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The construction of a battleship takes three years; its destruction about three minutes.

Health, wisdom and peace of mind are along the line of judicious cycling. With the aid of the right sort of a mount any able-bodied person should be able quickly to get rid of surplus rumination and worriment.

Men will never learn the supremacy of nature and the operations of her laws. Had young Leiter studied agri culture and the rules of compensation he might have been spared the hu mility of trying to control the wheat grops of the world.

Coal is King of the Seas, to-day. Brains are his coadjutor, not his master. 'Tis Coal that makes history in the age of steam power. But, the doom of steam is not far off, Something more tractable and less wasteful will supplant it, and then King Coal will be dethroned,

There can be no longer any question of the hostility of the greater part of the German press to the United States, maintains the New York Commercial Advertiser. There is also evidence that this is largely shared by the people. No doubt we have friends among the Germans, but the dominant sentiment is so strong the other way that they are constrained to keep

in the constantly increasing provision for the storage of bicycles. Every enterprising shopkeeper maintains a rack; many churches have their wheel stables; the modern office building has a place set apart for the machines of its occupants; architects specify the "wheelroom" on plans for both city and country houses, and certain enterprising railroads engage to care for commuters' mounts, all of which indi cates that, while the opportunity for pleasure in cycling is greater than ever, the bievele is beginning to be chiefly esteemed because of its useful-

The people of Norway are greatly alarmed at the spread of liquor drinking among them, and are endeavoring to reduce it by all expedients in their power, remarks the New York Tribune. They tried the Gothenburg system, which resulted in no improvement; then eighteen towns resolved to prohibit the sale of liquors altogether. . The result was that drunkenness immediately and decidedly increased. Not only was a strong kind of port wine drunk in quantities, but illicit stills were set up in back kitchens, and the people drank the raw spirits with lamentable results. The country is still wrestling with this difficult problem, with no substantial prospect of amelioration vet in sight.

Switzerland offers an example in the way of adjusting railroad fares that is worthy of attention. By a new arrangement tourists or commercial bravelers (or others) can now secure for an absurdly small sum what amounts practically to a free pass over the Swiss tailways and steamboats. Tickets good for fifteen days cost \$12 first class, \$8.40 second, and \$6 third, and allow holders to travel over any or all of these routes as often as they please. For thirty days the tickets cost \$20, \$14 or \$10 for the different classes; for three months, \$48, \$34 and \$24; for six months, \$76, \$54 and \$38; for one year, \$120, \$84 and \$60 respectively. Mountain railways are of course not included. Two weeks suffice to get a glimpse of the principal parts of Switzerland, and it can now be done for \$6. Every are over two miles long, and all lit ticket must have the owner's photo-

who could repair any of the ordinary machinery about the farm, seems to be the exception nowadays, muses the American Agriculturist. This is partly because of the old plan of making things at home has given way to the modern idea of buying manufactured loved his own great country. articles. This has deprived the young of the wonderful experience that formerly taught them how to use their hands. Most of our young people nowadays have no conception of the power of hand, eye and mind, much less the ability to put such power into action. This must be the object of manual training in our common schools, and of technical training in the agricultural colleges. Teach our has only to go deeply into this phase of the new education to realize the yellow, or gray, or black, with a wonderful possibilities before the young man or woman who is so trained as to be able to make the hand obey ness when you breathe it in. Objects kindly lent a hand. As fast as he got ing could have emphasized his appre- and garnets. The union is a mass of the eye in carrying out the original dictates of the mind. The world needs mere book learning.

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A FOGGY MORNING ON THE FARM.

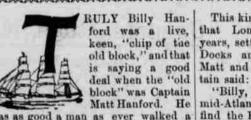
Uncle on the door-stone raised his hand up, slient, thinkin',
Fog fuzzy on his cont-sleeve, as it darkened, heart a-sinkin';
"Wind's to east'ard, Jake," he said to our man Jacob Gough;
Jake he turned an' twisted, said be thought it might burn off

I listened to them talkin', all the time in silence wishin'; An' at fast I just suggested that 't would be good day for fishin'. Two eyes above the door-s'one, an' two above the path, Looked down on me in scorn to see the subject of their wrath.

"Fishin'l" suarled out uncle, shavin' rain-drops from his collar,
"If ye live's old's Methuselah, ye'll not be wuth a dollar!
Work all behind, an' fishin'! Don't ye know there's hay a-spilin',
An' that ye got ter work, an' work, to keep the pot a-bilin'?"

He turned from me to Jacob; as he did there came a sprinkle; It pattered on my old straw hat and gave my eyes a twinkle. But they lost some of their brightness, when uncle now said, "Well, If 'taint a day for hayin', I s'pose there's corn to shell.'

By JOHN J. o'BECKET.



deck-short, thick-set, with a copperred tint to his well-seasoned face, and a pair of small, twinkling gray eyes. Billy was a reduced copy of his father, It was hard to tell which of them admired the other most.

Captain Matt was the sailing master If he doesn't we'll give it up. Don't stir from here or I'll never find you yacht built for racing and owned by a again.' wealthy young New Yorker. Her wner meant to take her over to the Isle of Wight and race the Prince of cold, enveloping mist with a sense Wales's Britannia, the German Em- of uncomfortableness. If the docks peror's Meteor, or any of the smart had seemed a wilderness before, they clusions with a Yankee keel.

more things than he did.

to go to Europe when he is fourteen. into the water. It was hard to tell ping boy and the two strangers in-But no boy ever enjoyed a trip there where he was from the sound, but stantly threw the place into excitemore than Billy Hanford. The Sea there was no doubt it was near at Conch got beaten in the races; that hand. The cries were repeated shrilsailed her himself in the race. If his distance below him, father had handled the boat, the other yachts would have been nowhere-so Billy firmly believed.

The young owner of the Sea Conch of the dock " told Captain Matt that he could run up to London for two or three days before he took the yacht back. This was sight of the walls of the docks he some consolation to Billy. He was going to see the biggest town in the

He was bound not to admit that it was much better than New York. Of course, it was bigger. But look how much longer it had been growing! The | small white face with a pair of scared buildings in New York were a good eyes in it. The boy was paddling deal higher than anything they could around like a small puppy. show in London. Hyde Park wasn't anywhere beside Central Park.

One day Captain Matt took his son to visit the docks. The boy looked a few yards. He did the only thing was regarded as a model of naval around on the hundreds of acres of he could think of. He stripped off massive cut-stone piers with great lakes of water between them and said Then he tied his trousers to his coat, nothing. The Brooklyn Navy Yard and his coat to his stockings, and let compared to these immense docks was like a duck pond.

"Billy, these docks cost hundreds of thousands of pounds," said the Captain to his son, impressively.

'Two hundred thousand pounds is pretty nearly a million dollars," remarked that young hopeful, as if to the stouter part of the life line, if the warn his father not to use figures shirt proved too weak to hold. He

"Well, Billy," replied his father, grimly, "one of them, the London cost four million pounds. Pounds," he repeated. "Figger that out. And they aren't half as big as these West India Docks we're going to. And the Victory and Albert Docks up with electricity. And they've got and bracing himself with the other machine that just hoists a vessel leg. He clung desperately to the line right up in the air, while they clean of clothes. If the boy couldn't help asked Captain Hanford. her. What do you think of that?"

'Oh, they're big," answered Billy. When he couldn't think of anything in America which was better than what he saw in London he kept pretty quiet. But this was through no lack of appreciation. He enjoyed seeing these wonders thoroughly, only he was an out and out American who

where Captain Matt hoped to find the Peal of India, on which was an old sea friend of his, they could see next raw air was making him shiver. They to nothing. A real London fog had both looked blue about the mouth, their adventure. It looked as if they wrapped everything in its mighty and were shaking like Mexican hair-

Here Billy could say with truth that they didn't have anything in New York which was one-tenth as bad. There is not a good word can be said | tering. for a London fog-one of the real, thick, ugly kind. It is impossible to do it justice. You have to experience youth how to use their hands! One one before you can realize how bad it along and get dry. Mother'll give us modeled on an American frigate," exis. It is a mist thick enough to cut- something warm. smell like soot. It gets into the eyes Billy was tugging at the knots in his the dock. and makes them smart till the tears clothes which the weight of the boy come. It rasps your throat to raw- had tightened. The rescued boy had ever called his son William. Nothacross the street can hardly be seen. a garment loose Billy put it on. Ugh! ciation of the boy as a hero and life-The lamps in the streets, in the How cold and wet they felt. He saver more than this. shops, and on the cabs are all lit, but stamped around to get warm.

"Billy, you didn't fall off, did you?" he inquired, huskily.
"No; but he did," said Billy, tug-

ging away at his knotted coat and

"He pulled me out with his clothes," said the other boy; "and I tell him to come down to the President an' get

"Is it far?" said Captain Hanford "No. Jes' down there."

"Well, I think we'd better go, Billy. I'm afraid you'll eatch cold.' "All right. But I won't catch cold," retorted Billy, who had got into all of

his clothes by this time. The small boy, looking like a drowned rat, led the way and Captain Matt followed, gathering the details of the adventure from Billy. He glowed with pride at his son's presence of mind in devising this novel clothesline and rescuing the boy. But Billy treated it as if it were the most commonplace thing in the world. He was

really thinking more of getting warmed

up than anything else. They both wondered a little where the boy could be leading them. They were still more surprised when he brought them to the oddest-looking invented a new form of spectroscope, Matt to have ever seen its like. It was a big, bulky frigate, whose sides years, settled down on the West India | bulged out like a gourd and then narold block," and that Docks and swallowed up Captain rowed in. The top was entirely covered in with a glass roof. It looked like some old hot-house tied up at the dock. Her figure-head of grimy white

President, was lettered on the side. Captain Matt and his son exchanged glances over this dismantled, clumsy apology for a ship as the boy hurried up the gang-plank. The deck had an immense sweep and was tidy and shipshape, with some old cannon and gun carriages on it, all under the glass roof.

The boy dived downstairs and then

to the left, and the Captain and his

son were surprised at finding themselves suddenly in what seemed the cosiest of little homes. There were regular square windows as large as those in a room, and a gas chandelier, with two or three jets lit, threw a like an atom lost in the enshrouding pleasant light on the carpeted floor and a table littered with a woman's one, a boy, he imagined from the and a bright faced, motherly woman

The cries were repeated shril- "I fell into the water and he pu was the only drawback to the trip. ly. Billy went a little nearer the edge me out, father; and I brought him Billy was convinced that the reason of and looked down into the milky green here to get his clothes dry," explained this was that the owner of the yacht water lapping the stone walls a good the rescued urchin, wet and shaking with the cold.

"Mother, you make some tea for "till I can find you. Swim toward em, quick. Jemmie, take the lad me, if you can, and don't lose sight in there and get him into some of your clothes and we'll dry his before the If it was a boy, of course he could stove," said the little man in one

"I will. But you are a nice boy to save my James." Here the good woman gave Billy a hearty hug and two resonading kisses, much to his an hour, and the call resounds from discomfiture. He hated to be kissed all the mountains and rocky cliffs and there was nothing to make a fuss around. When silence again reigns about. Why do women act that way? the herdsmen kneel and pray with un-

dry clothes and the woman was making toast and tea, Captain Hanford and the other got acquainted. He rope when he couldn't see more than exact copy of an American boat which architecture in her time. The first dwellings. President had been copied from the American model of the same name in 1798, nearly one hundred years ago. This one was built exactly like the first, and was launched at Portsmouth in 1829. After thirty-two years of service, she had been brought to this dock, where she had lain for thirtyfive years without being once taken

out of the water, "There was talk of taking her over to fore she got to the Nore lightship, seamen, and carries one gun on the upper deck and four on the main

"No, except that the Naval Reserves drill here every day from nine in the The other boy saw how matters' morning until four in the afternoon. stood, and squirming and getting his The long sweep of deck with so little grip a little higher up, he at last pulled on it makes a fine place to drill 'em. himself over the edge of the dock. He | And we live here and keep a little shop

the edge, and then the two sat up "And a beautiful home you've made breathless, gasping and not able to it, ma'am," said Captain Hanford, large bathing establishments. say a word. They simply stared at thinking of his own neat, white cottage at Bath Beach, with a pang of

homesickness, The boys came out now as fresh and dry as ever, and none the worse for were more likely to come to grief by eating toast and strawberry jam, which grateful Mrs. Seabury gave to them do you live?" asked Billy at last, as without any restriction. The Hanwell as he could with his teeth chat- fords left with the blessings of the

"To think, William, of my bringing pointing off through the fog toward you away over to London to save a boy from drowning who lived on a craft claimed Captain Matt, eyeing Billy They had both got to their feet, with twinkling eyes as they walked up

It was the first time in his life he

His alarm at seeing his son and heir he said, however, was: "If the think apparently just after a bath, and one that old hulk is an American ship, they taken with his clothes on, gave him a ought to see the White Squadron!" New York Ledger.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

The exports of glass from Furth, Bavaria, to the United States are grow ing largely.

The export trade of this country in paraffin and paraffin wax has grown up very rapidly.

During the last year 1521 persons underwent the Pasteur treatment for rabies at Paris.

A German scientist is of opinion that women will have beards some time in the remote future.

Paper made from seaweed is a grow ing industry in France. It is so transparent that it has been used in place of glass.

Railway building in Africa is pro-ceeding with wonderful rapidity con sidering the difficulty and expensive ness of most of the enterprises. Professor Leist, of Moscow, claims to have liscovered a terrestrial mag-

netic pole at Kotchetovka, a village in the government of Kursk in Russia. Professor Michelson, of the National Academy of Science, Washington, has

craft they had ever seen. It was too made by building up steps of equal old-fashioned a tub for even Captain thickness of optical glass. The aluminum product for the past year aggregated nearly four times the

amount mined in 1896. The value of the product is not given, but its quantity reached the handsome bulk of 4,-000,000 pounds. A number of German electric street railways are discarding the familiar trolley on overhead lines for a stirrup-

shaped sliding bar made of aluminum, having a V-shaped section and filled with grease or in some cases with a bearing surface of white metal. The most powerful electro-magnet

ever constructed for laboratory purposes was recently exhibited at a meeting of the French Physical Society. It weighs 100 kilogrammes (about 220 pounds) and consumes two horsepower in the exciting coils. There are a few of the comparative-

ly higher animals which live in hot springs, but these are chiefly mollusks. Until the present year the only instance of the occurrence of the isopad crustacea in warm springs was that of Sphæroma dugesi, found living in this situation in northern Mex-

The Alpine Good Night.

Among the lofty mountains and elevated valleys of Switzerland the Alpine horn has another use besides that of sounding the far-famed "Ranz dez Vaches," or cow song; and this is of a very solemn and impo

When the sun has set in the valley and the snowy summits of the mountains gleam with golden light, the herdsman who dwells upon the highest habitable spot takes his horn and pronounces clearly and loudly through it, as through a speaking trumpet, 'Praise the Lord God!" As soon as the sound is heard by the neighboring herdsmen they issue from their huts, take their Alpine horns and repeat the same words.

This frequently lasts a quarter of While the boys were getting into covered heads, Meantime it has become quite dark. "Good night!" at last calls the highest herdsman through his horn. The words resound from learned that the old frigate was the all the mountains, the horns of the herdsmen and the cliffs, and the mountaineers then retire to their

> Hobson Enriches the English Language. Is Lieutenant Hobson, by his gallant deed, likely to add a word to the nautical portion of the English language? It looks like it. For example, a river passenger steamer, one of the grimiest and most tumble-down of the many dilapidated craft of the kind that plough the silent highway, nearly coland sympathetic laughter by the pasacterized. If the majority of the Thames passenger steamers were effi-"Hobsonized," and replaced by comfortable modern vessels, the change would be welcomed by most of the people who use the river ser-

A Curious Sight.

In Japan, the traveler sees many curious sights; one of the strangest of which is the population washing itself at the corners of streets towards evening. In Yeddo, the citizens frequent street doors of such resorts stand open, and a striking spectacle, to say the least, is presented by the inmates sitting washing themselves with the utmost unconcern. This is a genera! custom, and nothing whatever is thought of it. Such an apparent want of modesty is difficult to comprehend and is not reconcilable with the ad vanced state of civilization of the Japanese. In many other of the man ners and customs do the Japs offer a striking antagonism to those accepted by us .- Detroit Free Press.

A Glittering Flag. In the window of a New York City pensive bit of patriotic fervor. It is a

THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

In the Garden-Consoling-Forever Not

"Come into the garden, Maud, For the wintry days have flown; Come into the garden, Maud,

And they sauntered out to see,

His next door neighbor's chickens had Preceded Maudie there. —Chicago News.

She-"Perhaps you have forgotten that you promised to love me forever." He-"I had no idea that forever could last so long."-Indianapolis

Not So Feeble.

"What a delicate-looking child Mrs. Rickrack's third is!" "Delicate? That's the child that bosses the whole family."-Chicago

Consoling.

Patient-"Doctor, this is the worst attack I ever had. Doctor-"Well, don't worry yourself, I am quite sure you won't have

The Martial Spirit Raging. "Our baker's boy takes great interest in his job nowadays."

"And for why?" "He calls his morning deliveries

He-"Oh, I don't believe that. It only seems longer to them." -Cleveland Leader.

His One Great Fear.

and do something for your country?"
Perry Patettic-"I'm afraid I might git into the army of occupation. I belong to the army of no occupation."-Cincinnati Enquirer.

Only Kind He Knew.

Professor-"So, then, by the term reptile we mean a creature which does not stand on feet, but moves by crawling on the ground. Will one of you

This May Explain. "Why is it that the old and trusted

scond with the funds?" "It must be because they are the only ones who are allowed to know the combinations to the safes."-Chi-

Speculation.

Jack-'I wonder who that young woman was we just passed." Tom-"Don't know. To judge from

her dress she might be a lady.' Jack-"Yes; but to judge from her beauty she might be a lady's maid."-New York World.

He Saw Its Finish. "Yes," the critic declared, "your

"then it will be a failure!"-Chicago

Slandered. Her Father-"I am told that you are a spendthrift-that you have no

Her Adorer-"I have been wronged. I have an acute sense of the value of money. Otherwise I should not be here asking you for her now."-Chi-

Unsophisticated Parent - "Hello there, nurse, what's the baby yelling that way for? I can't read at all."

U. P .- "Well, see that he doesn't do it any more, or you lose your

Bertha-"These men are trouble some things!"

with the men now?" Bertha-"For the life of me, I can't make up my mind whether to let Fred or Charley fall in love with me.'

"Dear Harry," wrote his chum, who was in camp at Key West, "I have had

"Dear Jerry," wrote his friend in response, "I am—six evenings in the week,"-Chicago Tribune.

Living Skeleton (president of Freaks' Secret Society)-"Our organization, ladies and gentlemen, is about

perfected. It will be necessary, how-

Chorus of Members-"The legless wonder."-St. Louis Republic. Rapid Promotion.

ever, to select a treasurer.

shall it be?"

shoulder-straps already.' Duddy-"You don't mean it! The

Fuddy-"Oh, he isn't an officer. The shoulder-straps help him in wheeling his barrow when doing police duty."-Boston Transcript.

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In after years, when age has taught The heart to shield itself by thought, When life's highway seems more secure, And idle dreams cease to allure, Ah, then perchance the joy we sought Will come to us, in vestments wrought Of wisdom, patience—peace—and naught But bilssfuiness shall then endure, In after years.

If friends depart; if hopes are brought To nothingness; if battles fought End in distress, and griefs immure The heart and will—then seek the cure That time may bring, nor fear you aught In after years.

he has the wheelman on his neck."-

"One way to remove wet paint," says the Frogtown Kid, "is to lean up against it in your Sunday clothes."-

please! Boil them four minutes." Waiter—"Yes, sir; be ready in half a second, sir."-Tit-Bits.

not have to learn Greek." "Is your new traveling man enter-

prising?" "Enterprising? That man could sell a carved-ivory card-case to an elephant."—Chicago Record.

"No; gasoline." - Brooklyn Life.

complices?"—Cincinnati Enquirer. Teacher-"What became of the children of Agamemnou?" Pupil (after mature deliberation)—"I think they're dead by this time."-Harlem

Mamma-"Oh, dear! Jimmy, I do."-Truth.

what is meant by the line, 'The shades of night were falling fast?' 'Bright Scholar-"The people were pulling down the blinds.

a great many things I don't do."-Boston Transcript. "Papa, when a horse laughs he kicks up his heels, doesn't he?" "I guess " "Well, old Bill has just laughed

Brown-"That's a handsome umbrella you've got there, Robinson." "Yes, Brown." "About what does it cost to carry an umbrella like that?"

Robinson-"Eternal vigilance." An artist being asked, "Is sculpture difficult?" answered: "Why, bless you, no! You have only to have a block of marble and chisel, and knock off all the marble you don't want."-

"That is away too much. Why, if a man will hire a good lawyer, he can kill a whole family for that much."-Washington Star. Observing Brother-"Mr. Smith is

serving Brother-"Did you think he was dead?"-Truth. She-"I see poor Senator Lock is dead." He-"I didn't know there was any Senator by that name." She-

Wasn't it because you didn't marry the right woman?" "I suppose it was because she did not marry the right man."-Boston Transcript.

Badger-"You say you have so much trouble to get paid for service, but I notice you have bought a new house lately. Some of your patients must pay." Dr. Pellet-"They or their heirs,"-Boston Transcript.

clusions mean?" asked ten-year-old Janet. "I know," replied eight-yearold Mabel, before mamma could reply. "What does it mean, dear?" asked mamma. "It means a kitty trying to catch its tail." "How did the surprise party at the Cawkers' turn out? Wasit a genuine

and when we got there the house was dark and there wasn't a soul at home. -Harper's Bazar. "Is football a game?" asked the foreigner. "Dunno," was the reply; "but footballers are. When a man breaks both his legs and dislocates his spine, and then won't go off the field

until the play is over, you bet he's game."-Pick-Me-Up. He watched the pompous man getting measured for a suit of clothes. "It's an excellent thing," he said at last, "that a man's egotism is not included in the measurements, or some people would go broke paying for one

Mrs. T .- "I am worried because my husband is keeping something from me, and I don't know what it is," Mrs. S .- "My husband, too, is keeping something from me, and I am worried because I do know what it is." Mrs. T .- "Indeed! What is it?" Mrs.

woman, resuming her exercise. belongs (whack!) to a gymnastic class downtown, and (whack!) he's so tired when he comes home in the afternoon (whack!) that I haven't the heart to ask him (whack!) to take hold of any work like this (whack whack')."

Always-Not So Feeble-Another Rupture-His One Great Fear-The Martial Spirit Raging-Rapid Promotion, Etc.

And see how things have grown.

I have planted pansies and sweet pens
And morning glories there—
Come into the garden, Maud,
And see how my seedlings fare."
He took her little had in his,

But not a pansy had come up, Nor a solitary poa; He took one look around and then He wildly tore his hair—

Forever Not Always.

another."-Up-to-Date.

rollcalls,"-Indianapolis Journal.

Another Rupture. She-"Do you know that married men, as a rule, live longer than bach-

Wallace-"Why don't you enlist

name for me such a reptile?" Freddy-"Baby brother."-Judy.

employes are always the ones to ab-

cago News.

play is a masterpiece. The lines are sonorous and lofty; the plot is reasonable; your theme is noble; the moral

"Alas," cried the miserable author,

idea of the value of money.

Nurse-"He's cutting his teeth,

place." -Harlem Life. The Feminine Method.

Edith-"Why, what's the matter -Boston Transcript.

only one letter from my girl since I came down here. Are you looking after her as you promised?"

A Trustworthy Officer.

Fuddy-"You know Tom enlisted last month? Well, he has got his

idea of Tom being an officer!"

your World's Fair, but, bless yer! the old thing would go to pieces berope. Fortunately, he was light. But said Gunner Seabury, for that was the name of the little man. "But up. By the time the youngster's wet she's a big boat, one hundred and head showed above the edge his sixty feet long and forty feet extreme beam, has a crew of twenty-eight able

"Do they do anything with her?"

rolled over to get further way from for 'em," added Seabury.

family on them.

Billy, who honestly didn't feel as if

lided with a barge at London Bridge the other day. The skipper used strong language to the bargee, but to his taunts the latter bellowed, "Better take that old tub out to sea and Hobsonize her!" The report was greeted with a burst of appreciative sengers on board the vessel thus charvice.-London Daily Telegraph.

jeweler is displayed a unique and ex United States flag, five by three inches made entirely of diamonds, sapphires sapphires, on which repose forty-five large diamonds. The stripes are made of bands of garnets and diamonds one-

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE

HUMOR OF THE DAY. "Anyway, the pedestrian has the law on his side." "Oh, of course; but

Indianapolis Journal.

Philadelphia Record. Hungry Tourist-"Waiter, two eggs,

Teacher-"What advantage had the old Greeks over us, Hans?" Hans (drawing a long breath) - "They did

Rigby-"Did you fire your cook?" Digby-"No; she fired herself." Rigby-"French leave?" Digby-

She—"I made this cake for you, dear, all by myself." He—"Do you mean to tell me that you had no ac-

don't believe you know what it is to be good." Jimmy—"Yes I do, mam-ma. It's not doing what you want to Teacher (to class)-"In this stanza,

Greene—"You don't mean to say you tell your wife everything you do?" Gray-"Hardly that. But I tell her

at Bennie. Won't you come out and carry him in?"-Truth.

Watts--"They say it costs \$7000 for every man killed in battle." Petts-

down stairs waiting for you." Sister Gladys-"Oh, is that so? I wasn't expecting a caller this evening." Ob-

"Ob, but there was! I read only yesterday how the Senate adjourned on account of a dead Lock." "You say that your married life has been a miserable disappointment.

"Mamma, what does jumping at con-

surprise?" "Indeed it was. Somebody had given the Cawkers a hint,

suit."-Chicago Evening Post.

S .- "It is money." "Poor Tommy!" rejoined the good

A notable sign of the times is seen

The man who is "clever with tools,"

The mist hung heavy on the barn, it looked a-kinder low'rin', An' the fish above the ridge-pole said the day would sure be showerin'. We'd hay down in the upper field, corn needed second hoein', An' the new ground in pertaters into weeds an' tors was growin'.

But uncle he thought different, still he didn't feel quite sartin, He said, about that auction grass he'd bought of Ezra Martin. Barefooted, twelve years oil, a boy, I carnestly was prayin' A day had come, a day to rest two tired legs in hayin'.

This kind of fog, one of the worst that London had seen for fifteen Matt and his son. At last the Cap-

"Billy, this is worse than a fog in mid-Atlantic. It is no use trying to was a man in a frock coat. The name, was as good a man as ever walked a find the Pearl of India in this. We could hardly find a lighthouse. It isn't safe to be groping round here, either. You stay right here for a few minutes till I walk back to that policeman and ask him if he knows whether Simpson's craft is near here.

Billy promised not to move. He

watched his father disappear in the

English cutters that wanted to try con- were more of one now with him left Captain Matt had promised Billy fog.

that if he came out at the head of his Just then he heard the "plunk" of sewing. There were flower-pots in class at school he would take him something falling into the water. He the window. Through the door of an along. Billy came out ahead. He started and tried to peer through the adjoining room they saw a stove and would have done so in any case, for he wall of fog. Almost immediately he shelves. A small, wiry man was sitwasn't going to let any boy find out heard a shrill cry for help. Some ting comfortably, reading a paper, It isn't every boy that has a chance sound of the voice, had dropped off was sewing. The advent of the drip-

> "Keep hollerin'," shouted Billy, swim, but Billy knew if he once lost breath.

could have no idea where he ought to

"Here I am. Oh, help me out

head for.

came back the frightened voice. It sounded nearer, and in a moment more Billy saw a shiny head and a "Keep right there," shouted Billy. There was no use trying to look for a

down this rope of clothes toward the It didn't reach him, so he hauled up and, pulling off his undershirt, tied it on, too. Then he lowered it again, with the shirt end down, thinking the boy might pull himself up to

gave him directions to this effect.

The boy clutched the end of the

it was a good tug for Billy to pull him

his outside clothes as fast as he could.

strength was nearly used up. "Pull-yourself-up. I'm-played out," he panted, falling on one knee himself now, Billy was afraid it was: all up with him.

less dogs. "You'd better get home. Where

"Down there," shivered the other,

the end of the dock. "You come

each other, with their mouths open.

began to get his breath. The cold,

But now that the strain was over, Billy

Come on.'

uch more than it needs absorbers of they are smothered and show only mere book learning.

He had just got into part of his he had done anything great, was quarter of an inch in width. The effect little sickly yellow spots of light.