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<text><text><text><text><text></text></text></text></text></text>	<text><text><text><text></text></text></text></text>	 Twas the sunny Syrian sea Off the coast of Tripolf And the ironclude of England wore at play; While their mimic thunder reat With its rear the firmament. As they tacked and they maneuvred in the bay; For our navy is the pride Of that sea without a tide; And bur home is on the deep amid the spray. Something terribly amiss In a moment! That or this, Man or mechanism? Well, I do not know; On the gallant flagship came, Quick as stroke of lightning flame Or the glant rush of tempest, such a blow That, her harness rent, she bowed; And a mighty iron shroud, With her Admiral and crew she sank below? Do you deem they should have died On a flarce and recidened tide. In the fury and the glory of the fight? With the eneign shot to rags, 	 to live and enjoy life and that which he made, better. There was not a better library in the town than his; he had collected it himself. He was a lover of art. James a lover of art. James a solidoup that for originality and brightness would have rivaled the mental calibre of hy far the greater number of his fellow-townamen. James Ellis's life had been, however, a failure, as he looked at it—an unhappy failure—a miscrable existence, caused by a baby face, and a woman's voice. Mis greatest happiness, and at the same time his greatest unhappiness, was his love for Julia Costello. He was not content unless near her. He was not content unless near her. He worshiped her. It was the love of a stoney life. He had known her from childhood, and had always loved her. He loved her because he could not content with woman—the bost gift to man—this woman, could he alone reach the revents of the past motths. As he events of the past motths. As he content works are described that woman, could he alone reach the store of her alone to the hore of her because he believed that with woman—the bost gift to man—this woman, could he alone reach the town her from child. 	The Methods Used to Announce the Recent Terrible Storm in Iowa Taken as an Example. The signal schievement of the Government Weather Bureau in predicting the receit dis- astrons tornadoes in Iows twenty-four hours in advance of their avful visitations has brought into new prominence the remarkable accuracy with which in these days of advanced science a weather forecast can be made. The prediction of the Iowa tornado offers a noteworthy example of the value of the Government Bureau, and illustrates the perfection of the system it employs, but the forecast in point of accuracy is duplicated daily. It isn't every day that a tornado starts on a wild stampede, but the weather sharps are expected to keep the cities and towns of the country posted in advance in regard to the weather. The daily forecast has become an all-important element in all calculations, whether of pleasure or of business, and could no more be dispensed with than the tele- graph or any of the other sgencies which have revolutionized affairs. As so much depends upon these predic- tions it is not surprising that the bureau has reached a high grade of efficiency. If an English or a French weather sharp were assigned to our bureau he	am for ! And it is, oh, such fun ! and I am sure that I shall rue The time when we are both too old to play the game of "booh "" Eugene Field, in Chicago Becord

with his baby face and woman's voice

mate.

Love me-marry me.

Can't you love me?"

James Ellis urged.

spoke, saving :

again pleaded.

answered.

month.

he had failed to awaken the chords of

"Oh, don't, Jimmy ! Don't, Jimmy !"

"Won't you give me your answer?

Silence ensued. He began again :

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

A tea party-An old maid .- Truth." The time to burn a letter is before it is mailed. -Galveston News,

Every man has his price, except those that are worth buying .- Puck. The difference between marbles and billiards is about ten years in the ago

of the play.-Puck. A deaf man cannot be legally con-

victed. It is unlawful to convict a man without a hearing. -- Siftings.

Father-in-law- "I am ruined; all is lost." Son-in-law--"Ahem! Then I married for love, after all !"-Tit-Bits. If there were no great fools in the world, we wouldn't be nearly so well satisfied with ourselves as we are .---Puck.

"She never told her love." But if he didn't get wind of it, it was no fault of the busy-bodies.-Boston Transcript.

A minister who was given a match sealed in an envelope for a wedding fee made light of the imposition, -Philadelphia Becord.

"Did Bilkem leave anything when he died?" "Yes; his creditors. They're the worst left lot you ever saw."-Buffalo Courier.

The fool secketh to pluck the fly from the mule's hind leg, but the wise man letteth the job to the lowest bidder.-Memphis Appeal.

Applicant-'Will there be a chance to get up in the world?" Proprietor "At half-past three in the morning.

the compass toward the Wyoming capital. an intimate acquaintance with storms for years, and this tornado didn't fool Usu-

over the maps which are made on the reports of one of the Government observers throughout the country, and figures out just the kind of weather Imitation American Physicians. that may be expected in every State and section. This short, thick-set man, with gray eyebrows and gray mustache, is the official who, on examining the maps on the night of July

n as many different sections.

With all these complications,

short, thick-set man, with gray eye-

brows and gray mustache, calmly looks

ernment observers at Sioux City, Des

Moines, Ia., Keokuk and Omaha, had

all reported threatening atmospheric

conditions, and their reports, when re

duced to tracings on the maps, showed

that the centre of the atmospheric dis-

turbances was at Chevenne, with the

winds racing from all four points of

He was sitting on a high stool in the

forecasting room at the Weather Bu-reau, calculating on the tornado's prob-

able evolution. 'The Major read the

report of the storm sentinels at Sioux

City and Des Moines over again, and

then drew a circle, with the centre at

Cheyenne and the circumference to-

wards the East, touching Davenport.

The Major's experience taught him that

the most trouble might be expected in

the southeast segment of the circle.

and before 9 o'clock that night all the

observers who furnished the alarming

reports were instructed by wire to send

out warnings to cities and towns on

the respective sections, and orders

were also given to employ every means

to inform the country districts of the

its terrible fury express trains running

through the isolated communities had

carried the bureau's intelligence, and

those who lived far from the railroad

station were warned by whistles, which

were blown according to an established

How quickly all this was accom-

plished illustrates the efficiency of the

Government system, as directed by

Chief Harrington. At 8 o'clock on the

night of the 5th the observations were

made, and an hour later Major Dun-

as of life, but for the warnings!

still in active practice, and at a dinner

given in honor of his hundredth birth

he made a speech in which he

and well-understood code.

Hours before the storm broke with

impending peril.

be expected.

Major Dunwoody has had

Oh, don't! Oh, don't, Jimmy !" Julia medicine gratis, prefaced with religious exercises. The Chinese ap-pear to appreciate this kind of practi-"Can I hope? Tell me something," cal religion. In a recent letter to the Missionary Herald, Doctor Chapin "I hardly know what to say," Julia newered. "I have never thought of tells of his missionary successes in the vicinity of Pang Chuang, and says :

"On this trip I learned for the first I played with yet. I hardly know whether to bid you to hope or not to hope. I might answer better in a igners. I was myself taken to be one of that class because of an ability to

make myself understood in Chinese. It seems that one or more enterprising celestials have gone into the work of dispensing medicines after the man-

ner of the American physician.

n North Dakota, a tornado may b have come now to know whether making sad havoc in the Western dare hope for happiness. I'm disfigfarming belt, a windstorm may be bowling along the Atlantic coast, imured now-ugly, but I love you-love yon, if possible, more than I ever have. perilling shipping, and four or five Can you love me?" "Julia, darling, I love you, I love hunder-storms may be creating alarm

tenderly caressing the scars with the

had never done before. There was average man on seeing a three-ring something in her being that went out circus for the first time. It is not an love, to sound the depths of her heart. to the man-the sacred hero. At last, uncommon circumstance for the in low, passionate tones he pleaded : Weather Bureau to chase half a dozen "Julia, darling, I have come for the different varieties of storms over the country in a day. It may be hailing

She liked him, respected him, but he was only "Jimmy," her boy playanswer promised, that can make life the sweetest thing on earth to me. Shortly after the conversation between Julia and her friend, James Ellis succeeded in gaining a long-looked-for opportunity. Taking Julia's hand in his, he said, in his squeaky voice:

As he hold her in his arms, Julia, This love is the sweetest, the only thing on earth that makes life worth the living to me. Be mine.

tips of her fingers, whispered : "These don't disfigure you, dear. You are not ugly to me."—Frank Les-Julia could not help seeing the ridiculous in the voice, in the face, and lie's Weekly.

American medical missionaries are now very popular in China. They are everywhere welcome, more especially because they offer medical advice and , paused for a moment, and then, to the surprise of his assistants, mur-mured : "This looks like a tornado." Major Dunwoody was the officer who read the signs aright. The Gov-

such a thing as you have spoken of. It seems funny. You seem but the boy

"I'll wait the month," the man read-

"Four months might be better yet."

ca began in arid lands. Turning t southwestern portion of the United country to be settled by white men, in Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada and California, where natural vegetation is so rare that it scarcely gives character to the landscape, where sandstorms drive over the country, where naked plains spread under a lurid sky, and where the landscape is often one of naked rock, and where adamantine forms stand in groves, and the trees are fossils buried in the rocks, the most ancient agriculture is found. For in the country thus described, the Indian tribes in conturies lost to history tion, and developed corn, cotton, potatoes, and other vegetables useful to man, while the rich valleys to the

The Southern States Magazine observes: "There appears to be an impression among those who have seen but little of the South, particularly during the past two years, that the Southern planter or farmer is so absolutely dependent upon cotton that if plied. that single crop fails, ruin and desolation to the entire farming community much?" the friend asked. will follow. While it is true that a certain number of cotton planters still hold to the time-honored plan of planting nothing but cotton, the time when this could be called a universal condition in the South has happily passed. and a new and broader farming industry has taken its place. In 1892 the cotton crop of the South was valued at about \$315,000,000. The corn crop was valued at \$248,000,000, wheat over \$40,000,000 and oatsabout \$25,000,000. These three products then were of equal value with the cotton crop. Adding to them the value of tobacco raised. over \$22,000,000; of rice, about \$10,-000,000; Florida oranges, about \$3,-500,000, and of garden truck, fruit and vegetables shipped North, between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000, the total value of the products named amounts to about \$40,000,000. It was only in the years immediately following the war that cotton was raised almost to the exclusion of other products. This was because the people were almost penniless and cotton was the one crop upon which advances could be secured. The condition of things has been steadily improving, and within the past two years the lesson taught by planting too much cotton has been so impressed upon every one engaged in it that there has been a general effort to raise more food=tuffs, and particularly to provide the food needed on each plantation or form. The Southern farmer to-day is not solely dependent upon his cotton crop for a living. In western Tennessee, Arkanass, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, while some few are followplanting cotton, the vast majority are out in a greater dogree. In Georgia

America it is discovered that this fundamental art began everywhere under like conditions of great aridity, on sandy plains and hot deserts. In the States, the very last district of the some portions of Utah, Colorado, cultivated the soil by artificial irriga-

north and east were yet untouched by

agricultural labor.

Well, the Highest-died He so ; And our land shall shrine their memory and

their name : For the man who, in the host, Is death strickon at his post,

"It is finished" may triumphantly exclaim ! There is grief for me and you, But for Tyron and his crew

Happy future as was honor in the past ; Though the Admiral no more May hear wind or water roar.

Though his sailors cannot battle with the blast, 1 For, the Pilot of all seas, He will welcome souls like these

And shall guide them to fair haven-land at last 1 -London Athenaum.

A MAN WITH A BABY FACE.

BY WILLIAM A. M'CLEAN.

- IMMY ELLIS is indeed a funny

boy," laughed Julia Costello to a friend. "They say he is head over heels

in love with you

most of his time. They tell me you have completely be-

witched the boy," rejoined the friend. "I must confess he seems to act very ily said. "Make it two months." foolishly. No matter what I do or say, or ignore him, I can't scere him away.

I have never done the alightest thing to encourage him," Julia coberly re-

-follows you, is to be found somewhere near you

a matter of fact her German speaking population is but limited, and annually losing ground. The increase in population among the German inhabitants of Austria is but 5.17 perthousand per year ; the increase with the Italiane in Austria is 5.92, and with the Slavonic races 7.93. Of 100 marriageable women in the German districts of Austria. forty-one find husbands; among the Slavonic races the percentage is fiftytwo. One of the reasons for this showing is that in the German districts of Austria the economic management of affairs is almost prohibitory to marrisge among the younger sons and daughters of the peasants. The homestead goes to the eldest son, whose brothers and aisters become his servants. Among the Slave the family property is equally divided among all children after the death of the father, and each one is allowed to begin housekeeping on his own hook.

have been expected to be have been

ignored in the telegraphic dispatches

to India. These dispatches did not

éven let us know whether Cleveland

was elected or not. But, on the other

hand, every little motion or resolution

and every interview with well-known

public men on the silver question was

at once telegraphed to us. This

showed the keenness with which we

were observing the action of this coun-

The Government of Japan has in

hand plans for the construction of

fourteen new railway lines. At present

the railway mileage of the empire

reaches some 1500, of which 894 be-

longs to various companies. These, it

is said, will be taken over by the State.

Formerly the lines were built by

British contractors, with material sup-

plied by the United Kingdom, and

were operated by foreign engineers,

but now the State and private com-

panies have their own Japanese en-

gineers, and a great part of the railway

material and rolling stock can be fur-

nished from the National shops at

Shinbasi, although there is still room

for considerable foreign importation

Foreigners are wont to classify Aus-

tria among the German countries. A

in this line.

try on the silver question."

The trials of the rainmaker are, indeed, numerous, remarks the Washington Star. For a long time it has been assorted that a rainmaker is a myth. People may think they produce rain, and they may make other people think so; but, according to the doubters, it is a case of imagination purely. Under conditions like these the rainmaker might comfort himself with the thought that genius very seldom secures prompt appreciation and go his way, feeling sure that posterity would see his vindication. But now comes a grief of an entirely opposite character. A Kansas rainmaker boasted that a cloudburst, which came quite unpredicted, was the result of his professional endeavors. Thereupon a Kansas farmer arose with a claim for ing the old plan of purchasing food and damages because the cloudburst had destroyed his crops, and the wife of a raising diversified crops, and each sucman who was killed in a washout wants ceeding year will see this plan carried liberal damages. The dilemma is a painful one. The rainmaker must and the Carolinas cotton-raising will either repudiate his azience and de- soon hold second place, as to value, clare that his assertions were empty among the agricultural products of the boasts, or elso he must assume the States, not necessarily because less moral and financial responsibility for | will be raised, but because of the fathis devastating storm. It is an inter- crease in the production of cereals, esting problem, too, for the courts to fruits and vegetables. Through the handle, and the public will wait with western part of the cotton belt such a interest for light which the judicial condition will not be likely to exist, mind may throw on the question of to but notion will never again be raised what extent it is possible for a rain- in place of food products, as has been maker to be responsible for rain. done in the past."

Make it, dear, just as you will. ally two or three men go together. am content if only in the end you will One of these dresses in foreign cos-"What's the matter with the boy, be mine."

"Well, let it be two, then."

thon, that he hangs around you so swer, yes or no, to his suit, or whether "I don't know," Julia slowly said, and added in a wistful manner, "I

wonder whether Jimmy will ever be a man-will ever look like a man." might not. 'He'sa pretty boy, anyhow, " laughed

the friend. "Pretty as a baby," said Julia, join-

ing in the laugh. The subject of this conversation was not a boy, but a man of thirty years. A man of full stature, yet with the expressionless face of a baby. It was decision. The time crept on fast ; round and full. The skin was of a soft weeks had flown, a month passed. pink color, with a tinge of darker color in the checks. The eyes were large There was no change in Julia's feel-ings that he could detect. and of a light blue, and opened in an innocent surprise when their owner was spoken to. He had a little chubby

nose and a small mouth. There were no lines or shadows on his face. He was a pretty man; so pretty that his face was repulsive to man and to

There was nothing womankind. about the face to counteract the seemingly expressionless vacuity there. Strangers continually asked, "Who is the man with the baby face?" The reply was always "Jimmy Ellis." The man James Ellis was swallowed up in the boy Jimmy.

Another characteristic heightened the effects of his boyishness. His voice was pitched an octave higher than is usual in men. He spoke in a light, chattering tone that went off into a He talked and laughed like screech. a woman. All his male associates as he became older grew away from him, deriding the man with a baby face and woman's voice. Womankind seemod ever to be making sport of him.

James Ellis was extremely sensitive in respect to these characteristics. He raised.

was conscious of the fun and sport As the crowd watched James Ellis others were having at his expense. consequence he gave humanity a wide disappeared. Another second and sharpsburg, was observed to stop and there was a fall of heavy timber into bellow regularly at a large tree in the disappeared. Another second and that big baby face of his. It made life miserable to him. It angered him He at times to hear his own voice. had in vain tried to coax a growth of whickers to hide the face. A tuft of came upon the body of Ellis lying at yellow hair here and there was all that made its appearance. In despair he had given up any further attempts in the bottom of the stairs. He had been knocked down by the falling timber. this direction.

where he was lying. Notwithstanding these outward signs, James Ellis was a man of true, nest, and honorable instincts and aspirations. Hedelighted in the pleasures face, cutting and tearing great gashes of a robust wanhood. He was an allthe whole length. The hot ambers of round athlete. There was not a better the wood had burned great red blotches horseback-rider in the town in which he lived. His mother had died when along the wound.

he was a ohild. His father died when he reached his majority, leaving him a mo in the Penneylvenia town of Band two farms lying near the village. An aunt had been installed as housekeeper over the home.

tume and talks a gibberish which is So it was decided that at the end of not understood by the natives, and so four months she would give her an- passes for a foreign language. In imitation of American physicians, all

ne might hope or whether it was hope-less. This was February-June might that fraternity, the bogus representawitness the making of one life or it tive of America is quite willing to receive contributions of grain to feed the

While James Ellis was content to animal which helps convey him from wait, he was not hopeful. He was only village to village. In consequence 'Jimmy" to Julia. Jimmy, the boygrain pours in upon him by the quan the playmate with the pretty face and a woman's voice. Julia wished a man for her husband, representative of tity. This is disposed of by a confederate at the nearest fair, and then Ah Sin departs for 'fresh fields and pasmanhood and strength. He feared the tures new.

The Great Game of the Chinese,

Weichi is the greatest game of the It was in the latter part of March Chinese, especially with the literary that, in the dead of night, a fire-alarm class, and is ranked by them superior was sounded. Men sprang from their to chess. Like chess, this game is of beds, jumped into their clothes. It a general military and mathematical character, but is on a much more exwas a country town in which every man and many women were needed to tended scale, the board containing 261 fight the dread fiend. It was soon dis-covered that a weather-boarded dwell-on a side. All of the men, however, covered that a weather-boarded dwelling-house had taken fire at the roof have the same value and powers. The When the crowd reached the house the object is to command as many places top of it was wrapped in flames. James the board as possible. This may Ellis was among the first on the ground. be done by inclosing empty spaces, or It was thought that every soul had left surrounding the enemy's men. Very the house. There was a terrible scream. close calculation is always essential in In the second story room, by the blaze order that a loss in one region may be

met by gains in another, thus employof the fire, could be seen a woman. ing skillful stragey when the contest-The blood froze in the man's faces ants are evenly matched. The game as they looked at the awful scane, They looked at each other, then back has come down from great antiquity, at the woman. Who would make a being first mentioned in Chinese writing move to save her? Like a flash James about 625 B. C. It was in all proba Ellis rushed toward the house, kicked bility introduced by the Babylonian open the door, disappeared, fought his astronomers, who were at that time instructors of all the East .- Chicago way through the smoke and heat in

The Weather Bureau did not an ly, a farmer living two miles south of nounce that a tornado might be expected, as tornado predictions went out apward. Beconds passed. The fire was making headway rapidly. James Ellis had not appeared. At last anxi-ous watchers crept into the house and Disirio and milk the cow. Lumm, who works on the farm, who got into the tree with a gun and waited for results. When the cows came from York World. the tree and bellowed, when the snake One Hundred Years Old, Still in Practice

He was tenderly picked up, carried out of the house and to his home. The falling timber had struck him in the appeared and was shot by Lumm .has passed his hundredth year. He is

Roosters vs. Weasel.

A weasel sneaked out of his lair near Stroudsburg Wednesday and gobbled It was only after weeks of er-eful up one of Mrs. Joseph Frymire's little nursing by the faithful aunt that chickens. Two bantam roosters were

doctor told him he had done all he afterward .- Philadelphia Record.

tated that his father had lived a hundred and seven, and he intended to do the same. James Ellis was pronounced well. He near by and they set upon the thiev English farmers furnished the had recovered from the wound to fall ing beast with such vigor that both his United States last year \$1,000,000 into a fover. It was June when the eyes were picked out, and he died soon

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worth of pickles,

-Kato Field's Washington. him by pretending to rendezvous at Cheyenne. The Major is an old army

She-"I wonder why they call these angel sleeves?" Hc-"What clse could they be called when you wear officer, who understands all about flank mevements, and he began to them ?"-Indianapolis Journal figure out where the main attack might

No one can appreciate the value of a match as can the smoker who lives in a house that is lighted by electric light and heated by steam. -- Life.

She-"Am I the first girl you ever proposed to, darling?" He (sincerely) "No; but you are the only girl who ever accepted me."-Brooklyn Life.

Friend-"You don't take any outing in the summer, I suppose?" Ice-man-"Well, no; that's when I have my innings, you know."-Detroit Tri-

"I have a notion to poke you in the face," said the boy to the banans. "What face?" asked the banana. "My face," said the boy. - Indianapolis Sentinel

Philosophers go about saying this is woman's age. According to her own account woman denies it-denics having any ago; she is always young .---Flaming Sword.

"How do you like your new lady help, Mrs. Todgers." "I should like her a good deal more, Mrs. Bodgers, if she was a little less the lady and a little more of a help."-Tid-Bits.

Novelist -- "T'd like to have my heroine do something absolutely unique!" Friend-"Yes? Why don't you have her faint when there's no one looking."- Detroit Tribune.

Tramp-"Can you assist me along the road, mum?" Lady of the House -"Personally, I cannot; but I will unchain my dog, and I know he will be most pleased to do so."-Tit-Bits.

"Aren't you in the grave-rabbing business?" asked the lawyor. "My profession, sir," responded the witness, with dignity, "is that of exhum-atorial artist."-Indianapolis Journal.

Mrs. Flockton-"I wonder is it true? People say that you sometimes go to aleep over your sermons." Parson Dunleigh-"People, I suspect, judge me by themselves."-Boston Transcript.

"Then you think I can never learn to dive. I don't see why?" Professor -"My dear young lady, you must re-member that you would have to keep your mouth shut."-Chicago Inter-Ocean.

First Travelor-"What is your basiness?" Second Traveler (haughtily) -"I am a gentleman, sir." First Traveler-"Indeed! How long have you been out of work?"-New York Herald.

"I suppose it is quite cool in the Scotch Highlands, even in summer, said a Pittsburger to a friend who had been in Scotlaud. "Yes," the latter replied, "the hills wear their furze all the time."-Pittsburg Chroniele.

Doctor DeBossy, of Havre, France,

woody, with quick judgment, based on long experience, had located the storm, and had sent out a forecast to the threatened community, telling of the dangers to be feared. How much the second story until he reached the Herald. greater might have been the damage to Au Educated Snake, property, and how much greater the A cow belonging to John H. Snave-

woman. He dashed out a window and helped her to the ladder that had been the house; a column of sparks went lane, while the cattle were being driven

The fire had not reached the place the field this particular cow stopped at

favor with the young army lieutenants. The warning, as sent out, was

to the effect that severe local thunder storms were threatened, and the far mers knew full well what was meant. As interpreted by them, it signified that a ground cellar would be a good place in which to spend July 6.—New