

“COUSIN BILL.”

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Submitted in The Tribune's Short Story Contest.

EVERY LITTLE town has a population who has an unquenchable desire for strong drink, and through this degenerates into the town drunkard.

It would have been almost as much of a shock to the good residents of Razorville to see Bill sober, as to see Judge Hollister stagger down the street in a remote state of inebriety.

Bill made his appearance one evening at the termination of one of those periods of oblivion, accompanied by a severely looking fellow, who bore in his arms a sunny-haired little girl of about five.

At last, after describing innumerable semi-circles, the trio reached the ramshackle structure which Bill inhabited and the three disappeared within.

The child made her appearance on the following morning in a clean frock, and with hands and face like the proverbial pin. She scampered across the street, where the other little children were playing, and by way of introducing a timid member of them the stick of candy she held in her chubby little hands.

At the funeral there was but one carriage other than that which held the coffin. In it were Bill and the little child, and the face was pressed against the window, with an anxiety of her first ride, and without one thought of the occupant of the conveyance ahead.

It was one of those dull, dreary days late in November that seem to be with- out an afternoon, so quickly does the darkness tread upon the heels of day. Night was just beginning to fall as they entered the cemetery.

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ABOUT THE CUCUMBER.

Hardest Worked of Vegetables and Sometimes the Best. From the New York Sun.

The cucumber is the hardest worked member of the vegetable kingdom. At least it is if we may judge by the variety of its uses.

PICTURE PUZZLE.



There was an old woman tossed up in a basket, Ninety times as high as the moon. Find her two sons?

Solutions for Last Week's Puzzles:

Monday, July 8—Hold the picture sideways—the policeman in between the two boys.

Tuesday, July 9—The man's face is formed directly in the center of the picture. Look at the picture from left-hand corner and it is very plain.

Wednesday, July 10—There is one bird on the bodies of the fallen, made the scene a horrifying one.

Thursday, July 11—The bag is in the tree branches. Friday, July 12—Hold picture upside down; the father's face is in baby's lap.

Saturday, July 13—Hold picture sideways; the other face is in player's shirt.

SUNDAY GAMES.

National League. At Cincinnati: R. H. E. Cincinnati.....10 0 0 1 0 2 8 0 18 0 Brooklyn.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 2

Eastern League. Providence, 6; Buffalo, 6. Montreal, 10; Syracuse, 2.

A FISHING SONG. Fur off from the city— From the dusty town; Green bank of a river 'An' 't'he cork a-goin' down!

There is a position of assistant instructor in one of the departments open which I will apply for. I beg of you to give up your present employment. Enclosed you will find a portion of the money you sent me for my commencement dress.

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THE MARKETS.

Table with columns for Market Name, Open, High, Low, Close. Includes American Sugar, Amer. Tobacco, Coffee, etc.

NEW YORK GRAIN MARKET.

Table with columns for Grain Name, Price. Includes Wheat, Corn, etc.

Scranton Board of Trade Exchange Quotations—All Quotations Based on Par of 100.

Table with columns for Instrument Name, Price. Includes First National Bank, etc.

Scranton Wholesale Market.

Table with columns for Commodity Name, Price. Includes Eggs, Butter, etc.

American League.

Table with columns for Team Name, Record. Includes Chicago, Cincinnati, etc.

Eastern League.

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Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, July 14—Receipts: Cattle, 83 cars; sheep and lambs, 18 cars; hogs, 15 cars.

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About 1200 feet of floor space on 4th floor of the Tribune building, suitable for light manufacturing.

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For Sale.

FOR SALE—A Cottrell & Sons cylinder press, good in good condition.

Furnished Rooms.

FOR RENT—One large furnished front room; also one side room, 537 Adams avenue.

Lost.

LOST—Sunday evening, between Decatur street and 354 Washington avenue, a small, black silk umbrella.

Lost.

LOST—On July 9, pocketbook containing Lighth Valley pass and other papers and currency.

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\$50,000 TO LOAN—lowest rate; straight or monthly payments. Stark & Co., Traders' Bldg.

Strayed.

STRAYED—To the premises of the Moose Mountain Coal company, Marquette, Pa., a large gray horse about three years old.

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SITUATION WANTED—Experienced expert accountant would like to make a few changes in the business of a firm.

Situations Wanted.

SITUATION WANTED—By a respectable girl to do cooking, can furnish references.

Situations Wanted.

SITUATION WANTED—By a young man, as a first-class stenographer.

Situations Wanted.

SITUATION WANTED—By a middle-aged woman as housekeeper in widow's family.

Situations Wanted.

SITUATION WANTED—A first class workman desires a situation with a private family.

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