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about worm holes.

for a valler dog.

sound of his bray.

such a heap of 'em.

tired of hearin' each older laugh.

dey want to be respected by odders.

one of de biggest sinners in de crowd.

While honesty am de best policy, doan'

Bumpe on a man's head may express his

What we do to-day am dun fur to-mor-

Starved into Submission

One he refused to draw, but as soon as

some and discontented when left alone,

What He Would Say.

beat the animal with a club.

are or scissors is?"

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OETRY

THE GROCER The greeer level a charming firl. At levely as the day;

He wondered if she'd marry him. And said, "! et Soap she may." An I straightway to her house he went. Her lovely fare to see, Exclaiming. "Ah, I know full well, That Cheese the girl for me."

That she was very glad To see him there, and then remarked What a bad Coffee had. An ! scon they got most intimate.

The girl was very kind, and said

She lot him kiss her brow. But when he spoke of marriage, said. "Oh, do not Tees me now."

The grocer's spirits fell at this, He felt as though he'd die. And hinted at a suicide. Thille she Bacon to cry.

You silly boy, you don't suppose I'm blind to all your merits." It's evident she know a way

Of Raisin up her "sperits." Hut true love's course did ne'er run smooth-Her father eaw them kiss : And kicked him from the room, and said.

"You Biscuit out of this." And thus adjured, he soon got out. It hardly need be said:

And tumbling headling down the stairs. Mustardly hit his bead. Ob, father, you are cruel, to

So roughly handle us:" Thus spake the girl, and father said-"I thick it's Candle as."

Papa relented when he saw His child beginto cry! There, there, you think my treatment hare My daughter, Sods I."

"There, keep your lover, dry your eyes, And let us have no more row : I did not like the man, but my

Opinion Salf-ered now." The two were wel, and made a pair, By no means ill-assorted:

And happy over after were.

It's Current-ly reported.

OUR STORY.

CLARA'S FORTUNE.

"You're to spare no expense, if you please," said Miss Ferningham, loftily. "The parlors are to be decorated with real flowers and smilar, in your best style. My aunt wishes this to be the most elegant entertainment of the seoson." The florist bowed low.

"We want the conservatory nearly filled," went on the young lady, " and to hire an orange tree in fruit for the evening." "But, ma'am, I am afraid-" "Expense is no object," emphatically

pronounced Miss Perningham. "My sunt 5878-"

But here she checked herself, at the same time fixing her eyes, with a strong | ingham didn't see you." look of haughty surprise, on a tall, alender girl who stood behind the counter, busily making up a boquet from the piles of fragrant violets, crimson rose-bads, featherly stephanetis and scarlet carnations that lay in profound drifts on their beds of sweet moss.

Miss Ferningham stared at her as if. like ancient Medusa, she would transform

her to stone, but the fair disciple of Flora took no notice of the fossilating look. And then Miss Ferningham, stepping | sie. into her silk-cushioned landau, bade the coachman "drive home at once." She hurried unstairs into her aunt's

bondoir, where that august lady sat, surrounded by crested envelopes, perfumed paper and fancy writing materials. "You haven't sent off any of the juvitations yet, have you, Aunt Penelope?"

panted the young lady. "Not yet. Why?" "Don't send Clara Anneslie's." " Not send Clara Anneslie's invitation. Why not?" exclaimed Mrs. Ferningham,

with wide open eyes, and mouth gradually elongsting itself to correspond. "It's all true about her money being lost in the San Antonia. "How do you know? Have you soes

her lawyer ? 'No, but I have seen her. She's selling flowers behind Hardie's counter. The next we know she'll be galloping up and down the sisles of the opers house, selling ten cent boquets on a board. Clara Annes. he never had any pride. Why couldn't she take in sewing, or give music lessons,

her living?" ".Did she see you ?" "Yes, of course she did. We looked each other full in the face."

or de something genteel, if she must earn

" Did she speak?" "I didn't give her a chance. I turned away as cold as ice."

"That was right," said Mrs. Ferningham, approvingly, as she tore up the scented note that was to have been sent to Clara" Annealie the "Open Besams" of the soiree, where no expense was to be spared. Miss Ferningham brightened ap at once

It had been the daring ambition of her heart, before Miss Anneslie's beauty solips. ed her humble light, to become her cousin Herbert's bride. Perhaps it was yet upon ham. "Why not?" he comes that also should young the warms of

happiness. So she put on her turquoise, blush and a smile that made her face look like a rose in the sunshine, "I'm engaged." freshened up her luces, and sied pale blue ribbons in her lustreless flaxen hair. And And that was all the satisfaction Mr in the prettily childish way she affected Herbert Ferningham could get upon the with her cousin Herbert, she told her tale. "A horrid bore," said Herbert Ferning-

ham, playing with his sleeve buttons. "No end of puisance. And Clara Anneshe, the prettiest girl out, too. What is it that Shakspeare says about a dear gazelle? I've got it somewhere in an old scrap book, I believe. But of course there is no use a fellow making eyes at a shop girl. If I marry at all it must be a girl with money. Didn't some one say that Hattie Courtenay had three thousand a

"Clara, my dear !" Mrs. Estcote checked her little ponies on the corner of the street and beckoned her young friend to

year of her own?"

take a seat beside her. "Where are you going?"

"To Barini's to look at some basso re lievos."

"Well, I'll take you there. Jump in. by his clothes am buyin' a mule by de Have you heard the news ?" "I have heard nothing special." "So I concluded, said Mrs. Estcote,

laughing. "People are always last to hear what directly concerns themselves. You don't know then that-stay, here comes Mr. Herbert Ferningham! Let's see if he

will bow to you." "Of course he will bow to me. Why be too fast to express your candid opinyan shouldn't he bow to me?" said amazed of your negour.

But just as she was making ready to traits of character, but you kin find out all incline her head in the most gracious and you want to know about him by goin' on lady-like way in response to the expected salutation, Mr. Ferningham passed on, one excursion in his company. deeply intent on the engravings in the

opposite shop window. rer. What we intend to do to-morrer won't "I thought so," said Mrs. Estcote, wish | buy meat fur to-day's dinner. a carl of her lip.

surprise, not unmingled with mortifica-"To come back to our news." said Mrs. balky freak in a very quiet, and, as he Estcote, whipping up her ponies by way of claims, not a cruel manner. His horse is Store. escape valve to her excited feelings. "You | in excellent flesh, and shows no signs of haven't heard then that you have lest all

"What does it mean?" asked Clara, in

your property-that the San Antonio was wrecked?" "The San Astonio was wrecked," Clara | The animal would not pull a pound. He children. Price 25 cents at all Druggists. innocen ly made answer, "but that made | did not beat him with a club but tied him no difference to me. My guardian sold her a month ago to Messes. Easy and Golightly, and my property is all invested in but he would not straighten a tug. good, safe bond and mortgage."

"Neither, I suppose, have you heard that you had gone into a florist's store to

attend the counter there for a living." "I did go into a florist's tae day before yesterday," said Clars, after a moment or two of pazzled retrospection. "But it was only to John Hardie's. John used to be papa's gardener before he went into the florist's business, and I often run in and make up boquets to suit myself. But I wasn't hired, neither did I sell boquets, she added, with a laugh at the comicality

of the idea. "Just about as much foundation to the as there is to the most of Mrs. Grundy's reports," said Mrs. Estcote, with a toes of her pretty little plumed hat. " Now you know the reason that Mr. Herbert Fern-

"Alas! I suppose," said Miss Anneslie the reason that I have received no eards to Mrs. Perningham's forthcoming soiree. Never mind; I can endure it. But who told you this?"

"My brother-in-law, Jack Estcote. "Did he believe it ?" "Of course he did. He had it direct from Celestia Ferningham." Clara colored. Her little fingers tight-

ened on the clasp of her gilded portman-"And yet he called as usual last night. He-he asked me to marry him."

"What did you tell him ?" "I said I would consider."

"Well, then, consider," srid Mrs. Est cote. "It is a matter not lightly to be decided. But remember this, Clara: Jack Estcote woold have married you if you had been a beggar girl, holding out your hand on the street corners." Clara Anneslie went home and thought

the question over at her leisure, and the more she thought of it the more she be came convinced in her inmost mind of two things. One was that she had had a lucky escape from the toils of Herbert Ferning. ham; the other that she was almost ourtain that she liked honest hearted, frank speak to him for two days. souled Jack Estcote well enough to marry him; always provided, of course, that he should ask her again !

He did ask her again, and just as she has said "yes" with the prettiest of pink the door bell and in stumbled Mr. Herbert | lady skipped up to him, threw her arms Ferningham, in a very great hurry. "Oh, I beg your pardon, I'm sure," said | many times saying: that gentleman. "I hope I'm not in-

truding." "Not in the least," said Jack Estoote, soired te-night. It was accidentally om- in her eye.

mitted. Extremely awkward; I'm sure, So Clara Annealis became aware that | brace.

will occur structions. I am mery that "Can't scoopt?" frowned Mr. Ferning. | said: "That's a new trick here."

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sound creates ! How they clink, clink, clink, Like the clanging of the "chink" Which the miser loves to handle as he pours if

How they jingle, jingle, jingle, On the glassy ice at night, While the youth and maidens mingle With their abouts of wild delight, As they go To and fro, : Oliding here, dashing there, Bosy cheeks, flying hair. Stordy lade, and lastice fair Oh! Away with melancholy! Let us frolic and be jolly! On the ice.

Yet it's nice. Let us skate, skate, skate, Till our hearts become elate the merriment and joility pleasure brings. Thile old Time, with mirthful ' rinkies flies

Though old fogies think it's fo: 'y.

with laughter-laden wings. How each skater navigates Radiates, and gyrates, As his speed accelerates,

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to a tree and let him stand. He went to The face wears a yellow hue, pimples apthe lot at sunset and asked him to draw, morning nausea, and pains in back, side made up my mind," said the farmer, when that horse went to the barn he would take that load of wood. The night Expel it from the circulation, and direct it was not cold. I went to the barn, got blankets, and covered the horse warm, and he stood until morning. Then he refused to draw. At noon I went down and he was probably hungry and lonesome. He drew that load of wood the first fime I

asked him. I teturned, got another ided before I fed him. I then rewarded him with a good dinner, which he eagerly devoured. I have drawn several loads since. saw me start for the house he started after me with the load. A horse becomes louemuch so as a person, and I claim this method, if rightly used, is far less cruel;

A husband and wife were talking gram. It a few days by the use of PUTNAM's "Would you," said she, "say scissors to cure, never causes pain, never causes "I'd say scissors are, of course," he re- annoying than the original discomfort, Would you say molasses is or molasses | trial. Beware of substitutes. Sold by CO., Kingston, Proprietors,

ably relieves the pain in the chest." well; that you had the mumps, that ! Trial Bottles of this sure cure for all Tommy had a sore finger, that the baby Throat and Lung Diseases may be had Free at J. E McGarvin's Drog Store. Large

"Well, then, would you say the family A Lawyer's Opinion of Interest to all. "What; you wouldn't say the family are well, when family is a singular noun; would you?" "What would you say, then, I'd like

had the colic, that Katie had the headache and that I was trying to make an average a.ze, \$1.00. by being well enough for four." She went out of the room and didn'

"Why, love, I'd say the family was no

As Mr. D. Witt C. Pease, of New York stepped from a Michigan Central train in blushes on her cheek, there came a ring at | Chicago on Tuesday, a handsome young rapturously about his neck and kissed him

"Oh, papai I'm so glad you hav

The Lost Daughter Swindle.

Mr. Pease threw both arms around he and held her firmly to his breast: Soo "But my mother has sent a card for her | she looked up into his face and horror stood "Oh, my ! you're not my papa !"

> "Yes, I am," insisted Mr. Pease, holding. her tightly. "You are my long lost daughter, and I am going to keep you right my arms till I gat a polioscam." Whete the officer came and found

the curious rumor about her poverty was contradicted in society "Yes," said she, quietly, "it's rather swkward But such mispadesteodings

Peace's diamond pin in the girl's hand, he Cerate. feelthon having, and be sure you