Little Tommy's Dream.

Little Tommy was a hero, and the fairies thought him good:

He felt as brave as twenty Jack-the-Giant-Killers could.

One day, as he was dezing, he was summoned to the fray.

"One look of the fairy cried, "an opportunity today!

The Princess Dainty Darling is a prisoner in you tower,

and a lowering Giant guards her—oh, how darkly he can lower!"

"Inter me have some wings," said Tommy, "and a sword that goes thwack, thwack,

And I'll make a few things happen at that tower ere I some back!"

So they flew away together and the Giant second wings at them with a visage that was winged and unclean.

The Grind wared his spikely club, but Tommy One blow sufficed to separate his body and his head.

And the Princess Dainty Darling he proceeded to unchain:

To the King and Queen, her parents, then, he brought her back again.

The good King said, "sit Thomas, you shall have ber for your own.

And when jet too old for work, I'll let you have my throne.

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"Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Betty's Birthday Bacs.

Betty Ellis had had a birthday party every year she lived, until the year of her seventh birthday, at that time her manima was very sick, so all thought of a party had to be given up. Betty wha dreaffully disappointed, but bravely tried to make the bissor it. Now Betty had a dear, den addies who lived at their house, and was always thinking and doing the most delightful things. So when she is whow bad Betty felt, she put on accident thinking-cap, and soon had made upst clever plan for a birthday supprise without any party.

For several days before the party, Betty noticed that auntie looked very funny and mysterious, and she just knew something nice was going to happen.

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When she opened her cycs on the
morning of her bitthday, she saw leaning up against the side of her bed, a
large bag. It looked like the bags
that ragmen use to gather rags in, and
seemed to be full of something very
odd in shape.

Betty jumped out of bed to look at
it, and there, tied to the draw-string
was a card with her name on it. Or
course she knew it was a birthday
present. "But what a funny way to
give one?" she thought, as she pulled
it open. Inside was just what she
had longed for, a new doil-carriage for
her Christmas doll.

At breakfast-time she found under
her plate a tiny bag made of pink silk.
Inside, was potton, was a ring
with the tinlest speek of a diamond
in it. How she danced about and hugged papa and auntie!

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When she got ready to start for school, she found, in place of her old book-satchel, a new school-bag, with a story-book in it. It was hard to have to leave that at home, and put her school-books in its place. Jane, the cook, gave her a calico bag to keep buttonsin. She found this at noon, up in her room; also a pretty laundry-bag from auntie, with six new handker-chiefs in it. And when papa came home at night, he brought, instead of a box of candy, a big bag full of candles and nuts.

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But the nicest birthday bag of all, so Betty thought, was the one Tom gave her. Tom was the gardener's son, and a very good friend of hers. He had two of the dearest little pupies that ever were seen, and Betty had been teasing for one ever since they were born.

How surprised she was when, on her birthday, Tom came in with a horse's feed-bag in his hand, carrying it very carefully, and begged her to accept it. It seemed a queer present, but she thanked him, and peeped in, and there was the prettiest puppy, the one with the white nose!

When Betty went to bed that night, with the ring on her finger, the doll-carriage at the foot of the bed, and the puppy in her arms, she told annute, in their bedtime talk, that she thought birthday bags were just exactly as nice as Christmas stockings.—Youth's Companion.

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The Soap-Bubblers.

Some extraordinary performances are described in St. Nicholas in Meradith Nugent's article on "The Soap-Bubblers First Reception." The Soap-Bubblers First Reception." The Soap-Bubblers First Reception." The Soap-Bubblers End the recently organized, with our old friend Phil as Head Bubbler. Harry Bakeras Chief Cornucopia, the minor Bubblers occupying minor odd-titled positions, as well as all Bubblers occupying no positions at all—had resolved that the ancient and honorable amusement of blowing soap-bubbles was sadly in need of reformation; and, further, that it was their mission to reform it. Thus it came to pass that on the evening for the performance the interior of Masonie Hall presented such a scene of brilliancy as had rarely been equalled within its historic walls.

After a few words explanatory of the evolution of the soap-bubble from the clay-pipe stage to its present one, Phil dipped a wire ring into the solution, and gently sweeping it before him cast off a bubble fully twice the size of his head. Every Bubbler boy gave a cry of satisfaction at this, and it looked as though all the Bubblers might fling their golden cornucoplas on to the stage, when the master of the soap and water tossed off fire large bubbles in succession, not only from the same ring, but from the same film: Almost immediately Phil's assistants

-there were five of them-followed his example, and from that time on the stage was continually aglow with the

stage was continually aglow with the brilliant spheres.

Harry Bakernow came forward with the club's two kittens, and set them on a dry block of wood resting in the center of one of the large nine footpans—now filled with soapy water. Before club's two kittens, and set them on a dry block of wood resting in the center of one of the large nine-foot pans—now filled with soapy water. Before the animals could move, Phil quickly lifted a hoop from the pan, and in a twinkling covered both kittens over with a glorious bubble. "Pirst kittens ever inside a soap-bubble?" Harry Baker announced, just as the little kittens started to wade about within the iridescent dome. Phil sphered them over a second and even a third time, when the pussles, excited by their uproarious surroundings, offered decided objections to being imprisoned any more. Then Babblers and audience were treated to an exhibition of what were perhaps the largest bubbles that have ever been made. Harry Baker was especially fortunate, and, at the end of a very exciting contest with Phil, succeeded in sphering the pan over from brim to brim? Realize, if you please, that this bubble measured over nine feet in circumference! Phil followed up this feat of Harry's by Jaunching from the large hoop a round bubble measuring fully six feet in circumference! Compare this giant in size with the bubbles you have been used to blowing from clay pipes. As one Bubble hilariously remarked, this was "more like a balleon show than a bubble show." Not the least noticeable fact was that the bubbles often measured twice the diameter of the rings from which they were thrown. Remakable, too, was the case with which both boys picked up the films with their hoops. These boops, measuring from the starting surprise. Here were two large clongated bubbles, springing from the same film, attached to each other in the center, and yet raveling in opposite directions.

Phil took a large hoop, and dipping it in one of the great pans, withdrew it covered by a film. Then he held the lustrous disk

PHILIPPINE MOUNTAIN TRIBE.

A Missionary Describes the Igarottes,
Who Cook and Eat Dogs.
The Rev. C. B. Carlisle, a missionary, formerly of Warsaw, N. Y., writes
from Dagupan, in the Philippines, to a
friend, and in his letter describes the
Igarottes, a mountain tribe. He says:
"Up in the mountains of the northeast there is a tribe of half savage,
ecople called Igarottes. They live in
the mountains, hardly ever coming
out into the valleys, except when hunger compels them. None of them
wern any clothing except a strip of
their own. The Filipinos cannot understand them. They are fond of dog
meat; so two days ago four of them
came down here and in an hour had
captured 16 dogs, tied them with
ropes and started away. The Filipinos did not disturb them, letting them
have all the dogs they could catch.
They came right past my tent in the
evening, stopped on the bank of the
river a little way from the centre of
the town, killed a dog, cooked and ate
him. They skinned it, cleaned the
body, ran a stick of green bamboo
through it lengthwise, then two of
them spitted the meat over the fire
until it was brown. Then they laid it
in the grass, and these four ate every
bit of that dog, even picked the bones
clean. They had no other food withthe meat; no knilves or forks or
plates. They just took the flesh in
their hands, tore it into bits and devoured it. Some of our men offered
them a bit of cooked beef and they refused it, but ate the meat raw. Then
they sang some sort of a chant, beating on their stomachs the while. I
sounded to me like:

"We like dog
All sane long.

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Bow-wow mucho good."

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The Democratic party will appeal to the country to bring the government back to the paths of truth and soberness, to stop the radical and reckless expenditure of public funds, to give an honest and impartial enforcement of the law, to bring the nation out of its entangling foreign alliances and wars of conquest into a condition of peace and open-handed friendship with all the world, to take steps toward removing the dangerous control of the nation's finances from the national banks, to pass laws that will curb the trusts and take from them the special privileges whereby they have grown so great, and last, but not least, to "turn the rascals out." On such a platform, and under the leadership of Bryan, the Republican party can be swept from power in every branch of the government by a combined, united and harmonious opposition.

The most important and partrotic duty of the Democratic party will be to defeat the Republican ticket next November. The details of reform in administration can safely be trusted to Bryan and of reform in the laws of the congress which shall be elected with him.

The country is more concerned ip bringing the government back to safe and sound principles of administration than in any single law which might be enacted, however important such law may be to the well-and the proflem of the law must be erected. No law, however good and salutary, can be of avail unless it is honestly administration. The Kansas City convention will give earnest of its purpose to meet the demands of the country.

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Real Hardship.
Dolly—What an awful, awful time the pineers must have had!
Polly—Xes. Just think, the poor things didn't have chaing dishes!

Take for instance the \$90,000,000 in-

DEMOCRATIC LETTER.

THE REIGN OF CORRUPTION TAKES A RECESS.

Shamcless Profligacy of the Republican Administration—Starving the People to Fatten the Purses of Political Hecters of High and Low Degree.

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The Republican newspapers have been doing the people a real service by publication of a map sent out by some one of the imperialist committees—very likely the Cuban annexation junta of Washington—which map shows how the United States has grown and enlarged by Democratic expansion. Louisiana is marked 'Democratic expansion,' and so is all of Celifornia, Texas, Oregon, the Gadsden purchase and Florida.

Cuba is also included in the list. It is an instructive map. If we had one of them we would publish it. Every voter ought to see a copy and study it carefully. By this map it is shown that the present great area of the United States of America is due entirely to "Democratic expansion" save and alone the original thirteen states and Alaska. This is a record which the Republican party dare not "point to with pride." There was no "Republican expansion" known until McKinley got in his work. The growth of the United States so as to cover a large part of the continent and include homogeneous states working together in harmony has been due to the Democratic party.

We are glad that the Republicans have called attention to the fact that the expansion we have known before has practically all been "Democratic expansion." This is a point we have been making all along, but the Republicans refuse to acknowledge it. President Schurman of the first Philippine peace commission, acknowledged it. He was among the first

ippline peace commission, acknowledged it. He was among the first Republicans to declare that the expansion under this administration differs in every essential from the expansion of the Louistana purchase. Then Secretary Root stated the distinction retary F

Since then the administration has acted entirely upon the theory that expansion which includes islands in distant seas is entirely unlike the expansion which the Democratic party brought about. In fact, every thing has been done to make it evident to all that the "Republican expansion" of 1899 is entirely different from the "Democratic expansion" which has made ours a great and glorious nation.

The truth is that "Democratic expansion" is in accord with the spirit of our institutions, while "Republican expansion," or imperialism, is along the lines of European colonization.—Sioux Falls Press.

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"There's the Rub."

The war in the Philippines, again says Gen. Otis, "is practically ended," and, "as scon as the natives in general gain confidence in the friendly offices of the Americans, there will be little difficulty in bringing them to terms." Aye, there's the rub. The experiment of shooting "confidence" into the Filippinos, however, has not proved and will not prove a success. Human nature is not constituted that way. Men must reap the deeds they sow, Force from force must ever flow; And deeds of blood, though done beneath
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Pretense of good, are Dragon's teeth
From which must spring, as fixed by
Fate,
Their harvest—death, revenge and
hate,
—Grand Rapids Democrat. Their

The March of Empire.

The Rev. Rockwell Clancey, a missionary who has just returned from India, says that he "saw girls in one town sold for thirty cents apiece. They were bought up by the Mohammedans. Boys were unsaleable." This traffic in human fiesh is due to the great famine in gold-ridden India. This is but one phase of the terrible condition that the people of the United States, as well as the people of other countries, are called upon to relieve. And can the rest of the world escape its responsibility because Great Britain is not doing her full duty?—Milwaukee News.

Careful measurments prove that the average curvature of the earth is 6.99 inches to the statute mile.

"ENGLISH AS SHE IS MURDERED."

"Chicago Aldermen.
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Alderman recently applied to the jargon often heard in the Council chamber when city fathers wax eloquent.
While the Council has been transformed from whatit used to be in that
a far greater percentage of cultured
business men are included in its membership, there are yet several Aldermen of the "Old School," whose fearful and wonderful grammar and pronunciation furnish amusement to the
galleries. Here are a few samples sefected at random from the debate of
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"I ain't a-goin' to stand fer deprivin' the police of no necessitaries of life."

"All men in accordance to our doctrine is free."

"My gentlemen to the left is all mistaken, every one of them."

"I don't believe that Ald. Powers
has never brought anything into this
Council only in good faith and I
won't."

"I vote 'No' on 'that 'Aye."

"Mr. Mayor is cramming his heel
down the people's throat that they
don't want and they will spurn him
with their foot.

"This advice that is being attempted
to give to-night is a Jonah."

"You're a jay and a eueumber if you
say I'm a lamb in wolf's clothes."

"The press has been hollerin'! Let
her yell; they can't corrupt me."

"The whole city will advocate what I done."

"Me and my colleague what represents my ward will stand together
like a man."

"You're feliers; I won't never ask you
to do nothin' fer me again."

"That ward of his'n may be O. K.,
and I'm not saying 't ain't, but my
warn is the banner of the constellation."

"Gettlemen. our bave firemen braves
the terror of the night and risks his

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"Gentlemen,our brave firemen braves the terror of the night and risks his life to save innocent women. Gentle-men, our policemen is waylaid and slugged by thieves and robbers at all times he runs the risk of, and yet, gentlemen, he don't get as much as we. Gentlemen, I say, gentlemen, is wages half what the men are entitled to?"

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Gold in the Philippines.

Gold is found at an endless number of points in the Philippines, almost every stream while cuts the older rocks carrying some dust, and auriferous quarz-veins also are known at several points in Luzon and in Mindanao. I have been able to obtain no information warranting the belief that there is any highly important gold field in the archipelago. The natives are extremely skilful with the pan, and have been exploiting the gravels for centuries. They also understand "salting" a mine. I do not believe they have left any great prizes in the way of placers, and, to some extent, they have also worked the quartz. I consider the gold resources of the Philippines comparable with those of the Carolinas and Georgia, rather than with those of Colorado and California. The resources of Mindanao are not so unknown as many suppose. Competent experts made examinations, years ago, in each of the auriferous provinces, Misamis and Surigao, and neither of them reported encouraging results. Great caution should be exercised in seeking to develop gold mining in the Philippine Islands.—George F Becker, in Scribner's.

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Modern War is Not Picturesque.

A charge, such as the Boers make, is robbed of all story-book picturesqueness and glamor. The glitter of sword and bayonet, the smoke and flame, the bright uniforms, the inspiring cheers the precision of serried ranks, the gallantly carried battle flags to be presently planted on the earthworks of the enemy, are all lacking. They belong to the war of the past. In their stead a crouching, creeping line of dirt-covered men, shuffled by the varying chances of the fight out of all semblance of order: brown, bare, sunscorched, bowlder-flecked ridges, dotted horeand there with stunted busher, hazy with heat and alive with projectiles; the keen rattle of rife fire, punctuated by the stuttering of machine guns, and broken into full periods by the reverberating roar of heavy artillery, now and again seeming to die only to break out afresh, and all this for hour after hour, each passing moment claiming a victim to sprawl a agony on the superheated rocks. Such is modern war, as typi fied in South Africa to-day.—Thomas F. Millard, in Scribner's.

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Common Delusions.

Full nine out of ten persons plume themselves on being different from others, when their very belief in the notion is its own contradiction. We complacently aver, "I have such a keen sense of the ridiculous," when a true sense of humor would have prohibited the boast. But what we most plume ourselves upon—if we are the average man or woman—is our power to read character. "I may not be particularly clever," we observe, with that guileless braggadocio which masquerades as humility, "but of one thing I'm certain, and that is, I'm a good judge of human nature. I'm never deceived in a person," when, if such perspicacity were really possessed, we'd say nothing about it before those capable of scenting cue limitations.

FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

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To Make Italsed Muffins.

For raised muffins scald a pint of milk and when lukewarm add one compressed yeast cake dissolved, nair a teaspoonful of salt and two cupfuls and a half of flour. Beat thoroughly and stand aside until very light—about two hours. Then add the yokes of two eggs well beaten, and fold in the well beaten whites. Stand aside for 30 minutes and bake in greased muffings of gem pans.—Ladies Home Journal.

Journal.

Cream in Salad Dressings.

Some people do not know that cream can be used in salad dressings. At the same time there is no question that the best salad is made of oil, but the whipped cream can be acceptably used in itsplace, and the taste is a little different from that of the regular mayonnaise. A recipe for this whipped cream dressing is: Take two eggs, three tablespoonfuls of vinegar, two tablespoonfuls of cream, one tablespoonful of sugar, a quarter of a tablespoonful of mustard. The bowl in which these ingredients are mixed should be placed in a vessel of boiling water and stirred until the consistency of rich cream, then lift the bowl from the hot water, and, when cool, place in the refrigerator.

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Excellent Sauce for Meat.

Honciulu sauce is excellent for meat and fish and is made thus: A small ecocanut, one quarter of an onion, one clove of garlic, one inch of root ginger, two large tablespoonfuls of curry powder, one quart of milk, four tablespoonfuls of butter, four tablespoonfuls of flour, salt and pepper to taste; grate the onion, garlic, ginger and co-coanut into a double boiler and add the curry powder and milk; cook slowly for an hour, beat the butter to a cream, add the flour and beat the mixture until it is smooth and light; strain the curry mixture upon it gradually so as to prevent its becoming lumpy, add the meat and fish, which are to be served with this sauce, and cook until boiling hot—about a quarter of an hour.

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Call's Liver Bourgeols.

Procure a nice liver from two and a half to three pounds. Cut one pound of larding-pork in strips two inches long and not too thick. Season each strip with pepper and salt, then lard the liver. Put in a braisiere one table spoonful of butter, and the remnants of the trimming and rind of pork. Place the liver in it, and leave it until nicely brown all over. Remove the liver from the sancepan. Add a desert-spoonful of flour, cook five minutes, stirring all he time with a wooden spoon. Season with two pinches of salt, two of pepper, half a pint of dry white wine, one and a half of water; add a boquet of three sprigs of parsley, one branch of celery, one small bay-leaf, three onlons and two cloves. Put the liver back again in the saucepan; cook one hour and a hair over a slow fire. Add to it lastly one pint of small new carrots and a half pint of small new carrots and a half pint of small new carrots and a half pint of small new onions; cook half an hour longer.

Serve the liver on a warm platter; arrange the vegetables around; strain and pour the gravy over. The white wine will give an excellent taste, and prevents the gravy from being greasy; but if no wine is at hand, the same quantity of rich good stock will answer.—Harper's Bazar.

Household Hints.

To remove chocolate stains, put in cold water first, then boiling.

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If one can wear old, loose kid gloves while ironing they will save many calloused spots on the hands.

In tea-making hard water is always to be preferred to soft since it dissolves less of the tannin in the leaves.

In adding milk or cream to tomatoes for a bisque, have both hot and then add a pinch of soda. This will prevent curdling.

Milk is an excellent substitute for soap in washing dishes. A half cupful to a dishpan half full of hot water is a good proportion to use.

To soften hard water when you do not wish to boil it, drop a little piece of chalk into the pitcher and in a snort time the water will be quite sort.

Eggs that it is desirable to keep fresh should be put in a cool, dark place. And it is always desirable to keep eggs fresh. One that isn't fresh is nothing short of an abomination.

In a lobster salad, lettuee leaves torn in cearse bits, are used in place of celery, the lobster coral is sprinkled over the mask of mayonnaise and the small lobster claws are used in the decoration.

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Bits of brown bread, graham, etc., make just as good pancakes as do bits of white bread, which as most house-keepers know, are very appetizing and quite unrecognizable when converted into pancakes. Soak up and make just as you do the white bread.

It is a mistake to iron flanners, it pulled out evenly while on the line so that they dry in good shape, and if, when dry, they are folded and put in the bottom of the clothes busket and the other clothes piled on them, they will be smooth enough to suit anybody but a crank. Hot irons take the lite out of flannels.

Keep a small, stiff new toothbrush especially to clean your fancy glassware. Dust, etc., accumulates in the pattern and the towel does not remove it. Glass that has held milk should be well rinsed in cold water before being put in warm suds, and all glass should be rinsed in odear hot water before wipling.