# YOUNG FOLKS.

#### The True Be-Peep.

About the year 1760 a gentleman in passing through a part of England famous for its fine sheep, stopped one night at an inn where there was placed upon the supper table a reast of fine fat mutten. The talk of the landlord turned from the mutton to the sheep and the great sheep ewner of the country; and he amused his guests with an account of a great quarrel between two neighboring gentlemen, each of whom had brought a suit against the other, one for the maining of his sheep, and the other for what he called unlawful seizure of a part of his flock. The affair, said the landlord, was widely known and had excited censiderable interest, and been made the subject of many jests, sengs and riddles, the point being as to how a certain flock of sheep could have lest their tails and getten them back on the same day.

The story of the affair, as related by the

landlerd, was as fellows : Each of the gentlemen in question was the owner of hundreds of sheep, which fed in large flocks on the uninclosed downs or They were all of a breed, remarkable for their short legs and bread, fat, heavy tails, on which the wool grew so long and thick that they literally dragged on the ground. They were divided into various large flecks, each of which was under the charge of a particular shepherd who appointed others, chiefly boys and girls, to lead them about in smaller companies and watch lest they should get mixed up with these of their neighbors. The shepherds of the two sheep-ewners were very jealous of each other, and there was between them a goed deal of quarreling and even at times fighting, concerning pasture, boundaries and

the ewnership of stray sheep. One day a simple young country girl, who had about forty sheep in her charge, sat down under a shady hawthorn bush to watch her flock and there unfertunately fell asleep. Some of the animals, finding themselves unchecked, strayed off to a distance and trespassed upon the territory of the rival flecks, where the shepherd cruelly out off their tails and then drove them back to their own

pasture, The girl meanwhile had awakened and in sere dismay searched for her missing charge, which she at length to her great jey expled coming toward her—but alas! as she seen discovered, without their tails. Thereupen her lever, a young shepherd, went in great wrath with some of his companions and had a flerce battle with the perpetrators of the entrage, whom they compelled to keep the maimed animals and give up instead an equal number of their own flock.

Hence the lawsuits and the bitter enmity between the two neighboring families, owners of the sheep.

When I first came acress this account in an eld beek, A Jaunt through England, I was immediately struck with the similarity of incident to the well-known ballad of " Bo-Peep." Indeed I can hardly doubt that this must have been the origin of the pretty little pastoral with which every child in the land is familiar and the explanation of that puzzling riddle as to how Be-Peep's flock lest their tails and found them again. The ballad was first popularly known about the time that the book in question was writtennearly one hundred years age—and was then net a nursery rhyme used to amuse children, but a fashionable song sung by ladies to the music of a spinet. It has since been altered semewhat, but was originally, as we find it in an old collection of "Songs and Ballads," as fellows :

Little Bo-Peep Lost her sheep And didn't know where to find them: Let them alone. And they will come home, Dragging their tails behind them,

So little Bo-Peep A watch did keep Mer troubled herself to find them; And they all came back. But alas, and alack! They had left their tails behind them!

Then she sighed and wept, And at last she slept, And droampt that she heard them a-bleating ; But when she awoke She found it a joke-For again they were a-fleeting.

Then her true love took Bis staff and crook And traveled abroad to find them ! And she saw them soon By the light of the moon Dragging their talls behind them;

# Conviction.

Never let your henest conviction be laughed dewn. You can no more exercise your reason, if you live in constant dread of ridicule than you can enjoy life if you live in constant fear of death. If you think it right to differ from the time, and make a point of merels, do it-not for inselence, but seriously and gravely, as if a man caraled a big soul of his own in his bosom, and did not wait until it was breathed into him by the breath of fashion. Be true to your conviction, and in the end you will not enly be respected by the world, but have the appreval of your conscience.

# Bargains.

A great many disputes arise from bargains being imperfectly understood or not plainly and fully expressed when they are entered into. This can be and should be guarded against. When you have made a bargain crally, write it dewn in brief and plain terms. Read it ever aloud to make certain that both contracting parties understand it alike. If there any doubtful points, discuss them frankly, even at the risk of breaking off the transaction; for, If there is bound to be a difference about it. far better to have it in the beginning, when it is harmless, than at a later period, when no one can measure the damages that may

Fair Evidence for Everybody. No one can doubt the great merit of Pelsen's NERVILINE, for it has been placed in the market in 10 cent bettles, just to give you the epportunity of testing its wonderful power over all kinds of pain. This is the best evidence of its efficiency, for every person can try for themselves. Pelson's Nerviline is a Lesitive (it cannot fail) cure fer cramps, headache, colds, neuralgia, and the heat of pains that flesh is heir to. Good to take, good to rub on. Go to any drug stere and buy a 10 cent sample bettle Large bettles 25 cents.

#### ROUND THE WORLD.

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The four most important towns of Austraisie are new Melberne, population, 282,-947; Sydney, 224 211; Adelaide, 103, 864; and Auckland, 60,000.

A Chicago jeweler has invented a selfwinding watch. By an arrangement something like the carefully balanced lever of a pedemeter, the watch is wound by the motion of the wearer when walking. A walk of seven minutes will wind the watch to go for forty-two hours.

Rattleenake Jim of Woester, Ohie, says that the only reliable cure for the bite of rattlesnake is turpentine. He says that a bettle of turpentine held over the bitten spot, the uncorked mouth down, will draw out the pelson, which can be seen as it enters the turpentine in a sort of a blue flame. Although he has never been bitten, he has tried this cure on his dogs, always with suc-

George Riley of Schnectady, who has just had his hand crushed in a drill press, is not a fortunate youth. When very small he fell off a fence and breke his nose. Later he was nearly drowned; then his toes were crushed by the cars; then he broke his nese again; | tended. then his head was crushed between the bumpers of railroad cars, and when the skating rink was opened he was the first to hurt himself, breaking his arm.

A weman belonging to one of the oldest families et Derby, Cenn , premised her husband before his death that she would wear his ring as long as she lived. In the grief that followed his death she forgot about the ring, and it was on his finger when he was burted. A few nights ago, at midnight, the sexten epened the grave and took off the lid of the offin, and the widow went dewn to the grave and removed the ring from the dead hand. She paid the sexton \$25 for his

A statistical expert calulates that if I,000,-000, babies started tegether in the race of lite, 150,000 would drop out in the first year 53,000 in the second, and 22,000 in the third year. At the end of forty five years about half of them would still be in the race. Sixty years would see 370,000 gray heads still at it. At the end of eighty years there would be 79,000 remaining on the track; fifteen years later the number would be reduced to 223, and the winner would quit the track ferever at the age of 108.

Fred and Willie Gerster, aged 9 and 11, tired of their home in Cincinnati, so they packed a big basket with previsions, stole \$3 and a pistel from their father, and set out to see the world. And they saw it for three weeks, sleeping in barns, selling newspapers, and blacking boots in Dayten and Teledo, and were in a fair way to become therough tramps when the advertisements of their frantic father led to their apprehension and return to the parental roof. They say that they have had all the tramping they want.

It was announced that the Thomas Paine Seciety of Frederick county, Md., would celebrate the seventy-seventh anniversary of Tem Paine's death at the house of Aaron Davis, near Frederick; but not a celebrater appeared. Mr. Davis himself observed the day by not working. He said that, while there were only about a dezen members of the society, there were three or four hundred believers of the Paine doctrines in the county, but fear of social estracism or injury to their business caused them to make a secret of their views.

Pawtucket, Recently the clerks and freight hands went to his office in a body, and the spokesman began a speech about the strikes out West and the relations of employers and empleyed, and was going on when Mr. Arnold very sternly and impatiently said : "State your grievance." The next mement he felt the cheapest of any man in New England, for the spokesman said the boys had come to make him a present on his fifty seventh birthday. It was a nice present, but Mr. Arnold could hardly say "thank you," he was so surprised.

Christopher Casey and John Hebbern, military convicts at Fert Snelling, Minn. were working outside the fort, under the care of Sentinel Brown. Seizing a favorable opportunity, they knocked the sentinel dewn and got his gun, Brewn get up. knocked Hebborn down, made after Casey, who was running off with the musket, overtook him, get the piece, and when Casey refused to surrender shet him through the heart. Then he fired five shots at Hebbern but did not hit him, and the convict escaped. Casey was a deserter and was serving a two-year's sentence.

The London World says that on Patti's return to Lenden she found awaiting on her table several pale blue boxes from Lady and Mr. Alfred de Rothschild, the first one centaining a breech about four inches long, representing two large pansies in white brilliants, with nine big blood-red rubies in it: heart all diamonds, and a large ruby in the middle, goes with the brooch; a cigar-bex of vieles leathor, with an inch-wide gold frame, and on one side "M. Earnest Nicolini :" en the ether, " From Mr Alfred de Rothschild," both names all in diamonds and rubies; and sundry other trifles in gold

and silver. Henry Ralph and his wife of Berville Mich., quarreled and separated, the mother taking a three-year-eld child with her. She tired of the boy, and a few days age, in company with an admirer, started in a buggy to take the child to its father. She met him on a wagon lead of gravel and effered the child to him. He wouldn't take it. The mother tessed the boy up on the lead of gravel. The father threw him back into the buggy. The mether gratbed the whip and began beating her husband, and in the confusion the little boy fell out of the buggy between the wheels of the leaded wagen. The horses started, the wheel went ever the little head, and the question in dispute was nottled forever. The woman has been ar-

The Revue Scientifique announces the discovery of a beetle, christened Octonia aureia which is to render unnecessary all the knewledge gained by Pasteur concerning the treatment of rables. A Russian naturalist. Alexander Becker, is credited with having made known the properties of this invaluable bug, and as being the authority for the statement that in southern Russia it is com-

a Ostonia aurata la envolu be secured against hydroph is said to be of a metallic green color, with ne white lines and spots upon it, and it i represented as common among flowers, not only of southern Russia, but of nearly all southern Europe.

Mrs. Hannah Batler, for a long time a pensioner on the bounty of a charitable organization in Baltimore, died the other day, and a plain pine or ffin was precured and she was about to be buried by the organization that had supported her while she lived. Meantime her landlidy had been hunting among Hannac's pessessions, and not in vain. In the straw of her bed was a wallet containing \$30 in gold and a bank book showing entries amounting to \$1,785. Some of the money had been drawn out, but there is a goodly sum still on deposit in the Savings bank of Baltimore. The landlady stopped the funeral, and had the body taken out of the pine ceffin and placed in an ice casket. The old dress in which the woman was laid out was taken off and she was clothed in an elegant shroud. A handsome casket was ordered, and the funeral took place with more pemp than was at first in-

#### A DREADFUL DEATH.

Perishing from Thirst and Exposure e the Mojave Desert.

James Sutcliffe and Alexander Falcener returned from a trip to Cave Wells, or the Resting Springs read, Cal., lately, whither they had gone to search for the person of George Anderson, who was lost short time ago while traveling in company with A. Bateman, on their way to Wilson ranch, Lincoln, Nevada. It seems that Mr. Anderson while laboring under a fit of mental derangement, jumped from the wagon and fled to the mountains, where he eluded pursuit for four days in a country destitute of water. Occasionally sight was caught of him by Mr Bateman, who was in pursuit, accompanied by John Black and Judge Califf. Once in the meantime Mr Bateman, was close enough to him to coax him into his wagon, where he gave him some water and liquer. He again became violent, insisting that some one was after him for the purpose of rebbery, and threatening to kill Mr. Bateman, who was at that time alone, trying get at the firearms, which fortunately had been concealed. He then attempted to get the butcher-knife from the mess chest, but did net succeed.

Mr. Bateman at this became theroughly alarmed, told him to jump from the wagon, which he did, fleeing to the hills like a deer. This was the last time any one got near enough to speak to him. Mesers, Curry and Winters, coming along two days later, found where he had laid down in several places, having by this time divested himself of his shees. Numerous places were found where he had been digging in the hard ground, apparently for water A diligent search was kept by Mr. Bateman, John Black and Mr. Califf, and at last Mr. Bate- | be buffale, denkey, camel, ostrich or man, man found his body on a rocky hill about | says the Hon. S. S. Cox. It would be the six miles southerly from Cave station, lying en his face dead. His feet were wern to the bene from running lever the sharp stones barefeoted, his right hand worn out from digging for water, his arms lacerated so that that the bones and sinews were expected from falling, and his body badly bruised. The searching party covered him up carefully, intending to come to Dagget for help te bury him, but Sutcliffe and Falcener, who Daniel R. Arneld is the station agent at | had gone out, arrived, and at midnight, with no music but the plaintive cooling of the turtle-dove and the sighing winds among the granite recks near the base of old Ivawach mountains, the friends of poor happyhearted George dug a deep grave, and as the pale moon leeked calmly down upon the mournful scene, all that was mertal of George Anderson was consigned to its mother earth. In his delirium he hid the meney and two gold watches that he was known to have upon him, and lost his coat and hat, which have not yet been found. He was well known in this vicinity and in Nevada. He was a man of warm and generous impulses, which endeared him to a host of frierds, who deeply mourn his unfortunate death. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity, aged about thirty-eight or forty years, and a native of Dundee, Sootland. He had lived a greater portionef his life in Canada and Nevada, Mr. Bateman, John Black, Judge Califf, and others were unceasing in their endeavers to capture him, but their efforts were in vain for he could easily watch them and hide in the numerous caves and ravines which abound in that region.

# PERSONAL.

Princess Louise's illustrations and sketches of Canadian life and scenery are used exclusively in illustrating the new guide-book to Canada, compiled and just issued by the Dominion Government.

Mme, Minnie Hauk intends this summer to visit Leng Branch, Newport, Saratoga, Richfield Springs, Celerade, and the Yellewtone Park. It is estimated that Mme. Hauk has given away ever \$10,000 in charities since beginning her career.

The Cemte de Paris has declined the cerdial invitation of a group of efficers of the Army of the Potomac to reside in the United States. He regrets that he cannot consider a permanent residence here, and very truly says that it is too distant from European centers.

After much arranging of their Itinerary, Professor Libby and Lieutenant Schwanka, have started on at exploring tour in the Mount St. Elia region of the Alaskan Alps. Their particular object is to obtain a complete series of photographs of the Thlinket Indians, and their way of life.

The Chinese merchants of Hong Keng are about to present the Prince of Wales with a silk screll in commemoration et the Indian and Colonial Exhibition. It is described as a very handsome piece of embreidery about fifteen feet long.

The infant King of Spain has wern at his christening the dress used by his father on a similar occasion. It is of white lace, embreidered with flour-de-lie, and has been treasured by the ex-Queen Imbella all these years. She has now given it t the Queen Regent. Speaker Pool, of the Imperial Parliament

Balal Parliame Mr. Pool allows ordinary evening at his regular Wednesday dispers.

Mr. Woods who has been appointed Canadian agent general to the Australesian colonies, was at one time a member of the firm of Carson & Woods, of Sydney, N. S. W. The Winnipeg Sen says that "Mr. Wood. during his residence in Winnipeg, by his public spiritedness and courteeus demeanor, has made many friends.

Miss Nora Ciench, a native of St. Marys, Ont., and for some time a resident of Hamilton, Ont., is non studying music in Leipsic, Germany. The newspapers of that city all speak in high praise of the young Canadian's first performance in public there. Following is an extract from the Leipsiger Tageblatt: "The choicest number of the evening was the performance of Bach's Chacenne fer violin sele. Miss Leonera Clench, of St. Marys, Canada, proved by her really glorious interpretation of that most difficult composition, that she has already reached such an advanced stage in the art of violin playing that she has it now in her power to go on and attain the highest limits of her art. Beautiful tone, neble phrasing, prefound soulfulness characterised the playing of this fair young artist, who by her perfermance raised a storm of enthusiasm Indeed, Herr Brodsky, the celebrated teacher of this young violiniste, is truly to be congratulated on the possession of such pupil. May there be no interruption to the

final development of such a great talent," A musical paper asserts that Grever Cleve land is as unmusical as the Emperer of Germany and the Queen of England, but that he pretended to choose the music for their wedding all the same. Grover may be unmusical but he can begin to take an interest in now that his young wife will play to him, and it might be safely predicted that he will. As for Emperor William, he is by ne means unmusical, and was in his younger years a great admirer of really good music he is even now a patron of music and has done much to improve military music in Prussia. Queen Victoria is absolutely a fine musician, who never engaged a lady of honer that would not play a duet with her on the plane; she possessed a very fine velce. admirably trained by old Signor Lablache. Music was daily practised in the reyal household during Prince Albert's lifetime, and it was a pleasure to hear Mendelssohn say, with his eyes all aglow, how delighted he was to hear the Queen play one of his "Lieder chne Werte" better than he could do it himself. There is no amateur lady in New York that can measure herself with Queen Victoria as to musical knowledge. Where in the world was that information taken from? Not from reality.

#### THE PLAGUE OF EGYPT.

Dissertation on Flies as They Exist h

If I should be called on to name the most vital animal element of Egypt it would not flies. It was winter, but they were as plentiful as in time of summer or of the plagues. In the eighth chapter of Exedus it is said that the Lord "did according to the word of Moses, and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharach, from his servants, and from his people: there remained not one," What a relief? Not one," That was near 4,000 years age. They have accumulated since enermously. Without displaying any incredulity, I have my deubts of there being a time when there was not one fly in all that land. It is said that there is good in everything, and, if so, there must be some utility in the fly. Its possible power for good may not have been measured. That it produces ophthalmia and tends generally to derogate from the land of Ocirie and Rameses no one will dispute. The perpetual irritation of the flies, especially upon the eyes of the children-like that of a flea -may provoke the lazy " fellah " to exertion, and thus help him to discharge his debt to nature, if not to the bendhelder. If one did not know by certified papri that these mumified kings and queens were ancient, and had, therefore, shriveled their condition might he accounted for by the plague of fites. Much trouble has been taken to account for the building of the grand tombs and pyramids in the deep sands and rubble. It is not difficult to solve when we remember that priest and king suffered from the swarms of flies. The infantile death rate is due mostly to flies, On the vessel or in the mud hut, in temple or tewn-flies! From Thinite, first dynasty 2700 B. C., to the time of the present courtcous and unselfish khedive-flies! Theban, Bubastile, Saite, Ethiopian, Macedonia, Greek, Roman, and Mahemetan dynasticsflies! From the tiniest buzzeer to the biggest blue-bottle-flies! Touching with dainty feet and prehensile grip the beauteous eyelash of Cleopatra; biting with chivalvic intrepidity through the harness o Gedfrey de Bouillen, and pursuing with a " nipping air " Persian, Kermani, Syrian, and Room, as they filt through historyflies! What a visitation, and only once a relief! Yet mechanism, if harnessed by Stephensen, Ericeson, and Edison, might have employed these possible ferces. The lifting power of denkey, camel, and buffale, implied in the tail force of ten pounds minute for only forty centuries of perpetual fly time (except when Israel was in question), and Egypt might have had organized power enough to have werked all the shadeefs on the Nile, plewed all her arable seil, transported all her produce to market, and even bered for petroleum on the sheres the scriptural Red sea.

"Yee, I believe in the eight-hour system," said a Warren township farmer. "I work eight hours in the foreneen and eight in the afternoon. In having time I semetimes put n an hour or two extra.

A widow who put her all into a deal in stocks and was shrunk out, called upon her broker and said : "When will this thing probably come out in the papers?" "Tomorrow, doubtless." "How long can you suppress it." "Why, I might keep it out two days, but not longer." " Only two days? That's pretty short notice, but I'm a huetler when I get my bound on; I'll depend on the two days." On the third day

# LATE DON

An illicit still with a cons lone was seized recent near Port Perry

Mr. J. R. Neff, of Manage 500 acres of wheat is talk is reported to be one of the crops ever seen in the buth

The Stratford Pelice Keel Daniel McMullen 350 a pertion of Denald Provided bit off on the night of Image Mr. Jenathan Beck, of P. fow days ago was attacked by hiving. They seemed resided his

his cars, in his whiskers, and a limit He is under medical treatment According to aPort Perry party ler of an Ontarie county many from a constituent all his loss the family pig. On going for the sever, he was so emergetically record to constituent's wife that he details

to abanden the enterprise. The Scott Act Association Break Wellingson County, have deside a detective force to co-spense with spectors. An organizer is also be and kept permanently in the fall appreaching elections are one. clation are taking steps to min to \$3,000 as an enforcement and distant

A. Peterborough officen own has become se old and feeble that he to shoot it. He accordingly brinds to the outskirts of the town and falls into his carcase. The deg took b is and disappeared, and the market his bullet had failed to find in mi day or two after, however, the day home, and on examination it was the ball had passed clean through his without touching any vital put been decided that the deg that he to live.

The other day a pair of put to evidently been cast off by a tree found in the barn of Mr. John W. en the Bayfield Read, in Hurse cont the pocket was a leather point in which were a dozen or more dipple five dollar bills. Most of the place bil clipped right screes the bill, and but figure five on them. It is supposed to balance of the bill was passed in the way, and that the clippings wer to be pasted over the figure l, a mi bille, thus making what is known in

The old Episcopal Church and L Keswick, N. B., has just bee to and removed. This was one dia churches in New Brunswick, him built 75 years age. There hear my new living in the place, Mr. George le Sr , 80 years old, who has any mobile the time when the church we Most of the early settlers who took not rection are now buried in the rad a surrounded it. It is reported to church was removed against the view the church-wardens and a large mid the people of the place

#### SUMMER SHILES.

Epitaffy—Tombetone inscription Murmurs of the tied-The grants a married couple,

Since the experiments of M. Pate cases of hydrophebia have prove m ful, there is a growing tendency h be try to vaccinate early bean home

"By goah, remarked Pindar b kins, after his return from the dit, he had been to visit some dist relations. "It seems mighty god to back where I can eat ple with a talle of

Young man (at the deer); "Is Mi. in ? Servant : " Ne, ser, he's pas 4 town not felve minutes ago, son." man : " Ah ! Well you please heal fit to Miss Smith ?"

"How do you sell these built! juired a lady of one of our date to day. He looked in the directice into and then blushed clear to the mois hair as he explained to the ledy the were not wire bustles, but bastel

Mr. De Garmo : I suppose abest 15 of the year you young ladie who mi to graduate are engaged all the time paring your essays. Um-by the mile Eugenia, what is yours going to be Eugenia: Pale blue, trimmed with rel "Adenis" Dixey and his company

having such hard luck in Leeden feared they may be compelled to mil It may afford them some satisfaction that according to the theory of sharp, the ocean will dry up insit million years.

The striking mania re preacher in a town in Mississippi day, and he rese before his and said: "Chill'en, I'se ben 175 preach de gespel en two dollars I'ze got discouraged. Yeu has disc. rais the salary to three, or I'm form out an skirmish fur hoge an distri wid de rest of you an' take my gwine to Heaven," By union the congregation it was decided to the salary at two dollars and is

"What is a degma?" saked one day last week, of his method opinion, child." Satisfed with the the little fellow went out and about forty five minutes, when excitedly into the room where was sewing, and exclaimed: Our opinion got after Hereit oas and chased it down the alle onto ours, an' chawed his ex him awful. Our opin had sweened.

A Stupid Man Servet "Charles," said backeler Bossele

new man servant, as he was satisfied to after dinner siests, " you are to whenever I am thirsty, of old port as he spake.

"" But how shall I know, is, "I shall be thirty where I are thirsty." ed, of course," with a lock of parties