

THE EVENING COMET.

The daylight fades upon the hills; Soft are the shades that follow...

LAYING A GHOST.

BY WILL F. PONDS.

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"What on earth was it?" again asked my friend, "by heavens, the ghost!"

day we spent quietly, and as soon as night fell again paddled across to the pool, and getting under the shore, waited for developments...

A PRETTY ROMANCE.

How a San Francisco Girl Became an Artist.

People who noticed in the Examiner window recently a splendid cast of sitting Bill will be interested to hear of the pretty romance of the young artist whose work it was.

It was modeled by Miss Alice Rideout, a young lady of less than eighteen years of age, who has already shown such talent that she has been invited to exhibit among the host of artists that the Pacific slope can claim as its own.

Her first start in her chosen profession can be directly traced to a large English mastiff owned by her family, although her artistic aspirations date back to her early childhood.

When it was discovered the San Diego girl was not an artist, her companions could not be trusted in deep water and they accordingly turned pale.

Do you know why four "T's" are used to mark the hour on clocks and watches instead of the usual combination of Roman numerals...

The world. The clock was a beauty and a fine timekeeper, but Charles had to find fault in order to keep up his reputation.

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