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Stopped His Paper.

Stay, foreman, stay that ruthless speed

At task of type arranging, For at this moment there is need Of multifarious changing; Turn all the brazen colemn-rules. Take out the head and drape 'er With signs of woe-that prince of

Old Sneakly stopped his paper.

Stay, pressman, in thy busy flight, And heed this admonition : Thy labors are abridged to-night-We'll run a small edition;

And join, O comrades, in our tears At this untimely caper, By which we loose the fruit of years, Since Sneakly stopped his paper.

#### UNCLE JOSEU'S ADVICE.

"FROM WHAT HUMBLE SOURCES WORDS OF WISDOM SOMETIMES SPRING."

Reuben Brown was in love with blackeyed Kittie Perkins-there is no doubt about it.

Reuben.

ter's advice.

Uncle Joshua was, in fact, his kind nearest relative, and lived only a 'It's what schooled people calls short distance from where Reuben the unertainable that everybody's happiness; so Reuben felt, when he hide your feeliu's all yer ken went to consult him concerning his whether 'yer hunting' for a sweettenderness, that his advice would, heart, a wife or a caow! In the case sincere and thoughtful.

the immediate result of the just commencing to twinkle merri- better be in your grave than marry ly, and all the air held a 'solemn her, and if she does, she'll let yer stillness,' as if waiting for night to know afore very long-sure ez I'm draw more closely ther sable mautle. settin' here,

Could be have done so, be would lence, without doubt, have woven the so he simply yearned.

ning breeze; and, like the ill-fated that nucle Josh was right. skipper of the Hesperus, 'his pipe So the very next evening he took was in his mouth.'

the old man, anxiouly.

The fact is Uncle, I—I—(I might as time. He answered 'Nowhere to few, and where they are not conferask your advice about it.'

lips, he uttered a long, low whistle. arms and declared his love then and transports, indispenselyle to a species, the gentled value. silent, a far-off look in his aged eyes, advice in time and temporized. hi said, turning toward Reuben, had come and gone Reuben was her and drawing his chair a little nearer accepted lover.

the very 'apathy of despair' the next; anomalous condition of affairs may did bim ; how he was afraid, if he opportunity. he was sure if she did, it would kill had his nephew alone for a moment, WANTED.—Some him, etc., etc.

delived himself to these memorable affection, don't never forget it !" words :

'Reuby, my boy, you've got it bad I'll tell you a secret what nebody ding day? ain't bearn for nigh onter fifty years.

Here the old man's voice grew a little busky, and he blew his nose fiercely with a large, red handker. head for the purpose.

Kittie was the prettiest and at the just as sure ez I be that I'm setrin' cannot flatter myself with the promsame time the most coquettish girl here that I lost her by lovin' of her ise of being a frequent contributor in Swanto, and, woman-like, was too much, an' lettin' her know it too to its pages, I trust you will permit perfield, only more so, in the fact of playing 'fast and loose" with poor soon. That was my experience, an' me to make a few elementary sug- being very young. The woman took any one straight in the face, I bey seen stacks of like cases sence. gestions to beginners.

Reuben had never openly avowed 'Wal, ez I wos saying, just so his affection, though it was rapidly soon ez a woman feels she haz a becoming soulfully intense' when man, heart and soul, jest so soon first requisite is ability to see, to feel after a particularly exasperating in- she haint no use for him ; she beterview with the fair Kittie, he re- gins to sigh, ez the old primer says, solved to lay bare his heart to his fur new worlds to conquer, What cation no one can expect to become old Uncle Joshua, and seek the lat- she ken have she don't want, an' what she can't have she wants worse

was employed. Reuben had done arter, specially women folks. You many little kindnesses for the old never want to set too much stores man-who, in return, felt almost a by nothin'; for if you do, you'll be father's interest in his welfare and almost sure to lose it. Struggle to though coming from one who might in pint, do your level best to make almost be supposed to have forgot- the gal think you don't set much ten all about the gentle passion, be store by her. Don't let on how much took you be with her, and With this conclusion, Renben, don't on no account say nothin' with a very cheart honore' feeling | about love, leastwise, not at present, above for the minute yer go, ez the lawyers of the store of horizon and Mother bearing to the minute yer go, mentioned interview with Kittie- say, you weaken yer case. You don't more numerous the points of contact stairs, where an unwilling mother wended his way slowly up to the want to show yer hand till yer dead with the infinitely varied world of was waiting to receive it.

At such times, if ever, the human So saying, the old man wiped his heart turns to thoughts of love; and forehead with the big red handker-Reuben's already turned in that di-chief, relighted his pipe, pushed rection, was actually filled to over- down the burning tobacco with his flowing with the gentle emotion. borney thumb and relapsed into si-

From what humble sources words most 'woeful ballads' to the fair Kit- of wisdom sometimes spring ! Much tie's eyebrows-but he was no poet, comforted, Reuben sauntered slowly homeward, his pathway lighted by As Reuben came up to the house the bright summer morn which had

'Wal, Reuben,' he said, as peering and the following Sunday evening through the deepening twilight, he went 'to meetin' with her. He did go to another. discovered the love-sick youth ap- not even pass Kittie's house for four proaching, 'haow de do ? come right whole days! He came very near up and set down. Anythin' new ?' | weakening the second evening, but 'Nything much,' replied Reuben, finally, with great difficulty, master- ual gift is the power to know the random appraisement of mechanically pulling up a rude chair ed himself. What was the result? truth. Next to this is judgment; upon it would not nearly as well as bottomed with stripes of rawhide, Why, when he did go by, nearly a tellectral qualities is imagination. 'You sin't heared nothin' about heard all about what had taken place, walked down to the gate and, tion may become immortal, 'No,' replied Reuben, slowly; I with one of her sweetest smiles. well tell) I'm in love and I came to speak of ; and then she smiled so red by Nature, the effort to attain ue of this missing do! sweetly, and looked at him with them is vain, and the result tedious. quoted in the numisr "Wal, naow, you don't say ?" said such gentle reproach that he was althe old granger, and pursing up his most tempted to seize her in his of simplicity, of truth, and of accurtibe coin, the gentleme vanis-For a few moments he remained there, but he recalled Uncle Josh's

as if the revelation recalled old, almost forgotten memories, and then however, and before another moon

to him, 'wal, tell the old man all about it—thar ain't nothin' to com- a little when they were made one; mence with, that does so much good and Uncle Josh had hitched up the as to let it sout.' So, leaning back in his chair again, he listened while Reuben told the 'old, old story,— how the feeling had gradually come upon him that he loved Kittie with the manner, and his the listened for words to witness the interesting ceremony. He was attired in a bran new suit of homespun, his hair 'slicked down' in a cli-state bing passion (or words to the listened while homespun, his hair 'slicked down' in a cli-state bing passion (or words to the listened while homespun, his hair 'slicked down' in a cli-state bing passion (or words to the listened while homespun, his hair 'slicked down' in a doar to him as his own heart, can never be more than a ploading and n as to let it sout.' So, leaning back old mare and drove down to the lit-

how he was beset with fears that she be supposed to exist.) and kissed the liked Bill Simpson better than she bride with much warmth at the first

'she does look uncommon nice ; but, mark my word, don't go to showin' The old man listened attentively- of her too much affection-if you do who, of whatever age, ever failed to you'll be sorry for it. Don't be afraid visited the place designated in the take some interest in the 'oft-told to jaw her a little sometimes; it advertisement-a neat new frame tale' and when the young man had makes an agreeble change, an' 'll do edifice, with a pretentions doorfinished he took his pipe from his scurcely with women, nor children. mouth, congled once or twice, and nor dogs, nor nothin', with too much

Reuben's only answer was, 'I'll try.' But he did not look as if he thought there ain't no doubt on it—and could be expected to on his wed-

Advice to Young Writers.

The idea of establishing a month- baby. The one I advertised as a chie, which he took from his fore- ly journal for the special benefit of month old is gone. Will you take writers for the press is very attrac- this one.' 'Women is queer creaturs. I love tive, and I sincerely hope that it will ed one ouct, and onet only, and I'm be successfully realized. While I without seeing the infant.

It is almost superfluous to say that ed with the baby. in the profession of literature the and to think, and a great part of this ability is education. Without edus tures, and considerable blonde bair. a writer, and the morr education eyed tables never go a-begging.' the better, provided it is of the right

There are two objects to be attain- can be legally adopted.' ed by education. The first is knowling the trath, and of expressing where it hes gone.' truth as it is

It makes little difference what are see the mother' the peculiar branches of study that 'No. At least that is not necessa are pursued in the process of educa- ry. She is adxious to give the child tion, provided that the pursuit is away and go back to her home in such as to train and fortify the pows Ohio, I only stipulate for one thing' er of distinguishing the truth and said the baby doner, 'it must go into the faculty of stating it accurately. a Christian family. I never let a But the more extensive and varied child be adopted by infide's. the studies of youth, the richer will She rolled the baby un in it canton bave a truth of their own.

Food without digestion is useless:

newspaper office, with intelligence at ty-four hours. the head. No other college is possible where the discipline of rhetoric. of taste and of knowledge is so ela fectually applied.

tend it to be understood. Have only tion, for unless it was an in

Above all avoid affectation, and the worst affection of all is the affect so little from the effects c tation of wit. The highest intellect-The writer who possesses imagina-

But the possession of these glori- tence. Two of these Yet every on can possess the faculty is \$500." When asked enterprising treasures, indispensable to a success- in part payment for w

fal writer. Moreover, the intellectual and ar- an heirloom in the 1 Ingrediente, tistic qualities of writing are not all. and had descended to kage, etc. The moral quality is quite as impor- great-grandfather. tant, perhaps more so First, you from the lighting-receally prepared when it first came in ple, conviction, primary trutht, must it was black with age, live at the bottom of your mind, or you cannot make them live in the minds of others. He who believes "Have you received any

#### The Superfluous Baby.

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ago. This one is a boy, too." 'Can it be seen.' 'Y-e-s. Do you wish to adopt a

'It would be impossible to know

'It is very young,' was the answer It was evidently like young Copwent up stairs, however, and return- they will flinch."

It is a fine child,' she said, unrolling it and revealing a robust infaut with a red face, rather tolerable fea-'His eyes are blue,' she said; blue-

'Are there any formalities to be gone through with before the child

None at all. It doesn't cost edge and the second is accuracy, penny. The mother gives up all Accusacy is the power of distinguish- right to the child and does not know

'Can the parties adopting the child

lived. The last faint traces of the don't want to complicate yerself, so ever learned any branch of knowl- a small scale, for those who have stn's glory were rapidly fading away to speak, till yer sartain the girl edge which was wholly useless, and means to pay for care and pursing in the horizon, the bright stars were loves ye. Ef she don't love ye, ye'd no one ever cultivated any faculty through illness. There are always that did not bring its reward. In babes to be given away there. It for health. the pursuits of literature and the costs time and money both to beprofession of a writer these maxims come the owner of a desirable black and tan dog, but a fair-baired, Reading, omniverous and univers. blue-eye baby can be adopted withal, is of the greatest utility; but out price, The same baby is still at thinking must always go with it the lonely house on Hamlin avenue, unless it has been gathered into The best school of writing is a some Christian family within twen-

## The Missing Dollar of 1804.

A large, fashionably dressed mades Turkeys...... The first rule of good writing is entered a local newspaper effice were As Reuben came up to the house the bright summer morn which had he to use always the simplest and plainline Josh, as he usually just come over the hill, filling the est words. State the fact or express by two others, and extending agreement. called him, sented on the stoop, little valley with its mellow light. the point or principle which you deorable head, fringed with gray, when he trod that path before, for scanty locks, was bared to the oral be had nuburdened it and he felt will understand it exactly as you inone idea in view at a time, and be the "missing dollar of 1' JONS, pretty Polly Baker 'buggy riding,' clearly and intelligently before you tors had sought in vain izers. than three quarters of a ce

turned up at last, and ha usage that it was eviden out food.

or enthusiastic numism

"There are," say the cler that D. D. there silver dollars of h Grade Fercame on quite a different errand, asked where he had been for such a one endowments is granted to but for; the third is somest found to be

farmer near Auburn,

#### A Little Lesson in Grammar-

Careless habits of speech are among the prominent faults of our young people, even those young people who have advantages of schools and intelligent homes surroundings. Recognizing this, the professor of English literature at Wellesley College has prepared a list of "words, phrases and expressions to be avoided,' from which the young (and old) readers will receive many seasonable hints :

Guess, for suppose or think. Fix, for arrange or prepare. Real, as an adverb, in expressions real good, for really or very good,

Some or any, in an adverbial sense e. g., 'I have studied some,' for some what. 'I have not studied any,' for

Some ten days, for about ten days. Not as I know, for not that I know. Storius, for it rains or snows mod

Try an experiment, for make an ex periment. Singular subject with contracted

plural verb ; e. g., "She don't skate Plural pronoun with singular ante-

cedent; "Every man or woman should do their duty;" or, "If you Expect for suspect.

First rate, as an adverb. Nice, indiscriminately. (Real nice may be doubly faulty.)

Had rather, for would rather. Had better, for would better. Right away for immediately. Party, for person.

Promise for assure. Posted, for informed. Depot, for station, Stopping, for staying. Try and do, for try to do.

Try and go, for try to go. Cunning, for small, dainty. Cute, for acute. Funny, for odd or unusual.

Above, for foregoing, more than or eyond. Does it look good enough, for well enough.

Somebody else's for somebody's Not as good as, for not so good as.

Feel badly, for feel bad. Feel good, for feel well. Between actes, for among seven. Seidom or ever, for seldon it ever, seldom or never.

Taste and smell of, when used wended his way slowly up to the want to show yer hand till yer dead men and things in after life. No one little red house where the old man sure you've won the game. You ever learned any branch of knowl- a small scale, for those who have sitively. Illustration We to Ct. than you think. These kind, for this k

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