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 - Riehard Hoves.

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| It was a murky uvening at the close of Neptember, and the outtook was drab and dreary. A few splashy drops of rain fell occasionally, and the muddy streets were most unpleasant for pedestrians. Truly, an un- | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { I knew Banner str } \\ \text { place was not more } \\ \text { ntes" walk away, "' } \\ \text { me," I said, "and I } \\ \text { mother. I am a doct } \\ \text { and perhape I can do h }\end{array}\right.$ |
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| inviting night in which to be abroad: I had been attending the board |  |
| meeting of a society in which I was interested, and I was absorbed in thinking over some few points of |  |
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| noticed, therefore, that as I left Moorgate street station a timid hitile voice |  |
| began to assall my ear. "Matches, sir," it sald in a curions peraistent |  |
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| whine. I walked steadily on, but the voice followed, challenging my attention. The speaker must have been a |  |
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| sound was near the ground. Again he repeated earnestly: "Two a hapenny! Two bcxes a ha'-penny! Buy |  |
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| em, sir!" Then after at pause, he restimed: "Could give ser three, but there ain't much profit! |  |
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| comment at length cliecked my pro- <br> greas, My thoushts wise effectually |  |
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| broken into. I stopped, and at a glance took in the scene and the speaker at once, I saw a sight, com- |  |
| mon enough, alas, in London-a 1 lt - |  |
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| ingless, his bare feet well mudded, his trousers ragred, his jacket torn. |  |
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| Trousers and facket were all he had to cover him from we drizzling rain |  |
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| and shivering fog. A queer little old patched cap was perched on one side |  |
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| of his head in a knowing fashion, pathetically at variance with the ead |  |
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| ilnez of his face. The child looked to me about elght years of age; but 1 guessed him to be nine, for he was of stunted growth.$\qquad$ 1 inquired. |  |
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| He shook hls head. <br> "Six boxes ain't much-only t'ree | could take in my surroundi |
| "a'pence for the lot." "Who sent you out?" "Mother." |  |
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| "And why does mother send out a chap like you?" <br> "She can't help it; she's werry |  |
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| "Where is she?" <br> "Home." |  |
| asbody else th |  |
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| "How old is she?" |  |
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| than me-lots littler." |  |
| "Do you make much money?" <br> "Sometimes, it F'm lucky." <br> "Are you often lucky?" <br> "Not xactly often; I wor in real |  |
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| tuck yeaterday." "How's that?" |  |
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|  | He It was who kept the woit from thedoor. It was he who had boldiy gone |
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|  | door. It was he who had boldiy gone into trade in the endeavor to eupply |
| My young companion had wasted | mother, sister and himself with |
|  | bread. Deeply affected, I listened to the simple, homely, heroic story. Men |
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|  | are made only on spectal occasions. |
|  | Yet in truth the finest heroes are |
|  | homespun, and often hidden in obscurity. Billy was of the true stuff, |
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|  | and his modest strugsle might have made an eplic. |
|  | Why, I asked of the woman, didhe not go to a hospital? The question was hardly aaked when I felt rebuked. "What would become of the children?" eald the poor woman. "Billy might do for a blt by himselt; he ls a brave lad! But our Bess-, And then Yet in a minute the tears |
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were wiped away, and as I looked st
the calm, resolute face. I discovered
where Hill got his bravery from
iW "Well, then," sald I , "why not try
to get the chlldren into some home ol
refuge, while sou are taken to the to get the chldren into some home o
retuge. While sou are taken to the
hospital and properiy treated? "Ah, yes, sir!" replied she eagerly
"that's what I would Ilke; but then that's what I would like; but then
I don't know how te set about ti.'
Then, to my surprise, she added, in T Then, tow my surprise, she added, in
the simplest, most matter-ot-fact tone the simplest, most mater-ot-mact tone
imaginathe "t " have been prayin to
the Lord all the time $I$ have been nere the Lord all the time I have been nere
to take care of the chlldren, and to to take care of the children, and
keep our Bess from the streets.:-
Here in this wretched room, prived of everything, depending ab-
solutely upon a child of nine years of
age for tood and fuel -here lay thls age for food and fuel-here lay this
decent, Industrious crenture with
firm trust in the firm trust in the God of prayer, and
in her breast there still burned the in her or rasth and hope.
tame of
Yees, indeed, God has His own in every nook of the great etty! Poor
Mrs. Rider was a Christian woman,
strong in prayer, and drawing in simstrong in prayer, and drawing in sim-
ple trust upon all the powers of the
Omnlpotent. Omnipotent.
"Look here, sir," continued the
woman. She put her hand under the Woman. She put her hand under the
pllow, and pulled out a leaf of a
well krown religious weekly journal.
"Look here, slr, read that!" "Look here, sir, read that:" And
under my very eyes she placed a short
narrative of one of my own rescues, narrative of one of my own rescues,
which had been reprinted in fts col-
umns: How the page had drilted to
her t know not: but the last lines umer I know not; but the last lines
hef the story contalned the statement
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of mine which has been so often re-
peated of mine which has een mo renters
peated, and which all my reat reat
know so well. "Never during all
these sears have I refused a singlo
 said the poor creature, not knowing
In the lenst to whom she spoke, "1
have been hopin and prayin' that
God would let Billy and our Bess get God would let Billy and our Bess ge
in there. I know they'd be safe, and
they'd both be together, and the
Id go in cheerful to the ospital." Id go in cheerful to the ospital."
I thought for a fevw moments be
fore I answered. At length I saif
slow1y: "I did not tell you who
am; but now I must let you know.
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The poor woman looked up with

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face. I continued: My name is
Barnardo, and I have n great many
poor girls and boys in my keeping.
And really that is why And really that is why masked your
Iittle lad to bring me here to-day.
Now. If I can help mou by keeping
the children for a while, I will."
It is impossible to describe the
empo emotions of wonder and amazement
which passed over that poor suffer-
if : mother's face! The tears poured
down her cheels "Billy," she called, and the boy
ran quickly to his mother's side hess, dear, she added; and then,
holding the two chidren in her them-
bling hands, she sald: "This to the gengleman that has alit the elittle boys
gand girls. I told yer God would hear me, and now He's just sent him here well again."
As for me, I felt at once humbied. to think that in any hour of dark-
ness and dificunty I had ever doubted
that God heard and answered praver: that God heard and answered prayer;
encouraged by this frash proot of our
Father's guiding hand: and thanktul
for the opportunity thus añorded me of stretching out a heiplag hand to There and then I entered fally into
the mother's story, and mado nutes of the various names and addresses
with which she With which she suppliad me, so that
we could verify the facts and assure
ourgelves that there was genuine need end friendlessness in the case
I left with a promise that, if all
proved right, I would admitt the children to the homes for a time whille
the mother entered the hospital. of
then course, 1 gaw to the immediate needs
of the ramily, but not until I mate
Billy tell me once again the story of the "nice gemman."
"Now, Buly, what shan1 I do to b
like the nice gentleman? Slan: Hike the nice gentleman? Slait
give ou a shilling now, or slall
take sou both tinto my sene you both into my home, and
Billy hesitater the the hospital?" but there was no feeling of doubt in Bessies nis nind
The words were hardly out when The words were hardy out waen phe
sithed over to me and placed hir
little hand trustingly in mine. Biily sald more slowly: "If mothor wor well, I think it would be nieer to have
the shilin'; but rill go with you, sir, all right."
Ere long one of my good woman
helpers was in the room supplying the wants of the patifent, bringing
food and fuel and a zew needed garments to the children, while 1 ob ob
tained an order giving admizsion to the hospital to this poor member of "the household of faith", est family in the world, 5450 strong -Sabbath Reading.
 prophet. It the weethent weather to to
tinue fine the leech Hes motionless at
the the bottom of the vial and ronles to to
gether in a splral form. If it is to be rain, etther before or after noon,
it is found to uave crept up to the
top of its lodging, and there it re top of its lodging, and there it re
mains until the weather ts setted
If we are to have wind the poor pris oner gallops through his wimpld habl-
tation with amazing switness, and
and seldom rests until it
hard.-The Scotaman.

A Word From Josh Wise. Look on th' bright side. Et
come balaheaded ye kin set in

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 Committee on Contested Seats and
that on Permanent Organizatlon,
however, are ready and they report. however, are ready and they report.
The contests decided, no matter
how, the permanent roll of the convention ts made up and called. Then
the Committee on Permanent Organthe Committee on Permanent Organ-
tzation reports, and the permanent
chairman is named, cheered and eschairman is named, cheered and es-
corted to the platform. The pro-
cedure $\frac{18}{\text { didentical }}$ with the election

coliseum at chicago where the republican national

Convention will be held. | the male population of the Unlted | chalrman to make a speech. He tr- |
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| States, or the great majority of it, at |  |
| varlably takes advantage of the op- |  | Sates, or the great majority of it, at

nny rate, will want to know just how
tt was done, why it was done, and At a Natlonal Convention each
State has its own headguarters, where
the delegates gather. They do a lot

seat, but nittle else.
tick of the conven
Pror to the calling or

in THE PRESIDENTIAL PANTRY.
The Favorite Sons in chorus)-
"Somebody's taken a bite out of my $\frac{\text { ple!" }}{}$-From the dournal (Minneapoiss,) is virtually in command of the situa-
tion. With it lies the arranging of
the detalis, the "framing up" of the the detalls, the "framing up" of the
procedure of the first session, the selection of the temporary chairman
and, in a great many cases, thoagt and, always, the program making on
not an me mhole convention, temporary
the the whole convention, temporary and
permanent organtzations, nominating and platform bullding.
It is the chairman of the National
Committee who calls the convention Committee who calls the convention
to order. usually about noon upon the
day set. Thls year the Republican National Convention will be called to
order by Harry C. New on June order by Harry C. New on Jine
and the Democratic Convention will
be called to order is Thomas Taggart be called to order iy Thomas Taggart
on July 7 . The convention called to order, the
chairman recuests the secretary to chaiman requests the secretary to
read the call for the convention,
which is done. Then the roll call it which is done. Then the roll call
gone through, and this takes a lot or
time. The next step is the anne time. The next step is the announce-
ment by the chairman that the com ment by the chairmmn that the com-
mitttee offers to the convention as its
temporary chairman temporary chairman the name of So-
and-so. There are loud and prolonged cheers, and bya viva voce vote
Mr. So-and-so is unanimously elected.

Brief N The Roosevelt third-term bug which
attacked Wasbington as well as otae parts of the Untited States a week or two ago has disappeared.
Governor Albert E . State of Washington. stated, of the Iiot that President Rooseselt would
not accept a renomination. The threat of capitaal 10 go tnto
polltices and make tis infuence felt. poiltics and make its influence telt,
just as labor threatens to du, ba
caused pertu-hatha in hoth martles.
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$\frac{\text { Gov. Folk. Judge Geo. Gray. }}{\text { and not in the convention hall, what }}$ and not in the convention hall, what
is to be done is finally determined as Agan the convention meets. It
the DItform has not been adopted it
is now. Then nominations are in or-

T DENVER WHERE THE DEMOCR
CONVENTION WILL BE HELD.

