193, against 273 last week, 258 in the like week of 1907, 174 in 1906, 188 in 1905 and 184 in 1904."

Corn-Receipts, 81,700 bush .; exports, 17,636 bush.; spot steady; No. 2 new, 71½ elevator and 72 f. o. b. affoat. Option market was without transactions, closing 4c. net lower. December closed at 72, May closed at 71%, July closed at

Oats - Receipts, 27,000 bush.; spot steady; mixed, 20 to 32 lbs., 54 1/2; natural white, 26 to 32 lbs., 54 1/2 @ 57; clipped white, 34 to 42 lbs.; 55 1/2 @ 61.

chickens, 111/2; fowls, 111/2; keys, 14; dressed unsettled; Western spring chickens, 12@20; fowls, 111/2 @14; spring turkeys, 13@21. Butter-Steady; receipts, 2,139; process thirds to special, 21@25.

contract grade, November, 1.04 1/2 @

Oats-Firm; good demand; No. 2 white natural, 55 1/2 @ 56c.

nearby prints, 34. sylvania and other nearby firsts, f.

New York full creams, choice, 13% @ 14c.; do., fair to good, 13@13%. Poultry-Alive steady; fair defowls, 10@11 1/2 c.; old roosters, 8; spring chickens, 100 111/2; ducks, 11@12; turkeys, 14@ 15; geese, 9@10.

Baltimore.-Flour-Dull and unchanged. Receipts, 14,861 bbls.; exports, 491 bbls. Wheat-Firmer. Spot, contract 1.04 %; spot, No. 2 red Western

er No. 2 red, 1.01 1/4. Receipts, 45. 049 bush. Southern, on grade, 1.01 Corn-Steady. New spot, mixed,

yellow corn, 63 1/2 @ 68 1/2.

Oats—Firm. No. 2 white, 54 1/2 @ 55; No. 3 white, 53 1/4 @ 54 1/4; No. 2, mixed, 53@531/2. Receipts.

Eggs-Firm and unchanged, 32@ Cheese - Firm and unchanged

3.00 to 4.05; cows, 1.25 to 4.00. Calves - Receipts, 607

Chicago .- Cattle-Receipts (estimated), 25,000 head; market 25c. to 35c. lower. Steers, 4.60@7.75; cows, 3.00@5.25; heifers, 2.50@4.60; bulls, 2.75@4.50; calves, 3.00 50; stockers and feeders, 2.50

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"In retail trade there is a good Southern trade, however, ness purposes.

Wholesale Markets.

New York. - Wheat - Receipts, 112,000 bush.; exports, 183,128 bush.; spot firm; No. 2 red, 1.111/2 @ 1.12 1/4 elevator; No. 2 red, 1.12 1/4 f. o. b. affoat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 1.16% f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 1.15% f. o. b. afloat

Poultry - Alive steady; spring

Philadelphia. - Wheat - Steady; Corn-Steady; November, 68 1/2 @

Butter-Firm; good demand; extra Western creamery, 32c.; do.,

Eggs-Steady; fair demand; Penn-34c. at mark; do., current receipts, 32@33 at mark.

Cheese - Firm; good demand;

1.06 %; November, 1.04 %; December, 1.04 %; January, 1.05 %; steam

@1.04. 68 % @ 68 %; new November, 68 1/2 @ 68 %; new year, 67 % @ 68 %; new January, 66 % @ 67 %; February, 67; steamer, mixed, 65 % @ 65 %. Receipts, 73,173. New Southern white corn, 63 1/2 @ 68 1/2; new Southern

Rye-Quiet. No. 2 Western export, 82@821/2. Hay-Steady and unchanged. Butter-Firm. Fancy imitation, 24 @ 25; fancy creamery, 32 @ 33; fancy ladle, 20@21; store packed,

New large, 14 1/2; new flats, 14 1/2; new small, 14 1/4.

Live Stock.

New York .- Beeves -- Receipts, 713 dropped his club and stepped back. head. Steers strong; good to choice, 15c. to 25c. higher; bulls, steady to strong; thin cows, steady; others 10c. to 25c. higher; all sold. Steers, 4.25 @ 7.00; oxen, 2.35 to 4.60; cults,

Veals, 25c. higher; barnyard calves, steady; Western selling more freely; about all sold. Veals, 5.00 to 9.50; choice, 9.75; culls, 4.00 4.50; barnyard and fed calves, 2.50 @4.00; Western, 3.50 to 6.00. Sheep and Lambs - Receipts, 2,-

663 head. Choice sheep steady; common and medium slow; lambs firm to 25c. higher; about all sold. Sheep. 2.50 to 4.00; culls 1.50 to 2.00; lambs, 5.75 to 6.75; culls, 3.00 to 4.50, Hogs-Receipts, 3,829 head. Feel-

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JIM GUARDED BEARS WHILE JOE WENT FOR A GUN.

"Jim Palen and Joe Batch came to camp with two bears and an amazing story about how they got 'em." said Captain Sam Lyman, of the Kettle Creek country, down in Potter County, Pennsylvania. "The boys weren'! out after bears. They were trimming

"Palen had his dog, a whippet along with him. The dog was nosing around in the woods, and by and by began barking furiously and persisted in it so that Jim and Joe went to see what it was all about. They found the dog all bristled up and barking at the upturned roots of a fallen tree The hole in the ground where the roots had been was covered by at accumulation of sticks and dead

"Jim Palen gave this dome of debris a whack with his axe. The blow made a big hole in the roof, and instantly a bear shoved its nose ou: of the hole and began to snarl and snap its jaws.

"From a hole on the opposite side where Balch was standing, a second bear stuck its nose out and snapped and snarled. These apparitions were so unexpected that both men dropped their axes. Palen's axe slipped into the hole it had made in the heap of leaves and sticks and Balch's dropped down among the roots of the tree.

"The men had seen bears before and as soon as they recovered from the start the appearance of these two gave them and had sworn some a themselves for being scared into dropping their axes they got a heavy cudgel each and went to whacking the noses of the bears, which caused the noses to disappear within the mound of leaves and sticks.

"Balch had a rifle, but it was homo and home was three miles away. He wanted those bears, but there was no way to make sure of them without i gun, so Palen said that if Balch would go home and get his gun Palen would stand guard over the bears and keep 'em from getting away until Balch got back.

"Joe started on a run for home He ran all the way there and all the way back with the gun, he says, and Jim says it must be so, for Joe was gone less than an hour. But that hour had been a tense time for Jim "Joe had scarcely started for his gun before the bears attempted to get out from beneath that roof with fire in their eyes. First one bear would endeavor to come out at one of the holes, when Jim would whack

it on the nose with his club. By the

time it was beaten back the other

bear would make a break to get out of the hole on its side of the mound. "They kept Jim jumping from one side of the mound to the other, to and fro, and constantly swinging his club. If Joe had been gone ten minutes longer, Jim would have had to drop and surrender to the bears. "Joe got back with the gan in time to relieve Jim and rescue him. Jim "' Now come out, blame ye,' he

relled to the bears. "But the bears wouldn't come out. Whether they were shocked at Jim's language or knew there was a man out there with a gun Jim nor Joe doesn't say, but they wouldn't even show the tip of a nose at either hole.

"After vainly trying various means to induce the bears to come out, Joe Balch dropped a piece of blazing pine into one of the holes. Both bears then came out of the den with a rush that dismantled it, and Joe killed them."-New York Sun.

factors leading to the danger. cannot escape, is one of the chief by the action of the oxygen in the air ditions in which the heat generated time when it is being put under conof fresh surfaces of coal just at the age during storage, for the exposure portant precaution is to avoid breaklarge masses of coal the most im-To prevent spontaneous ignition of

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