THE HALF-FORGOTTEN SPINET.

Beneath the rafters, black and bars, The ancient spinet stands The spiders o'er its yellow keys Have stretched their filmy strands, Around its weak and tottering frame The airy cobwebs blow, In lieu of silken tapestries That moldered long ago.

But windy nights a quaint old tune Comes stealing down the stair, For then she wakes the keys again-A ghost with powdered hair. The mice go dancing in and out To melodies she sung When the fashion trod the minuet And Washington was young.

Around her on the garret floor Her singing satins trail: A haunting sorrow dims her eyes; Her face is proud and pale. But when I climb the creaking sta The gusty moonlight falls On nothing but the withered herbs That hang against the walls.

And yet the spinet trembles still To that forgotten tune; The ashes of a crumbled rose Upon the keys are strewn; And yonder chest below the eaves Her gown of satin holds With sprigs of broken lavender Between its faded folds. -New England Magazine.

Nellie's Predicament.

MAT ANY years ago I spent the summer with my favorite brother. who had recently married and was settled with his wife in a charming house in a country village.

During the summer I met with a very amusing adventure; and from it I date the beginning of my life's great happi-

One lovely day in July I went down to breakfast full of pleasurable anticipations of a picnic to which we had been invited by some friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fordyce. Those invited were to meet at the appointed place at 1 o'clock. and after spending the afternoon in the wods, we were all to adjourn to Hazel Manor for "high tea," to be followed by a carpet hop.

I was talking to my sister-in-law, Ethel, who was making the tea, when my brother came into the room with a rueful look on his face, and exclaimed: "I say, Ethel, here's a pretty go! Juno has got such a cold that Thompson says he does not dare take her out to-day."

"What a nuisance," cried Ethel, "What are we to do? Could we borrow a horse anywhere, do you think?"

"No chance of that, dear. Everyone theirs. Any question of "Where shall wants their own horses to-day. I am we walk to day?" is apt to be answered afraid we shall have to give up the pic- in chorus, "To the lane where papa found mamma. It is so pretty and so Suddenly a bright notion occurred to nice

me, which I promptly put into words. A sentiment echoed in the mother's "Why not take Ethel's pony carriage?" Evening Post. "Ethel's pony carriage!" exclaimed my brother. "My dear Nellie, you must

have taken leave of your senses! How are three of us to crowd into that?" "There is Tim's seat. That will do for one of us." I replied.

"Which of us?" laughed Charlie. "I es, while it has the record of one month beg to remark that I decline in toto to in which 147.17 inches fell. This year ccupy Tim's seat."

"But I can sit there," I answered. "Really," quoth Ethel, "I think it is not a bad idea at all. I do not see why five and one-half months, while 73.70 we should not take the pony carries if inches, over six feet of water, fell in a Nellie does not mind Tim's at. I'm singt eek.

aniv afraid that you so comso com-

of intense surprise. "All alone herel INTERESTING CASE OF FASTING. usinces Mas Goes Twenty-sight Day The speaker was a great friend of my Without Nour sha brother's, and the vicar of an adjacen' It is the prevailing impression, for village. I had been introduced to him ered by the practices of men like Succi that day at the picnic, and-shall I confess it?-be was a prominent object in and Dr. Tanner, that in order to endure the pleasant thoughts to which I have a long fast a man must absolutely refrain from physical exercise and devote

alluded I told him what had happened, and his whole attention to caring for him we had a hearty laugh over my predic self. Mr. Milton Batabun, a merchant of Mount Vernon, N. Y., has proved ament. "What have you done with Tim's that this is a fallacy, so far as it apseat?" asked Mr. Franklin, as soon as plies to his own case, at least. He recently went twenty-eight days without he could speak. "Oh, I left that in the ditch," I said, nourishment, without letting up for a moment on the daily routine of his I daresay it will be found there to-mor-

business. Mr. Rathbun is 52 years of What a pleasant walk that was! | age, a prosperous and wealthy man, never enjoyed one more, and I was al. with nothing unusual or cranky in his most sorry when, about two miles from make-up or ways of life. He faster home, we met Charlie coming back in simply because he wanted to reduce his weight, fearing that its gradual inthe pony carriage to look for me. Man-like, as soon as he saw that ] crease might bring on apoplexy. He ucceeded in his efforts. He weighed was safe, he vented his previous anxiety upon me by scolding me rather cross-210 pounds when he stopped eating; when he resumed at the end of twentyly for not calling out to draw his atteneight days he tipped the scales at 168 tion to my position. "But I could not scream, Charlie." 1 pounds, a loss of forty-two pounds of flesh. said. "I was laughing so heartily!"

A singular fact in Mr. Rathbun's en Then, as the whole absurdity of the affair presented itself to me afresh, I perience was that after the first twenlaughed merrily, Charlie and Mr. ty-four hours he experienced no sense Franklin roaring in company. of hunger at all, and had no unpleasant sensations of any kind. He slept and Mr. Franklin helped me into the car-

worked in the regular way, his mind riage, and having said good night, :lear and his strength unabated to the turned back to go to his own home, havind. He drank coplously of water dur-ing the period, but took nothing else. ing gone out of his way to walk with

When Punch and Judy found their When he began to eat again he took neads turned homewards they wentlike mly a little food at first, increasing the wind, and soon I was safe in Ethel's the amount gradually until within a few days he was back to his former pretty drawing room, recounting my contine or diet. Mr. Rathbun holds to adventure for her edification. We had only just finished breakfast the theory that the average man eats the next morning, when Mr. Franklin far more than is necessary to his made his appearance to inquire if I was sealth or comfort, and that an occasional period of absolute abstention from any the worse for the accident; and after that he was forever finding some | lood for several days is good for the system. This theory certainly has the excuse for calling upon us. support of Mr. Rathbun's own prac Charlie was rather surprised at this,

but Ethel understood it all, and when dee.-Leslie's Weekly. he was appounced, would look at me in a roguish way that made me feel hot. A DIABOLICAL WEAPON. Then came a day when words were Sought from a Norwegian Who Got I. spoken that made me feel myself the from a Jap. happiest woman on earth. Charlie and Ethel were in the garden, and I was all "I have handled a good many out alone in the drawing-room when Mr. andish weapons," said a New Orleans curio dealer, "but here is a little in-Franklin came. I do not remember what he said, but strument that for pure diabolism beats in a moment I found myself folded in anything I ever saw in my life. I his arms, while I wept happy tears on bought it the other day from a Norwegian sailor, who tells me it was givhis breast. Before another summer came round.

en to him by a Jap at Yokohama-a I was installed in the pretty vicarage of story that you may take for what it is Ancombe as its mistress. Many a time worth." As he spoke he opened a show have my husband and I laughed over case, and took out what seemed to be the results of my eventful drive in in ordinary Chinese marking brush, of Ethel's pony carriage.

rather large size. The handle was Our children delight in hearing the some ten inches long and the diameter story. The pretty lane in which Tim's of a lead pencil. By giving it a sharp twist it separated about a hand's seat deposited me is a favorite haunt of breadth from the end, after the manner of a sword cane, and attached to the smaller piece was a slender glass rod with a needle point. The rod was not

much bigger than a knitting needle, and with the handle it had the effect heart for "auld lang syne!"-Saturday of a very small and delicate stiletto 'I should think that would break if it

Wettrat Place. risitor after examining the contrivance. Cherrapunji, in Assam, northeast ot "Certainly it would," replied the deal-Calcutta, has the reputation of being er. "and that is where the fiendishness

the wettest place in the earth, the avof the thing comes in. Look closely at erage annual rainfall being 408.15-inchthe glass rod and you will see a tiny groove filed around it about two inches from the hilt. Suppose that it was it seems bound to beat all previous recfriven into the body of a man, it would ords, 267.84 inches of rain having fallen be certain to break at the groove and between Jan. 1 and the middle of June, would leave at least three inches of rises buried in his vitals. The punctHE fils of women overshadow their whole lives.

Some women are constantly getting medical treat-ment and are never well. "A woman best understands women's ills," and the women who consult Mrs. Pinkham find

in her counsel practical assistance. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.

MRS. MABEL GOOD, Correctionville, Ia., tells how Mrs. Pinkham saved her life. She says:

SUFFERING "I cannot thank you enough for what your medicine has done for me. I can recommend it as one of the best medicines on earth for all women's

ills. I suffered for two years with female weakness and at last became bedfast. Three of our best doctors did me no good so I concluded to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. After taking a few bottles of your medicine, I was

able to do all my housework. I know that your medicine raised me from a bed of sickness and perhaps death, and am very thankful for what it has done for me. I hope that every suffering woman may be persuaded to try your medicine." Get Mrs. Pinkham's advice as soon as you begin to be puzzled. The sick headaches and dragging sensation come from a curable cause. Write for help as soon as they ap.

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MRS. DOLE STANLEY, Campbellsburg, Ind., writes: " DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-I was troubled with sick headache and was so weak and nervous, I could hardly go. A friend called upon me one

evening and recommended Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, saying that she knew that it would cure me. I then sent for your medicine and after taking five bottles of it, I was entirely cured. I cannot praise it enough."

It is not necessary to have the prayer nature, as if realizing this fact, has meeting below zero to keep your faith CHILDREN'S COLUMN, been good enough to provide any numfrom turning to water. ber of playthings with which to keep Every blossoming spring time flowe her children's minds and little fingers is a reminder of a lost Eden, a prom-

ise of a new Paradise. Did you ever know that from acorns you can make a perfectly fascinating little tes set, such as our grandmothers es which they dislike. used to take delight in making when

we can scarcely see him. having fit, shallow cups, and the small ones with rounder, deeper cups-for the Ask Your Dealer for Allen's Poot-Ease

ing teapot is made from a big acorn by adding a nose and a handle from a piece of match, and by cutting off the top to make a cover. For the cream pitcher and sugar bowl take two more acorns cut off the tops, scrape out the inside of the nut and put on handles the same

way you did for the teapot. When completed you will have a tea set fit for a to fall himself. fairy queen. Of course, there are lots of little

mothers who never see the use in anything unless it can be converted into a doll, so I think they will be interested in knowing how to make poppy dolls. First get a poppy that has gone to seed and outline a face in ink. You will not need to provide a hat for this doll, as the poppy is already provided with one in the shape of a fluted green ridge, which makes a very becoming piece of beadgeer. A strip of bright colored tissue paper forms the dress, and another little piece the cape. Two pieces of

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#### THE SHAMROOK

Christ is like making an engine with Many Misspprehensions About the Plant that Irishmen Love. One of the daily newspapers reports. "prominent florist and horticulturist" as saying, "There seems to be some strange fatality about the sham-

rock. It is essentially the flower of Ireland. Nowhere else except in that People say they do not like the little isle will the plant thrive, and preacher when it is the truth be preachwhen transplanted, its death is only a question of brief time. Irish it is, and Men have plied up their books of disnothing can change it." cussion about Christ so high that now

This statement is romantic, but hard ly scientific. In the first place, no one knows surely what plant is meant when the shamrock is mentioned. It is impossible to know what plant this horticulturist meant. In one part of Ireland one plant is called the shamrock, in another part another plant,

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ported from Ireland, especially to Lon-don for St. Patrick's day, and often to the United States, under the name of shamrock. It may perhaps lay claim to being called the true historical shamrock, although that honor might also be claimed for several other

is nothing characteristically

The black medic, Medicago lupulina.

is also known as the shamrock. So is

the wood-sorrel, Oxalis acetosella.

There is much historical evidence in

favor of the claim that this last plant

The red clover has been locally call

ed the shamrock. This plant is ex-

tremely familiar to Americans, and is

the watercress has been called the

shamrock, although its leaves are not

The "true shamrock," to an Irish

man, is the plant which was known

or his father's birth. But the botanist

has as much trouble in identifying it

as he has in identifying the "may-

flower" of New England-a name

which is applied in different localities

to the trailing arbutus, to the saxi-

frage, to the hepatica, and to two or

fact that the trailing arbutus is the

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plants. But it is not true that it will no grow elsewhere. It will grow wherever it is properly cultivated, and does

grow freely in other countries. Beyond that, the white clover, Trifo llum repens, is widely understood to be the common shamrock, and is plucked and worn under that name in Ireland and elsewhere. It grows nowhere more freely and abundantly

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ordered by the courts to provide their assengers with season tickets without advertisements. The Western Refl. road had increased the number of advertisements till season tickets wert as thick as pocketbooks, and commute ers refused to carry them. Beauty is Blood Deep. Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascareta, Candy Cathar-

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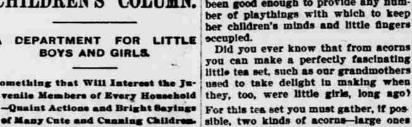
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'Quack! Quack!" says Mother Duck. "Jump right in! Think what good luck, shallow acorn cups make the saucers To have a pool in perfect trim, and the smaller ones the cups. A charm-

Where baby ducks can learn to swim!" "Cluck! Cluck!" says Cropplecrown.

"Here's a fat worm, take it down. See! This is the way-Scratch! Scratch! Learn your own fat worms to catch." Says Mother Bird, "Now do your best.

Children, you must leave the nest. One-two-three! Now only try! That's the way to learn to fly."

Says Mother Puss, "Just wait till dark! We'll have supper-hark! hark! hark! There's a mouse by the pantry wall-One bold spring, and that is all." were used to stab with," remarked a

NGRIBES

What a journey! Papa, see! From the table to my knee," Says mamma. "Ah! not too fast. Baby'll learn to walk at last." A Rich Nest

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# The other day the station agent in

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Springfield, Mass., found out where all his railroad tickets and some of hs money had been going to. For a long natch can be inserted for arms. are would be so small that it would time be had been missing these thinks. Very pretty nower doins can be was very much worried and from bollybocks and daistes. Pick one from bollybocks and daistes. Pick one of the bollybock flowers and take off and I doubt exceedingly whether a sin-

"Are you quite sure you don't mind?" asked Charlie. "Quite sure," I replied. "Indeed, 1

think it will be much nicer than that great wagonette, for in it we can drive added, with a little of the fish egg for through the pretty lanes which are too flavoring. narrow for a larger carriage."

"All right," said Charlie. "If you are

pleased, I am. I will just run round to The tide of travel will set heavily in the stables and tell Thompson to have toward Europe next spring. Paris and Punch and Judy ready, and then let's the great French exposition will be the

Heal Oll ice Gream.

have breakfast." objective point. Thousands of Ameri-In due time Ethel's pony carriage cans will then visit Europe for the first came round. It was a pretty, light vehi- time, while other thousands will simply ela, drawn by a lovely pair of ponies, score another annual trip. More and the United States is the greatest busiand had been given to Ethel by her more Americans visit Europe each ness concern in the world. Charles father when she married. At the back was a little seat, movable

at pleasure, which, as a rule, was only bring and which is a fascination of the money, brings more revenue, uses more ased when Ethel took the little page with her.

It certainly was rather tiny, but 1 was a small person, and so it did very well for me; and when we were fairly started we all agreed that it was much aighest conception of popular govern- rects 7,357 postoffices, musters an army pleasanter to be able to dispense with ment the world has yet attained. In a of 200,000 employes, spends this year the attendance of servants.

We had the most delightful day. Never was a more perfectly assorted party of people than were present at that pic- some of the noblest scenery the sun matter, of which 2,825,767,000 were letnic. There was not a single contre- shines upon. The man whose vision is ters, so that every minute confides 12,temps, nothing to interfere with our limited to Manhattan Island or the 000 new messages to its hands. It man pleasure, and we all enjoyed ourselves New England States sees the play of most thoroughly.

"Hamlet" with Hamlet left out. Back By no means the least agreeable para of him for 3,000 miles, clear to the Paof our jaunt was the homeward drive. cific Ocean, stretches a wealthy and We started soon after 10 o'clock, as we populous country, the people of which have grappled with and conquered novhad several miles to drive. There was only a young moon, but the night was el problems, have made the American cloudless, and the stars so bright that desert blossom like the rose and made it was not dark. productive the flinty heart of nature.

I was sitting in lazy enjoyment of the balmy breezes that floated over the

Prof. E. E. Slosson, of the University heather-clad moors, and of the evening of Wyoming, gives some good reasons stillness, broken only by the sleepy in the Independent for the existence twitter of the birds or the lowing of of coeducational colleges. He not only cattle in the distance, when suddenly admits that the throwing together of there was a jerk, and, without any furyoung men and women at college enther warning, off came Tim's seat, and courages marriage, but he further as-I was deposited flat upon my back in serts that it leads to wiser marriages the sandy lane.

than those promoted by the ballroom At first I was too much astonished to and the ordinary society methods. The cry out, and I was not hurt at all. Then statistics of Bryn Mawr, a college for I was overpowered with laughter at my women, show that only 82 of the 234 truly ludicrous position, and when at graduates up to 1894 have married, or last I struggled to my feet, the pony only 14 per cent. Figures from the Unicarriage had disappeared, its occupants versity of Kansas, a coeducational inin blissful ignorance that I was left bestitution, show that of the 130 women hind in the road.

What was I to do? I did not know graduates up to 1894 65 have married, or 50 per cent. Thirty-one of the sixtymy way home, and even had I done so the idea of a long walk alone at 11 five married fellow students, indicating that propinquity is a good match-mak-er. Prof. Slosson sums up the case by o'clock at night was not altogether a pleasant prospect.

; walked on, hoping that some light saying: "If you want young people to might betray the whereabouts of some marry let them be together: if you don't want them to marry keep them apart." farm house. I had not walked very far before 1 He is undoubtedly correct in saying

came to a gate, opening into a tiny gar- that the enforced isolation of the seres den belonging to a cottage. A light during the most impressionable age shone through the window, which was tends strongly toward permanent cellonly partially covered by the blind. bacy. While one cannot quite approve I opened the gate and went to the of the catalogue of a Western college loor, but hearing the sound of a voice, I that asserted there were more happy paeped in at the window before knock-

In the room was a man who had arge Bible open before him, out of association of young men and women which he was reading to his wife, who at college is a normal and desirable way of educating the sexes to know sit by, nursing her baby. This eight reassured me. I felt that and appreciate each other. As the main matrim ay is through platonic friend-ship instead of through filtration. If 1 man so employed would be a safe ide, and I determined to ask him to alk home with me when he had finshed reading. Meanwhile, I stood leanthe marriages, even in a coeducational g against the garden gate. college, are fewer than in outside socie-

As I waited, the stillness of the sum ty, they are at least founded on the real mer night was broken by the sound of a | ties of mutual knowledge rather than horse's trot. It came on quickly, and on the filusions of ignorance, and selust passed me. Then, attracted, I supdom lead to divorce.

p se, by my white dress, the rider wheeled round, and came up to me.

There is no mortal whom pain a "Miss Graham!" he uttered, in a voice disease do not reach.

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A favorite dish with the Eskimo is sle drop an ice cream made of seal oil, into er words, the victim would receive his which snow is stirred until the desired death blow without knowing exactly what had happened to him. He would consistency has been obtained; then frozen berries of different kinds are feel a shock and a pang, but find no wound, and meanwhile the assassin would stick his brush together and go

about his business. The same idea might be applied to stylographic pens. New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Postoffor Business. Many people will be surprised to learn that the postal establishment of

year. They are attracted by those Emory Smith says that it handles more nameless charms which age alone can pieces, employs more men, spends more elder civilization. But even before the agencies, reaches more homes, involver rip to Europe should come the trip to more details, and touches more interests

America. We have in these United than any other human organization, States a vast and diversified country public or private, governmental or corwhich, politically, is working out the porate. The postoffice department direlative sense it is new and it is crude. \$105,000,000, and counts receipts of \$2 bill, all of them gnawed into little It presents few ruins, venerable or oth- nearly the same amount. It handled erwise, but it has within its confines last year 6,214,447,000 pieces of mail

> ufactured and delivered postage stampe to the number of 3.623.821.608, and the value of \$71,788,338. It carried 2,060. 742.000 newspapers.

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who doesn't want other people to catch The fool fishes for flattery; the wis man works for wages.



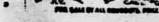
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cept a very sharp lookout for the thief. spite of all his watchfulness the in her sunbonnet. tickets kept on disappearing. Finally he came in one morning and found a little piece of gnawed ticket on the floor, and that gave him a new idea as to who the thief might be.

After a long search he found ouse's nest down under the ticke case, and in it was over a thousand dollars' worth of railroad tickets and a pieces. But he did not catch the mice.

#### The Earliest Candy.

wall The most popular and the most al. dent of bon-bons are sugar plums, pastilles and burnt almonds, but how many persons know their history? plums date back from Roman Sugar for the Romans were the times. first to think of covering almonds with layers of sugar. The inventor was a asked. certain Julius Dragatus, a noted con-

fectioner, who belonged to the Hlustrious patrician family of Fabius. He nade this great discovery, which has while practicing some time ago. It wrought so much damage to our teeth went off without the trigger being

for twenty centuries, in the year 177 pulled." "Still I don't understand what yo B. C. according to the New York Herald. These bon-bons, called dragati, are telling me," I replied.

"Well, it is so, just the same, Why after their inventor (dragees in if you ever happen to go to San Oris rench), remained the exclusive priviege of the family of Fabius. But at tobal Castle you will see a gun (a cannop) which was rewarded (pieces of he birth or marriage of one of that family a great distribution of dragati ordnance in the Spanish army being unished as well as rewarded for be took place, as a sign of rejoicing. The custom is still observed by many of havior) for sinking one of the English the nobility of Europe. The pastille is war vessels when the city was attacked 100 years ago. That cannon has been of far later origin, having been inventknighted by her majesty, and is enti-tled to be called 'his excelency,' like a ed and introduced into France by an Italian confectioner, the Florentine regular general, and whenever we pass John Pastilla, a protege of the Medicis. it we have to present arms." When Maria de Medici married Henry IV., of France, Pastilla accompanied

Since then I have been asking every flicer whom I knew whether the story his sovereign to the French court. was true or not, and they have all afwhere his bon-bons had a tremendous firmed what the soldier said. The last vogue. Everybody wanted the Florenone I asked was a cavalry officer, who ine's pastilles, and strange, to say, they answered thus: were perfection from the beginning.

"Well, some time ago they used to erfection from the very beginning. ounish and reward all artillery imple-He made them with all kinds of flavors ments in the army. You know how chocolate, coffee, rose, violet, mint, well Morro Castle behaved when the wine, strawberry, raspberry, vanilla, eliotrope and carnation. Burnt al. Dutch attacked this city two centuries nonds are purely of French origin, ow- ago. Well, Morro has been knighted ng their inception to the gluttony of since then, and you probably hear the certain French merchant. One day band playing 'Marcha Real' every aft-Marshal Duplessis-Pralin, an old gour- ernoon-the same march they play net, sent for Lassagne, who had al. when the Governor General approacteady invented many a toothsome dain. es.

y, and was a man of resources. He "I have seen a good many mules senearched, he reflected, he combined, un. tenced to death for having kicked elil finally he conceived a delicious bon- ther officers or privates, and a Spanish oon, which he baptized gloriously with soldier told me that while he was at he name of his master. Praime, the Cadiz, Spain, he saw a large rifled gun "sentenced to death" for having burst French for burnt almonds. This is the alstory of the invention of bon-bons, ed and killed some gunners with the or all others are merely combinations breech block, and it was smelted and r developments of these three-the made into another gun. I am told, too, ugar plum, the pastille and the burnt that at some arsenals and castles; or barracks, there are lots of pieces "do-

ing time." "laythings from Acorns, Poppies, Etc. It's the most natural thing in the world that little children should grow I know Americans will laugh when they know of this, but, pray, don't they "condemn" stores at their army posts? ired of wax dolls and mechanical tops Basilio Veles, in San Juan (Perto Rico) and want to play out of doors, and kind

the stem, then take a small bud, selec

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#### Punishing a Pratei Revenge is sweet, and a complete tri-

Queer Spanish Custom of Punishing amph over the foe is a most satisfacand Rewarding Wespons. tory feeling. So there must be one Some four years ago I called at the

young lady in London who is perfectly happy. She happened, in going from panish artillery barracks, San Fran-Kensington eastward, to step into one cisco square, this city, for the purpose of those pirate 'buses which are partic of visiting an officer friend of mine. ularly rife at holiday time. On tender-While waiting for him at the entrance ing her customary twopence, she was I happened to see a Mauser rifle hanginformed that there were no fares uning by the gun aling to a nail in the der sixpence, and, as did two other

victims, who were her only fellow pas-It struck me as peculiar to see such sengers, she paid. The day was dirty, a good piece abandoned and getting the rain falling, and walking most un rusty, to I asked a Spanish soldier pleasant, so the vehicle was stopped what was wrong with the gun. "Why, it is in for three years." many times to allow would-be passen gers to enter, but to each and all the "What do you mean by that?" young woman, who was cozily enonced at an end seat, said in dulcet "Well, I mean what I say. That gut tones: "Excuse me, but are you aware was sentenced by a court-martial for that this is a pirate 'bus? There is no bruising a soldier at the pistol gallery fare below sixpence. Every one of the people thanked her and stepped down. At Hyde Park there was quite a crowd

waiting to get a lift. As they boarded the 'bus, however, they were met with the silvery notes warning them of their danger and the nature of the vehicle in

which they proposed to travel. The result was that the 'bus remained empty, save for its original passengers, till Chancery lane was reached, where the oung lady alighted, and as she nodded the conductor "Good morning," she seemed well pleased with herself .- London Telegraph.

#### Heavy Barrings.

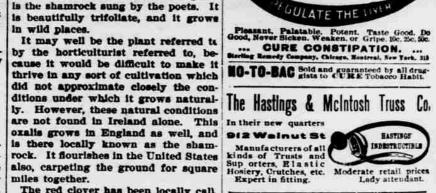
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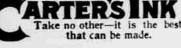
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