While the rain came down they stayed In the maples' kindly shade, Leaning from the ferny shore Watched the dappled river-floor Where the raindrops gayly played.

Every leafy mountain glade
Felt the raindrops' rushing raid;
Lowering storm-clouds hovering
While the rain came down. Laughing, careless, man and maid, With the wide umbrella's aid

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—[Georgia Roberts, in Boston Transcript.

SAVED BY A RAVEN.

BY EDMUND COLLINS.

Two brothers, George and Frank Blackburn, lived with their father in one of the largest settlements on the Labra-dor coast. George was seventeen and Frank fifteen, and both the boys in sun-Frank fifteen, and both the boys in sum-mer ranged the coast in a small skiff col-lecting birds' eggs and other specimens. George owned a pet raven, which he had trained to follow him, carry small parcels in his mouth, and do many other intel-ligent things, and the bird was exceed-ingly attached to him. Whenever George went into the words or swords

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sometimes being suspended in the air by both arms, sometimes by one, with no place to put his toe; yet it was marvelious to see the progress he made up the ironstained face of the steep wall. Whenever he reached a terrace that he could stand upon he rested a few seconds, hitched up his trousers, and began the ascent again.

Near the top the cliff beetled out above his head, and he crept along the ledge, first to one side and then to another, looking for some part of the rock above him where he could get a hold for his steel hooks. He tried one place and another, but was afraid to trust himself, and at last discovered a small rift through which a tiny stream of water trickled, and into that he thrust both his galfs, lifting himself lightly upward. This was the most perilous spot of all, for above him was a stretch of about 15 feet of bald cliff; below him lay an abyss nearly 400 feet deep, with surging sea and cruel rocks at the bottom. To turn his head and look down would be terror and immediate destruction, so he climbed on and on, shifting his gaffs from one holding point to another, sticking his kneeshard against the cliff and hardly everfinding a spot to place his foot. Them the summit was reached and he spranglightly upon the rim of sod.

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The two breathless watchers below pulled off their caps and hurrahed, but he stood silently at the dizzy top till the echo of their voices in the cliff had died. Raising his hand to get their attention he shouted in a strong, mounful tone: "I can never go back. Don't watf for me, but try if you can get help." Then he sat down upon a rock, exhausted from the desperate climb.

The top of the island was about three acres in area and was inhabited by more than 5,000 birds. It would be almost impossible to take a step in any direction without treading into a next, and the mothers became infuriated as George wakked about, and rose with shrill cries, brushing his face with their wings and pecking savagely at him. The wings can be a seed to the boys below, for the other birds hovering about and flying across the island fairly darkened the ground, and there were tunnult and anger son the help of the cliff or white before returning home.

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IT TAKES A STEADY HAND

Not Easy Work. "Perhaps you think it an easy thing to steer a fire truck; so it is—when you know how," said a gray-haired fire-laddie the other day as he nimbly vaulted out of his lofty seat on the tail of the truck after returning from a false alarm a few blocks away.

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"There are practically two men on the truck, the man who drives and the man who steers," continued the veteran. "I've done both duties now for more than ten years, and flatter myself that I know something about them, but I think that the steerer has the harder job of the two."

It is probable that any one who has thought of the matter at all has come to the same conclusion, for the deftness with which a hook and ladder truck is with which a hook and ladder truck is mad

the same conclusion, for the deftness with which a hook and ladder truck is swung around sharp corners, in its mad race to a fire, is something to be wondered at by the onlookers.

The truck itself is about 40 feet long and carries from six to eight extension and several life-saving ladders, the longest of the former projecting out behind about ten feet. The truck is drawn by three strong and fleet horses, which are driven by a man sitting on a high seat in front. The members of the company find standing room on the low platform which runs along either side of the truck below the body of the conveyance, while at the extreme end sits the steerer away aup in the air. You sexrely see the men between for looking at the driver and his coadjutor at the other end. The latter has his hand on a big wheel like an enormous bruke on a freight car, on which he keeps his hands firmly closed. Meanwhile his eyes are on the driver. He sees the driver run a corner, and he is ready in an instant. If his eye was not true and his hand brawny and steady the unwieldy vehicle would be dashed into a lamp post or even into a building in a twinkling.

But the steerer knows his business. At just the crucial moment he turns his iron wheel this way or that way, and the

THE JOKER'S BUDGET.

JESTS AND YARNS BY FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS,

Applied Science-Served Him Right -A Love Match-A Bright Boy, Etc., Etc.

She—Is that a rattletnake? Attendant—Yes, ma'am. "How many rattles has he?" "Fifteen and a button." "May I make him rattle?" "Certainly, marm."

"Certainly, marm."
"What # ist I do?"
"You touch the button and he w do the rest." -[Arkansas Traveller.

SERVED HIM RIGHT. He talked the old man dumb and blind,
Then muchly to his grief
The old man said—'twas most unkind—
"Go on, I'm not yet deef."

A LOVE MATCH.

She-So she married for love, did e? He—Yes--love of money.

A BRIGHT BOY.

Closefist—I told that good-for-nothing boy to-day that he would have to paddle his own cance.

Mrs. Closefist—What did he say to that? A BRIGHT BOY.

Closefist—He struck me for money to buy the canoe

GETTING RID OF A BORE.

"Just lend me your ear for a moment, Mr. Hicks."
"I won't do it. If you want to hear yourself talk, you'll have to use your own ears. They are big enough to hear all you have to say."

CAUSE OF THE DIFFERENCE.

Collector—What? How's this! Old Parkrich's property assessed at \$10,000! Last year the same was only \$100. Assessor—You see, before I assessed at I had been trying to buy it."

A HABIT BROWN HAS.

Jasper—I think Brown is in the habit of blowing his own horn a great deal. Jumpuppe—Perhaps so, but it seems to me that he is more in the habit of drinking it.

EYES, MALE AND FEMALE. Miss Nochick—So you have been mar-ried a year. Has your husband found out about your dyed hair, false teeth, or

Mrs. Wedlate—No, indeed; he's been too busy concealing the same defects in himself.—[New York Weekly. BENEFITS OF BANKING

George-I say, Jack, change me a five, George Tany, val.,
won't you?
Jack—I haven't more than enough for
lunch and car-fare in my pocket. Fact is,
I don't carry money loose in my pockets
any more. I put it in the bank and pay

any more. I put it in the bank and pay by check.
"I don't care to bother with checks. I always carry money in my pockets, and I never miss a cent."
"Y—c—s, but you are not married."
—[New York Weekly.

CHEAP DOCTORING.

Anxious Mamma—Little Dick is upstairs, crying with the toothache.
Practical Papa—Take him around to the dentist's.
"I haven't any money."
"You won't need any money. The toothache will stop before you get there."
—[Good News.

HIS LAST CHOKE.

"I hope you will cut me down as soon as convenient after the job is done," said the culprit to the hangman.
"Why, what difference can it make to you after you are dead?"
"Ah! my friend, you must remember that suspense is worse than death."

"There is more growling done by that nine than by any other."
"What nine is that?"
"The canine."

THE REASON MADE CLEAR.

ision.

She (coolly)—Then I shall not marry

Furgical instruments are provided on some
Russian railways.

"Excuse me, sir, but haven't we met before? Your face is strangely familiar." "Yes, madam, our host introduced us to each other just before dinner." "Ah, I was positive I had seen you somewhere. I never forget a face."— [Brooklyn Life. INJUSTICE TO THE PIG.

Thin Individual—Mr. Cleever, I think 'Ill trade with you hereafter. I've been young my meat from the butcher across he way.

A GOOD MEMORY FOR FACES.

e way. Cleever—Well, you look it!

Weary Mother—You little imp! Look at yourself; you're as dirty as a pig. Willie (appealingly)—Papa, mamma says I'm dirty as a pig. What do you think of that?

Papa (calmly)—I think mamma's pretty harsh on the pig.—[Pittsburg Bulletin.

INGRATITUDE.

Mr. Gotrox—What are you doing out there in the chilly night air? Come into the house. Gladys—I was just admiring the moon,

papa.
Mr. Gotrox—What business have you Mr. Gotrox—What business have you admiring the moon when there are so many things in the house that I have bought expressly for you to admire? Anybody can admire the moon.—[Chicago Tribune.

SHE LOVED THEM.

"Ah, what won't a person do and put up with for those they love."
"That's true. I've been wearing these new shoes for a week now on a stretch, although they nearly kill me every time I walk."—[Philadelphia Times.

STRICTLY BUSINESS

"What's the matter, Clark?" asked the principal of his book-keeper. "Oh, sir, I've got so much family trouble"

"Oh, sir, I've got so much family trouble,"
"Family trouble? I want you to understand I don't pay you to have family trouble in business hours. I want you to have business trouble."—[Philadelphia Thmes.

She-You will ask papa, will you not?

She—You will ask papa, will you not? Or must I? He—Oh, I have seen him. Fact is, he made the suggestion that it was about time for me to propose.—[Indianapolis Journal.

A DOUBTING THOMAS.

Teacher—With the exception of the animals Noah took with him into the Ark, every living creature perished in the flood. Doubtful Tommy—The fishes, too?-

DID NOT NEED A SCARECROW "Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"I'm going to work the corn," she said.
"May I go, too, my pretty maid?"
"The crows don't bother now," she said. THE GIRL FOR THE HOUR.

When 'tis a hundred in the shade And stifling is the air, Oh! for a cold and distant maid To freeze us with a stare!

THE IRREPRESSIBLE CONFLICT. "Is this calves' tongue, Mrs. Smithers?" asked the star boarder.
"It is," replied the lady. "Why do you ask?"
"It is so tough I thought it might be

part of a wagon tongue."

THE MAN OF THE HOUSE.

"What are you sitting on that step for?" asked the policeman. "Why, I live here, and I'm locked out." out."
"Well, why don't you ring up the man

"Well, why don't you ring up the man of the house?"
"I am the man of the house myself," and the way he said it indicated his chances of getting in might be better if he had been the woman.—[Philadelphia Times.

The Great Fighters of Africa.

"There is more growling done by that nine is more growling to the circus, "I do hope you will try to throw aside all care and enjoy yourself."

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A Zulu mip (warrior)—there are few civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe—is physically almost perfect, averaging six feet in civilians in the Zulu tribe.

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"There's a good deal of bounce about Bounderby, isn't there?"
"Yes, but it's easily explained. He was a 'bouncing baby,' I understand, when he was born."—[Philadelphin Times.

THE EFFECT OF CULTURE.

Boston Girl—Oh, mother! I did something awful at the party to-night.
Mother—Why, my dear child, what was it?
Boston Girl.—That horrid bouquet Mr.
Beacon sent me had some cinnamon pinks in it. They made me sneeze and—but I can't say it.
Mother.—Go on!
Boston Girl—My glasses fell off and Mr. Beacon saw my bare face!—[Bostonian.

COMPENSATION.

"Tom is in great glee. He started out to the races yesterday, but he fell in running for the train, broke his leg and was carried to a hospital."

"What is there for him to be gleeful about?"

"Well, you see, all the horses that he intended to back lost."—[Rider and Driver.

LACK OF PRESSURE.

Dumly—I would like you to be my wife, but I will not press you for desision.

She (coolly)—Then I shall will not press.

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