THE GAME OF QUOITS.

CAN BE PLAYED ANY PLACE AND IS SPLENDID EXERCISE.

time, and its Beginnings Are Lost In the Mist of Ages-Fine Training For the Eye and Anm.

of its undeserved obsentity, to be exalted to the status of a national game, to devoted to the doings of its champions. Stranger things have happened. Who, for instance, would have said when at the end of the sixties a few energetic sary repairs sportsmen went wobbling about on hone shaking bicyclos which it would have been far easier to push than to ride that at the end of the century considerably more than 100,000 bicycles would be manufactured annually in Great Britain alone and that a great part popularity us the bicycle, but the unprejudiced person can see no reason pastime as golf, which a very few years ago was almost unheard of south of the thing had carried away the steam con-Twend.

Quoits is a very fine game, especially in the winter time. It is splendid exercise and trains the eye and the hand to net together in a way that few other sports can do, for the very essence of it is accuracy of aim at a mark placed below the level of the hand. It has been objected that throwing quoits makes the player lopsided, but, after all, that | ply."-Detroit Free Press. is easily remedied, for there is nothing to prevent the player throwing the quoit with his left hand if he so pleases, and such a change would make a variation in the game and also afford an excellent method of handicapping the men of unequal shill. Quoits strengthens the arms and shoulders, but it is not a pastime which primarily demands strength.

A great advantage of the game is that it can be played in any small space and that the ground need not be particularly level. Any rough field or waste bit of ground is good enough for a quoits pitch, and no rolling or cutting is required to satisfy the demands of the most exigent. For cricket you need a carefully prepared wicket, for lawn was hourly expected. One morning, a billiard table and for golf the best part of a country all to yourself, but for quoits you only need a few yards of his bed without stopping. The patient qualts you only near a lew yatos of rough ground, and you have as good a "Don't pass the by, docther: you place for throwing as any one can per sibly require.

People certainly might play quoits more than they do, but the taking up of a game is usually a matter of fancy, and perhaps two things stand in the way of quoits. First, there is an idea. that it is a "rustic" sport and can only be played by the rough country lads, and, second, there is the legend that

HE FACED GREAT DANGER. But, Not Knowing H. He Escaped Be

"I noticed a couple of reminiscences as to my old branch of service," said

It Is a Very Ancient English Pas- an ex-naval official to the writer, which reminded me of an incident in my own career. I was an assistant enrineer on a cruiser bound from Norfolk

to South American ports, and our ship There are some games which have was telling off 14 or 15 knots an hour never had their boom, and quoits is one one day, when a crank pin came out, of them. Still, as nothing happens but and the next instant the crank was the unexpected, it may be that the time | thrashing around in a most recklessly is nearly ripe for quoits to be taken out unsystematic fashion. Everybody in the engine room-and there were some men of considerable rank there just then, as have weekly papers named after it and it happened-made a dash for the deck. to have columns in the sporting press Meanwhile I quietly took four or five steps and shut off the steam. Of course the engines stopped, and then followed the delay caused by making the neces tables in the sleeping rooms. It was

ing Considered Brave.

formed any act of an especial character trap I came across once, which a man oned to have reached its fall growth until the chief engineer informed ane had had built with a view to catching that I was a confounded fool. 'Don't anybody that might stand in front of you know your place under such cir- the bureau in his room. cumstances, sir ?' he asked, and when I answered that I thought I had taken of the population would adopt this my proper position he continued: "No, menns of locomotion " One cannot im- sir: your duty was to make your way have gone to all the trouble and exagine that quoits will over attain such as soon as possible to the deck. With that piece of steel whirling and crashing about it was one chance in a thouwhy it should not become as favorite a sand that a single soul would escape an

nections your life would have ended right then. "Well, I took the chance,' I an-

swered

"Yes, sir, you did, but you didn't know it, therefore it is not at all to your credit,' was the chief's answer. and it was so absolutely true that I couldn't for the life of me make any re-

THE POWER OF WILL.

He Wanted to Live Four Days, and He Sneeeeded.

It would be vain to attempt to de- that was there and began cleaning the scribe the sympathy for the poor and things off. auffering which William Stokes could throw into his voice, says his biographer. One of the stories he used to tell is of peculiar interest, not only for its revelation of human kindness, but as a proof of the power of the will in pro- and just the faintest touch of a jarring longing life.

Stokes in the Meath hospital. His life was despaired of, and, in fact, his death of the floor under my feet about three tennis and croquet a piece of turf like having many patients to care for and believing that the pensioner was unconscious and past help, Dr. Stokes passed must keep me alive for four days."

"We will keep you as long as we 'but why for four days particularly ?' | the bureau, and I laughed to myself as money for my wife and children. Don't the solid floor running along just in give me anything to make me sleep, for | front of the bureau and haul myself up. if I sleep I shall die."

On the third day after this, to the all the expense this man had been to to discus throwing, a suspicion which it amazement of Stokes and others, the pat in the trap without guarding it aside. In 20 minutes a second disdiscus throwing, a suspicion which it must be confessed is enough to throw a patient was still breathing. On the against the chance of escape from it by Doubleday was winning at the rate of marine of the fourth day he was alive inst this means and Lalready imagined morning of the fourth day he was alive just this means, and I ali No treatise on quoits can begin with- and conscious, and on entering the myself climbing out as I threw up my out the time honored pedigree of the ward Stokes saw him holding in his hands, which I did before I'd dropped quoit from the discus. Strutt, who lived hand the certificate which required sig- much more'n half of my length below the level of the floor, gripping that firm nature. As the doctor drew near the sure of that "Sigh, sigh!

FIRST TO GROW ORANGES. A TRAPPED BURGLAR Jeanits Introduced Them. Into the Pelican State, THE NICELY PREPARED BAIT WAS

Time.

The orange of Louisisea is an excep-EAGERLY TAKEN. ionally fine variety of that fruit, and mands a good price in the market.

It Cost the Ingenious Man Who De The orange was first introduced into vised the Scheme \$400 or \$500, and sionial Louisiana by the Josuits, hav-It Cost the Burglar Four Years' ng been first grown by the members of the society on their grounds, which ormerly comprised that part of the city "Of course," said the retired burglar,

of New Orleans which constitutes the 's man in my business is always on lower part of the first district, down to the lookout for traps and most of 'em ommon street.

he can circumvent without much trou-While St. Bernard and Plaquemines hie. But men go to a lot of trouble and marishes are the chief centers of the grange culture of Louisiana, the fruit expense to lay traps, and sometime they get up something that is new and rlso grows well in the parishes of Oreffective. I suppose that any man going into a dwelling house would be sure Mary, Terrebonne, Lafourche, Vermilto look over the bureaus and dressing ion, Cameron, Iberia and Sabine, The orange tree begins to bear at about the this well known professional habit no "It didn't occur to me that I had per- doubt that had suggested the idea of a seventh year, although it is not reck-

until its twelfth or fifteenth year. The orange culture in Louisiana is

"I imagine that this man must have been visited before and been very much full grown tree producing from 3,000 poses and left them off, because it was pense he did just for mere protectionglass and silver in the bullseye, and as 2,000 acres.

I swept the light along it struck a The sweetness, delicacy and juiciness pocketbook that didn't glitter much, of the Louisiana orange, the best of and discretion, both girls fainted. The but that looked fat and comfortable, which are regarded in the markets outand a watch that did shine, and, take it side of Louisiana as superior to even the the other girls, who rushed to the scene altogether, it made me think that here oranges of Cubs, to which island the and then did various and sundry stunts. was the home of a man that didn't fruit is indigenous, render the Louisihave to work nights to make both ends ana oranges highly prized in the north One fainted, several wept, a few ran meet. And so I set my lamp down on and west of the United States, so much out of the house, and the rest should one end of the bureau--it made me so that the supply is not by any means for the one man on the premises.

shove something one side to make room ABSORBED IN WHIST. for it-and put my bag down on a chair

A Game That Cost General Double-

Not many years ago a famous whist game was played at Sudbury, Vt., two of the sitters in being General Doubleday and Henry Dater of the well known firm of Dater. Thompson & Co. It was something like 5 or 10 cents a corner. An old pensioner was a patient of next instant, a long time before I could so you see it was easy for a man to lose jump or do anything whatever, a piece as much as \$1.90 in an afternoon. Play began after the Sudbury dinner hour. half past 1, and lasted until teatime. feet square dropped out from under me, The old roosters became so wrapped up in the game that nothing short of an

shot. I was an ablebodied man, and earthquake could have disturbed them. 1ay hands were free-my lamp being to shake the interest.

the historic Hannibal and St. Jos corner, engineered by Kennedy, Hutchin-

The Old Man's Wonderfol Cure, A SONG. th, what is better than this, my deal, What is better than this? The thought of a night which has tost its way

tween fumerow and yesterday : o full of the tide and the gray of the sea. And a guil that sircleth endlessly : The hreath from a wind which bloweth well; A suit that hasteth new parts to tell: If maket is better than this, my dear. I find it not here. I find it not here. -- Hignche Trask in "The Land of Surshine." work with a will, and presently had the patient on the road to recovery. In

JUST A CURTAIN FIRE.

It Was In a Girls' Boarding School and Did Complicated Damage.

A fire in a skyseraper may be thrilling, but for dramatic episodes and unexpected complications a fire in a girls' leans, Jofferson, St. James, St. John | hoarding school surpasses it. The board-Baptist, St. Charles, Assumption, St. | ing school fire is usually what is known among insurance men as a curtain fire. but a curtain fire in a girls' school is more exciting and causes more casualties than an ordinary blaze anywhere

One evening last week two girls, who scenpy a microscopic hall bedroom in a something that will interest you. I feel main I. Have you forgotten \$20 check? probably the most profitable industry of swell up town school, took the globes that" the state under favorable conditions, a | off the gas fixtures for hair curling purdoctor, much moved by the woman's agitation.

generally selling for \$10 a thousand, again. Then the girls raised the window and as some of the largest orchards in a trifle in order to cool the room and there was clearly some feeling in it. It the state yield as many as 3,000,000 dutifully sat down to write home letwas a handsome room, promising look- oranges their market value gives a ters. The inevitable happened, and the knob ing from its richness, and when I turned | princely income to the owners of the | when girl number one poised her pen instantaneous cooking, because if that my light on the bureau, where I went, trees. Comparatively a very small acre- in the air and glanced around the room naturally enough, to begin, I was not age of the state is devoted to the growth in search of inspiration she saw the disappointed. There was a glitter of of oranges-possibly not more than curtains in a blaze. She screamed. Girl number two looked around and echoed

the scream. Then, with promptitude too wonderful?" screams had attracted the attention of according to their several dispositions.

When he arrived, things looked rather hopeless. Curtains and woodwork were make a full house. blazing finely. The floor was littered with prostrate forms, and when three drink coffee and hear the music, while girls have fainted on the floor of a hall in the center of the cafe the dancing froom there isn't much space in the girls perform. The places are filled with room for promensding. The man picked | the smoke of the nargile and cigahis way across the prostrate forms and reites, and the dreamy natives who ordered all the girls who were not in a lounge along the walls puff everlastingdead faint to leave the room, but they | ly on, barely noticing the girls who are didn't go until he lost his temper and weaving and swaying in the sinuous spoke with a force which isn't common undulations of the dance to the time of in boarding school circles. Then they a groggy tomtom and the mellow drone fled; but, unluckily, there was an enemy in the rear. A vigorous and practi- the same as the one seen at the World's cal woman from Texas had been inspir- fair in Chicago, divested of most of its ed to go after some water. Returning offensive trimmings. There it was dein mad haste with a large pitcherful signed to startle and shock and come up of water borne triumphantly aloft, she to western notions of oriental depravity. collided with the retreating forces at while here on its native heath it is simthe door. The pitcher struck the leader ply a dance that is as old as the counof the retreat squarely in the face and | try itself, and to those who have been | your health will be preserved. Isn't knocked out two of her front teeth, accustomed to it through generations of this a wise course? whereupon the injured girl made the familiarity it is probably as tame as the fainting trio a quartet and the water quadrille. It is only the dance prepared carrier dropped her pitcher and went for the tourist that disgusts you and

into violent hysterics. Hysteria, as boarding school teachers be raided. - Chicago Record.

know to their sorrow, is contagious and the one case touched off the crowd. By the time teachers arrived upon the

The Trun.

huge tuna, in its resplendent livery of

quarry, catching it, mirabile dictu, in

midair. In a fraction of a second the

plause, and our questions pattered like

hail upon the somewhat hard under-

"Yes," he said, his white teeth in

Smoke One With Me.

aged man. "You didn't two months

ago. You oughtn't to smoke, my boy;

you're too young and not strong look-

"Do you smoke?" asked the middle

Then the elderly adviser started

were in a bad way. It was necessary to just gone up for the second act, the first put nine-tenths of the school to bed and scene showing the heroine in street cos- person of John Newman, who was reorder whole-sale doses of bromide. Even | tume. As Bilkins rested his gaze upon ow the girls insist that they haven't the woman his face wore a puzzled ex-

Revorsible Seutences.

A good story is told among the mo-The puzzle editor of the London ical men of Cieveland, a story which was started by the victim himself. He Truth offered a prize for sentences is a physician of considerable repute making sense whether read forward or and some time ago was called to attens backward and here are some results: a gentleman of advanced years who Scandalous society and life make was suffering from a slight complica-tion of disorders. The doctor went to rossips frantic. This reads backward:

Frantic gossips make life and society. fact, two weeks from the time he took scandalous.

Apply the same rule to the others As he left the house, after announc given below. ing that further visits would be unnec-Dies slowly fading day; winds mournful

ary, the daughter of the restored sight Bright stars are waking : Flies owiet, hooting holding revel high. "Doctor," she said in somewhat

Night slience holding. remulous tones, "I want to tell you"-Solomou had vast treasure-silver The doctor, who supposed she was anxions to express her gratitude for his and gold things precious. Happy and skilled attention, waved her thanks rich and wise was he. Faithful serv-

ed he God. "Don't mention it, madara," he She sits lamenting sadly often too affably said. "We always try to do our

much alone. Dear Harry : Devotedly yours re-"But, doctor." she persisted, "it is Reply immediately, please, and hand

"Say no more, madam!" cried the to yours-Grace Darling. Man is noble and generous often, but sometimes vain and cowardly.

"It is something I must tell you, Carefully boiled eggs are good and doctor." she continued. "Please listen." palatable.

The doctor halted with his hand on Love is heaven and heaven is love, youth says. All beware ! says age. "Yesterday," said the woman, "] Trying is poverty, and fleeting is love. was down town and met Mrs. Pugsley. the Christian Scientist, and she told me Badly governed and fearfully troubshe had been giving father 'absent ed now is Ireland.

treatments' for two weeks. Isn't it just Exercise take, excess beware. Rise early and breath free air. "Good morning!" said the doctor Eat slowly, trouble drive away:

dryly. -- Cleveland Plain Dealer. Feet warmish keep; blend work with

Egyptian Daneing In Egypt.

the case he had him curvi.

in accompanied him to the door.

Adieu, darling ! Time flies fast; sails The genuine native dancing girls perform in the little cafes that abound in are set, boats are ready. Farewell ! the Arabian quarter. These places are Matter and mind are mysteries; usually small and about 30 men squatnever mind. What is matter? Matter ted around the seats that line the walls

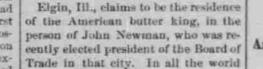
is-never mind. What is mind? Mind Here the Arabs come to smoke and is-never matter. Honesty and truth are good and admirable qualities as sympathy and love are endearing traits. Here is good and sound advice. Your Best Interests of a reed whistle. The dance is about

money to be stricken with serious illness. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla and purify your blood. In this way all germs of disease will be expelled, sickness and suffering will be avoided, and

Hood's Pills are the only pills to take makes you think that the orient should

He Couldn't Understand It.

Bilkins and his wife occupied sents scene the fire was out, but the survivors | in the dress circle. The curtain had



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the pasture herds of 55,000 cows, and

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Miss Cutting-"Indeed I won't.]

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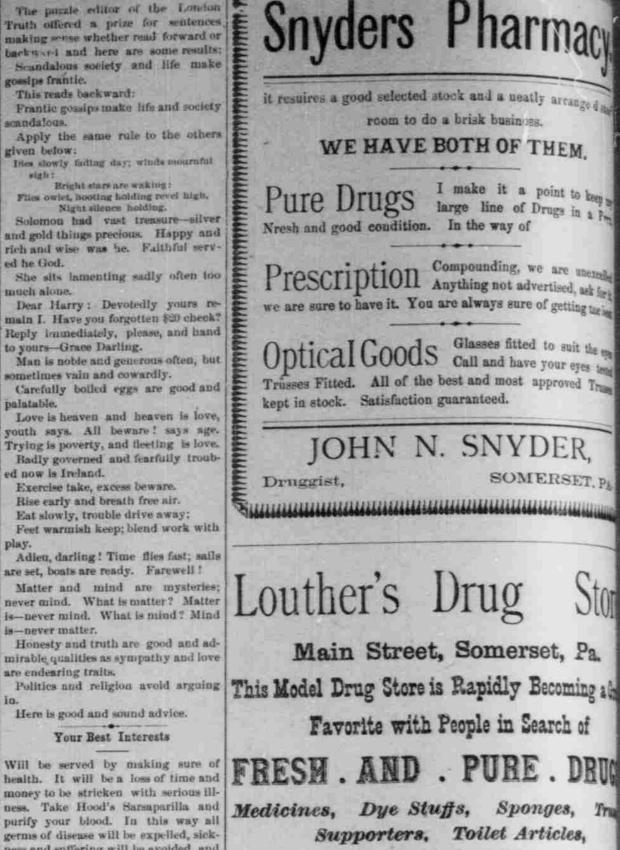
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laugh, actually, to think that there was equal to the demand -New Orleans so much good stuff there that I had to Picayune. day a Fortune. "I'd just put the silver hairbrushes in the bag and had turned around to

the bureau again to pick up the pocketbook and the watch when I heard, or it seemed as though I felt, a little click, or yielding under my feet, and the

Brokers in New York could do nothing then on the corner of the bureau and The game was played at the time of

my bag on the chair-and I wasn't go ing to give it up yet, if I was going down a trap. The trapdoor was hung can, my poor fellow," answered Stokes, on hinges on the side farthest from son & Co., in the interest of their client, John Duff of Boston. Doubleday was "Because," was the reply, "my pen- I put up my hands and thought how selling the stock short through Van sion will be due then, and I want the easy it was to grab on to the edge of Schaick & Co., and at a quarter to 2 on from his brokers advising him of the situation. The game was stopped just Truly it seemed like a waste of money, long enough for him to read it and lay

irritated by it, because he never could to 5,000 oranges, the fruit on the tree | easier to do that than to put them on |

slar on any well regulated game

at the end of the last century, of course dealt with it, and equally of course he dying man gasped: dragged in the discus even if he did not invent the descent of quoits from the course, is absurd. To make a discus, | few minutes crossed his hands over his the artisan did not, in the words of the breast and said. "The Lord have mercy immertal Irishman, take a hole and put some iron around it. The discus was last. more like a flattened Datch cheese and was a solid missile. Moreover, it was not held in the same manner as a quoit, but was bowled underhand, in which indeed it alone differs from putting the weight. That quoits is now played chiefly in the country is the fault of those who do not play it and bring it

into fashion. It is no doubt a very ancient English game, and its beginnings are lost in the mist of ages. Hakluyt mentions it in pot.

his hook of "Voyages," so it was well known in Queen Elizabeth's time, when it probably was one of the favorite sports of Merrie England. In some parts of the conutry the rustics used to employ horseshoes for want of properly made quoits, and there are districts in which the quoit is called a "shoe" even to this day. This gives us the clew to the most probable origin of the sport and hints that the first game of quoits was started by threwing old horseshoes at the hob or mark, and from this grad-

nally grew up the practice of having quoits specially made for throwing. So much for the discus legend. As for the word "quoit" itself, fts etymology is litely more than doubtful, and it gives us no clew whatever to the origin of the lieve me." istimated Kipper. Shakespeare, who mentions every-

thing except tobacco, of course has a reference to the sport, and as Hakluyt was a contemporary of his it may be held to show that the spacious times of Great Elizabeth were the palmy period of quoits. It is true that he does not speak of the sport in very reputable connection, for the only mention of it occurs in the scene in which Prince Henry, Falstaff, Poins and the rest were in the Boar's Head tavers, in acter sketch of the young prince, obcontext very clearly shows that in Queen Elizabeth's time at any rate newspaper appears in the list. quoit playing was looked down upon as the idle man's recreation, much as skittles is with us. That fat Jack Falstaff. disreputable old fellow as he was, meant to imply no good of the prince by his reference to quoits is very evident. This is the only reference to quoits in Shakespeare, and it is a libel. though the sting is taken out of it by the fact that it is put into the mouth of Falstaff. - Physical Culture.

HOW HE GAINED COURAGE.

General Chaffee's Way of Giving a Recruit Contidence.

here by you."

straight into the air.

The doctor quickly complied, and the on my soul," and quietly breathed his

Where He Repatred It.

When illicit distilling was common who went about the country repairing whisky pots The gauger met him one day and.

surmising that he had been doing repairs at no great distance, asked what e would take to inform him (the gaug-(r) where he repaired the last whisky

shust tak' hauf a croon."

your money, but be careful to tell

Getting the money, the old man

an who ever fived," said Kipper. "I believe you." returned Nipper po-"But you don't know why you be-

"To tell the trath, I don't." replied Nipper, looking bored. "Well, I'll tell you. We've been

house all the time, and this morning the found a new place in which to hide tay slippers."-London Standard.

So Wonder Russia Is Ignorant! Eastchope. Falstaff, in giving a char- which is 1,430. Of the 743 there are serves that he plays quoits well, but the 44 in German, 9 in French, 5 in Armenian and 2 in Hebrew. No English

> The earliest known mention of the pianoforte was in a playbill dated May 16, 1767. The principal attraction was song from 'Judith,' accompanied by a new instrument called pianoforte."

About 1,500 tons of iron and brass wire are yearly manufactured in Britain into pins.

es at El Caney carrying a gun was so an's inability to keep still. She is usu- married, and has helped her husband tadly frightened under fire that he ally a chatterbox-if not of the ram- develop mining property there. went flat on his face and was roundly bling, vague, wearisome sort, of the kicked by his companions. General alert, chipper, pepperbox variety-but Chaffee came along and called to him, even when she is not a talker she is a tends to raise bees for a living began "Well, you're a fine soldier!" Then he | fuss, a bundle of nerves, energy and | with a single hive last summer. During looked at the boyish face of the kid, restlessness, and this in the era of Del- the winter she removed it to the honse, and his face softened. "I suppose you sarte, outdoor sports and iced shower and, as her family did not care for the can't help it," he said. "It am't so haths! Her idea of resting is character- society of bees, she established them in much your fault. I'd like to get hold istic. She exploits it unconsciously in her hedroom. She says that they are of the fellow that took you into the ar- the pretty parlors and writing rooms quiet, orderly, gentle companions, and my." By and by he put his hand on fitted up for customers in the big shops. that they all come to her hand as tamethe boy's shoulder. "There isn't so Perhaps she is elegantly dressed, lorg- ly as so many doves. much danger as you think for." said netted, veiled, faultlessly gloved and the general. "Now, you get up and shod, armed with a card case for her af-

sports of ancient Greece. The thing, of man sank back exhansted and within a a millionth part of a second I became

"Och." said the old man, "she'll

"Done!" retorted the gauger. "Here

me correctly "Och. she'll no' tell the gentleman a

nietly remarked:

"I shust mended the last whisky pot where the hole was."-London Spare to work with. But while there's life Moments.

Ingenious.

"My wife is the most ingenious wom

married 12 years and lived in the same

Russia, with her population of 129,-000,000, has only 743 newspapers, but little more than half the number published in the state of Pennsylvania. 589 printed in Russian, 69 in Polish.

up in place by a spring just strong enough to keep it in position. I held on held on after the trap had swung down straight. I went down like a ton of lead, and the next minute I found myself sliding through a smooth board tunnel not much bigger'n enough to let me slide comfortably, and the next

minute I'd been shot into a box or room about seven feet square through another trap in the top of it that closed flush after I came through. "Now, there was a situation for you.

Me in a square box of hard pine, ap parently in the cellar of the house, no pening in it anywhere and my bag

with all my tools in it up there on the chair by the bureau and me down there with nothing, not a blessed thing.

there's hope, and I never should have

I could have had a chance. But I didn't. a hadn't been in the box two minutes

before there was a slide pushed back up near the top on one side, and a man looked in. It was the boss of the shanty. And in five minutes the police were there, and then I found they had a door

in this box big enough to get a man out "I have seen other traps as elaborate, but none more costly. He had to cat

his carpet, to begin with, around the traps in this room. Of course that didn't cost anything much, but it spoiled his carpet, and then the cost of the traps

and the time contrivance, whatever it was, that was attached to the main trap that let me stand on it for a min nte or two before it dropped, and then the shoot and the box and the whole business couldn't have cost a cent less bushes surrounded a plot of potatoes, ries. than \$400 or \$500. It cost me four

years' time."- New York Son. The Honeymoon,

An early Anglo-Saxon custom, strict ly followed by newly married couples was that of drinking diluted honey for given thus: "Miss Buckler will sing a tom comes the word honeymoon or honeymonth.

She Struck It In Klondike. Mrs. J. A. Nelson of Hailey, Ida.,

A Bundle of Nerves.

of \$75 to \$100 a day. She bought a Volumes-in disconnected essays, ser- claim which is paying well. Mrs. Nelmonettes and club papers-have been son is an suergetic woman who emi-A youth of 18 who was in the trench- written on the average American wom- grated to Idaho some ten years ago,

In Missouri a young woman who in-

Many women who heretofore ordered take your gun and fight, and i'll stand ternoon round of visits. She has prom- dresses made for them, because of the ised to meet Mrs. Blank at this shop at improbability of getting a custom made The boy got up, shaking like a leaf 3 o'clock, and she glides with a swish gown to fit and please, are buying and fired his first shot pretty near and from from of silken skirts to wait bady made dresses this fall. The news in the empire parlor. She has been in that a "boss" recently kicked from his What was it you wanted ?"

35 cents an hour. What did he care from Van Schnick & Co., and at 5 edge very tightly. I was going to make o'clock a fourth. Then Doubleday arose he gave up his place the next day and wife. and remarked : "Gentlemen, I have on-

"And I got it all right, but in about joyed the game. My winnings are exactly \$1.65. 1 must say good afternoon, conscions of the fact that it wasn't stopping me at all; I was carrying it down with me. It was the front edge ing his brokers informed him that he of another map cut in the floor under could sottle for \$100,000. At the time the bureau, hinged at the back and held the first telegram was sent he could have settled for \$25,000, at the time of the second for \$50,000, the third for

in the highlands, there was an old man as hard as I could, but if I had had iron \$75,000. He had ample warning, but fingers and steel muscles I couldn't have in the thick of the Sudbury game of whist he believed the rise was only a threatening flurry .- New York Press. SCOTCH SIMPLICITY.

The Muson, the Budding Architect a maker of pack saddles. and a Conscience Stricken Lad. The Scotch are fond of telling stories

The commonest trades are taylour and smyth, since one lived in almost every which illustrate the peculiar simplicity of mind of their country people. This village. The taylours number 407, of whom 140 are called by the Latin name simplicity at least saves them from of cissor. In addition to 261 smyths,

wicked guile. One of these stories relates that an several are specialized. There are two honest mason once had a contract to arusmytha, three lokesmytha, three build a small house of stone. He came goldsmyths, five fferours (shoeing early and began from the inside to lay smiths) and six marshalls (farriers). the stone, working very fast. At noon The wryght wrought both in wood his young son brought him his dinner, and metal. The number catalogued is

peeping over the wall as he handed the 186, of whom 81 are called by the Latin basket to his father. With honest pride name faber (French favre), one of the thought of such a thing as giving up if in his eye, the mason looked over to the few cases in which the Latin translation of a trade name has become a com-"Weel, Jock, hoo d'ye think I'm mon surname. The wryghts' trade, like that of the smyths, was specialized.

gettin on ?" he asked. "Ye're getting on famous, feyther," answered Jock. looking at the solid chests in which the clothes or mea wall, in which there was no break. "But hoo d'ye get oot?" The mason looked around. It was

true. He had provided the house with ziers), who were probably concerned no door at all, and he was on the inside. | with the windows of churches. Glass He looked kindly and very admiringly windows in houses were rare, as is still at the boy. the case in Sicily or Egypt.

"Mon, Jock, ye've a grand heid on ye!" he exclaimed. "Ye'll be an architect yet, as sure as yer foyther's a ma-

Another story shows how unsuccess ful as a thief the rustic Scot may be. Two young plowmen went into a gar- (43), were opnient, being faxed 13 times den at night to steal gooseberries. The as much as laborers -Notes and Que-

and as one of the lads groped about he got a handful of potato plums, which he quickly put into his mouth. Then he

gasped to his comrade: "Oh, Jock, I'm poisoned! For ony

sake, shove me through the hedge again, of the summer sea a flying fish-thefor I wandna like to dee i' the anld humming bird of ocean-flashed man's gairden !"-Youth's Companion.

Tobacco In England, 1845.

When I was a lad, fully half the popblue and silver, swooped with indescribulation of both sexes, rich as well as able strength and rapidity upon its poor, the banker equally with the workingman, were snufftakers. My first went to the Klondike last spring and schoolmaster always carried his snuff opened a bakery, which pays her a profit chostmaster anways through and in-boose in his waistcoat pocket, and in-the splash of the leviathan, rippled ap deed was done. The ocean, recording numerable were his dips into it with two fingers and a thumb in the course of the day, while the big gauffered frill standing of our boatman, a son of Alwhich protruded from the bosom of his shirt was always thickly sprinkled with

it. We need to notice that he never curious contrast to a lean, bronzed face seemed to relish one of his hage pinches -"ves, messieurs, that is a tuna, a 200 so much as immediately after having pounder, at least !"-Pall Mall Gazette. administered a sound castigation to

me recalcitrant pupil. On the other hand, there was little or o open air smoking, except in the case of laboring men going to or from their work. In this respect lucifer matches have something to answer for; but for them the practice of outdoor smoking would never have grown to its present enormous proportions. - Chambers'

Journal

An Unexpected Unil.

"These are very mild." ended the stigation of her jealous rival, the horse-Jpeaker, presumably for the benefit of whipping of the villain by the hero in "You are just going out, I see"-"Yes, an important engagement. What was it you wanted?" Jeaker, presumably for the benefit of whipping of the viliain by the hero in his conscience—"very mild, and won't "faultless" evening dress—these and hurt you any."—New York Commer- their like naturally present themselves

recovered from the shock sufficiently to prossion. Several times he took hurried about Hannibal and St. Joe? Later in do hard studying, and the victims of glances at the programme he had in his the afternoon a third summons came the water pitcher are both under the hand. He became so deeply interested that bovine gold which gilds the staff care of trained nurses. As for the man. that he attracted the attention of his of life. Every day he drives up from confided to the cook that he was going

"What do you see that interests you every morning he skims the cream Always on hand. It is always a pleasure to display our to look for a job in a lunatic asylum, so?" inquired his wife "She isn't from 500,000 quarts of milk, enough where his boarding school experience pretty. would be of value to him -- New York "May, I m't that the same hat that

woman wore in the last act?" exclaimed Bilkins, seemingly ignoring his throat. Eclectric Oil cured me in TAYLOURS AND SMYTHS. wife's question.

Mrs. Bilkins glanced in the direction they Were the Commonest Trades of the stage. In the Thirteenth Century. "I think she is." she replied, "but

The manufacture of leather in the what of it?" thirteenth century seems to have been "Oh. nothing, only it seems so odd!" important, showing that leather jerkins "What does ?"

and breeches were commonly worn. We "Why, that she should still be wearhave 19 skynners, 40 barkars, 6 sading the same hat." explained Bilkins. delers, 3 cordeweners, 167 souters, "The programme says there is a lapse (shoemakers) and 8 glovers. The surof two years between the first and seename feaster is a trade name denoting ond acts "-Ohio State Journal

Our Florida Alligator.

An alligator is not an attractive reature. He has not a single virtue that can be named. He is cowardly treacherous, hideons. He is neither graceful nor even respectable in appear-ance. He is not even amusing or grotesque in his ungainliness, for as a brute --a brute unqualified—he is al-ways so intensely real that one shrinks from him with loathing and a laugh at Besswax, per h. Conutry have been appear-conutry have been appear-terester a sub-transfer a sub-grotesque in his ungainlines, for as a brute --a brute unqualified—he is al-transfer a sub-transfer a sub-conutry have a sub-conutry have a subgraceful nor even respectable in appear-Beenwax, per B. Conner and the super state of the super state of the super base of the state of the super s his expense while in his presence would seem curiously out of place.

His personality, too, is strong. Onco catch the steadfast gaze of a free, adult alligator's wicked eyes, with their odd vertical pupils fixed full upon your own. The arkwryght made the great arks or and the significance of the expression 'evil eye." and the mysteries of snake "evil eye. and the mysteries of snake charming, hypnetism and hoodooism will be readily understood, for his bra-tish, merciless, muffinching stare is sim-ply blood chilling —I. W Blake in Popular Science Monthly. Plasters and Cuts, Although court plaster is useful in protecting small scratches or abrasions of the skin from harm, it should not ho were stored, and we find a plowwryght, a wheelwryght, two shippewryghts, 11 cartwryghts and two glasswryghts (gla-

The bakesters are few (15), suggesting that families baked their own bread There are 26 butchers (fleshewer, bocher of the skin from harm, it should not be or carnifex), whence Labouchere, while used over any considerable cut or wound the surname potter shows that this in process of healing. These will heal trade was in existence. The fyshers much faster if simply covered with a | Sugar, bit of soft linen held in place at the ends with strips of surgeon's plaster.

No Liking For Angels.

llow, per b My introduction to this prince of the A little girl whose mother left her alone at night after telling her the room Pacific was on this wise: My brother was full of angels was heard saying to and I were trolling for yellowtail off the her doll: "Now, dollie, you mustn't be island of Santa Catalina. Suddenly out afraid. The room is all full of angela It beats the devil bow afraid I am of athwart our bows and then, not a doxen | angels "-Trained Motherhood. yards distant, the waters parted and a

Naturally.

Paris? How was it served?"

Plain Dealer

to light a cigar. "Have a cigar ?" he The stabbing of the heroine's father by

said absentmindedly, as he scratched a the villain disguised as the hero, the

match. The young man took the cigar kidnaping of the heroine by Black

"And you say you ate horse steak in

"A la cart. of course."-Cleveland

English Penny Novels,

other in externals rather than in in-

ternals. The get up of the better sort is

neat and attractive. The type is clear,

and the covers might even be called

"artistic" in the catholic sense of the

term. The inferior kinds are indiffer-

ently printed "on gray paper with blunt

type," and there are many degrees of

excellence between the two extremes.

All except one have illustrations rang-

ing from the rudest of woodcuts to the

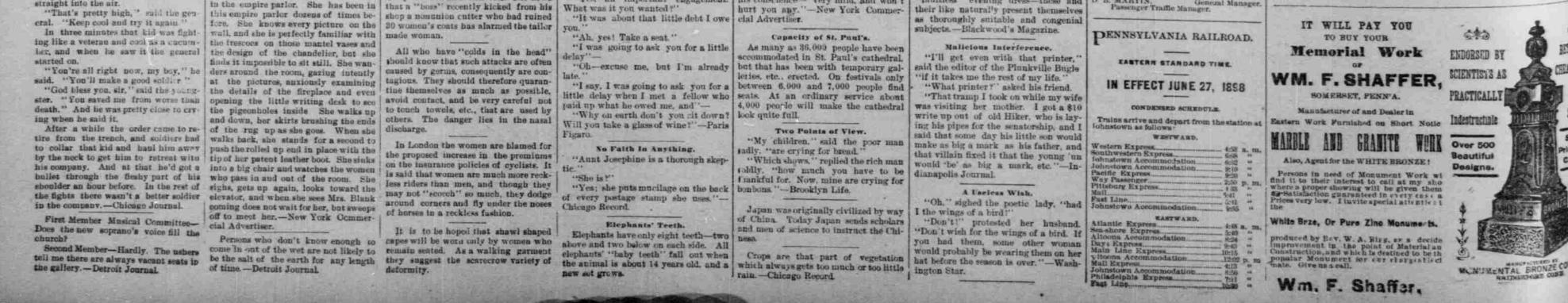
amadgiest of "process" plates. Of

course the artist selects the most sensa-

tional incidents for his pencil to adorn.

Tom and his gang of gypsies at the in-

Penny novelettes differ from one an-



and bit off the end.