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This story is a tough one to tell, coungsters, but true it is for all that! or my grandfather, from whom I have it, used always to say when he told it; "True must it be, my son, otherwise one could not tell it so at all !" And this is the way the story ran;

'Twas on a pleasant Sunday morning towards harvest time, just as the buckwheat blossemed. The sun had gone brightly up into heaven; the mourning wind swept warm over the stubble; the larks sang in the air; the bees hummed in the buckwheat; the good folk went in Sunday gear to church, and all creatures were happy

church, and all creatures were happy and the hedge-hog also.

The hedge-hog stood before the door with his arms folded, peeped out into the morning air, and chirruped a little song to himself, just as good and just as bad as a hedge-hog is wont to sing on a pleasant Sunday morning. And as he was singing to himself, in a cheery little voice, all at once it came unto his head he might just as well, while his wife was washing and drossing the children, take a little walk ining the children, take a little walk into the field to see how his turnips were standing. Now the turnips were close to his house, and he used to eat them with his family, so that he looked upon them as his own. No sooner said than done. The hedge-hog shut the house door to after him, and took his way to the field. He had not gone very far from the house, and WAS about to turn, just by the thorn bush which stands there before the field, near the turnip patch, when he met the hare, who had gone out on a similar business, namely, to look after his cabbages. When the hedge-hog caught sight of the bare, he bid him a friendly "good morning!" But the hare, who in his own way was a mighty fine gen-tleman, and held his head very high, answered nothing to the hedge-hog, putting on thereby a most scornful mein, "how happens it, then, that thou art strolling about here in the field so

early in the morning?"
"I'm taking a walk," said the hedge-hog.

"Taking a walk," laughed the hare, "methinks thou mightest use those legs of thine for better things." The answer vexed the bedge-hog hugely, for he could stand almost

anything but his legs he did not like to have spoken about, because they were crooked by nature. "Thou thinkest, perhaps," said the hedge hog to the hare, "thou could'st

do more with thine own legs?"
"That's what I do think," said the

"That depends upon the trial," quote the hedge-hog, "I bet that if we run a race together, I leat the hol-

"A golden louis d'or and a bottle

of brandy!" said the hedge-hog.
"Done," said the hare, "fall in and

then it may come off at once." "Nay, there's no such hurry," said the hedge-hog, "I'm still quite hungry ; I'll go home and get a bit of breakfast first ; within a half an hour I'll

be here again on the spot."
With this the hedge-hog went his way, for the hare was also content. On the way the hedge-hog thought to himself:

"The hare trusts his long legs, but I'll fetch him for all that; he's a fine gentleman to be sure, but still he's only a stupid fellow, and pay he shall!" Now when the hedge hog came to his house, he said to his wife, "Wife,

dress thyself in my gear, quickly; thou must go with me to the field." "What's all this about?" said the

"Iv'e bet the hare a golden louis d'or and a bottle of brandy that I beat him in a race, and thou must be

"O my God, husband!' began the race with the hare ?"

"Hold thy mouth, wife," said the

What could the hedge-hog's wife do? She had to follow whether she way together, the hedge-hog said to youder will be run our race.

"Can we start it said the hard

"Yes, indeed!" said the hedge-hog.
"To it then!" and with that each placed himself in the furrow, and the hare counted one, two, three! and away he went like a storm-wind down the field. But the hedge-hog ran about three stops, and then ducked down in the furrow and sat still.

When the hare, on the full bound, came to the lower end of the field, the hedge-hog's wife called out to him, I'm here already!" The hare started, and wondered not a little; he thought no otherwise than that it was the hedge-hog himself that ran out to meet him, for, as every one knows, the hedge-hog's wife looks just like her husband.

But the hare thought: There's something wrong about all this! Another race! At it again! And away he went like a storm wind, so that his ears ay flat on his head. But the hedge-hog's wife stayed quietly in her place: When the hare came to the upper end the hedge-hog called out to him. I'm here already."

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But the hare, beside himself with rage, cried, "Another race! At it

"I'm quite willing," answered the hedge hog "just as often as thou likest." So the hare ran three and seventy times, and the hedge-hog held out to the very end with him. Every time the hare came either below or above, the hedge-hog or his wife said, "I'm

here already. But the four and seventieth time the hare came no more to the end. In the middle of the field he fell to

the earth and lay dead upon the spot. So the hedge hog took the louis d'or and the bottle of brandy he had won, called his wife out of the furrow, and both went home together; and if they have not died they are living still So happened it that on the Buxtehude heath the hedge hog ran the hare to death, and since that time no hare has ever dreamed of running a race

with a Buxtehude hedge-hog. But the moral of this story is, first, that no one, however high and mighty he may think himself, shall let it happen to him to make merry over an humble man, even if he be a hedge-hog; and secondly, that it is advisable, when one marries, that he take a wife out of his own condition, and who looks just like himself. He therefore that is a hedge-hog, must took to it that his wife is also a hog; and so forth.

The Alta Californian tells about a man who is burying his vices: "He looks like an undertaker; but its so easy to stop these foolish practices, you know. The only trouble he has suffered in abstaining has been First, restlessness and a desire to chew something; second, a sort of mental thirst that seems unquenchable; third, an The water that man specied around. looks like an undertaker; but its so and everything necessary to the complete stock of a first-class Grocery House, which they have opened out at their establishment on Elm-St., first door north of M. E.

"That's quite laughable, thou with that seems unquenchable; third, and they have opened out at their establishment on Elm-St., first door north of M. E.

Ive nothing against it if thou art so never feeling satisfied or at rost; tered with it, and his wife pranced and friends were expecting an early large. self; fifth, a desire to tell every one he sees that he has quit smoking and "smiling"-this is done to brace up his failing courage and commit him-self and his pride to the work to self conquest; sixth, he imagines he used to smoke a whole box of eigurs a day and brags of his former power; while insinuating his present fortitude; seventh, he is now sufficing from a tempting voice, which says: "If you take up smoking again, you could restrain yourself to the moderate use of the weed; why should you persecute yourself, and thereby acknowledge that you can't smoke in moderation? Your will is certainly strong enough to resist and excess in future!" He is in a bad state of colic now. If he so easy for him to quit smoking, if he only makes up his mind to do so!"

> A few days since a farmer in Madison township quarrelled with his wife usedge-hog's wife to pry, "art thou fool- and left home. He returned in a ish? How canst thou wish to rap a short time and the quarrel was resumed and continued to such an ex-"Hold thy mouth, wife," said the tent that he expressed a desire to be hedge-hog, "that's my business; don't out of the world. His wife intimated meddle with men's affairs. March! that nothing would please her better dress thyself in my clothes, and then and offered to do her part if the rifle come along." house, got the r.fle and ammunation and loaded it in the presence of his would or no. When they were on the wife, but was very careful when she was not looking to slip the ball down his wife: "Now listen to what I have his sleeve. After the gun had been to say. See'st thou, on the long acre capped he handed it to her and went The into the yard, she followed as far as hare runs in one furrow and I in the door, when she took deliberate another, and we begin to run from up aim and fired. The husband dropped there. Now they hast nothing else in the grass, to all appearance dead, to do than to take thy place in the and laid there a short time before his furrow, and when the hare comes up wife came to him. It did not take on the other side thou must call out her long to discover that he was playto him, I'm here already!" With this ing possum," and grasping an ax hnn-they had reached the field; the hedge-dle, she attacked him so fiercely that hog showed his wife her place and but for the interference of some of the she was not extravagant, because when up the furrow. When he got to children, she would have crushed his when she bought those peaches she the upper and the hare was already skull. It is needless to add that

A GOOD DOG STORY.

It does not make any difference whether your name is Keyser or not; you want to buy a dog there is one Frankfort. The captain of the boat is an Oswego man, and it is but one short but we will try it. week since he spliced his main-brace and let out the reefs in his driver, and got three sheets in the wind, and made all necessary preparations for a prosperous voyage. His wife sung "Write me a Letter, Love," in the cabin; his children played on deck; his steeds aired their frames on the tow path, his hand was on the rudder, and his mate was recovering from his farewell attack of delerium tremens in the forward cabin. The captain gazed proudly around him, and could think of nothing necessary to complete his happiness; but his wife, wiser than he, thought they needed a dog-a nice Newfoundland-to play with the children, fish them out when they fell in the canal, and watch the deck-hands when the captain was off after grocer-

Coming through Utica yesterday, the captain bought a nice Newfoundland dog. He got him at a bargain; in fact, he got him for nothing, so to speak, because the man who owned the dog was not around at the time the bargain was made. The captain had the dog, but still he was not happy. The dog had a way of barking at passing crafts, und so drew upon his cap tain's boat frequent showers of coal and wood, and he would dive down the steep steps into the oabin, anddenly, and upset the captain's wife. Once he lit on the table and spoiled a pound of butter, and he was altogether too play-

Yesterday the captain, who is a p ous man, tied up, and put out his plank just east of this city, and started with his children to go to the park and to observe the day after the manner of this vicinity. The dog started, and as soon as he got on shore he began to caper and wag his tail, and so wagged one of the children flat on his blessed back. The baby yelled and the captain made some tender remarks as he set it on its feet, and some other romarks as he shook his fist at the dog. The dog misunderstood the man, and came run ning back, full of fun, and made a jump to lick his face. He missed the man, but he knocked the other child into the canal, and the father, without waiting to make any remarks, jumped in after it. The dog, being to the water born, knew just what to do, and he never feeling satisfied or at rost; tered with it, and his wife pranced and friends were expecting an early demise, his nephew and a man hired flung a pole to the old man, which the dog promptly dragged and pulled which had been fatted; and when the ashore, and that captain was nearly job was completed the nephew entered

knew that something was wrong; so he slunk up the plank on board. The captain gathered what loose granite and lumber he could in a hurried and earnest search, and marched up the plank, the grimmest figure of Neptune plank, the grimmest figure of Neptune by and by and by."

"Let the boys drag it around the soon as he got on board he opened a pard a couple of times; it will make it hot fire on the dog, and that sagacious weigh heavier." brute went yelping through the forthe mate lay masing about the devil. Whon the mate saw the dog he thought the evil one had come for him him gives in, he will be smoking ten ci-gars a day within a week. But it's for the last fight, so that when the captain jumped down in pursuit of the dog there was a mutual misunderstanding all around. The captain's wife looked down and tried to explain, but there was a confused whirlpool of bunk boards, and hair, and bedding, and legs and arms, with an occasional in-fusion of dog, that it seemed idle to waste her breath in talking to such a

To-day the bow of that fated craft cuts the waters solemnly, and at the helm stands the wreck of that captain, fastened together with strips of plaster, and smelling of liniment, and ever and anon he surrenders the rudder to his wife, while he goes forward to hammer a dejected dog which is for sale, or to listen to the ravings of the maniac confined under the forward hatch. -Ution Herald.

A woman used to buy peaches when they were sixty cents a quarter of a peck; when her husband remonstrated with her for her extravagance, she would burst into tears and say that their will be a divorce, South Bond for and keep them until they got he had better go home and read his

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> the Legislature, on horseback, as us-ual at that day, he was bailed from a house by a garrulous old maid, who had often annoyed him with questions respecting public affairs.
> "Well, Governor," said she, coming out towards the road, "what new laws

One fall, as he was returning from

have you passed at Montpelier, this

"Well, one rather singular one among the rest," he replied. "Dew tell! Now what is it, governor?" asked the excited querist,
"Why, that the woman in each

town who has the smallest mouth, shall be warranted a husband." "Whoy, whot?" said she, drawing her mouth to the smallest compass, "what a queer, curious lor that is."

"Yes, but we have passed another that beats that; the woman that has the largest mouth is to have two hus-"Why, whart!" exclaimed the old maid, instantly relaxing her mouth, and stretching it wider at every sylla-

ble, "what a remarkable law that is: when does it come in force, governor?"

At this, the governor put spurs to his horse, and vanished.

A Frenchman, an Englishman and an American were conversing on the industries of their several countries. and were rather inclined to color their descriptions. When the conversation turned to the manufacture of ship hawsers, the Frenchman said he would cap the climax by describing a rope which he had seen in his country. piece twenty feet long was raised on end, where it stood straight as a pole. To which the Englishman remarked: "If you call that the cap of the climax, I will put a plume on that cap. In Birmingham, they made a rope so stiff' I raised a piece on end twenty feet long and then climbed it." The American, too, had seen something of ropes. "Stranger," said he, "allow me to color the tip of that plume of yours. In old Connecticut, where I was born and hadmy broughten up, I took twenty feet of rope made there, and set it up end; wise; I then climbed the rope and chiled it from the bottom as I went up; then let go one end, which flew

drawned before he trod the sod 'again. the sick room, where a few friends 'The dog is an intelligent animal— were assembled, when to the astonishvery intelligent, indeed; and just as ment of all the old man opened his soon as he saw that mariner's face he eyes, and turning slightly, said, in a full voice, drawing out the words :

"Killing the steer," was the reply.
"What did you do with the hide?"
"Left it it the barn; going to sell it

"What have you been doing ?"

And the good old man was gathered unto his fathers.

Science and pature combined have wrought a curious result in the month of a Brooklyn gentleman. While engaged in the pastime of friendly box-ing, he received a pat in the face which broke off one of his teeth. Of course he was sorry for the accident, but concluded it was irreparable. But friends urged him to consult the dentist, and after a day or two he followed their advice. The breken piece, a large his was bound to its proper place, and though the patient was forced to eat cautionsly and talk little for some time, the two parts finally united so perfectly that no flaw in the tooth could be detected.

The other day, on a train from Lawrence to Hoston, on reaching Weakfield, the conductor shouted. "change cars," et . A lady who was sitting in one of the cars got up and went out. Shortly before reaching Boston the lady asked the conductor, if the train had not yet reached Weakfield. The conductor said it had, and asked her if she did not hear him shout "change cars." She said, "Yes, I was in that car," pointing to the next car attached, "and came into this one." She went back on the next train.

A little boy being asked who Good Friday was, informed the querist that