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This is a great country, indeed. Many of the men who are behind the guns will again become the men behind the plows.

! If there is anything left in the jewel box Dewey ought to have it. He is the sturdiest fighting Yankee of them

More than two hundred clergymen will accompany the German Emperor on his trip to Jerusalem. The chances are that he will preach a few sermons to them, just to show them how the thing is done.

The inadequacy of the plan to make Rear-Admiral Dewey a Vice-Admiral is in the nature of the title. Vice-Admiral means just what the words imply, deputy to an Admiral, Admiral is a noble title. It is from the Arabic Emir-al-mar, which means "Prince of the Sea." Admiral is the title given by every civilized nation except ours to the commander of a fleet. The officer second in command is called Vice-Admiral, and the commanders of subordinate divisions in a ffeet are called Rear-Admirals, Vice-Admiral is therefore just like Rear-Admiral, a subordinate title. It implies that its possessor is a subordinate officer. Admiral is a title none too good for Dewey.

The Chicago Board of Education has set about extending the usefulness of the public school system upon lines of recognized utility. It proposes to make the teaching of cooking and sewing a regular part of the training given to girls, as well as the ordinary rudimental instruction in reading, writing, ciphering and grammar. Iustruction in domestic science will not be optional but obligatory. Experiments made in the introduction of these new branches of learning have only served to confirm their value and practicability as a part of any judicious system of rudimentary instruction. Not all the girls who are taught to cook and sew will of necessity be compelled to the daily practice of those accomplishments, but none will be werse off for such knowledge, and none can tell upon what emergent occasion proficiency in either craft may prove invaluable. When every girl who attends bake a palatable loaf of bread, and broil a steak to perfection, what a country, advanced beyond all others, the United States will have become!

The recent announcement of the remarkable project undertaken by the West Australian Government, namely, to lay some 328 miles of water pipe, made of steel spiral imbedded in concrete, has received much attention, in view of the peculiar kind of pipe to be thus utilized. In the manufacture of this pipe, the sheet steel, after being cut into strips of a width varying with the required diameter of the pipe, is riveted or welded into a outinuous strip of the required length; this strip is then fed automatically into the pipe-making machine, and during its passage through it the rivet holes are punched, and and the laps of the edge of the strips are brought together under pressure, and held during the process of riveting. The rivets are all set by compression. The edge is slightly recessed, throwing the lap on the outside. In this way the inside diameter of the pipe is maintained evenly throughout the entire length. To render the pipe water-tight on leaving the machine, special hydraulic cement is inserted between the laps before riveting.

The New York Sun observes: The demonstration of the importance of sea power throughout our war with Spain has been striking; but it is worth noting what a powerful agent in peacemaking our navy was even when atrest. What was it that Spain of late most dreaded? Not immediately our land forces, either in the Antilles or the Philippines. In Cuba she saw General Shafter's army moving away from the island on account of the fever, and she knew that no campaign against Havana would be tried until after the rainy senson. In any case, she was ready to give up both Caba and Porto Rico, while the fall of Manila had been a foregone conclusion ever since Dewey's victory. But while nothing over the seas immediately threatened her which she had not already faced, she could not endure the home panic which would be caused by an attack of our fleet on her coasts. That our own Government was fully alive to this fact was evident from its continued preparations to send an overwhelming force across the Atlantic, in case of a serious hitch in the peace negotiations. Thus the influence of our sea power was visible even while the negotiations for peace were going or.

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THE OLD CANTEEN.

As I searched to-day the attic In the farmhouse old and gray— Whence in years to me most sacred, To the war I marched away— Hid amid the dust and rubbish Where the cobwebs intervene,

Here I found a relie precious-My old army tin canteen. Though the cloth was worn to tatters,

And the rust was thick o'erspread; hough its strap had long since parted With the clasps it once had wed; Yet it seemed to me a treasure, Shining bright with glowing sheen, Lighting up the place with glory, Where I found the old canteen.

Back it carries me in fancy To that day—our first review— When we marched adown the village, Clad in patriotic blue; Guns that shone like burnished silver, Bright against the summer green, And the box and knapsack polished, With that army tin canteen.

(By a Veteran of the Mexican War.) Where are those that marched that morning

Elbow touching elbow true?
Many sleep, but few are waiting
For that silent, last review.
Guns and knapsacks both have vanished,
In the years that long have been; This alone of all remaining-My old army tin canteen

'Mid the march and 'mid the battle, It was ever near to me; Sick or weary, tired or wounded, It was true as friend could be; And when home at last returning, Two old comrades neared the scene;

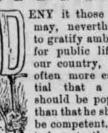
One a soldier, maimed and wounded, One an army tin canteen. We have older grown together, Veterans from the soldier days, And a sight of it bath wakened

Dearest memories of my gaze; Long will I this treasure cherish, And when death shall close the scene, May they place us both together—
Me and thee, my old canteen.
—New York Mail and Express.

000000000000000000 "A VERY POPULAR MAN." A TALE OF POLITICAL LIFE.

By ASHLEY LAWRENCE.

00000000000000000000 ENY it those who | that flourish with such vigor and va



may, nevertheless riety. tial that a man passwords and grips. should be popular

who felt, from the hour he cast his charms. first vote, a call to go up higher, and rulers of the land.

crafty rather than wise, and saw no wish to signal a brother. difference between notoriety and

is how he reasoned:

people, one must never sink below the to join every one of them. average, nor rise above the majority; fop in dress, nor a boor or courtier in tie societies. their success or ill-fortune; and he nearest to the heart of the man he is day to use, but never positive, so as to to "The Malay Mission Fund." rouse the opposition against him. A friend in the camp of the foe is a pillar of strength to the popular man.

work with a plan.

He had a temper, but he kept it to himself; and if he had any individual views on government, religion or education, he never permitted them to interfere with his agreeing, in his very indefinite way, with the views of peo ple diametrically opposite. He cultivated a memory for names,

and carried a memorandum book, in which each night he noted down the name of every new acquaintance he circumstance connected with the intro-

Therefore, he was continually complimenting people who had forgotten him, and showing his interest in them by a curious knowledge of their names, as well as the names of their friends, and other matters that proved he must have retained the most pleasant remembrance of them.

He complimented the temperance men by quietly wishing them success, and publicly attending their lectures liquor dealers and men addicted to the in the State. flowing bowl by an occasional mild indulgence, to prove he was a believer in the virtues of moder ate drink.

All this tended to make Mr. Van Buren Crofutt very popular, but it was still without the pale, and, bedearing name of "brother."

Mr. Crofutt was a member of the bar, a nominal lawyer with a small patrimony that rendered him comparatively independent of fees; but the legal profession, though very noble, does not lead to strong fraternal feel-

Mr. Van Buren Crofutt decided, prudence. after much thought, to become a society man in the most liberal and course would enlarge the field of his

So Mr. Crofutt began to take "de-

to gratify ambition The result of this was that, before for public life in the year was over, Mr. Crofutt's our country, it is jewelry answered a double purpose, often more essen- and his mind was terribly confused on

His scarf-pin bespoke him an Anthan that he should cient, and his finger-ring showed he be competent. So, traveled as a Builder; his sleeve-butat least, thought tons bore mystic emblems, and his Mr. Van Buren Crofutt-s young man | watch-chain was decorated with society

After he had exhausted his jewelry take a prominent seat among the to prove the legality of his claims, he bought badges of other societies, which Mr. Crofutt was a reader of human he modestly concealed under the lapels pature, with a strong faith in policy, of his coat and waistcoat, where they and no idea of principle. He was were ready for exhibition should be

He no longer shook hands as before he became a society man. On being To-be-sure, he had some grounds introduced to a stranger, he ran the for his belief; for he saw the promi- whole mystic gamut over his hand and nent officials in his county selected, arm, till he struck the right key, and not with an eye to personal fitness, found in the stranger a brother whom but because they were popular with he at once proceeded to treat as if long lost but ever loved

Mr. Crofutt deliberated on his All these societies made great defuture, and, to achieve success, de- mands on Mr. Crofutt's time and cided to go to work systematically, in means, and as soon as it became order to make himself popular. This known that he had a liking for secret societies, he was beset by the advo-"A popular man must be a man of cates of open organizations, and to ple, and, to be a man of the maintain his popularity, he was forced

So, after a time, his office and bedso it is equally dangerous to be a room were covered with handsomely-drunkard or a scholar! The popular framed certificates of membership, man should neither be a sloven nor a many of them representing antagonis-

manner. He should know the people | One of them showed he was a full -not only the voters, but their wives member of "The Jolly Larks," and and children, their hopes and fears, another that he was an honorary member of the "Anti-Liquor Liceuse should ever comment on the things Brotherhood." Another showed him a life member of "Buster's Brass addressing. To be popular, one should | Band," and beside it was a certificate be active for the friends he hopes some | showing he had paid his annual dues

Everything went well for awhile, save an occasional jealousy on the part of some society that thought Mr. Cro-This, and much more in the same futt had not treated it as liberally as vein showed that Mr. Crofutt went to he had some others not nearly so deserving, and the fact that in the speeches which he was often called on to make he confused the audience and himself by mixing up the Jolly Larks and the Brass Band with the Malay Mission and the Sunday-school Union.

During all this time Mr. Crofutt he had more cases than formerly, but they were not of a satisfactory or a paying kind, His clients were always brothers, and as such he had often to had met during the day, and every work for "the good of the order," for promissory fees, and oftener for noth-

> He might have borne all this calmly, for he was a man of great patience. but, unfortunately, while aiding the brother of one society on the one hand, he found himself opposing the brother of some other society on the other hand, and so laying himself open, under the rules of the order, to the charge of violating his obligation.

So matters went on till Mr. Van Buren Crofutt was thirty years of age, and open meetings, but at the same and became one of the best-known men time he took care to keep in with the in his county and a well-known man

He had run nearly through with his inheritance, and his professional business being sacrificed to his desire for popularity, he was not making money. But he was a cool, far-seeing man, was not many years after his first working out his career by rules he had vote was cast that he discovered he weighed and approved. The reward would come for the waiting; he had yand his captivating manners, had no helped everybody, from what seemed tie that bound him to men by the en- the most unselfish motives, and when the proper time came he was sure He belonged to no society banded everybody would stand by him. He for special purpose, and to no order not only felt this to be the case, but united by mysterious ties for the per- he had been so informed again and petration of mystic ceremonies and the again, by his brothers and fellowdeepening of the channels of fraternal members, all of whom seemed anxious to show their appreciation of his ability

and devotion. While Mr. Van Buren Crofutt thus admiration to get the better of his

At all the dinners and banquets he isfaction of his audiences.

If Mr. Crofutt kept clear of the en- A diligent search was made for the National Telephone Company-that

to popularity, the thought with which that day on he was a shunned man he most busied his brain; and, as he He had still a member's standing in desired his popularity to give him the societies, but the brothers avoided honors and office, he was anxious his him. His clients, never many, dwinmarriage should bring him wealth and dled away. Men whose hands he had high social position. It was with this clasped in mystic fraternity, crossed feeling that he sought every opportu- the streets to avoid him, and he walked nity to meet beautiful Jennie Living- a solitary man in the streets, where ston, the daughter of the wealthy the children had shouted his name, Judge, who had declined a foreign and where his journeys had been often mission, and who was spoken of for delayed for hours by the extemporized the Supreme Bench.

family had never been named for their knows even to this day. position. Miss Jennie, it is to be tered by the encouragement she gave familiarity. - Saturday Night, him; an encouragement so marked that Mr. Crofutt's brothers and fellow-members began to joke him about his approaching marriage, and the gossips, who flourish so vigorously, discussed the alliance with characteristic freedom and sense of certainty.

About this time there was to be a Congressional election in the district where Mr. Crofutt lived. He had looked forward to this particular election for years, and so expressed no modest surprise when many of his brothers and fellow-members assured him he would get the nomination; and a nomination meant an election, for the district was overwhelmingly on the side of the party to which Mr. Crofutt nominally belonged.

Not to extend the matter, Mr. Crofutt was nominated, but only after the most bitter opposition, and a talk of "bolting" that surprised the popular man, who had even been flattering himself that the other party would make no nomination.

At this time, and for many years before, there was a young man in Judge Livingston's office of about Mr. Crofutt's age. His name was John Wilson, and outside of his profession, where he was successful and honored, he was but little known.

He was a tall, student-like man; a support of a widowed mother. Mr. his manners; but those who knew him and honor, and those who did not mercial use. know him well, had an idea that he was very learned, as all reserved professional men are generally supposed

Though John Wilson was a brother lawyer, Mr. Van Buren Crofutt did about whom Mr. Crofutt did not besiwhen the rumor that the discontents | tance of twenty-seven miles. agreed to support Mr. Wilson, and the opposition would make no nomination, ripened into a certainty.

Mr. Crofutt was annoyed and alarmed; for, following the above information, came an invitation from Mr. Wilson to meet him before the people and discuss their respective claims to the position of Representa-

Mr. Crofutt was a popular speaker, but not an orator; Mr. Wilson was an orator, but his popularity was not people; Mr. Wilson had great faith in

The canvass went on with increashimself assailed by the press, and, to his amazement, all his motives, and many motives he never had, were held up to the gaze and ridicule of the peo-

The election came off and the returns came in. Mr. Van Buren Crofutt was-beaten! It was an awful blow-a blow that changed as if by tried to practice his profession, and magic the whole nature of the popular man. He sought the society of the Jolly Larks, and was seen, one day, in court, under the influence of provesliquor. He openly denounced brothers and members who had voted against him, till, at last, brothers and terrupted. members began to wonder how they could ever have endured him.

A defeated man needs a great deal of self-respect and a great deal of self- fessor laughed, too, but he suddenly reliance. Mr. Crofutt knew himself,

and had neither. The admiration he had entertained for Miss Livingston before his candidacy increased into most demonstrative love after his defeat; and when he learned that Wilson was before him even in the affections of the proud young beauty, his pronounced dislike was supplanted by the most vindictive hate, which he did not disguise.

was to go to Washington, the day of ago two farmers, walking through a his departure being the one selected for his marriage, he was found, one morning, in a piece of woods, between the town and his mother's house, with sunken places and tipped over. Rea bullet in his breast.

The news spread far and wide, with the proverbial quickness of bad news, that Mr. Wilson was murdered, and the people flocked into the town, even those who had voted against him expressing their sorrow at his death and respect for his character.

'Who could have done the deed?" everybody asked, in open-mouthed centre consists of solid, black wood, wonder, and nobody attempted to and the rest of the tree is a soft, solve the mystery.

But young Wilson was not dead, sought the society of men, it must not | though all the doctors vowed he ought be supposed that he neglected the so- to die, according to medical regulaciety of women; on the contrary, he tions. He was nursed back to life, was a great and respectful admirer of and recovered, though the wedding ings between its members in a small | the fair sex. But he never allowed his | and the time of taking his seat in Congress were necessarily postponed.

When Mr. Wilson got well enough to explain the assault, he only added was chosen to respond to that very to the mystery. A man stepped from literal meaning of the word. Such a charming and familiar toast. "The behind a tree as he was going home women-God bless them!" and from from Judge Livingston's late that acquaintance, and enable him to be long practice he got to do it with im- night, and fired. He fell, and that was among brothers no matter where he mense credit to himself and great sat- all he knew about it till he recovered grant licenses to municipalities on the consciousness nex lay.

grees," and to be initiated into the tanglements of love, it must not be would-be assassin, but without a clue, is to say, ten per cent, of the rentals mysteries of all the secret societies supposed that he gave no thought to and it must be said Mr. Van Buren charged to customers.

the subject of marriage. It was, next | Crofutt aided in the search; but from | THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE, ovations of his acquaintances and The Livingstons were very aristo- friends. He was wise enough to leave cratic, and this branch of the Crofutt | the town; but whither he went, no one

It is to be hoped, however, no mat feared, was a coquet, for she delighted ter where he is, that he has learned in being the recipient of attentions, how uncertain is the pedestal on which and a more popular man than Mr. Van | very popular men stand, and how great Buren Crofutt might have been flat- is the difference between respect and

> SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL. W The seacoast line of the globe is

computed to be about 136,000 miles. The color of the sky is the blue tint of oxygen gas, one of the chief ingredients of the air.

On every square inch of the surface upon which it rests, atmosphere bears with a pressure of about fifteen pounds.

A scientist looking for microbes says there are absolutely none on the Swiss mountains at an altitude of two thousand feet.

The fact that skeleton remnants of elephants are so rarely found in any portion of Africa is explained by an explorer, who states that as soon as the bones become brittle from climatic influences, they are eaten in lieu of salt by various ruminant animals.

A Berlin (Germany) patent agency announces that a Polish engineer has found a way of chemically treating straw in such a way that it can be pressed into a substance as hard as stone and cheaper than wood paving, for which it is expected to prove a substitute.

In 1808 Sir Humphry Davy made the first electric light; it was not member of no society, and the only adapted to commercial use, however. Electric lamps were made in France Wilson was dignified and reserved in early in the fifties. The exact date seems not to be known. Edison well said he was the soul of generosity adapted the incandescent light to com-

It is believed that lightning is visible at a distance of 150 miles, but opinions still differ as to how far away thunder can be heard. A French astronomer has made observations on the subject, and he declares it imposnot like him. John was the one man sible for thunder to be heard at a greater distance than ten miles. An tate to give a positive opinion, and al- | English meteorologist has counted up ways an unfavorable one; and this to 130 seconds between the flash and dislike grew very much stronger the thunder, which would give a dis-

Cause and Effect. The students of a certain big medical college of this city, says the Philadelphia Record, are enjoying a good joke at the expense of one of their professors. The case in question was that of a young man suffering from nervous trouble who was introduced to the clinic

In some diseases of the nervous system there is an interference of the blood supply to the smaller blood-vestried. Mr. Crofutt had great faith in | sels of the skin, which show a congestion of the venous blood. A common symptom, for instance, is a blue color in the finger-tips. The subject before ing heat, and the popular man found | the clinic on this occasion seemed to the physician to afford an excellent illustration of this condition.

"Look at this young man's hand," he said. "Do you notice anything peculiar about them?"

The students when closer to investigate, but no one ventured an opinion that anything unusual was to be seen. "What?" went on the professor. 'Can't you see the condition of the patient's blood indicated there in the blue color of his hands? That

But at this point the patient's mother, who was sitting near by, in-

"Why, doctor," said she, "that blue is eye. He works in a tannery." The students laughed, and the pro changed the subject.

Walnut Forest of 1811 Exhumed.

Secretary Watson of the Lumbermen's Exchange reported that a vast forest of walnut had been unearthed in Southeast Missouri. In 1811 an earthquake in that part of the State resulted in the sinking of large tracts of land. Since then there have been annual floods in that district, each About a month before Mr. Wilson year adding to the accretions. Awhile part of the district, noticed what to their eyes seemed to be the ends of walnut trees sticking out of the membering that vast amounts of cedar wood have been dug up in various places, the farmers reported their observations, and the ground was explored. It was found to be rich in trees of black wainut from twentyeight to thirty-six inches in diameter.

Secretary Watson states that there are two parts to a walnut tree. The sappy growth, which is of little use for commercial purposes. In these new trees, just unearthed, the sap has all rotted off, leaving only the black heart or solid portion of the tree. This is found to be a fine specimen of walnut, with an unusual depth of color. -St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

It is stated that the select committee on the telephone service in Great Britain have agreed by a majority to recommend that the postoffice shall on the same terms as it does to the

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

Grounds For Suspicion-An Example at Hand-Mother Knew Better-A New Application-On the Way-Javenile Finance-Results of the Loan, Etc.

I have a little pear tree That blossomed in the spring, And with watchful care and loving I have nursed the graceful thing.

Two pears grew on its branches,
The first it ever bore;
Each weighed, when last I saw them, Full half a pound or more When I got home last evening,

And went to view my tree The two green pears were missing-My hopes had gone aglee! I do not know who took them— Who 'twas I cannot swear. But my neighbor's boy is under

The doctor's watchful care,
—Cleveland Leader,

Mother Knew Better. He -"Why is it your mother so eldom trusts us alone?"

"Oh, mother knows me better than

you do, George."-Life. A New Application. "We call our new safe Samson." "Because it is so strong, eh?"

"Yes, and its strength depends on its locks."-Philadelphia Evening Bulletin. An Example at Hand.

She-"Did you ever see a bird on man's hat?"

He-"Yes, dear; there's one on my hat now. Will you kindly get up?"-Yonkers Statesman.

Juvenile Finance.

"Come here, Bobby; would you like to have me give you a quarter?' "No; gimme a dime; I can spend that 'fore pa or ma wants to borry rom me."-Detroit Free Press.

On the Way. "The scorcher is a nuisance," de-

clared the quiet man, "and should be exterminated. "Well," replied the frivolous one, 'he is going fast."-New York Jour-

Usually the Way. Blister-"I'd like to see that new levice of yours for preventing the

heft of a watch." Kister-"Can't show it, It was stolen from me yesterday by a pickpocket.

Results of the Loan. Storekeeper-"Have you nothing smaller than a \$50 bond? Customer-"Eh? Oh, yes, here, I

forgot. I have a couple of 20's somewhere about me "-Philadelphia North American.

At the Opera. "Did you enjoy the opera?" "No; I didn't hear it." "Why not?"

"Two women sitting in front of me were explaining to each other how

they loved the music. One Good Result. "The war has developed John's

nemory wonderfully." "In what way?" "He can sing four lines of 'The Star-Spangled Banner' almost correct-

iv."-Cleveland Leader, Mrs. Kindlee-"The woman who Il-treats her husband deserves to have er house burned over her head.'

Mrs. Cross-"That's so. By the way, is your house insured, my dear?" Jacksonville (Fla.) Times-Union. Not Disposed to Delay Rim. "I would go to the end of the world for you," he exclaimed, pas-

"I'm sure I wish you would," she answered him, coldly, "and—then ump off!"—Somerville Journal.

"They have given me the heaviest part in the new play."
"You don't say! What is it like?"
"I have to catch the big fat leading lady when she faints in the fourth

act."- Philadelphia Evening Bulletin

She-"George!" He-"Yes, dearest."

She-"It is just 10 o'clock, and as papa says you must not stay longer than 12, don't you think it is about time to begin saying good-night?"-Up-to-

Stage manager (to lessee of theater) -"Our scene shifter wants a holiday. He says he hasn't been away for three

Lessee-"Well, tell him he cannot

have one. He gets change of scenery enough for anybody."

A Recompense. Mrs. Tomkins-"Mrs. Yabsley has had such an experience! Arrested for shoplifting! All a mistake, of course.' Mrs. Jenkins-"I suppose she must

have been very much annoyed?" Mrs. Tomkins-"Not at all. The papers all said she was of 'prepossessing appearance."

The Guileless Youth. "Do you know, Mr. Gilley," Miss Sears, enthusiastically, have ridden a century?"

"Oh, come, now, Miss Sears," replied Mr. Gilley: "you cawn't have done that, doncher know, because bicycles haven't been invented that long, aw."-Detroit Free Press.

A New Kind of Trolley. Who would have thought ten years

ago that the following little conversation would occur in 1898? "Mamma, mamma," said four-year-

old Dotty, as a tired pair of horses tazily dragged a street car along an un familiar avenue, "there's a new kind of twollie car as have to have horses." -Electrical Review.

JUST ABOUT THESE DAYS.

each insertion.

Marriages and death notices gratis.

when the golden-rod is takest and the gwarden's gittin' brown;

When I hear th' crickets honin' an' the locusts dronin', dronin',
An' th' apples in th' orchard one by one

That I sorter drop my hurry an' fo'git about my worry As I loaf aroun' th' pastur' an' enjoy th'

tear-drops comin',
An' I somehow hear th' voices thet 1
beard in other days.

been a-doin'.
An it seems as if th' biggest things were only childish play; While th' things most with th' keepin', an' for which to-day I'm weepin'. Took advantage of my blindness an' have

Yes, this autumn air is clearer, an' it brings up objicks nearer,
Or perhaps it multiplies 'em when I see
'em through my tears.
Mebbe thet may be th' reason thet along

about this season I kin see th' loves I uster love arrayed along th' years.

I kin hear my mother singin'; I kin feel her hand a-clingin' Aroun' my boyish neck ag'in an' see her lovin' gaze. I shall find th' futur' brighter, all my loads

"Is Hobbs a man of fads?" "I'm inclined to think so. He has a fifthwife.

school." "Then, maybe, that's how he turned out to be a corn doctor."-Philadelphia Bulletin. "Don't you think that's rather a

Philadelphia North American. Mrs. Wallace-"It is the ambition of your life, I suppose, to do without

"They say that the boys in camp are occupying cramped quarters." "Yes; they are between a peach orch-

Benedick-"Well, I'll bet he wishes

Little Girl-"It is selfish of play, too; you can be the storm, and blow."--Pick-Me-Up.

thing you'll never be able to understand, my boy, until you grow up and get married."—Chicago Daily News, Dasherly-"The Spaniards call us a 'nation of shop-keepers.'" Flasherly -"Well, what kick have they got coming? We gave them a great deal more than they bargained for."-

Chimmie-"Billy, I've hit a job as elevator boy. Dat's wot I ben aimin' at for two years." Billy-"Two years! Golly! You must have some Spanish blood in ye."-San Francisco Examiner.

Tenor-"When I gave my first concert four people had to be carried "O, but since that time your voice Florida Native - "They say that

"Yes," said Miss Passeigh, "I en-"Really!" re-

proposing to you, too?"-Washington driven to starting him in on the wash-

In the vicinity of the Colorado River in Southern California there is one of the most remarkable bodies of water in the world. The strange black fluids bears no resemblance whatever to water; it is thick, viscid and foulsmelling. Experiments have proved it is not poisonous, but makes an excellent dye. It has been analyzed, but its qualities are not yet made known. The lake is situated about half a mile from a volcano, and occupies an area of about one acre. The surface is coated with gray ashes from the volcano, which serves to conceal it from the view of the unwary traveler, and makes it a dangerous locality. Nothing definite is known as to its source of supply, but it is undoubtedly of volcanic origin.

Naturally the Indians have a legend in connection with this remarkable phenomenon. The lake, they say, is composed of the blood of their bad brothers, who are suffering in their hell, amid the volcanoes. The surroundings suggest the infernal regions with active and dead volcanoes, spouting geysers, boiling springs and a "lake of ink."—New York Tribune.

One Square, one inch, one insertion...
One Square, one inch, one month...
One Square, one inch, one year.....
Two Squares, one year.....

RATES OF ADVERTISING:

All bills for year y advertisements collected quarterly Temporary advertisements must

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be paid in advance.

this season, When th' golden-rod is tallest an' th'

I dunno what's th' reason thet along about

a-dropping down,

autumn haze, An' fo'git th' cricket's hummin' as I feel th'

It's a sort of a reviewin' what for years I

vanished clean away.

will be th' lighter,
For the dreams thet I am dreamin' as I loaf about these days.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Miss Askins-"Do you claim to understand women?" Jack DeWitt -"Not I! I know them too well."-Puck "He always went to the foot in

clever drawing of Dauber's?" "Well, the face does look rather drawn."-

work." Perry Patetic-"Not to do, mum; to be."-Cincinnati Enquirer. Mrs. Hiliver - "Husband, dear, what makes you so pensive?" Mr. Hiliver-"Possibly, love, it's because you are so expensive."—Jeweler's Weel ly.

ard and a watermelon patch."-New York World. Singleton-"They say Meekton fell in love with his wife at first sight."

he had been gifted with second sight now."-Truth. Johnnie, to play at ships when I have not got one." Ditto Boy-"You can

William (reading)—"Pa, what's a prolonged conflict?" Pa—"It's some-

Puck.

fainting out of the hall." Friendhas considerably improved."-Fliegende Blaetter. rich gent fum the Nawth has a half-grown alligatuh." Second Florida

Native-"Ya-as; an' bimeby they'll say that a full-grown alligatuh has got that thah rich gent fum the Nawth." -Harper's Bazar. joy the society of Mr. Airyled. He keeps me interested. He is always saying something that one never hears from anybody else." joined Miss Cayenne. "Has he been

"Your brother-in-law still at your house, Wallace?" "Yes, but he is beginning to weaken. I have him pushing the lawn-mower every morning and the ice cream freezer every afternoon. I think he will go before I am

Lake of Black Dye in California.