# THE LITTLE KING

There is a potent little king In every household railing-thelpiess, dimpled during thing Who, howsoever droiling, Ascenses clamor far and wide, Except when he is sleeping-that then his mother's at his side, Har being with a twention Her jealous watch a-keeping

It you should chance to come that way B/ any awkward blunder, What would that frowning mother say To shence you, i wonder? She'd view you with an a-peet chill— ble'd wave you backworf, maybe, And she would whisper: "Do te still, Or else you'll wake the baby."

DICK ARMSTRONG'S SACRIFICE. 

leave.

"Muriel, I want you to be my wife. I, nature was honesty itself, and it agilove you, dearest, and have always tated him beyond measure to be comloved you. Say that you will make me pelled to play a part and to allow his best friend to go in ignorance of the the happlest man in the world." Muriel Carsiske's radiant eyes lit up genuine condition of affairs.

with suggen esthusiasm.

"Yes, Dick, I will." "My own darling girl!" he cried, of a lover regarding the woman he It sems so strange, dear, that a saint loved. like you should care for a stupid, humdrum fellow like me."

Muriel, who was by no means callous at heart, began to feel various qualms "I suppose my wearing this jacket of of remorse. It was very wrong to de- yours wont inconvenience you?" ceive poor Dick, she reflected and to allow him to fancy that she loved him, thrown away long ago." when all the affection of her heart and soul had long since been given to his friend, Jack Castleton, but, after all, what could she do? Jack was simply ly tramped away in the direction of a bundle clerk, earning a clerk's wage. whereas Dick Armstrong's income run occupied at the "Red Lion." Arrived into five figures yearly, and every one of those figures meant much to Muriel Carslake. An orphan, brought up in put his hand to his pochet mechanically in order to extract his cigar case the home of a relative, where poverty reigned supreme, she had come to In the excitement of his present mood loathe the mere thought of straitened means with deadly aversion.

She tripped home and told her aunt lo! instead of the cigar case his fingers of the episode, and received that lady's closed upon a letter. He drew it forth congratulations with much composure. and before he could realize that the communication was not one of his own

"You are a dear, sensible girl, Muriel," remarked Mrs. Vinnicombe, kissing her niece warmly, "and you deserve to be happy. I am glad you have put all that nonsense about young Castleton out of your head."

Then Muriel went slowly to her room and wrote the following letter:

My Poor Dear Jack-I have some news for you, which I hope you wont take to heart more than you can help. This afternoon your friend Mr. Armstrong asked me to be his wife, and, like the wicked, mercenary girl that I am, I said "yes" to him. You see, Jack, he is very rich, and the mere thought of a life of poverty is so horrid to me that I think it better to marry without love than without money. know it is very hard on you, dear, but you must try and forgive me, and forget me as soon as you can. You and I have had some sweet times together. but, of course, we must put all those mories out of our heads now and bt out the golden hours for ever and

ever. It is hard, I know, but life is He felt no resentment-no shadow of always hard, especially when love resentment-aginst the girl. After all she had never sought him out; she had comes into it. Ah, why didn't your uncle buy you that partnership in the accepted his addresses with respect bank which we used to fancy he would rather than with passionate ardor, and If he had done that, how differshe had on no single ocasion made everything would have been! protestations of anything more than Then you and I could have married gentle affection.

He read Muriel's letter once again. months ago, and this sorded business would never have been entered into and this time his eyes lighted on the by me. If only you knew how I hate paragraph that ran thus: myself for what I have done and for "Ah, why didn't your uncle buy you the way in which I have deceived poor that partnership in the bank which we Dick, you would, I think, pity me with used to fancy he would do? If he had all your heart. As it is, I cannot ask done that, how different everything for your pity, but only for your forwould have been!" Dick knew quite well to what part-

giveness. Good-by and God bless you. Your faithless but still loving nership the girl thus referre

And if a widow have a king Within a hammock lying, And woose rame that way to bring His suit of amorous sighing, Do you suppose that words could woo Her heart from him who's sleeping-That any wooing could ando The vigit she is keeping?

If you were such a foolish wight. If you were such a foolish wight. And came to her a-sighing. What, think you, oh, inj euons knight, Would be her prompt rep.ying? If you, oh, widow fair, were she, You dhearken to him, maybe, Or would you answer: "Let me be-Or else you'll wake the taby?" -Eugene Field.

Dick continued to talk

tones, speaking with all the joyousness

pointed to six he rose to take his

"Good-by, old chap," he said heartily

"Not at all. It's simply an old

lounge coat that I ought to have

The young men parted at the door

of Castleton's lodgings, and Dick slow-

the comfortable apartments which he

at the inn, he went straight to his

room and, sitting down in a deep chair,

he had completely forgotten that he

was wearing another man's coat, and

his amazed eyes had fallen upon a

handwriting which he knew and loved

-the handwriting of Muriel Carslake

Merciful heavens! It began with the

Dick Armstrong was an honorable

man, but for the life of him he could

not refrain from reading every word

which the letter, found by accident in

his friend's coat, contained. When he

had finished the perusal he read it

again, and then again, the truth slowly

sinking into his agonized heart as the

Presently he rose and paced the room

trying to think out the situation. So

Muriel did not care for him after all:

her heart belonged to another, and she

had promised to marry him merely be-

cause she dreaded a life of poverty.

Her love was centered on his banking

ter awakening indeed, and he groaned

in the tortures of the terrible dis-

account-not on himself. It was a bit-

words penetrated his brain.

Illusionment.

words: "My poor, dear Jack."

When at length the clock

your husband, would have devoted his existence to making you happy, but who, as it is, can only remain your sincere and devoted friend, DICK ARMSTRONG. P. S .- I have kept the lock of hair

good.

you gave me. Do you mind? That was all. The letter was short, simple, and concise; but in the writing of it a human heart had touched breaking point, and tears had watered every haiting line. Three months have sped into the

past since Muriel read Dick Armstrong's farewell letter. In a certain room in an hotel in Melbourne a man sits with a home newspaper before him, glancing listlessly at its columns. Suddenly an\_exclamation escapes his lips, and he reads these words: CASTLETON-CARSLAKE-On the

Think of me sometim

27th ult., at St. John's, Bayfield Lines, John Castleton, junior partner in Messrs. Densmore & Co.'s bank, to Muriel, only daughter of the late Francis Carslake, Esq., of that town. Inte He read the announcement again and again, till the words seemed to float before his eyes. All has happened as he hoped it would happen. Jack has secured the partnership and Muriel has secured her love. All is well-except-

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

except what?

Cyclones are rare in Germany, but few weks ago there was one in Southwestern Hanover which uprooted trees and played various "American" pranks. Several villages in its path had narrow escapes,

It has long been known that paper was first made in China, and was introduced in Europe (Germany in 1190 Sven Hedin, on his last Asiatic trip discovered fragments of Chinese paper that were 1650 years old. Himly of Wiesbaden, the expert in old Chinese

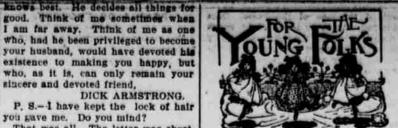
is engaged in deciphering the writing on this paper. The superstitious collier is often aughed to scorn, but a miner in North Wales is just now thanking his lucky tars that he believes in omens. He was boring under some coal, and was startled by seeing a rat scuttling away. He walked away from the spot and directly afterward a large fall of

coal ocurred just over the place where the man had been working. The oldest pewspaper in the world is the official Chinese Kin-Pan, which

was founded about 1100 years ago. Up to the year 1301 it appeared once : month and the reading matter related chiefly to court life. Since 1830 up to 1876 it was a daily. It now appears three times a day; the morning edition is printed on yellow paper, the after noon edition on white and the evening edition on gray paper.

A peculiar accident to a bird is re lated by a hunter from the west. One day he was startled by hearing a noise in a swamp surrounded by reeds. Approaching cautiously he found a kingfisher apparently caught in some sor of trap. The upper mandible of the kingfisher had been splintered or cracked in some way years before, for the wound was healed up and several of the fine thread-like fibres of the reed had caught in this crack so that the bird could not escape. The hunter released the bird and set it at liberty.

"A strange way of testing the inno cence of an accused person is emloyed in India," said a trave lately returned from Madras. "They haul the man up and give him a mouth ful of dry rice to chew. Dry rice takes a deal of chewing to get it masticated into a glutinous mass, like gum, and that is the condition that the accused is required to get it into within ten minutes. If you are calm and not afraid, you succeed, but if you are nervous and scared you fail. For it seems that fear has a strong effect upon the salivary glands. It prevents them from secreting saliva. The mouth of a badly frightened person is alway dry as a bone. It requires a tramon ous flow of salvia to chew dry rice. and therefore the scared prisoner in



A Strange Cat Tale.

An Angora cat sat quietly in his home, Combing his long hair with a satacomb, Then, lest he should suffer from dampnes or fog. He threw on his firs another catalog.

Next he took a catsup from his pewter ladio, Then shook up his caterpliar in his cat's-

Then show of a state of the state of the show of the state of the stat - Carolyn Wells, in Youth's Companion.

## A Word to Boys.

You are made to be kind, boys, genrous, magnanimous, If there is a boy in school who has

a clubfoot, don't let him know you ever saw it. If there is a poor boy with ragged clothes, don't talk about rags in his

hearing. If there is a lame boy, assign him ome part in the game that doesn't require running.

If there is a hungry one, give him part of your dinner. If there is a dull one, help him learn

his lesson. If there is a bright one, be not envious of him: for if one boy is proud of his talents and another is envious of them, there are two great wrongs and no more talent than before.

If a larger or stronger boy has in jured you and is sorry for it, forgive him. All the school will show by their countenances how much better it is than to have a great fuss.-Horace Mann.

### Conundrums.

What made the quall quail? For fear the woodpacker would neck her. What made the tart tart? Because she didn't want to let the baker bake her

Feet they have but they walk not? Stoves. Eyes they have, but they see not

Potatoe Teeth they have, but they chew not? Saws.

Noses they have, but they smell not Teapots.

Mouths they have, but they tast not? Rivers.

Hands have they, but they handle not? Clocks.

Ears have they, but they hear not? Cornstalks. Tongues have they, but they talk

not? Wagons. Why is a solar eclipse like a moth

er whipping her son? It is a-hiding of the sun. Why is Canada like courtship? Be-

cause it borders on the United States. Why is a dirty boy like flannel? Because he shrinks from washing, Why is "I" the luckiest of all vow-

els? Because it is in the centre of bliss.

A Dog's Strange Charges.

A citizen of South McAlester, I. T. is the owner of a remarkedly smart dog called Sunbeam. Sunbeam is a water spaniel about two years old, and has always been a great pet in the household. About six weeks ago a brood of chickens were hatched, their mother dying soon after. Sunbeam at once began to manifest great interest in the little orphans and took them in charge,

At first its owner was afraid he would injure them, but he would bark and carry on so that he was at last given harge of knew no bounds. No stranger dares to touch his newly adopted children and all day he follows them from place to place all over the yard. If one of them happens to wander off a short distance from the rest he is uneasy until it is back again. At night the little chicks find a roosting place in Sunbeam's shaggy coat, and if they are not all to bed by a certain time Sunbeam goes after the tardy ones. The tiny chicks seem to realize that Sunbeam their protector, and will peep long and loud if they lose sight of him. They are thriving under Sunbeam's care just as well as if their mother were alive .-New York Commercial Advertiser.

ing or writing, he had studied the en-gine until he had a complete knowl-edge of the machine. He was able to take it apart, and make any ordinary repairs.

Not discouraged by the advice giver him by the schoolmaster, he made application and attended the evening school. At the end of about two year he had learned all this school could teach him. He conceived the plan of constructing a steam engine. It took him a long time, but at the age of forty he had constructed several engines and was known as a successful and energetic engineer, and was called upon to build long and difficult lines of railroad. But his locomotives were too slow

he wanted them to run faster. He pro posed to build one that would run a the rate of 12 miles an hour. Every body laughed at him. Some thought he was crazy. One gentleman, who con sidered himself very wise, said to him "Suppose you invent an engine capable of running nine of ten miles an hour and suppose, while it is running, a cow should stray upon the track. Will not that be a very awkward circum stance? "I should think it might be very

awkward-for the cow," he answered Well, he succeeded in making his locomotive, and at a trial which took place near Liverpool it attained to the unprecedented speed of tourteen mile an hour. By making certain improve ments, this same engine, the Rocket was made to attain the speed of thirty miles an hour. People laughed no longer, but admired

He was invited as a consulting en gineer to foreign countries, and wealth flowed upon him. Philosophers sought his friedship. His king offered hin knighthood, but he preferred to remain plain George Stephenson,-Youth's Companion.

Uncle Sam's Beacon Lights. Every night Uncle Sam lights his

fires in 1205 lighthouses, beacons and buoys. Over his dark oceans they shine to welcome and guide the ships of all the world. They stand in inland states on every river where vessels They beckon the thundering float. steamboats of the mighty Mississippi They are sacred fires indeed, Who ever might meddle with a United States light, or set up a false light, would be liable to imprisonment for ten years.

Uncle Sam's lights are divided into four great classes. Leading them all are the primary seacoast lights, that send out immense beams, many o carpets. which can be seen sixteen miles a

Sea. In the second class are the secon dary seacoast lights and lake coast lights. Though they are called "sec-

oud class" to distinguish them from the first class monster lights, they are the finest lights in the world, equalled only by a few famous lights on the British and French coasts.

The third class is made up of light vessels, the strangely shaped, sturdy ships with basket-work like flat meta disks on the tops of their stump masts

these disks are the day signals and big lights, mostly electric, are hauled up the masts by wire cables at night.

In the fourth class of lights, Uncle rug to match it. Sam has grouped his sound, bay, river "Say, paw," queried Tommy Todand harbor lights. They are of all dles, "is a ring around the moon a kinds. Some of them are big light sign of rain? "That's what," replied houses. Others are lanterns fed with the old man, with a sigh long drawn oil and suspended from mere poles set out. "And a ring around a woman's on banks or in shallow waters. third finger is a sign of more reign." The most interesting and impres

sive of these lights are the huge float ing metal buoys that are filled with of or gas enough to keep the light burning for two months without needing attention.

daft. In half that time it will be dry The light

# LOVE'S FETTER.

"Let's kiss and part," he said. "Ah, Fate Was wrong, to make us meet ! A brighter lot, s dearer mate, May it be yours to greet— Though both our hearts must feel the smart, "Tis for the best ! Let's kiss, and part."

"Yes-yes. Let's part," she said. "This My firm decision, too. My firm decision, too. Let's part—'tis best ! Bot—don't let's kiss-No—that would never do !

Parent still leads the heavy hitters of the American League with .364. For surely you must know, sweetbeart, That, if we kiss, we will not part !" --Madeline Bridges. The Buffalo Club has purchased Out-fielder Jack Shearon from Rochester.

HUMOROUS.

Wigwag-Your wife is a thing of seauty, old man. Henpeckke-Yas, a thing of beauty and a jaw forever. Wig-Not all the bric-a-brac is what it is cracked up to be. Wagg-No; sometimes there are some pretty bad breaks.

Comedian De Wolf Hopper considers Miss Yellowleaf-I don't believe Hans Wagner the greatest of all playyou have the nerve to propose. What ers, past or present. are you afraid of? Oldbach-You Tim Murnane thinks that Collins and Evedley both outclass Leach, the best of the National third basemen.

might say yes. Sillicus-When, in your judgment, The Baltimore Club has recalled Pitcher Louis Wiltsle's release, and has sent Catcher Fuller and Pitcher is a man old enough to marry? Cynicus-Not until he is old enough to have better sense. Gettig adrift.

Nell-Was the bride self-possess-Says the Washington Star: Since the ed? Belle-Of course not. How can signing of Kittridge and the playing of Clarke at first base the Senators a bride be self-possessed when she is being given away? ook like another team.

Pitcher Mullin, of Detroit, has a tan-talizing habit of holding the ball and looking the batsman in the eye for sev-Tommy-Pop, what is an 80tithesis? Tommy's Pop-An antithesis, my son, is an-er-um-well, your ral minutes at a stretch. mother is an antithesis.

There is a vast difference between "scrappy" ball and "rowdy" ball. The former wins games and the latter Sharpe-Yes, Parker invented the safest airship ever heard of. Whealton-But it refused to fly. You drives decent people away. couldn't go up on it. Sharpe-That's The South has all kinds of money with which to buy players. A bunch of Worcester players was sold to New why I say it was the safest.

Teacher-Now, Johnny, can you tell or worcester players was sold to New Orleans some time ago and Memphis has now bought Phyle, the Milwankee American Association shortstop, and also Sam Dungan, formerly with me what causes darkness? Johnny-The gas companies. Teacher-Why do you think they cause it? Johnny-Cause they need the money.

"I should like to speak to you,"

can't you look a little less stern and

yourself."

Go ahead.

#### Washington. "Mandy, I'm glad to see that your NEWSY CLEANINGS. new hat hasn't any stuffed songbirds on it." "Of course it hasn't, auntie,

Ohio is out of debt. The dear, sweet little things are get-London is threatened with an epiting to be dreadfully out of style now. temic of measles.

"So you have decided to get an-Russia will not receive as a diplomation signer of the Kishineff petition. other physician." "I have," answered Mrs. Cumrox. "The idea of his pre-One million five hundred thousand scribing flaxseed tea and mustard people in Russia are employed in fac-tories. plasters for people as rich as we are?"

Sharpe-Say, old man, lend me The steamer Humboldt is in at Seattie, Wash., from Skagway, with \$105,-000 in Klondike gold. your automobile goggles. I want to protect my eyes from the dust. Wheal-

Treasury bond refunding operations have added about \$33,000,000 to nu-tional banknote circulation. ton-But you have no automobile. Sharpe-No; I am going to beat my

Thirty lives have been lost in a flood which has destroyed fifty houses in Graefenberg, a village of Austria.

said the egotistical young man, "about the subject that is nearest my heart." George J. Gould said at Pittsburg "Go ahead," replied the flippant girl. that Baltimore will be made the At-lantic port of the Wabash system. "I rather like to hear you talk about

Accountants who examined the books of former City Clerk D. C. Weyand, of Cripple Creek, Col., say he is about -Photographer-Beg pardon, sir, but \$25.000 short.

severe? Sitter-Never mind how stern The Marine Hospital service of the l look. This photograph is for cam-United States will send experts to Cal-cutta and Bombay, India, to watch paign use. I am a candidate for Judge. the plague situation.

The plague has spread to nearly all Muggins-My wife is a great stickthe Chilean ports; the postal service is disorganized, and no American n:all has been received at Santiago for nine er for the harmony of colors. Buggins -Is that so. Muggins-Why, I can't buy a new necktle that she doesn't weeks. want a new carpet, or wallpaper, or

In the house of John Webber, whom Chappaqua (N. Y.) people took for a wealthy summer resident, was found \$5000 worth of plunder, the gleanings from many recent burglaries.

The United States Marine Band celebrated the one hundred and fifth anniversary of its organization. The affair was informal. It is proposed to make Builder-Yas, sir, this house has just the celebration next year more elab

very reasonable figure. Homeseeker-Justice David J. Brewer, of the Supreme Court, said in Milwaukee that Will you give me a lease for five years? lyncher was a murderer and could Builder-Five years? You must be the same degree as though the c were committed by an individual held by any court for murder in

THE NATIONAL GAME Dayle has been doing good all-around

cinnati team.

Tenney is the only .300 hitter of the Boston Nationals.

The Brooklyn Club has recalled Pitcher Vickers from Holyoke. Patsy Donovan has tried twenty-five players up to date with St. Louis,

Catcher Douglas is to be transferred from the Phillies to the Pittsburg Jub.

Tom Daly and Harry Dolan have added wonderful strength to the Cin-

Malarkey seems to be steadying

down in Boston. Last year he tearfully wild.

MURIEL. long time Mr. Felix Densmore, the pre-And when the letter had been placed siding director of the local bank, had in its envelope, stamped and disbeen anxious to secure a young and patched, the writer of it flung herself energetic partner who would bring into upon her couch and sobbed her very the business a capital of \$25,000, but, so far, no candidate had offered himsoul from her eyes. . . . . . . .

"Great Seot, Armstrong, you're we through. There, sit down by the fire, man, and take off your coat. You shall have one of mine to wear for the time being."

Thanks, Castleton, you're awfully od. I meant to drive over to your good. I meant to unive of a convey-lodgings, but couldn't find a conveyance and so I walked. Do you know, I hardly felt the rain at all, for I was burning to tell you some wonderful news."

"Well, slip on this jacket and make yourself comfortable, first of all." Dick Armstrong obeyed good humor-

edly, and assumed the lounge coat which his chum extended to him. Then, seating himself by the fire, he stretched his legs toward the blaze and said,

"Old chap, I am engaged to be married.'

Jack Castleton winced as the words fell upon his cars. The news of the ement had already been conveyed to him by Muriel's letter, but naturally he gave no sign of knowledge, but merely bowed his head and said:

"Inded. You have my congratulations "

"Thank you very much, old chap. The lady who is to be my wife is some ope whom I think you know-Miss rsinke."

"Yes, I know her very well, indeed." at woman on earth. I don't deserve her, Jack, I don't indeed. Such a girl and hope that you may be very happy as Muriel might marry an earl, a duke, with him you love. Do not think that a prince, and yet copter distinction rather than receive it.

"When we are married, Jack, you You'll come, won't you, old chap?" -yes, that is, of course I'll

self for the enviable position. "I'll do it," he murmured; "I'll do it; yes, I'll do it. . . . . . . . .

On the following morning Dick Armstrong went to London and drove to

the office of his solicitor in Clifford's Place. After a short delay he was ushered into Mr. Jennifer's office, the latter rising to greet him as he entered. "I am leaving England almost directly." said Dick, quietly; "and before I evitably fails in this test."

go I want you to effect a certain un certaking for me. I want you to negotiate the purchase of the junior partnership in Densmore's Bank at Bayfield, and to confer it upon a

friend of mine. But understand this. He is not to know that-that-"That you are his benefactor, ch?" interpolated the lawyer, with a saga-

cious smile. "Put it that way if you will."

"I understand perfectly. Now be good enough to give me full details regarding this transaction, and it shall be carried out forthwith."

Dick obeyed, and half an hour later the affair had been settled.

Two nights later Muriel Carslake received a letter in Dick's handwriting that ran thus:

My Own Dear Swee heart-I am quitting England for a long time, and do not know when I shall return. I "Yes, I know her very well, indeed." have learned your secret, and know "Then you know the sweetest and that your heart belongs to another. I therefore give you back your freedom. I blame you for one instant. I love

you too much to feel any bitterness hen we are married, Jack, you against you, and although at first the come and see us very often. blow was a heavy one, I hope that time may do much to soften my pain and bring forgetfulness. There are better things in this world, Muriel, than get-

His lipe guivered as he spoke, and, tail the truth, Jack Castleton was dergoing an agonizing ordeal. His through life, I have learned that God

A Narrow Escape. The Washington young man of whom this store is told has a best girl. His best girl has a friend, a sweet young girl from Philadelphia, who makes her an occasional visit. She came over this week.

"Wouldn't it be just lovely to give Edythe an automobile ride?" said the best girl to the young man. vExcellent idea," came the ready

reply, the young man inwardly considering the probable cost. That evening the trio was speeding

along the Conduit road, bound for Cabin John's. The wheels of the automobile was buzzing.

All at once there was a sound of cracking iron, and the machine came to a sudden stop, the force of which threw the young folk into a bunch. "Oh, how jolly." exclaimed the Philadelphia girl. "It certainly wouldn't

have been a success without a break down. "I didn't give my real thoughts at the time," said the young man, relating the story to a friend the next day.

You may bet I was happy, neverthe less. Lucky? Well, I should say There I was paying \$3 an hour for the obile and a dinner for three coming up in the distant Prov

### An Awkward Laddle.

Nearly a hundred years ago, a stout freckle-faced, awkward boy of eighteen years, dressed in a ragged waistcoal and short breeches, without stockings or shoes, rapped one evening at the door of a humble cottage in Northern England, and asked to see the village schoolmaster. When that person appeared, the boy said very modestly, 'I would like to attend your evening

school, sir." "And what do you wish to study?" asked the teacher, roughly. "I want to learn to read and

sir," answered the lad.

The schoolmaster glanced at the boy's homely face and rough clothes scornfully, and said, "Very well, you may attend; but an awkward, bare legged laddie like you would better be doing something else than learning his letters." Then he closed the door in the lad's face.

This boy was the son of the fireman of a pumping engine in a Northumberland colliery. His birthplace was a hovel with a clay floor, mud walls, and bare rafters. When he was five years old, he began to work for his living by herding cows in the daytime and barring up the gates at night. As he grew older, he was set to picking sto from the coal, and after that to driving a horse which drew coal from the pit.

He went half-fed and half-clothed. When he called at the school-house, he was plugman of a pumping engine, and, though he knew nothing of read-

extinguished. They burn day and night. It is cheaper and better to let them burn constantly after the buoy has been filled, than it would be to ge out each morning and extinguish the light and each night to re-kindle it for some of them lie far away from shore and most of them lie in danger-

him what the baby was saving. ous places. Among the finest of the American "If I'm not home promptly for dinlights are the two that burn 128 feet ner, my dear," said McDangle, you above the sea in two great towers on mustn't forget that our Board of Cape Elizabeth at Casco Bay Directors has decided to hold afternoon Maine. One of these is a steady white essions until further notice." beam. The other shows a steady beam the wise woman smiled softly and varied by a white flash that appears pictured the Board of Directors up in once every minute. The two light the grand stand vigorously deriding can be seen 17 1-4 miles out at sea. the umpire.

Cape Ann has two lights that are set so high above the ocean that they can be seen even farther away, ships having sighted the pure white rays 19 miles at sea.

The Cape Cod light which flashes out a dazzling beam every five seconds has been seen 20 miles at sea in clear weather.

A beautiful light is the one at Gay Head on the Massachusetts coast. It is visible 19 miles away and it sends out a great flash every ten seconds. Three times it flashes white. Then a deep, flery red flash shoots over the water. Then come three white flashes again and so on, as regular as the finest clock.

But the mightlest of them all is the great Navesink light that towers from the high land at the entrance to New York harbor. It stands 246 feet above sea level, and every five seconds flashes white electric beam more powerful than most searchlights. Fifteen miles away, its glare blinds the beholder. In ordinary weather it is visible 22 1-4 miles at sea and the sailors have reported that they saw the flash on the

sky 35 miles and even 50 miles away from land,-New York Press.

Sallie and Willie.

"Well groomed men do not always posseas horse sense, Willie."

tious man. "I have piled up enough "That's just as true, Sallie, as the debts to keep my name before a num fact that a woman thinks she has the ber of people for an indefinite period of time."-Washington Star. best of the argument if she can only get in the last word."-Roller Monthly.

enough for me to live in myself. Little Dot-Mamma, I don't think

een finished, and is for rent at a

tries to make people believe he is.

The Color of the Rose.

does the color of the rose have special

significance. Red is love white is

tells that it became white through be

ing bathed with the tears of mourners

who sought the sweetest flower to lay

in the hands of their dead. A prettier

dancing among them, unset in his

lehem who was doomed to death

When the stakes were heaped around

her the fire would not burn, but the

brands which had been flaming turned

to red roses, and those which had not

caught, to white. From this time

forth roses, red and white, were

martyrs' flowers. The Turks say that

red roses sprang from the blood of

Table Manners in 1350.

Uncle George is half as smart as he Forks were not in use in 1350, and a description of a dinner given at that Mamma-Why do you think that, date shows that there has been a vast improvement in table manners since dear? Little Dot-Because he claims to understand five or six different then. As a rule one knife had to serve languages and yesterday I had to tell for two people, and often a bowl of soup was used by two persons. For this reason, the party giving the din-ner arranged his guests in couples, trying to place people together who would be congenial, and not adverse to the common use of table amount. to this common use of table appoint-ments. Spoons were seldom supplied to the guests, and the soup was drunk directly from the bowl, the latter usu-ally having side handles by which it was held. In less refined company And there were no separate soup bowls, only one large porringer which was More than with any other flower passed around to the guests in turn. The diners helped themselves to the pieces of meat they desired from the common dish, with their fingers. Nap filence, yellow speaks jealousy. One kins were considered a luxury, and of the legends connected with the rose were only provided in very aristocratic wealthy families.-Teachers'

Great Navigable Rivers.

World.

concelt declares that all roses were An investigation of the Obi and Yenesel rivers made under the aus-pices of the Russian government has white until one day young Cupid, merry sport a glass of wine, which revealed the fact that these streams dyed the roses upon which it fell, red, are navigable by ocean steamers for a distance of 1,000 miles from their its own color. Another legend tells mouths. the story of a holy little maid of Beth-

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"Have you ever done anything that will cause you to be remembered by the next generation?" "Certainly," answered the unambi

Secure.

Mohammed.-The Delineator.