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|  | This＇species of composition is one which most men，in the conise of a long and checkered career，become familliar with |

 of their own，the chances of lifie or of
profesion bring them generall in profession bring them generally in con
tact with the love－letters of other peo－
pla；and general experiance agrees in pla；；and general experiance agrees in
this，that there is no branch of litera－ tare eo univerasaly cultivated to so very
litle porpose or une．Lovelettors
ought，on theory，to be fall of gevis ought，on theory，to be fall of geniars．
ougy contain，or are supposed to con－ They contain，or are supposed to con－
tain，the young gushings of nature
and of the heart．And it is pery mach only by one pair of liquid eyeg．At
such a task，onemould think oply．a very sunpid man would fail；but，on the con－ trary，one finds that very tow men suc－
ceed．Perhaps，at the time，it is not of much consequence whether tha ant thor
is fortuanate in a literary point of view or not，as the only cricic to whom
eforta are submitted is usually blindly partial，and perbaps not mach of a lit
erary jodge．Bat as clever women every now and then are faecinatiog，and men
do happen to fall in love with them，it
is necessary to have some sensible views is necessary to have some sensible viems
as to what a letter of the aoit，directed to a competent critic，shoold contain And inasmoch as，in the preseat condi
tion of society and the law，nobody can be quite certain that his lovel－ettere
may not hereafter be published，eithe for the beenefit of newspapers or for pos．

terity it it is im portant that people ebould | terity，it is important that people should |
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| begin to give thair minds to aoing their | apistolatory duties well and in a manne

calcolated to bring no disgrace upo themselves or their education．What
ruins most love－leters is not the senti ment，or the unwordliness that nuder lies them，so much as an adherence to
coumon form．Which is not by an means based upon thest apelettere of trades men and half－educated people，whener or they turn up in the papers，are al ways fall of little commonplaces，which
the writers appear to consider appropri－ ate to the situation．They never erean
able quite to make ap their mind wheth er it is the correct thing to call the
beloved object thou or you；and the rocond person plaral keep blunderiog
ap agaiost one another in a manne that must be heart－rending to any young
tradesman＇s mistrass who is mach of a
grammarian． There is something about the letters
of lovers who belong to this class of life that reminds the reader of a valentine
It is the correct thiug apparently amon them to engage．in a periodical corras
pondence．and the Brittiah traderman does it without a murmur ；but h
dit
share in it generally consisto of aseuran sbare in it geperaly conste
ces that when he got back to his enop
atter learing the lady of his affection could not dleep a wink，but that even in the dark watches of the night he is
＂thing，fondly thine．＂Tho yongg mil linar to whom in is addressed is far bet ter pleased that thees little common
forme should not be left out．Love－lat ters，like a trousseau，a wedding break
fast，and a trip oat of town，are the proper incidents of courtship and mar riage．Other jonng millinera have had
them，and it would be painfal thing to
thing theg were to be omitied，The happy tradesman is boond to grattrys so harmless a aentiment of feminine dignity and flourishes away with bis thees an thous in order to keep pace with hi
and his fair mistress＇conceptions of and his fair mistres8 conceptions on
what a love－letter ordinarily is and what it ie designed to be．


| Stuff for Smiles． <br> ＂Tommy，my aon，what are you going to do with that slab ？＂ <br> ＂Send it to the editor，of couree．＂ <br> ＂But what are you going to mend it to the editor for $?^{\prime \prime}$ <br> ＂Well，cause he sayg if angbody will send him a clab he will send him acopy of his papar． <br> A race horse having been recently killed in South Oarolina by lightoing the owner asid there was some consolation in knowing that nothing bat a atreak of lightning ever had eanght him． <br> An article in a London magazino di－ |  |
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An article in a London magazine di－
lates on the palatable quality of steakg
$\qquad$about lions，but it is said that those who＂ight the tiger＂rarely get their steaks．Women，said Voltaire，are angels whoto hell．There is a man in Colorado so thinthat when the Sheriff is after him he
crawle into his rille，and watohen hisadversary through the toneh－hola．A young lady says the reason why tallmen best succeed in matrimony is be－
cause all senaible momen favor $\mathrm{H} y$－men．cause all sensible women favior Hy－men．
$A^{-}$lady contributor sends the follow－A lady contributor sends the follow－
ing conindrum：Why are corsats econ－ing conundrum ：Why are corsets econ－
omical？（Being a modest man we giveit up．）Becange they prevent waits．Oar barber friend across tho waycomplaine that he has to ehave a grastmany donble－faced men in polittimes．This is a barber－ous pun．A contemporary asks if a window fall
of panes ever achess．．
＂Steel yonr hearl，＂naid a consider
to father to his son，＂for jou are goingnow among some fascinatiog gitrs：＂＂I had mach rather steal thairs，＂Bai unpromieing young man Mrs．Veal，Who bad lately given bor＇s inquiry for the health of her young bor＇s in
calf．
In the choice of a wife，take the In the choica of a wife，take the Why are ceritain goverament officala like some postage
they are poor atickg．
a a are poor sticks．
A boy in Baffalo reached a fatal pin
A boy in Buffalo reached a fatal pin
his career last week when he drank pint of rum．
Why is a kiss like a rumor？Becanso Why is a kiss like a ramor
it goes from month to mouth． iquor be given to him
We have heard and read of many in
duceements held oot by editorat o per
gons for new suberibers，but the follow sons for new sabecribers，but the follow
ing is the best ：＂The editor of the Gar－ dinger Journal says：＂For two new sab－
scribera，faraished by any good lookiog yoang lady，we will furiish a husband or if we fail in that，we will marry he
oupself as soon as the law will allow，＂ Dryden was so fond of reading，that his wife one day exclaimed，＂I wiah
that I were a book that I might almaya that I vere a book that I might alway
be in your society．＂＂I wish joun wer be in your society．＂＂I wish you wer
an almanac，＂he repplied，＂so I could
change every year．＂
Now that＂tilling hoope＂are going
out of fashion，let one thing be said in their favor－the mearers of them were
nevar liable to arrast for＂having no never hable to arreet
visible mease of support．
A new whim of the ladies is reported snowy neck：are going oct of fashion，and instead of cosmetics so produce white－ ness，ladies are now dying thair skin an
olive brown tint，in emalation of the beanties of Spain and Mexico．
＂Boss，I want 25 cants，＂，said a jour printer recently to his omploser．${ }^{\text {cep }}$
centa ！- how soon do gou want it $J$ alke？ ＂Noxt，Tresday a－weok．＂As sooin as that？You can＇t get it．I＇ve told you so often that when you are in want of bo large a sum of money，you m．
at least four weeks notice．＂
Don＇t ask your hasband＇s where thes Don＇t ask your hasband＇s where thes
have been when they come home late have been when thoy come home like；
if they wanted you to know they would tell you．
The young lady whose feelings are
＂all workad－up＂bas ordered a new sup－ ＂all！
ply．
＂．G
＂Greak Firte＂
name for whiskey．
name for wod
One good
waltzing．
Taltzing．
The jo
The young ladg＇s regnest－make me
The be

Anecdote of a Dog．
Those who take an interest－and who
does not ？－in the faithfal attachmont of dumb animals to thisir ownere，may portane：with pleasure the following anec－
dote，which，from the charactor of the dote，which，from the charactor of the
jonraal relating it a French ecientifc
 prietor of a chatean，in the neighborhood of Casel，died a short time since，and his remains，amid a wide aproad griof
vero lowered into the family vanlt，and depositod on $a$ sarcophagus in the subterranean chapel，pending the com plation of certain operations nece日sary oo prepare the place destined to recoive
the coffin．The deceased had owned a Cho coifin．The deceased bad owned
hound，to which he was partic̣larly ittached，and Licy retorned his affoc tion with donble interest．At the death
of har master of her master the poor boast woald no
quit hia death chamber，and was seen quit his death chamber，and was been
on the morrow，with bis head bovied down and ege mouroful and and，follow． log with moarnfil steps the fanoral ing place the body had been so fond．After the ceremong When the friends and neighbors had retirad，the oatlats of the roalt were thought of Lias ；for a time no one they oought her ；be conld not be fogith． ootwithstanding the active search made over all the estate．The servant espe－
cially cially charged with the cara of the ken．
nel suigested that as joung，sho hed that，as Luey was with coang，she had been prostrated in some
cave hollow in the neighboriood，as cave or hollow heon in times bofore．In the
she had to complate the detaile of tha interment， but it was not till athrethe lapse of ten daye that they coitd get to the tomb， The frat visit to the rempaine of one so
jastiy lamented was made with a cer． emonions solemaity．Bat what a apoc－ tacle presented itself to the view of the
visitiors！The pall had been palled of， the lid of the cofina torn opesa，and upon
the broast of the deceaged there lay the breast of the deceased there lay another－corpse－that of poor Lacy，
who，without doabt，after having borae her litter，had come to die apon the vanlt wers found，expiring the soran little ones，whom thp poor mother had cesed to nourish becanse the had
ceased to live．It is dificult to imagine
the the labor the faithfal creature mast have gone through in order to las bare he body of her master whom she woold
seem to have wiibed to come to life aem to have wibied to come to life
again．The corer of the coffin had been gnasmed open；the shrond was in和
ar a young married lady named
Downs，residing in Springfield，Mase．， on Saturday，left her home and took the cars for Hartford，in company with young man not har hasband．Hore nost gloriously was it improved by one camp，of the feminine parsuasion，who
ann sceat depravity as far as a certain
 they love to pray opon．So she hasten．
ed to the hasbands place of buainesg and with＂a atrange that his wifo had eloped membered that the had arranged in the
mornigg to visit har friend in morning to visit her friends in Water－
bary，bat she bad omitted to tate him that she had secured a atrange genlieman as escort．So the pext train borses thence to Waterbary．And
when he got there he found his wife had been accompanied by her own brother caras with her，and not soon enough to call oo him at his place of bnaineess，
The husband turned his wrath agains the meddlesome impertinonce that had
sent him on a fool＇s errand，but he sent him on a fool＇s errand，but he ought
rather to have vented something of his suspiciopas self，
EF A genins living in Oalifornia made－
nerve and bone and all－bealing Salve erve and bone and all－healing Solve，
it thought he would exporiment a lit． tle with it．Ho Greft cat of hig dog＇s tail and applied：bome of the ealve to the
stamp．A new tail grew out immediate． 1．He then applied Bome to the piece
of the tail which he bad cut off，and a new dog grem out．He did not known bich dog was which．
Fall River is one to the＂Propriers at Fall River is one to the＂Proprietor of
the best hotel in the City，＂and the pogtmaster is boarding around a weei
each to decide to whom it belongs．

