

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

The Intelligent Hen.

'Twas long ago, a year or so—
In a barnyard by the sea,
That an old hen lived whom you may know
By the name of Fiddle-dee.

And then do you know it happened this way
In that barnyard by the sea;
A great wise owl came down one day,
She scratched around in the sand all day,

As mad as hops was she.
"Ah, I've been round among great men,
In the world where the great men be,

Now very few people could get ahead
Huh, Fiddle-dee-dee,
She waddled about the posty bed,

On the Surface of the Pool.
"Science has demonstrated that water
Surfaces possess a power of resisting
The passage of bodies from without or
Within, just as if the water were
Covered with a delicate and invisible
Armor.

The Flower's Lesson.
There is a story told of a certain
King who had a large garden, and one
Day heard all the plants and trees
Talking together. They were all sad.

The Happiest Little Boy.
"Guess who was the happiest child
I saw today?" asked papa, taking his
Own two little boys on his knee.

Grandpa's Pirates.
"Yes," said grandpa, musingly,
"I've been to the West Indies time
And again, but it was all years ago,

Only Practising.
Mistress—What are you doing,
Bieke? Throwing the dishes at that
Target? Are you crazy?

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his interest in the war news, during
the summer of '98.

"To be sure," was grandpa's answer,
"Havana, Matanzas and other places;
but the time I recollect best was when
we were in port at St. Eustatius.

"Oh, grandpa!" "Real live pirates!"
"Do tell us about them!" These
were some of the exclamations which
greeted the old man from the youngest
of his grandchildren.

"Well, I rather think they were
alive," he returned, smiling, "they
came pretty near being too lively for
us, and—well, I reckon I shall have to
tell you all about it."

So, with mutual satisfaction, the
young people drew nearer, while
grandpa settled back in his chair and
began: "It must have been way back
in the '30s when it happened. Brother
Sam was captain of the Fleetwing, and
I shipped with him as mate for a cruise
from New York to St. Eustatius.

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FOR WOMAN'S BENEFIT.

Feminine Progress in Canada.

The field of women's work is broadening
in Canada. Miss Eliza S. Fitzgerald,
M. A., has taken her seat as a member
of the council of Queen's university,
the first woman to be so honored by
a Canadian educational institution.

Short and Long Gown Combinations.

Chicago tailors have invented a
combination gown for women which
promises to be immensely popular.
This is the skirt with the detachable
bottom. A skirt is cut that drops to
about golf length, and then, quite
separate from it, is made a slightly
gored founce, along the top edge of
which are worked many small button-

New Cravat Chains.

A pretty little novelty just making its
appearance is the cravat chain. It is a
little affair, which may serve other
purposes as well, as it is but a bit of
chain a few inches long and terminat-

Squaws as Laces.

Specimens of the beautiful lace
which is being made by the Chippewa
Indians are now seen in a few of the
fashionable houses of New York. They
are mainly in the form of table covers,

Fashion's Fads and Fancies.
Very small gold buttons adorn the
bodies of net, lace and crepe de chine
gowns.

Very fine batiste embroidery trims
many of the new gowns, and while the
price is high the quality is beyond reproach.

White tulle and light fancy colored
silk blouses of all kinds will be worn
with not only long skirts of crepe de
chine and lace, but with duck skirts.

On all fashionable gowns for the
summer, yoke and guimpe effects are
constantly increasing and each new
model that appears discloses some-

inal and unusual, that only research
could have turned up; and an ingenious
mind have conceived; something that
does not merely represent a bank ac-

AN ORDER FOR A HAMMOCK.

Make me a hammock, deep and strong,
Of bus and pattern tasteful—
Of dimensions not so very long.

HUMOROUS.

"Tommy," said the teacher, "what
is meant by nutritious food?" "Some-

"Who are all those men I have seen
calling on you lately, Smith?" "Oh,

"You have been very good this
morning, Willie," said the fond mam-

"Here is an article on 'The Right
Kind of a Wife,'" she said, looking

"What I have decided to ask your father's
consent by letter, Pauline. Now,

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OF BEE AND PATTERNS LASTE-FUL—
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FOR SPACE THIS WAY IS WASTFUL.
I'M SEEKING A HAMMOCK BUILT FOR THREE.
NOT OFFER YOU HAVE CALL SO
UNUSUAL? IT'S FOR NELL AND ME.
AND FOR YOUNG DAN CUPID, ALSO.

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two,
It barely draws attention;

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KEYSTONE STATE NEWS CONDENSED

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Mayor Depinet, of Erie, Asks for the Resignation
of Street Superintendent O'Hagan.
Refuse to Vacate the Office.

A week ago Mayor John Depinet, of
Erie, asked Street Superintendent
John O'Hagan, a Democrat, for his
resignation, and then sent to select
council the name of his successor.

One-handed Sheriff May, walking
along the Belleverton road near
Greensburg, came upon Peter Stro-

Recently an unknown woman drove
up to the Chester county hospital in a

Samuel McNay, an aged and
wealthy farmer of Waynesburg, was

During the discussion of consumption
of the lungs by the American Institute

Mont Bentley, of Sharon, was
instantly killed at the Douglass furnace

An explosion occurred in the chemical
house of the Edgystone print

Two Lake Erie trains came together
a few days ago at Belleverton and one

A Philadelphia and Reading railroad
wreck train ran into the rear end of

A ferryboat containing 35 people was
struck by lightning at Harrisburg, a

George Bailey of Sharon, Pa., was
probably fatally injured in a runaway

Detective Morrissey arrested James
Green, at Harrisburg, said to be wanted

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