THE OLD WORLDLING

He shambles by each sunny afternoon; His portly form is shrunken as a spectre vacuat as the morning moon;

Out of his ever the dancing light is gone; of his blood the wanton warmth Out of his air the charm that conquests When fancy willed it.

He courted pleasure and secured it still; He asked for friends, and loves, and these were given; He craved all worldly good and had his fill;

His friends have vanished never to return; His piensures, treasures, all his heart's ne only in their embers burn;

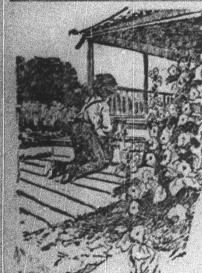
For him the eventime has brought no Its signing breezes pity as they kiss him; The dark will bear him to the wastes of Earth will not miss him.

Alas, the life that has no upward look, No sacrifice of self, no high endeavor; Its taste becoming like the seer's book, ward N. Pomeroy, in Boston Tran-



far figure in the neighborhood. Everybody called him Jim, and, until the svent which we are about to relate occurred. doubted if he possessed any other Twice a week, on Wednesday and Saturday mornings, he made his found with a step-stone and proceeded make the front descent to each dwelling shine with dazzling white-Jim knew his business and gloried in it, but no effort of his or any one else's could raise him a stop higher than the top one of the flight. He earnest entreaty of Mrs. Jones and Mes Smith who thought any work about should be child's play for a bors are up," was all he said.-C. E. great, able-bodied man. But it didn't seems with him and he went back to steps with renewed vigor and pride. His whole reason for being seemed to be centred in these steps, and it cost him many a pang to see the first black footprint mar their pur-

There was, however, another object



in Jim's life, and that object lived on the street back of all the fine folk whose entrances were kept so immacuate. Whatever romance may have been his in the past there was no evince of it now. No locket-encased tograph lay next his heart never to parted with in this life. He did not need a photograph of her. She was present in the living flesh, adorned with multifarious curl-papers every ming when he dragged the bose out of the little shed and with the cool water made the tiny garden green and fresh. "She," still enjoying the comforts and delights of single blessedness, lived all alone in the house, posd of just enough income to provide the necessities and a few of the luxuries of life. How Jim ever dared ire to her is a mystery. But some faint glimmer of former respectability combined with the longing to be comfortably settled urged him on.

"Her" steps were cleaned oftener than twice a week, and they were always spotless, for she had some of and the steamers. the propensities of old Aunt Betsy twood, and at the first click of the gate could be heard, not the cry "Donkeys, Janet; donkeys!" but the sharp admonition, "Go round to the back door, please." It was doubtless this very quality in her that first won Jim's heart, for combine his beloved steps with such a woman and what re could be desired on this earth. But in spite of his daily attention and devotion she seemed perfectly satisfied with the services he could render outside the family, and even took occasion to show her superiority and indifference to men in general in no doubtful way.

But Jim played his cards like an old hand. He suddenly disappeared from town poet of Webster has forcefully her world. Her surprise on the first sung: hired came staggering into the kitchen | Manchauggagogsone morning to ask for the "wather Achaubunagunamangs. and the athen sthone " and his success sor presented himself with the garden

hose and left for parts unknown. One morning after a month of such annoyance, she poked her curt papered to be trank with us, but when some head out of the window and saw the body threatens to tell us just what steps shining in their old accustomed they think of us, we know instinctivewhiteness, the hose playing gayly in ly that it is something not at all comthe garden and the figure of a man pumentary.-Boston Transcript.

wildly striding after a stray dog that had inadvertently set one dirty paw on the forbidden ground. She heaved a sigh of relief and made her way downstairs.

"Well, Jim," she called from the door, "wherever 've you been this long time?"

Jim came shambitug in. "Miss Capen," said he, "I been gittin' my legacy. "I ain't goin' to work Proud was his port and tasty his array; out no more, but I just thought I'd His days and nights o'erflowed with song like to take care o' this little place. out no more, but I just thought I'd and langhter; He never dreamed that these would pass It's so kind o' purty an' homelike, you know.

> "A legacy, Jim! When did you get a legacy, and how much is RY "Ten thousand dollars," said Jim. You see, I happen to be one of the heirs to an old chap over in England. That's 'bout enough to support a wife on, ain't it? (with a sidelong glance). But the girls nowadays they air too glddy for me, an' what's more they take no kind o' pride in their front steps. All they want is purty clothes. I got to have a woman as is settled down, but they sin't no such woman wants the likes o' me."

"Well, Jim, you dld a good job on hose steps this morning, and I'm glad to have you back again. Why, such a time as I've had! Say, Jim, you haven't had your breakfast, have you? You just go out and pull those weeds out of the tomate bed and I'll have it ready in a jidy. How much did you say you got, Jim? Ten thousand dollars? That's a pretty little sum, Jim. A pretty little sum."

And that's the way it happened. In ess than a week Miss Capen had Jim arrayed from head to heels in new apparel and they had taken a trip to St. Joe and got "spliced," as Jim put it. "She" thought it rather beneath the dignity of the husband of Miss Capen and the possessor of \$10,000 to clean the front steps, but blood will tell, and one morning she was awakened with the sound of scrubbing in her ears. She crept to the window. There was a legacy of \$10,000 and husband of had tried to wash windows on the fallen snow. He looked up as she opened the window.

"I'm gittin' it done before the neigh-Corbett, in the Chicago Record-Herald.

Resitration of Age. Two attorneys, who had slipped past the meridian of life without hardly obages while esting a deliberate lunch-

of more than one man. "It really came to me with a little Buffalo for New York, and there, were only half a dezen men aboard when I retired for the night. In the morning, while in the toilet room brushing my hair. I saw in the mirror the reflection of the back of an old centleman I did not remember seeing before. He appeared much older than any man I had noticed on the car the night before, and I made up my mind that he had come aboard ofter I had gone to

"I watched the reflection while arranging my hair, and then turned, intending to speak to the old gentleman. You can imagine my surprise when I found that I had been looking at my own back."-New York Herald.

An Interesting Souvenir.

A woman who has recently returned from a trip across the continent, is preparing a souvenir which will be a novel and interesting reminder of the trin. She collected, en route, meau cards and samples of stationery. One sheet of paper and one menu card from each hotel and the same from each train and dining car were preserved. Now the crests and letter heads are being carefully cut out and will be pasted on a plain white picture frame. The picture to go in the frame was also brought along. It is a lovely view of Pike's Peak taken with the sun shining on its snow capped heights and showing the Garden of the Gods in the foreground. Sufficient crests, erc., were secured to make the frame foreign on the trip. The maker acknowledges that she borrowed her idea

Fish Protection in a Noted Lake. The Fish and Game Commission has temporarily prohibited fishing in Lake Chargoggagoggmanchauggagoggachaubunagungamaugg. Just why fishing has been problemted there is not pub-Bely stated. It is rumored that some reckless sportsman drew the lake's name through that body of water sev- struction, is one of its members. eral times (after the manner of a scine) and that this reckless practice resulted in catching nearly all the fish that were too large to slip through the "au's" or tha "gg's." If the orders of the Fish Commission were necessary to preserve the beauties of the charming lake, they were justifiable. As the

morning of his absence was followed No Franklin pond nor Ham share bog by dismay when the next man she Can compare with Lake Chargegrazog-

-Boston Daily Advertiser.

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CIENTIFIC PINDUSTRIA

The Government of India has just ompleted a concrete dara on the Pert-Indian Government \$2,000,000.

true rendering of color shades at night. | know a word of English. One of the recent large installations "But who was he? A man of thirtydesigned to take advantage of this five, well educated, well connected and qualities of acetylene.

It is collapsible and readily packed His father cursed him, his patrons degle of forty-five degrees from the di- flee the country. To-day this sou of a rection of the wind. By this means a Russian Count is rolling sait barrels line may be flown over almost any de on it New York dock." stred spot. The line is dropped by sending aloft a little cutting device. which travels along the cord and is but into operation automatically when It touches the kite.

rious advantages are claimed, has other wonder. Though totally blind, been brought out in England, and its he traveled around the world and merits were discussed at the meeting wrote a vivid narrative of what he James Carrington Doyle, possessor of of the International Congress at Glass "saw." England's ablest Postmaster gow. Mr. Mumford said that he had General Henry Fawcett, was totally Mrs. James Carrington Doyle, owner experimented for twenty years with blind. When Gladstone appointed blim of a house and lot, down on his knees screw propellers of various pitches, it was with the understanding that he with a pail of water and a step-stone but had never found one to give higher was not to be in the Cabinet, the Prewashing the ascent to the front door of efficiency than a true screw. Also, that mier holding that his affliction would the family mansion as white as the in propeller designing no reliance render it impossible for him to guard whatever could be placed upon theory | Cabinet secrets with the requisite jealtests; so far as he could see, there was bridge and was a Member of Parlianot much hope of improving upon the ment. screws now in use.

serving the fact, were talking about world. Its inventor, Ashel J. Sever | destitute. The boy began to whittle ance, recently died poor at Denver, Images out of wood. His first efforts eon in the Lawyers' Club a couple of Col. In 1879 he and his associates were most pitiable, but he persevered days ago, when one of them told a sold the patent on the diamond drill until he was able to "see with his finstory which embodies the experience for \$100,000, and Severance lost his gers." At fifteen he was so expert money on the sale of a patent for the nearly ninety, and his art kept him in manufacture of Damascus steel, which he secured a long time ago, but on account of the great number of persons who have claimed to rediscover this secret, he found difficulty in interest-Ing any one in his process.

It is surprising what a number of camphor eaters there are among the well-to-do classes in India. The idea seems to prevail that this gum, taken in small and regular does given a recultar clear creaminess of complexion, and scores of young women buy it for this purpose. The habit is moreover very difficult to east off, for camphor produces a mild form of exhibaration and stupefaction, and in many instances, where very large does have been swallowed, the habit has become a sort of slavery. These camphor carers all have a discaury dured and very listless air, and in most of them there is an ever present longing to sleep, or, at least, to rest. Extreme weakness generally follows the taking of regular doses, and cases have been seen where it has been almost difficult to tell the effects from those of nicohol. As to the complexion, if a ghastly pallor be an improvement camphor certainly produces it.

Fighting Cancer. It is stated in Nature that Professor Paul Ehrlich, of Frankfort-on-the-Main, has been enabled to devote himself to a special study of the disease of cancer in consequence of a bequest prerty without introducing anything of the interest for three years of a sum of 500,000 marks, dedicated to this purpose by a Frankfurt banker, the late from a young woman who went abroad | Herr Theodor Stern. Other sums consome time ago and brought back a tributed by private individuals will graphs." collection of monograms, crests and | bring up the amount to be devoted ta | such things from the hotels, the trains | this special investigation of cancer by Dr. Ehrlich to 40,000 marks, or \$10,000 a year. In Berlin there exists a special committee for the investigation of cancer, which studies pathological accounts of cases and collects statistics and medical literature on this subject. Professor von Legden is at the cold mutton." head of the committee, and Professor von Kirchner, of the Medical Department of the University of Public In-

> Smart Postal Work. A few days ago, says a Geneva special in the Paris Messenger, a letter arrived from America at Berne bearmg the following inscription: "To the person who is on the other side." On the other side of the letter was a small photograph of a man whose dress showed him to be a postoffice em-

The day after the receipt of the let for the annual meeting of the postoffice the letter being passed around one of to the demand. the nostmen said that he thought the photograph was that of a postman in the Canton of Soleure.

Sure enough the next day the owner was found in a small village named Beberist, in Scieure.

FROM DIPLOMAT TO LONGSHOREMAN The had Story of a New York Laborer Who

Has Interriewed Half Europe's Kings. "There is no city in the world with so many foreigners as New York," writes the Rev. David M. Steele in an article on "The Other Side of the Town," in the Ladies' Home Journal. "Nor is there any class of persons in yar River to conserve its waters for the city maning whom there are so the irrigation of 100,000 acres of land, many 'queer cases.' I met a man in thickness at the base, twisive feet thick | selling shoe laces. He looked so hunon top and 1200 feet in length. It is gry that I took him to a restaurant, orig-six feet higher than the Assouan where, after I had given him somedam across the Nile. It has cost the thing to out, he gave me his countdence. He talked five languages-Italian, Spanish, German, French and A chief merit in acetylene lies in its | Arabic-with equal fluency, but did not |

characteristic is that reported from well bred. For five years after gradu-Muhlbach, in Alsace, in a cotion mill ating he taught Sanskrit in a great employing 500 hands. Between 800 university, and for the five years biland 900 lets of acetylene are now in lowing acted as the foreign diplomatic operation daily. Naturally enough it correspondent of a Berlin daily. He is reported that all operatives are had in person interviewed half the highly pleased with this and other crowned monarchs of Europe, and when this work grew commonplace be enlisted in the Secret Inforsention A kite for signaling from a wrecked | Service of the German Army. | Sent vessel, and also to be used as a means on a mission into Russia, he committed of sending a line ashore has been in- a most serious blunder, and he sudvented by Captain Brossard de Cor | dealy found binself wanted by two bigny, of the French Naval Reserve. | armies at one time to be shot as a spy. when not needed for use. When flown serred and his friends derided him. in the air it can be deflected at an au- He escaped with his life in time to

Clever Blind Men. John B. Herresboll may justly be called one of the wonderful men of the age, but it must not be forgotten that he was an expert sallor before be A new screw propeller, for which va | went blind. James Helman was analone; the only course was to obtain ousy. Mr. Fawcett had long been probetter knowledge by actual practical fessor of political economy at Cam-

Smallpox blinded Kleinbaus, the "Blind Sculptor of the Tyrol," at the The diamond drill has added millions | age of five, and a few years later the of dollars to the mineral wealth of the death of father and mother left him part of the proceeds by ill-advised in- that he could engrave from memory the vestment. At the time of his death he | features of a face upon which he had | comfortable circumstances in his modest bachelor home, New York Press.

Telephones on Fast Trains. On some of the best railway trains the equipment. The system is so arwith the regular telephone circuits of the cities. This service, it is antended. It is one of the notable features of modern railway progress.

In these days when even too ship far out at sea holds communion with distant shores and with unseen companions on the deep, it seems almost an anomaly that a train, always on solid land and always within view, should be even for a moment cut off from the field of converse. Undoubtedly, a development not long to be delayed is that which will bring into telphonic range the express speeding as well as the express at rest.

What a marvel of comfort and conrenience will be worked when the tourist for pleasure or business can 'ring up" from his parlor car seat the home, the office, the club, for such communion as the impulse or emergency of a moment may dictate!-New York World.

Sintton as a Motor. Green, the English historian, one day asked a friend which of all the inventions of their day had done the most for the people as a whole. His friend guessed this and that, but the answer

"Beyond doubt, six penny photo A reply involving quite as great an absurdity as that was made by Cecil Rhodes in answer to a lady who. seeking to draw him out, suggested

that he owed his phenomenal rise to the impetus of noble sentiments. "Madam," returned Mr. Rhodes, "I owe my fortune simply and solely to "Cold mutton!" gasped the lady. "O

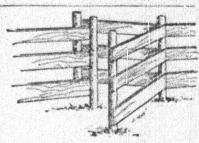
Mr. Rhodes, what do you mean?" "When I was young," continued the South African millionaire, "I was so desed with cold mutten, and I hated it so cordially, that I resolved to grow rich in order to put it on one side for the rest of my life. Yes, madam, cold mutton was at the root of my success; noble sentiments had nothing to do with it."-Youth's Companion.

A correspondent of the Lewistown (Me.) Journal suggests that some enterprising individual could get abundant wealth by starting an angle worm employes was held at Lucerne, and farm. In the height of the season at the letter bearing the photograph was Rangeler these worms sell at \$1 a forwarded there for identification. On quart, and the supply is never equal

> If Riches Were Universal. Some people don't seem to realize that if we were all rich we shouldn't have the fun of planning what we would do when our ship came in. -New York Pres

Shut Off Avenues For Waste. The farmer who does his own work will mave much that goes to waste when the work is done by one who simply fills in time. There are many avenues for weste upon a famin, and It is 176 feet in height, 13816 feet in the Bowers one cold, wet, winter night | when they are shut off the expenses are reduced correspondingly and the profits increased.

> A Pass Through a Cattle Fence. A gate in a pasture fence in often a source of much bother. A permanent passageway through such a fence is shown in the cut. A person can



OPENING IN A PERCE.

step through it readily, and it is always open, but cattle cannot pass, etor."- Chicago News. and, unlike a gate, they equaet force it open. Such an opening in a fcuce can be made in a few minutes.

Peeding Bys to Pigs. In some German experiments the comparative value of rre, barley and tin dolers."-Chicago News.

milk were tested as pig feed. Eye as distinguished from barley was not caten readily when fed in I arge amounts and sometimes it was refused altogether. The conclusion was reached that although large amounts of rve can be fed successfully, such rations cannot long be continued.

The conclusion of the whole matter seems to be that rye may be profitably used as a feeding stuff, but it should be soaked or carefully ground. On account of the low content of crude fiber and the high digestibility of fat this grain cannot be recommended as concentrated food for horses or young cattle. When on account of low cost rye must be used, other feeding stuffs | should be chosen, so that the necessary coarse food is supplied. No injory was observed when rye was fed, except in the case of pigs fed this grain alone. Such injury the experimenters believe to be due to other

Garden Soil.

s moist and cool, warm and suitable stay too late.-Aclanta Constitution. for the foundation of general garden crops, we should first see that the drainage is perfect. The more drains and the closer to each other, the be ter will they serve your purpose. Subsolling will also assist in this. After the lower strata is properly seen to the top soil should have attention with a view towards the improvements of its structure. If scantily supplied of the day telephones form a part of with humus (organic matter) this should be added to the soil by the ranged that when the cars stop in liberal application of good compost or large stations connections can be made dry muck, or both. Also cart all the sand you can get and draw, and plenty of lime or mark and mix into the soil. nounced, is to be improved and ex- Wood and coal ashes are also valuable additions, and will serve to make the soil looser and warmer. Plaw in autumn, and leave in rough furrows. During summer give good caltivation. This treatment will dt any seil for the production of good vegetable crops. The farmer who treats the garden with the same consideration as he does his regular crop seed bed will certainly reap a reward in the shape of fresh, crisp vegetables. Do not depend on the women but do a little of the planting and cultivating yourself .- The Epitomist.

Pending Harses. The ordinary horse has a stomach with a capacity of somewhere between three and four gallons, and yet I have frequently seen men give their horses regularly hay enough to fill from two to three times his capacity. Such a course is entirely wrong, and the feeder has to make but a few comparisons in order to come to such a conclusion. I can recall from my own experience in feeding horses. I used to feed as though the horses were exen, and thought I was doing right. The manger was filled quite full of hay, and yet some way the horses gat rid of it. But it was a mistake, because it furt the horses, and was poor economy. Now we are feeding perhaps not half what we used to feed in the way of coarse fodder, and I am satisfied that the horses, and the same teams at that, keep in better condition the year round, besides saving that large amount of bay.

The horse's stomach is built for more highly concentrated feed that the ex. He cannot take the same kind simply a long story short-I got fired."-Puck. because he has not the capacity to digest it in sufficient quantities to supply his system with the needed nourishment. The result is, when such a course is followed, that the horse be comes hadly pot-bellied, and is unable to secure the required nourishment to work at the best advantage. A working horse should have plenty of grain. which furnishes his nourishment in the most highly concentrated form that is practicable to feed. It requires also a certain amount of hay, but the hay is not to supply it with the main pertien of its nourishment. The most experienced temmsters are relying en grain for the main portion of the feed. not only because experience has demenstrated that it is the most economical, but that it is also best for the horse.-Indiana Farmer.

In some parts of Hungary a pound of lamb, for which the Berliners pay twen- people dat puts every cent on me ty-two cents, costs only four cents.



The Common Trouble

"I would that my tongue could ofter The inoughts that arise in me!" So sighted the immerial poet, Standing broads the sea, Ah, lest of us have such trachle
And less of us sigh such sighs;
Our longues are ready to utter,

But we have no thought to arise. -- Charago Record-Herald. Vital Cuestion.

He-"l'on are truly the first girl ever loved." She-Firmt isn't the point. Are you sure I will be the last?" - Chicago

Newsk Not No Brown. Blobbs-"He says he would rather fight thun eat." Slobbs-"Pugnacious, ch?" Bleblm-"No; dyspeptic,"-Philadel-

phia Record. Couldn't Relp It. Customer-"Say, waiter, why do you allow such an unpleasant, ill-bred creature as that to dine in this cafe?" Welter- Why er that's the propri-

One of the Moureers. Larry... His lasht requist wor that ivery wan shud look plisant at his

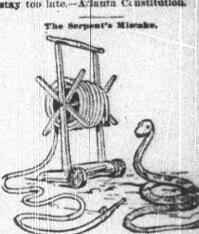
funerak (heer up!" Denny-"How kin Ol? He owed me Transferred. "Smiggins has taken to riding horse-

back for his dyspepsia." "Any results" "None, except the horse looks as if it had it now."-Indianapolis News.

They Saw. Jibbs "When a man assaults me I say nothing, but saw wood," Jabbs-"Well, a fellow assaulted me the other day, and I said nothing, but saw sture!"-San Francisco Bulletin.

Seasonable Petition Tess-"That beggar woman's a fraud. What did she ask you for?" Jess-"Sne said she wanted a few pennies to get a chocolate lee cream sods and some lobster salad."-Philadelphia Press.

Re Went. "Father, do all angels have wings?" "No, my son; your mother has none." And then she coughed-dropped & cup and caucer, and said sweetly that To render strong clay loam, which he might go to the club, if he wouldn't



"Hey, there! Old man, wake up and unwind."-Life.

The Only Course. "Why don't you challenge him .o prove the truth of his scandalous as-

sertions?" said the American. That would be too easy a task for him," answered the European. "Fill nave to challenge him to fight,"-Washington Star.

He Wouldn't Care. "Did it eyer occur to you." said the thoughtful person, "that the number of matches used each day reaches the stupendous sum of 'steen billions?" "It never did," replied the thoughtless one, "and I'll be blamed if I would have cared a straw if it had."-Detroit

Free Press. He Must Try Something Else. "It seems to me that English doctor who wants to increase the number of children by having downles set apart for pour girls when they become brides is very short-sighted." "Why so"

"Ir's only the poor that have lots of bables."--Chiengo Record-Herald.

Too Business-Like. "When I get a new job I want a oos who can take a joke."

"Was your recent employer too ser-OUN Well, he sneaked in on me when I was giving the boys a humorous imi-

Recriminating. The society woman dashed as to her

tation of his strut; and then-to make

eyes, and the reporters pressed about ier with ears astrain. "So they say my refreshments were stingy, do they?", she exclaimed. "Well, you may quote me to the effect

that my refreshments would have been ample, and these critical indies worn gowns that fitted them anyhow at all. So, there." -- Puck.

Self-Approval. "You want more cast-off clothes!" exclaimed the woman of the house. "If ye got 'em to spare, lady." answered Meandering Mike. "But the clothes I gave you last

week-you are not wearing them. Have you pawned them?" "Lady, whatever else my faults may be, it can't be said I am one o' dem