A FOURTH OF JULY RECORD.

1 Was a wide-awake little boy Who ness at the break of day

2 were the minutes he took to dress, Then he was off and away.

B were his leaps when he cleared the stairs. Although they were steep and high ;

4 may the number which caused his haste, Because it was Fourth of July !

5 were the pennies which went to buy A package of crackers red ;

6 were the matches which touched the

7 big plasters he had to wear To care his fractures sore ;

8 were the visits the doctor made Before he was whole once more.

9 were the dolorous days he spent in sorrow and in pain ; but then O are the seconds he'll stop to think Before he does it again.

-S. Metolasfor July.

JUST FOR A JOKE.

A Schollopshell Farm on the wavewashed shores of old Long Island. Lilias to distraction,-and he was just beginning Brown came courtesying down into the to fancy that she might perhaps be pergreat parlor in an antique worlding dress suaded to return his devotion, when that and veil of time-yellowed broctde and Brussels with heeled satin boots and long-wristed gloves buttoned with tiny knobs of discolored pearl, and nobody he is wretched. And after all I don't was at all surprised.

"What a child ! " said Mrs. Brews-

"It is Grandma Gillender's wedding for him !" cried the lawyer. dress," said Josie Brown, "I tried it on once, but I couldn't button it around little ! " confessed his wife.

" Where on earth did you find it ?" asked Miss Lawerence. "Not at all unbecoming," said young

Dr. Lavard, with bright observant eyes. "But where is the groom ?" demanded saucy Josie.

"Allow me to officiate," said Dr. La- picture in its frame. yard, springing lightly to his feet and taking his position beside the pretty lit- your pardon, but I have heard all that the apparition in white satin and creamy you said. And as for Dr. Layard----"

Harry Lawrence at once struck an smilling in his sleeves at the charming stritude in front of the pair. confession.

"Lilias," said he, comically imitating the drawl of good old snuff-taking Dr. Jugge, "will you take Augustine Layard the vines like a frightened child. to be your own husband ?"

"Say Yes!" prompted the young man at her side-and Lilias laughingly answered, "Not to spoil a jokeyes!"

"Augustine !" shouted Harry, "do you take Lilias to be your wedded wife, bride's eyes. for richer, for poorer, and all the rest of "But I didn't know it until after you 1000

"Of course I do," said Dr. Layard, her head. "and a pretty little wife she is in that long-waisted gown and frill of lace."

"Children" cried Mrs. Brewster, the was out driving in the country one day oldest of the party, although she has last week. While coming back, and not yet attained the matronly age of when about four miles from the city a eight-and-twenty, " what are you about ? ' heavy wild came up. To the well-known "Only having a little fun," said Lilins, resident it looked cyclonish, and he

" Now, please don't scold." "But you are trifling with far too and found three or four ladies, who were serious things," said Mrs. Brewster- alone in the house and somewhat fright-

and Miss Lawerence looked shrewdly up ened from under her white eyelashes at the

young pair. joke " said she, "but I was at Newport "Yes, sir." once, where there was a charade, or tableau, or something of the sort, and two young people went through the mar. though, as I said. Pray keep cahn and it riage service, and lo and behold, then will be over directly. Where-shere they were married hard and fast and did you say the cellar door was ?"

perplexity, Lilias Brown was not half an Napoleon After Waterloo.

happy as she thought she would be when the weight of Augustine Layard's Whether any course was open to Napo-con after the disaster of Waterloo other presence was removed. She missed his than that which he adopted, a second abcheerful smile, his quiet, reassuring dication, is certainly very doubtful. Had ways, his constant thoughtfulness and he taken the precaution to dissolve the attentions. Chambers before setting out on the cam-

One day she heard Mr. Brewster paign, he probably could have rallied the talking to his wife in the little oak nation and, protracted the struggle. But parlor, while she lay spiritless in the the Chambers were unfrienly ; any parhammock where perfumed honeysuckle liamentary body is naturally unfrienly to sprays almost touched her cheek. a military despotism ; and, at that junc-"You saw Dr. Layanl?" said Mrs. ture, nothing less than a military despot-Brewster's quick, questioning voice, "How did he look?" What did he ism could possibly have saved France from the calamity of the restoration

say ?" of the Bourbons by foreign bayonets. "He looks like a ghost," answered the Hence, unless Napoleon should execute a young lawyer. "And he says he has new comp d'etat there was nothing for him never known a happy minute since he but abdication.

left Schollopshell Farm." On the 15th of July, 1815, Napoleon "Goodness me," said Mrs, Brewster, surrendered himself on board the British

"The fact is," proceeded her husband man-of-war Belierophon. Of his appear-"he loves your little friend Libas Brown ance and bodily condition during the two months of his stay on this vessel we have an interesting account in the narrative of Captain Maitland, who commandunlucky mock marriage, or real marriage, ed the ship. Maitland describes him as whichever you like to call it-destroyed "a remarkably strong, well-built man, his chances for good and all. And so about five feet seven inches high, his limbs particularly well formed, with a

see that he was many degrees to blame?" fine ankle and a small foot, of which he "But did it destroy his chances?" said seemed rather vain, as he always wore, Mrs. Brewster, reflectively.

while on board the ship, silk stockings " You don't think it possible she cares and shoes. His hands were also very small, and had the plumpness of a wom-"I shouldn't be surprised if she did-a an's rather than the robustness of a

man's. His eyes, light gray ; teeth good ; " If he thought so he would come here and when he smiled, the expression of at once," said Mr. Brewster, eagerly. his countenance was highly pleasing; Lilias had listened, and the roses and when under the influence of disappointlilies succeeded one another on her cheek, ment, however' it assumed a dark, and but at this she rose and came to the window, leaning over the ledge like a pretty gloomy cast. His hair was of a very

dark brown, nearly approaching black, and, though a little thing on the top and "Mr. Brewster," shaid she, "I beg and front, had not a gray hair amongst it. His complexion was a very uncommon one, being of light sallow color, dif-"Well!" questioned the lawyer, half fering from almost any other I ever met. From his having become corpulent, he

had lost much of his personal activity, " Tell him to come !" and, if we are to give credit to those who And then Lilias disappeared among attended him, a very considerable portion of his mental energy was also gone. So Dr. Layard came back-and old It is certain his habits were very lethar-Dr. Jugge was summoned, and the young pair were married over a second gic while he was on board the Bellerophon; for though he went to bed at

eight or nine o'clock in the evening, and "So you really loved all the time," did not rise till about the same hour in said Augustine, tenderly looking into his the morning, he frequently fell asleep on che sofa in the cabin in the course of the

day. His general appearance was that had gone," said Lilias, hanging down of a man rather older than he then was." -From Joux C. Ropus' second article on He Was Calm.

Napoleon's Portraits, in Scribner's Magasine for July. A well-known resident of Sioux Falls

Fun for the Lookers-on. It is accounted "great fun" to witness the first rides of the yearlings, so we will go down there and laugh at their mis-

haps. drove up to the first house. He went in Mounting the stairs of the gallery, we look down upon a large space strewn with tanbark, at one end of which is a

row of some twenty horses with water-"There is no danger, ladies, no danger, I assure you, Simply a straight wind no ing bridles. Soon the performers file in "I dare say you think its a very good cyclone. Keep cool. By the way-er-is and come to a halt in front of the horses. Do they intend to ride with only a wa- onn thought and life from ocean to here a cellar under the house ?"

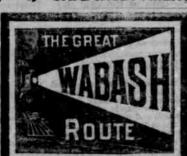
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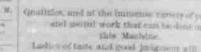
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But Lilias Brown stayed to listen to nothing more. With a little shrick of open it-might as well be opened as shat dismay she tore off the wedding veil you know. There will be no need of goand flew away up stairs to hide herself ing down, however. Simply a little showin the old garret, where the rain patter- er accompanied by wind." ed on the shingled roof overhead, and the faint scent of sandal wood and dried rose leaves floated out of the trunks am L" Just then the house began to and boxes which she had just been shake and the limb of a tree senatched riffing.

" Married! Married!" she repeated to alarmed, ladies, you keep right still. herself. "But it's all nonsense,-it must Good cellar, I suppose," he added peerbe nonsense ? No law on the fase of the ing down. "Yes." earth would beat out such a piece of burlesque as that."

And Augustine Layard, smiling quietly at the uproar and turmoil which surrounded him, took a book and establish- don't be frightened; the house is safe," around him in all directions without touching him, and the scent of the prostrate roses filled his nostrils with every gust of wind.

something !"

" listen, Do listen?"

"As real a marriage as if churches and parsons in America had

"You are married?"

flushed.

Brown," he said, with a smile, as he

running away from me, Lilias?" said

tering bridle, without even saddle or a blanket? They will try to, at all events. "Um2-that is good. No danger, The instructor commands:

"Stand to horse ! Prepare to mount Mount ? In obedience to his command the ca-

"Over there in the corner." dets spring, struggle' leap, and kick, in "Ah, yes, thanks, this one. Yes, I'll their efforts to bestride their steeds. The moment they are mounted, several horses develop astonishing backing propensities to the anguish of their riders, and the delight of the gallery. Now they start "We're not very much frightened." around the hall at a walk. It seems ra-"Of course not-that's right neither ther tame, does'nt it ? But soon the command " trot !" is given, and the fun begins. The poor fellows bounce foont against the window. "Don't be at al an the horses' backs like India-rabber

boys and wabble from side to side like jumping-jacks. The trot is accelerated, the horses take the gallop, and dash around the hall, tumbling their riders in

Here a board blew off the fence and heaps at the corners, while those who by slapped against the side of the honse. "I'm going down a moment, ladies, chance are still mounted grasp frantically at their horses' manes. Finally, the gait is reduced to a walk ; line is formed and he shot down the stairs, slipped off veranda, where the tempest of rain beat a broken step toward the bottom and the dismounted yearling, nothing daunted, catch their horses and remount, and landed in a box of eggs. "Stav right then the performance is repeated. If we had visited the gymnazium and

where you are, ladies," he shouted from the cellar ; " it is about all over now." Just then the wind blew open the out-

"Oh. no. not much."

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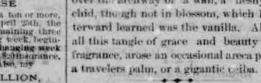
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