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OF INTEREST TO OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

There is yet in the hands of some an thorities to whom it was entrusted con siderable money that was contributed for the relief of the sufferers of the Cone maugh Valley. The persons in charge of those funds, amounting in all cases to many thousands of dollars, are dissatis fled with the mode of distributing the re hef, and have already expressed their in tention of diverting the money from the purpose for which it was raised and ap propriating it to some other philanthropic purpose. And now since the different school districts of the Valley have suffered heavily, and several of them have contracted heavy debts to replace their lost property, might not they, if they take united and harmonious action, ob tain the use of those funds. In no way could such money be more usefully employ t than in putting the als of the valley on good foot ald give the people much enut. In several boroughs the school bell has not yet called the children together. Winter is nigh, and the time that should be given to school work i passing rapidly away

We would suggest that each Board in the flooded district appoint one of their number a representative to meet like representatives from the other Boards, and make a united effort to obtain these funds, which we have good reason to be Neve they can obtain if proper steps be taken. And let it be done soon too.

The time and place of meeting of these representatives can be duly announced, and an equitable and satisfactory ratio of distribution between the several dismicts determined upon.

#### INDECENT HASTE.

New York World.

President Harrison showed himself to be a willing participant in the plot to steal a State, by the indecent haste with which he issued the proclamation admitting Montana to the Union.

This action was the trick of an unseru pulous partisan, not the deliberate and dignified proceeding of a President of the United States. It was of a piece with the action of the State Canvassing Board in Montana in accepting the "climina tion" of a Democratic precinct, and returning a Republican Legislature as elected, while the contest over this district was pending in the courts.

Since that rascally "sharp practice was indulged in the Court has decided that the rejected votes were legally cast and must be counted. The election judges have counted them as they were cast, thus carrying out the expressed will of the people. A Democratic Legislature is the logical and legal result. And yet by rushing out this proclamation, President Harrison sought to fix the status of Montana in accordance with the robbery planned out and executed by the Repub-

tican National Committee.
It is a trick worthy of the President who caused a Federal Judge in Indiana to reverse his own ruling in order to shield from punishment Mr. Harrison's friend, who organized bribery in that "blocks of five." By this act Benjamin Harrison makes himself a pal of Dudley and Quay in the theft of

AND now that Vice President Morton, through a second party, opened a hotel, the Shoreham, with a bar attached, there is great display of open hostility on the part of the W. C. T. U. in their National Convention at Chicago. "It's bad enough," said the ladies, "for the Vice President to be a seller of liquor, but when we consider that he may, by accident, any day become the Presdent of the country, it makes the case so much the worse. We don't want the chief executive in the business of a barkeeper.' Other temperance people are al about the same opinion. Then there are those who point to the fact that many high in places in church affairs are in terested in the liquor business and derive profits therefrom. Trinity Church in New York City has property leased to Equor dealers, from which it derives a arge revenue. All this goes to show that most men will invest their money where the profits promise to be the highest. It will be interesting to see how the Vice President behaves in the face of the opposition to his bar. Will be yield?

One of the first things to be done by the new Democratic Legislature of Ohio is to make a new Congressional appointment. The existing one was made by a Republican Legislature, and gave the Republicans fifteen Cougressmen to six for the Democrats. A previously made apportionment, planned and passed by a Democratic Legislature, gave the Repub Congressmen. This of sourse did not suit Republican methods, hence the gerrymander of four years ago. One result of the election of a Democratic Legislature in Ohio will be the recovery of the stolen Congressmen.

A TERRIBLE tragedy was enacted in Lex-A TERRIBLE Bragedy was enacted in Lex-ington, Kentucky, Friday. Col. William Cassius Goodloe. Collector of the Sev-enth district, stabbed and killed his pre-decessor, Col. A. M. Swope, and was himself fatally snot. These men were publican Coloness, and conspicuous in ntucky as well as National politics. Republican Coloness, and conspicuous in Kentucky as well as National politics. The duel grew out of a political feud. The Republican party of Kentucky is at best a rather shabby affair. It is unfortunate for the party that at the moment when it is staggering under the blows delivered in New York, Virginia, Ohio, and Iowa its principal representatives in Kontucky should feroclously saughter each other over a question of spoils.

THE usual post-election talk is now going the rounds. What caused it? Wno's to blame? and questions of a like import tavorite topics with both parties. And Mr. Benjamin Harrison, the White House occupant, is reported to be anxious to know what caused the politienl upheaval. He is even said to be worried an ! vexed about the course things took. The German American vote of Ohio and other States, he thinks, had no cause for behaving as it did.

THE President says he was actuated by no improper motives in so hastily admitting Montana. But come people why he admitted the State before the election disputes, that had begun in the Territorial Courts, were finally settled. The authorities had given no evidence of

not being able to manage the affair.

The Republicans now claim the elecion of all their ticket in Iowa, except Governor. The vote on the other candidates is very close, and it will take the official canvass to decide which are

WHEN the administration took up Ma one in Virginia, it made an egregious blunder. The people had been waiting to get a stroke at the brigadier, and how well they struck, too, when the opportuni y came

In Ohio it is believed that Foraker is the only Republican candidate on the ticket, who was defeated. The official count is not yet completed.

Five thousand people viewed the remains of State Treasurer Hart, yesterday, as they lay in state in the Capitol at Har risburg.

Now that several of our citizens have replaced the sidewalks in front of their properties, let many others follow.

Consclidation seems to be the order of the day. People are suggesting the union of Pittsburgh and Allegheny.

Last year Pennsylvania polled 977,700 votes; this year only 604,500 votes were

## Rather Rough.

Two well-known local physicians were out the the other day, examining a proposed site for the new hospital Contin-uing their investigation to quite a disance from the site they encountered on of the natives, "to the manner born, Are you feller's agoin to start slaughtery down ther?" was his inquiry The doctor's reply has not yet been ascer

St. Mark's Bell. The bell belonging to St. Mark's Epis opal Church has been put on an elevation n the rear of the temporary church of Locust street. It was rung on Sunday for the first time since the flood. It is the only thing the people of St. Mark's have of their former fine church, and of cours they prize it highly. It was found in

Kernville after the flood.

To Divide the Funds

Representatives of the Junior American dechanics of the State met representatives of the different school districts of the flooded part of the vailey yesterday forenoon to arrive at a basis of distribut-ing the school relief fund that has been raised by the order. The representatives got figures from the different flooded districts and will themselves agree upon the

The Clark-Naugle Foot Race

The foot race between Fred Naugle and Pat Clark, two well-known local sprinters, took place yesterday in Pittsburgh. The race was seventy-five yards. for \$100 a side, Naugle conceding Clark five vards start. Naurle made two false each. Clark won the race by about thre-

Flagman Stevens' Funeral. William Stevens, the flagman, who ras killed in the wreck near Kittanning Point on Friday, will be buried at Gallitzin this forenoon. He was a son of Mr. David Stevens, of Gallitzin, and had been married about a year to a Miss McCloskey, who, with one child, survives him.

Ashville's Boom

The town of Ashville, along the Cresson & Coalport Railroad, is experiencing a A new vein of coal is being opened there, and will be worked on an extensive scale. Several hundred miners will be employed as soon as the drift is completed.

Bard to Please.

From the New York Tribune.

The people who complain about the bad ventilating of churches are often the very people who declare that the preacher gives them nothing but wind. It means ten and the Democrats eleven is hard to satisfy everybody.

THE ENCHANTED WOOD.

As from the outward world you pass— Just where the forest skirts the plain— \$2 open book lies on the grass, And there for years untouched has lais.

The leaves are yellow now with age, But one may read in letters free, As the wind turns the ragged page, The blotted name—Philosophy

Tis said a student one day stood Outside the bounds, when on hi The mystic power of that wood, And Love cast over him a spell.

Then long he strove to enter there; But guardian spirits in array But guardian spirits in array Prevented him, until despair And made him throw the book away.

Had then, when he at length had cast The stern Philosophy aside. Love bade him enter, neld him fast As conqueror of Self and Prida

And now in dim, enchanted nooks, Ruled by a Love that never fails, Ze seeks no sympathy of books— Love whispers to him fairy tales.

Outside, swept by the wind and rain Philosophy, uncared for, lies; teannot enter Love's domain; It was not meant for Paradise -Flavel Scott Mines in Harper's Weekly

#### A Sensational Letter

An amusing hoax appears to have been perpetrated upon the foreign press in the shape of a letter alleged to have been written by the present care prior to his ascension to the throne, to the famous editor and pansla ist leader, Aksakoff, whose widow died a few weeks ago. The document in question, which bears the date of May 22, 1866, contains bitter comments on the class of courtiers by whom the imperial family rounded, and compares the highest officers of state to contemptible lackeys.

The publication of the letter in question has excited an immense amount of attention throughout Europe, and it appears to have been copied in almost every foreign newspaper of any importance. The whole thing is, however, but a hoax. The letter in question, instead of having been written by the present emperor, was addressed in 1796 to Count Kotchoubey by the Grand Duke Alexander Paulwitch, who subsequently ascended the brone as Alexander 1 The courtiers referred to in such bitter terms were the ignoble favorites of his grandmother, Catherine II. The original letter will be found in the first volume of the "Life

and Times of Alexander I," published by C. Toyneville in 1874.—Exchange. Shot Off His Companion's Gun Barrel. I was hunting quail near Reidsville, N. C., six years ago, with S. S. Harris and James Play, of that town. Harris and myself were walking side by side, when two birds were flushed at the same time. Harris war on my left and fired at the bird on my right, I firing at the one on his left. Thus cross firing, both fired simultaneously.

Harris killed his kird, but 1 did not.

Harris said my powder was not good. We walked on about thirty paces, when Harris lowered his gun to extract the empty shell. Suddenly he exclaimed:
"Look! the ends of my gun barrels

have bursted off.

We examined them and found they were not bursted, but I had shot the off as smoothly as if they had been corn stalks when we cross fired.

We walked back to the spot and found five inches of his gun barrels lying there. I have one of the pieces now and will mail it to Judge Gildersleeve if desired. This is an iron truth—nothing fishy about it. If you desire reference I refer you to Mr. George Cary Eggleston.—Cor. New York Evening World.

## The Lights in the Window

A pair of worthies that used to practice before the Washington bar were engaged in giving "straw" bail and in other ways securing the release of prisoners for a small consideration. They rented a room which formerly had been a drug store, not far from the police court, and kept a light burning there all night for the benefit of "late arrests" who might wish to obtain bail rather than spend the night in the police station. The druggist who had occupied the place before them had failed to remove the blue and yellow bottles from the window. One night two lawyers results in the street saw the light. night for the benefit of "late arrests

passing up the street saw the light.
"Whose place is this?" asked one of them. 'Smith & Jones; felonies compounded at all hours of the night," was the reply—Cor. N. Y. Tribune.

# About the Chinese

Mrs. Emerson says that while the Jap anere are becoming more civilized daily the Chinese are in the same old spot, and a size, if anything. "I believe it is due to the government," she remarked. due to the government," she remarked,
"It looks with distrust upon all new
methods proposed by Europeans and
Americans. I lived one winter at Pe-

"How do you spell that?"
"Why, Peking, of course. It is often spelled Pekin in the United States, but spelled Pekin in the United States, but nowhere else. In olden times China had two capitals, Nanking and Peking, Ing is the Chinese word denoting capital. To distinguish between the two places the northern capital was called Nanking and the southern one Peking. So the correct word is Peking. So the correct word is Peking.

The Rewards of Talent.

Old Mr. Hazeed-They do say that Bill Smartly has done real well play actin' since he went to New York, an

lives in great style.

Mr. Hummer—Yes, I went and called upon him when I was down there. Old Mr. Hazeed-And don't he live

away, way up?
Mr. Hummer—Yes, about thirteen sto ries.—Drake's Magazine.

It Happens That Way.

"Yes, sir—yes, sir," he observed as he rubbed his hands together, "the next alderman from our ward must be a clean, decent, honest, intelligent man, and a credit to his constituents. Yes, sir-ye credit to his constituents. Yes, sir—yes, sir; we have made up our minds to that —all citizens irrespective of party. We shall go in en masse. The candidate? Why, he'll be selected from my party, of course!"—Detroit Free Press.

LIGHT AND AIRY.

Hobson's Choice Yit you see My wife she Hes a saller skin; Hair an' sich, Black ez pitch, Eyes 'ith midnigi

Eyes a cl'ar deep blue

Curyus thet One ez set In his ways ez me, Should go back On the track Of a sot idee.

Twarn't thet I Altered my Notions, but I guess Them thet grows Sick of "noes,"

Of Course. Man (to friend)—See that fellow standing there listening to that hand organ have never heard one before.

Friend—Oh, not that, but he is hungry for

a tune

Man—Easy enough, I should think, to satisfy so inexpensive an appetite. Where could
be have been keeping himself to become se
hungry for a tune, as you express it;
Friend—Traveling with a grand opera company.—Arkansaw Traveler

gusan-Oh, dear, I wish Charley was made

of pop corn.

Mollie-What in creation do you want Mollie—What in creation do you wante Charley turned into pop corn for? "Then I'd build up such a hot fire in the parlor some night that he'd have to 'pop' whether he wanted to or not. I'm getting tired of waiting."—Dansville Breeze.

> Anglo-Mania Anglo-Mania.
> The Prince of Wales may will and dare
> To some eccentric garment wear.
> A garment which of loudness smacks
> But which the Anglo-maines
> Adopt with most complacent air

> The royal manner debonair They copy, hoping thus to share The homs to which he never lacks-The Prince of Wales

So be it English, naught they care.
From cut of cont to cut of hair:
Until in time upon their backs
They'll sport the stripes that English Jacks
As mutineers were wont to bear
The prints of wales
F. H. Cartiss in Judge

Absolute Rest. City Editor (to reporter)-Billings, you are

overworked
Billings—I fear so, sir,
City Editor—You need absolute rest, Billings, and must have it. Go out and report
the donations made to the world's fair committee.—Arkansaw Traveler

Why He Stayed at Home. First New York Anglo-maniae—What's p, Dick! I haven't seen you at the club for

up, Dickt I haven't seen you at the club for two duys.

Second Anglo-maniac—Haven't you heard!
Why, they've been expecting another riot in London and I didn't dare to go out for fear Pd get hurt.—Judge.

An Autumn Rhyme. The leaves are in a withered whirl; How quick the seasons pass: We leave with sighs the summer glu 'And woo the winter lass

Gone is the blazer's beauteous stripe From mountains and from pier The enappie dons his darker clothes, Left over from last year

And she who wore a bathing suit
Alarmingly petits,
Now wants a senskin ulster
That reaches to her feet
-Kate Thorne in Time

"I see the French people call a chestnut a 'rossignol," said Squibsby, the funny man. "I don't see the connection, really, because a rossignol is a nightingale."

"Oh, well," replied Mrs. Squibsby, "may be they've all heard a nightingale before."—
Hampark Park

Harper's Bazar

## Two Standpoints

Bessie—My foot slipped yesterday and I got it wet in the lake. Chartie came and pulled me out. It was so fortunate the water vasn't over my shoe. Jennie—Charlie told me about it. He said was over your head and he saved your life

## The Pessimist

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The nest definition ver given.

I would not be a begatly bee
If all the world were given me,
I would not be a ber or buil
If down on Wall street I'd a pull.
I would not be a cow or sheep,
A hen, or dormouse, fast askeep,
and to be a down or eat,
eighant, a duck or eat,
i followed out my plan I followed out my plan i not even be a man. In, if I were wholly free cose my lot, I wouldn't be Davis in Commercial Adv

Getting at His Views. Jack—How is it, Algy—do you like married life as well as you did club life?
Algy—Yes, about the same.
Jack—As I remember it, Algy, you never cared much for club life.

algy—No; never cared about it.—Judge.

A Question Answered. Hunter—I say, ole fellah, is there anything a these woods? Farmer Wayback—Yes, sir.
"What's in 'em?" nirteen acres of woods an' a big swamp G'lang, Dolly!"—Dansville Breeze.

Disenchautment. we saze in ad-On a wavet and cantain uses.
And had only suvertiest music
Fibrough tionse word lips one mass.
We're awfully snowned to see her
Down the garden pathway stride,
And hear her ery 'Say, Jonnile, or
Or mother will tan your hide.

Occultism in Boston. Ethel 6 years old -1 have secured n a's permission to come over and spend the on with you.
I (7)—That's nice. You sit over there and read Gadbury's "Genethlialogia" w finish Ptolemy's "Tetrabiblos."—Judge.

> Hark! Do You Hear It? ow across the backyard gate Sounds the old domestic yell, As Ophelia calls to Kate,
> "Can't you make your jelly jell?"
> —Springfield Homeste

Pleasant for Both.
Ed—I love you, Allie,
Allie—How pleased Charlie will be to know
t. We were married this morning.—Epoch.

The Press.

What time the printer falls in love,
He sure can do no less
Than show his chosen lass how great
The power of the presa

#### SIMULATING DISEASE.

STRANGE CASES MET WITH BY PHY-SICIANS AND OTHERS.

How People Feign Injuries and Other Disabilities-Several Illustrations Taken from Life-How the Deceptions Are Discos

A man, apparently in great bodily pain was found lying upon the sidewalk at Front and Chestnut streets, by a police man. The man had fatten "all in a heap, and his story was that he had been way laid and beaten A patrol wagon wa summoned, but when an attempt was made to place him in the vehicle he complained of such exquisite pain it was found necessary to discard the patrol wagon and to carry the man on a stretch-er to a hospital. On arriving at the lator to a hospital. On arriving at the lat-ter institution he was carefully removed from the stretcher to a cot in the receiv-ing ward, and, although handled very tenderly, the change of position seemed to aggravate his suffering Singularly enough, when the surgeons made an ex-amination, it was found that when a pin was stuck in any portion of the man's body below the neck he apparently failed to feel it, and the natural conclusion under the circumstances was that he had suffered a spinal injury. It was then proposed to place the patient under an amesthetic, with the view of performing amesthetic, with the view of performing an operation, but when the man heard this he jumped off the cot and darted quickly out of the hospital gate and was soon lost to view He had been "playing possum," but for what reason will, per

#### TO AVOID THE DRAFT.

Such cases are not infrequently with by physicians in their regular prac tice and at hospitals and other charitable institutions. Either to excite sympathy. the and at hospitals and other charitable institutions. Either to excite sympathy, or from other motives, people sometimes cultivate the power of simulating discuses. These individuals are known to the medical profession as "malingerers," and they become particularly numerous on certain occasions. During the civil war, at the time conscriptions were made, it was surprising to see the number of able bodied men limping along with canes and apparently suffering with rheuma-tism or other crippling ailments. While it is not always easy, even for an expert doctor, to detect between real and sim-ulated disease, yet he can generally distinguish between the genuine and feigned rheumatism by the manner in which a man plants his cane on the pavement To understand the difference it is only necessary to watch a man who carries a flourishes a cane for pleasure

Among the disorders generally simulated are fainting and epilepsy. Both have been so well counterfeited as to have been mistaken for genuine cases. only when heroic measures are propo omy when never measures are proposed that the imposition is disclosed. Not long since an up town physician, while pass ing an open air religious meeting or Broad street, had his attention attracted to a middle aged woman, apparently suffering with an epileptic attack. She was surrounded by a group of sympathetic men and women, and one of the latter had procured from a neighboring resi-dence a pinch of salt. The woman re covered consciousness, however, withou the use of the latter remedy. On the following Sunday the physician

noticed the same woman in church, and thinking she might be seized with another spell, took a seat several pews from her. Sure enough, an attack came on, to the ufiture of a number of nervous peo ple. The poor woman was carried out to the vestibule of the church, and the physician followed. The sceming epilep tic seizure passed off in about fiv

## FEIGNING DEAFNESS

The next Sunday there was a repetition of the attack. The woman, who was a stranger to the congregation, was again taken to the vestibule, and the physician who had previously attended her was again called upon Thinking that the attack was simulated, he pro-posed that a settee should be procure Thinking the woman carried through th street to a police station. In a twink ling the woman sprang from the chair in which she had been placed, hurried from the building and has not since ap

peared at the church.

One of the methods adopted to mislead is to feign deafness. This is one of the tricks resorted to by men who desire the tricks resorted to by men who desire to avoid being placed upon juries. Gen-erally, however, the judges are able to fathom the deception, and, by the use of a little stratagem, it is easily expo Men who simulate deafness will class ear in the palm of the hand and lean forward as though the auditory nerves were strained to catch what was said. In an unguarded moment the supposed deaf man is asked a question in an ordinary tone, to which he generally replie and his deception is unmasked.

As a rule, however, illness and other physical disabilities are simulated by people who wish to avoid work or who sire to obtain admission to some in stitution where they may live without cost to themselves, and sometimes by convicts with the hope of bettering their condition. In fact very many disenses are feigned, but in the hands of a skill ful physician they are soon exposed. A common method of simulating apoplexy is by falling down as if deprived of ser sation and consciousness. Powerfu stimulants, an electric shock, the appli cation of hot water or an artistion of the nostrils, quickly detect the imposi-tion.—Philadelphia Ledger.

## Old Manuscript.

A scholar named Musso chanced one afternoon to enter a bookbinder's shop in Paris. Noticing that the man was about to cut up a mass of manuscript, he begged leave to examine it. To his sur-prise he found that he had hit upon the works of Agobard, a learned prelate of works of Agonard, a learned presence of the ninth century. Seeing its value, Musso purchased the manuscript, and thus preserved a volume which con-tained many valuable details of those early days.—Chicago Herald.

#### A DREAM WITHIN A DREAM.

A Chicago Man Who Dreamed That He

Dreamed of Committing Suicide.
"Ever have a dream within a dream and get the two all mixed up?" asked the man at the club whose specialty is dreams. "Well; I had one the other the man at the char when the other dreams. "Well; I had one the other night that has made me think some about it since. I thought I was walking, west in a mighty disconsolate frame of mind and wondering if, after all, life the mind and wondering if, after all, life didn't cost pretty much all it was worth when I came to the Madison street bridge. I stopped and looked over the rail and fell to calculating how it would feel to take a pluage in the slimy depths, and how much attention it would attract if I were to climb over the side and jump I had always thought that any-body who ever cortemplated suicide was a great fool to ever start for the other world by way of the Chicago river, but at this time I didn't seem to hang quite so closely to my former prejudice and was looking down at the black surface in a rather friendly way when somebody stopped at the rail a few feet away from

stopped at the rail a few feet away from me, heaved a sigh, and put his foot up on the lower board.

"At a glance I saw the man was a friend of mine whom I hadn't seen for several years and who I supposed to be in 'Frisco. I spoke to him and he turned with a startled exclamation of annoyance, recognized me, and waited for me to speak. I asked him what he was to speak. I He looked at me as mourn fully as the spirits in the 'inferno' did at Dante, and said.

'I'm going to jump over this rail into the river.

"I asked him what he intended doing anything so foolish as that for, and he told me with tears welling up to his eyes that the girl he loved was dead.

"I sympathized with him with all my heart because I was in a precisely similar fix, but I told him he was foolish and that while it was natural for him to feel like that for awhile he would soon realize that it was the height of folly to attempt to remedy matters by dodging out of the world in this irregular and alto-gether disgraceful fashion. I brought all the philosophy I could muster to bear on the case and plumped it all at him, but he never wavered. He shook hands with me, told me to walk on and leave him, and turned to look over into the river again. Of course I didn't comply with his request. The horror of allowing a humar, being to rush to death overpowered me with a shocking sense of realization, and I remember thinking now differently things affect persons when applied to others than the same conditions applied to ourselves.
"I persisted in my efforts to dissuade the would be suicide from his rash act,

but he was obdurate, and, faally, seeing that I wouldn't relent, he made a spring and threw one leg over the rail. I grabbed him to drag him back, and then began a struggle. I saw some people running from the end of the bridge, but before they reached us my acquaintance loosened my grip on the rail and flopped me over riverward and together we fell. It seemed like we were falling to the center of the earth, and I felt the cold sweat stand out all over me. Then we struck the water and—I awoke. I held my breath involuntarily as I went down, which as a swimmer I was bound to do, and when I came up I had an excellent and when I came up I had an excellent opportunity of tesding my ability to swim with all my clothes on. I saw the people running down the stairs to the dock to help me, and I struck out valiantly for the shore. When I reached it a rope was thrown me and I was drugged up on the dock, where the bridge tender and several others proceeded to abuse me for a blankety-blank idiot, who ought to have been left to drown.

"I tried to tell them that it was all a dream, and that I didn't know the first thing about it till I struck the water, but they looked at me with the most profound disdain and said:

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found disdain and said:
"Oh, you weakened! You an't got no more nerve 'n a rabbit!
"Then the bridge tender grabbed me by the dank neek of my dripping coat and took me up the steps and turned me over to a policeman, who called a wagon and loaded me into it. I was rattled away to the station, while the officers in the wagon swore at me and the people on the streets turned to look after me on the streets turned to look after me curiously. At the station I was introduced as a blank blank fool who jumped in the river and then changed his mind and yelled for help. I hadn't yelled for help, and I knew it, but I thought I'd let that pass, inasmuch as I had been in the river. The desk sergeant asked me my name and put it in his book with a charge of disorderly opposite, and I was hustled down stairs to be locked up. On the way down the officer gave me a shove, and I tripped and fell headlong

down five steps and struck my head.
"That was when I did awake. Everything was dark, and it took as much as a full minute to realize that I was in my own room, but half out of bed. The part of me that was in bed was my feet.
rest of me had fallen out and my had collided with a box of books sitting at my bed's nead Luckily the bruise was on the back of my head, where it didn't show II it had been on my face I would have been a sight I didn't go to sleep again for an hour, and you can bet when I did I was located exactly in the middle of the bed. But wasn't that a funny complication of dream fancies?

-Chicago Mail.

He Had Been There.

Railroad Superintendent (to applicant for position) - You were formerly employed as conductor on the P. Y. and X.? Applicant- Yes sir

Railroad Superintendent—Did you ever

kanroad superintendent—Did you ever knock down. Applicant—No. sir. Railroad Superintendent—I don't want you then. I was once a conductor my-self.—Epoch.

The Original Star Route.
The Jupiter and Lake Worth railroad very properly claims the prior privilege of using the designation "Star Route." According to The Railway Age, the stations on that short line are named Jupi-ter, Venus, Mars, Juno.—Philadelphia