AN OFFER OF MATRIMONY.

Meester MacFarlane, baker," in the

presence of her mistress is something de-

"I just called to say, Miss Catherine

Elizabeth Drummond, that I made ye au

offer of matrimony this day week, an' I

Tibbie looked as innocent as a lamb. -

" Weel, sir," she said, "if a' ye require

s an answer, I suppose as long as ye get

"Ye ken well that I care," replied the

suitor doggedly. "The last time I was

here ye made objection to me bin' a baker.

but ye suid pick that bone wi me father for

apprentique me to that trade. Ye re-

market that ye'd always intended to marry

wi' a sallor. But I cannot be a sailor

a grippin' wet ropes, climbin' bare poles

like a dancin' bear, to pleasure even ye as

did'nt know Tibble as well as I did.

"What settled objection ha's ye

It sounded like a stern controversy be-

tween consumer and manufacturer, rather

than like a conversation between lover and

"Weel, I has," admitted Tibbie, "when

what the chosen people eat in the destruc-

tion o' Jerusalem ; but I eat it wi' my eyes

ONE THING AT A TIME.

"Early in life," relates a gentleman w

The ground of that piece was hard to till;

then stopped to take a general look at the

task before me. Grass as high as the po-

do anything further then with it."

hill at a time, at any rate.

those grass roots which I never forgot.

was to look right down at the one thing to

myself by looking off at the things I haven't

come to. I've been working ever since that

summer at the hill nearest my feet, and I

have always found it the easiest way to get

a hard task-accomplished, as it is the true

BAD THOUGHTS, BAD WORDS,

tise the speaking of bad words and von rainy day of a dollar laid by."

are sure to do avil deeds. Quench the

first spark, and you will prevent the house

being set on thre. Subdue the first evil

thought and the bad deeds will never be

done. Let your prayer be. "Search me

know my thoughts, and see if there be any

they are the beginning of everything else

bad thoughts, bad words and bad deeds.

O God! and know my heart; try me and

.BAD DEEDS.

way to prepare a field for the harvest."-

Southern Presbyterian.

ken why I'll no marry a baker."

mouth and a glitter in her eyes.

an answer, we dinna care what it may be?"

wad like an answer."

my time of life."

ye were grown?"

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"I wonder if it will be exposing her A Little Talk About +SHOES+

any danger, if I suffer her sympathies become enlisted for the poor fellow? has great depth of character, though apparently so thoughtless. Ah, Mr. Welby "Thanks. But if you are willing, would like to have a change of scene. W

I be in the way if I stay here for a litt while ?"

"No, indeed! there is a delightful se just by the window." As Mrs. Fanning said this, the though came that fate had taken a responsibility out of her hands. She had not fully con aluded whether or not to introduce her Lulu to this young protege of hers. his sudden appearance on the scene would

necessitate it; for another moment an Lulu and her flowers would be there, too "How do you feel to-day?" she asked. "A great deal better, thanks to vot kindness. But what terrible realization what lies before me in the world seems crush me down. I have absolutely run

away from my thoughts. Oh, my kind my true friend! Do you think there still hope for one like me?" He stopped suddenly, for Luly appear

in the doorway. "Here I am, dear, roses and all. "O W. Williams', Acton. beg pardon. I thought you were alone Custom work and repairing given careful atten-tion. Trunks and values in variety. Horace Welby looked up at the sound the clear, girlish voice, and saw a picture which was forever after to be enshring within his memory. 'It was as bright the most vivid-hued painting, and as perfect

in detail as though colored by that master artist, the sun. A tender, oval face, with smiling, trous eyes, opened to their full width surprise; red, dewy lips; a wealth of shir ing hair; a slight, dainty figure, with two white hands holding a basket brimmir over with creamy-white, half-opened ros

-this was the picture. And this end of the year is the time generally chosen as being the most suitable and appro-priate for And what did Lulu see? A pale, handsome face, lighted by eyes large and dark that the heavy, black ey brows arching above them gave them weird intensity of expression, which we increased by a contraction of the forehead into a slight frown. A fascinating face but a gloomy one. Lulu found her eve returning to it again and again when a To Make More Photographs than we did in could do so unobserved. What could have cast such a shadow over it?" So your scarcely older than herself, and yet h To Please Everybody Better than we did looked so unhappy!

> "Come in, child; this is Mr. Welb Miss Marlow, Horace." One would hardly have recognized playful, childish Lulu who but a fe moments before had been talking with Mrs Fanning, in the quiet, dignified young lad who bent her head in answer to Mr. Welby's

Bring the rosy little Cherubs to us and get a A few commonplaces about the weather Charming picture one that will be one of your desrest treasures in after days.

Pictures are as low as good work and a living ollowed, and then Horace rose and excused himself.

"Who is he? How did he come to here, just for all the world as though had dropped from the clouds? you tell me about him !!

THE QUARRELSOME KITTENS a young girl who should set her heart upon pung for the husband she has chosen?" him would be laying out for herself a lifetime of sorrow, and my Lulu?' laying a "As God is my witness, I undertake the caressing hand upon the girl's bright head, "is so dear to me that I healtated about in. forearmed, and it is for that reason I en- time." lightened you as to what he really is. Horace Welby is a man intended by nature to be one of the noblest of his kind, but pity; then by a woman's love. who, through a mistaken mode of education. was thrown among companions, that, though, 'good fellows' in the opinion of the world, have really been wicked, designing

Poetry.

Two little kittens,

Bogan to quarrel,

One had a mouse.

One stormy night,

And then to aght:

The other had none:

And that's the way

The quarrel begun.

"I'll have that mouse,"

Baid the bigger oat.

"You'll have that mouse,"

We'll see about that!"

I'll will have that mouse."

"You sha'n't have the mouse."

Said the eldest son :

Said the little one.

The old woman seized

Her sweeping broom,

And swept both kitters

Right out of the room.

The ground was all covered

With frost and snow:

The two little kittens

And se cold se fee.

That stormy Bight,

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BY AN OLD CONTREBUTOR.

Good morning, Lulu. You have

and run out into the garden for some

flowers. There are some lovely buds just

bush you admired so much last summer.

Lulu opened her bright eyes in mo

snough to set any one wild, Mrs. Fanning

If the leaves are white, do tell me what the

Mrs. Fanning had looked slightly puzzled

her playfully at the conclusion of he

"You little mischief! to turn a venerable

gray-haired woman into a target fun. Y

know my meaning well enough," she said

Lulu touched her slight fingers lovingly

smoothly away from Mrs. Fanning's fort-

as you make haste and cut me the flower

You shall arrange them too, if you wi

"Oh, Mrs. Fanning, who is he-"

ntil you have done my bidding."

"Not another word will I tell you. Lul

"Ah, how peremptory I can be!" laughed

Lulu, catching up the basket and scissors

and vanishing with a gay song trilling updr

Mrs. Fanning listened to her with

thoughtful look upon her face. Lulu was

her adopted daughter, and was but

home from boarding-school.

very pretty."

her red lips.

blossoms are-green ?"

To lie by the fire

And found is much bester

Then to quarrel and fight.

-Treasure Trope

Had nowhere to go.

80 they lay and shivered

"Poor fellow," sighed Lulu, with tear rising to her blue eyes: "where was hi mother ?" Both father and mother died when Horaco was a more lad, leaving a large fortune to their only child, who had far

bring him upon a level with themselves."

On a mat at the door better have been poor." While the old woman "But how does he come to be here Was sweeping the floor. under your roof? That is what pussies And then the crept in, me," continued Ladge. As quiet se mice, All wet with the snow,

"I have met the young man in society, continued Mrs. Panning, flushing a little as she met fulu's wondering, steadfast gase, "and I always was conscious of a feeling of intense andness that one so nobly gifted, as he seemed to be, should have fallen a victim to intemperance. Hevers times I exerted myself to beep him by me when the wine was passing reely round at the supper given at some magnificent entertainment where, to use a stereotyed ex pression, champagne 'flowed like water.'

In that way I grew to feel an interest in him. Well, one evening, about three weeks since, just as I was leaving my carriage after attending a wedding reception. I saw a prostrate form lying within a few feet of ome in time to help me. Take this bashet the horses' hoofs. I called to Thomas t see who it could be, and to signal for

policeman, if necessary. ready to open on that creamy white rose-"'Laws, ma'am, 'he said, coming to me after he raised up the man's head so as t get a glimpse of his face,- 'laws, ma'am it's young Mr. Welby. Shall I call a cop ma'am, or hadn't I best put him in th carriage, and James and me'll take him home?' Now, Lulu," said Mrs. Fanning "I'll not tell you of the Quixotic thing did unless you promise not to laugh at me. as Lulu began, but she shook her finger at and also never to mention it to any one. "I promise," said Lulu, softly, emphas-

izing her words with a kiss; "but please go on. I want to her the end. "Well, Lulu, I had him brought into my house, and put into Henry's room, and made up my mind that as faithfully as to the soft waves of dark hair banded though it had been my own Harry would nurse him, and try what I could to reform

"I shall scold you if you call yourself Luly threw her arms about her friend' old. Why, I could count the white hairs in your head, they are so few and far be-"You are an angel! I always knew you tween, and you are not a day over forty

were, and now I am sure. Well, I' "Well, dear, have it as you like; as long "Ab, child, I fear if I had foreseen what lay before me I should have shrank from i as they are to make a sick gentleman's in dismay. He awoke out of that stupo room attractive, and I want them to lod in a wild delirium-they call it the 'horrors

and anything more dreadful cannot magined. I believe one who goes through suffers all the agonies of the damned. "Then at last, under Dr. Olmsby's skillful treatment, he came out of that stage of the disease, only to enter upon another-the longing for liquor. Then was my time. I talked to the poor fellow using every argument I could think of which might touch his neart and save him. I pictured to him his mother-her home in heaven incomplete without himber only child. I read that passage in the Bible where it says no drunkards shall enter into the kingdom of heaven. After to cry; and, Lulu, you cannot picture a line of the cooperances of the year of 1777. more painful sight than tears trickling he says: down upon a bearded face. Then the longing for the liquid fire would come, and he would beg that he might be bound hand and foot and locked into the room, so that

he could not escape and get anght with which to satisfy the horrible craying, and thus begin again the struggle. And, Lulu, we have to all appearance conquered. "You saw Horace pale, to be sure, and with a morbid gloom upon that brow which should be as smooth and fair as your own, for he is but a few years older than you are-but he has not tasted liquor, and says he will not ever again, so help him God.

But I fear for him, Lulu, when he again mingles with his gay associates." "I don't," says Lulu; "there should no such word as fall in your mind after having done such wonders. And now be a and say 'No.' I am going to help you, and

I'm a host in myself, you know." Mrs. Fanning smiled as she looked at the ery of smiles, still told of a strong, woman-

y, self-sacrificing nature. "You may help, Lulu," she said, fondly, but you mustn't fall in love with him. loved as my own ever since I held her in my arms-a wee, white bundle-at the

christening-I couldn't let her throw herself away." "Never fear," said Lulu. "I'll never do thing to make your heart ache for I love you too dearly for that." And Mrs. Fanning was content.

own life had been so entirely free from romance, (marrying when a mere from friendship instead of lovel that she had no idea to what she was exposing her pet. The very gloom, which, for a time looked out of the deep eyes of the prodigal whom Lulu wished to help, was an attrac tion; and when at last he grew to be his own bright, genial, natural self again, what could the girl do but worship him in the inpermost depths of her heart! Still she hid her secret well. The more she grew love him, the more she became to him as illusive as well as enchanting as is a hum ming bird to the outstretched hand of an eager child. But, at last, restored to his noble young manhood, purged from the

stood before her, and petitioned for her love. Then Lulu answered: "Come with me to Mrs. Fauning. Your answer rests with her." And standing with her bowed, and her tear-wet eyes hidden by the drooping lids, she waited to be absolved

weakness which had been his one sin, he

from her promise. "I couldn't help falling in love with Horace," she said. "But I will not marry him without you give your full consent." -Mrs. Fanning turned to Horace, and her gentle face looked very serious as she said.

"One question at a time, Lulu, if you "How is it with you, my friend? Do please, and then you may succeed in getting you feel in your heart that you can make an answer. I will explain why I said this dear girl happy? That you can take nothing to you about him. He is very her into your care with the surety that you Brush's new book, "Inside Onr Gate," says handsome, and can be very attractive; but | will never make that confiding heart have a perhaps the most delightful of all Mrs. Brush's delightful delinestions is the Scotch ook with her aphorisms; her lovers and "I do," he said, raising his eyes to heaven her calm, Christian determination toward her own way. The offer made her by

procious charge." "And I have faith in you, Horace. Take troducing her to him. But forewarned is her and wear her as a jewel that will not

And so they plighted their troth, and Horace Welby was saved first by a woman's

BOUT HOOS. The following is a list of persons met with every day plotters, trying to ruin Horses so as to 1. The tobacco-spitting hog. 2. The deanken bog. 8. The blusphemous hog.

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> 10. The umbersils sticking out from. under his arm hog. 11. The teles the first cont when ladies ere e suding hog. 19. The loud-mouthed-carousing-on-all

> public excursions hog. Itules of donduct for people of the above slass when is public places : Be sure and keep on the left side of the walk, and always go at lightning speed in srowded places, and elbow and push as

too-besten forbid !" much as posible. Be thoughtless of the comfort of others in carrying a parasol, cane or umbrella thrust these articles in the eyes and ribs of crackers, lass?" passers-by.

Always point with finger, cane, fan or ther article at persons or objects. Always emoke, especially oigarettes or pipes, upon a croweded street, on platform was catin'; wh a' mum eat our peck of cars, or wherever it may be offensive.

Always occupy more space than is necessary in waiting rooms, railway stations or erry boats, dtc. hold conversation with your friends in readng rooms, ocncerts, etc., where those wish-

ing to hear are prevented from doing so. Always expectorate when in view took wi, pangs of hunger and considerin thers, as upon sidewalks, in street cars. boat cabin, etc fixed on the ceilin' and repeating a verse of Never restore a dropped article to a lady

-allow her to reach for it herself. Never raise your hat in greeting or as a | were well gulpet down. Noo, my man, ye parting salutation to a lady. Always enter a place of amusement after the performance has begun and leave before its finish, with as much noise as possible.

Always ruttle programme, fan or gar. has now spent many decades in the service ments so as th disturb those near you. of Gad and his fellow-men, " I learned from Never apologize to those who are obliged a very simple incident a wholesome lesson o rise to permit you pass. and one which has since been of incalcul-Always eat in in places of amusement, able benefit to me. so as to annoy those seated near you. "When I was between twelve and four

Be sure, if you are sound and healthy, to teen years old, my father broke up a new seat yourself while a lady or aged man field on his farm and planted it with pota toes, and when the plants were two or Don't fail to stare a pretty girl out of or three inches high, he sent me to hoe countenance at every opportunity. Make it a practice to read your neighbor's t was matted with grass roots'and sprink led with stones. I hoed the first row, and

paper over his shoulder when on the cars. Of course you will go on a bit of a spree once a week or so, and devote a part of your parousal to a public performance on the

HISTORIC EXACGERATION.

The disposition to exaggerate in giving n account of even an ordinary event, is universal; and few, either in speaking, or writing, are exempt. If all history could be brought down to the level of sober fact -if all that is pure exaggeration could be eliminated, how much that is now startling and wonderfal would disappear from its pages. A curious instance of this is recordeach conversation he would be so moved as | ed in Boswell's Life of Johnson. In writ-

> "On Sunday evening, September 14th, too. I could hoe every hill as I came to arrived at Ashbourne, and drove directly to Dr. Taylor's door. Dr. Johnson and he hills that made the whole seem impossible. for an old bill; sent him home glorious appeared before I had got out of the post-"I won't look at it! I said; and I pull- drunk. chase, and welcomed me cordially. I told ed my hat over my eyes so I could see them I had travelled all the proceeding night, and had gone to bed at Leek, in Staffordshire and that when I arose to go "In course of time I had gone over the to church in the afternoon, I was informed that there had been an earthquake, of and my work was done. which, it seems, the shock had been felt,

in some degree, at Ashbourne." "Said Johnson, at once : 'Sir, this will be much exaggerated inpopular talk; for, in the first place, the common people do not socurately adapt their thoughts to the objects; nor secondly do they accurately, adapt their words to their thoughts. They do not mean to lie; but taking no pains to darling, and don't pucker up your brows exact, they give you very false accounts. A great part of their language is proverbial if it rains, it pours; if anything rocks at all, it must, at least, rock like a cradle. animated face, which, beneath all its witch. And so they go on with their unintentional

falsification.' "Well," goes on Boswell, "some years after that event I chanced to be looking over the parish register at Rushtoncouldn't let my god-daughter, whom I have | think my attention had been called to itwhen my eye fell upon the following entry -a record of the very shock of which I had spoken to Drs. Johnson and Taylor, at

Ashbourne. This is the record:" "'On Sunday, the 14th of September. 1777, at about eleven o'clock, whilst minister was in the pulpit at Rushton, there was an earthquake which threw the congregation into the greatest confusion of fear and alarm. The quaking of the solid earth was wonderful. Its sensibly felt at Macclesfield, Manchester, &c., &c.' "

TEN THINGS WORTH KNOWING lmost forty miles. 2. That sound travels through water

he rate of 4,800 feet per second. first granted in England in 1688. 4. That there are more magazines newspapers published in the United States than in all the rest of the world combined.

5. That the cost of railroads in

United States has been \$9,000,000,000. 6. That over one million persons are employed by the railroads of the United States. 7. That the average cost of constructing | wicked way in me, and lead me in the way

mile of railroad in the United States at | everlasting." Pray for good thoughts, for resent is-\$80,000. 8. That the first printing by steam was that is good and they are the best oure for done in London in 1817. 9. That the first newspaper established in America was the Boston News Letter, first issued April 24th, 1704.

110. That the first public peformance on a planeforte was in the Convent Garden Theatre Lindon, Hay 16th, 1787.

PRICE THREE CENTS

BALLADE OF THE EABY.

Cheeks that are dimpled and pink, Twin roses abloom on a spray: Bed lips full of love to the brink ; Soft glances that, pensive or gay, A world of sweet mosnings convey Wee hopers that fintter and cling.

A snowdrift of crumpled array

This is the Baby, the King! What though he tips over my in And drives my five wite all astray Shall I grumble indeed, do you taink, Because, in his innocent way, He wakes me long hours before day And wants me to walk and to sing?

Why not, if it pleases him, pray? Till is the Baby, the King! Our fortunes they rise and the sink We let the world wag as it may; Our lives narrow down to the chini That encircles his Malesty. Nay, Our lives and our fortunes we lay At his feet, with his rettle and riog. Content to adore him and say, This is the Baby, the King!"

l'rince, you may boast of your say 'Tie but an ephemeral thing ! The Empire of Hearts is for ayd, This is the Baby, the King. -Harper's Young People.

DANCING OVER A VOLCANO.

Mr. Mal'arlano's temper was up a bit, he Oue of the richest gapmakers of New York fecently gave a ball on the occasion of firm expression was settling upon her his marriage. The company were at the height of gaioty, dancing and lainging, and the host slipped away to the lower; regions "It always make's me sick to my stom. to see that all was in right order for the lok," repiled Tibble, " to think of flour an' supper, which was to wind up the evening's

water muddled together by men-folk. I've amusement, hard they tramps crackers wi' their feet. In the passage leading to the kitchen he met one of the maid servants. a country This was too much for Mr. McFarlane. girl recently employed, with a candle in ".Hat ye never tasted baker's bread in her hand, which she was holding, country

ye'r life," he continued warmly, "nor fashion, without the aid of a candlestick. Without troubling himself to inquire "Weel, I manu confess I hae," returned | what her particular errand at that mo-Tibbie in a provokingly calm voice. "When ment might be, the host passed on to was a bit o' a lass and did na ken what the kitchen, where he found his wife in anxious consultation with the cook, and a few minutes afterwards the new maid ap-"An' has ye nae eaten baker's bread sin' peared carrying a number of bottes, which

she had been to fetch from the cellar. At this moment it flashed across the host's memory that he had deposited three barrels of gunpowder in the cellar, and that the lid of one had been taken off to show a customer the quality of the contents. He asked the servant in atrembling voice what she had done withher candle.

"It's in the cellar, sir. I stuck it in the cask of black sand behind the door while. Scripture, to divert me mind till it were I'd be taking you the wine." For a moment the wretched man felt paralyzed, then he rushed to the callar, and was horror-stricken to see the naked candle stock upright in the cask of powder, exactly under the room where all the young people were dancing. The wick wanted snuffing; and threatened every moment to fall. Half petrified with fear, he gazed at the dreadful night for a moment without having

the power to move, then, recovering his presence of mind, for the candle, shaken by the vibration of the floor overhead. seemed inclined to topple over he cautionaly but swiftly, advanced, stretched the his hand and extricated the dreadful fuse from the shell, which in another minute might have blown him and his; guests; to

tatoes was everywhere; and looking at the Monday :- Took Ragged Bill's last dime whole from any point, it appeared to be a solid mass. I had the work to do ali-alone; Tuesday :- Had a visit from Charlie and as I stood staring at the broad reach of Piper, who swore off three months ago and weedy soil, I felt a good mind not to try to signed the pledge; gave him three drinks " Just at that minute I happened to look Wednesday :- That pror fool, Dick Plas-

DIARY OF A LIQUOR SELLER.

down at the hill nearest my feet. The ter who gets wild and pervous after one grass didn't seem quite as thick there, and drink, came in to-day; Sold him a quart. said to myself, 'I can hoe this one well P. S .- Hear be killed his wife in a drunker "When it was done another thought came Thursday :- John Slogan's wife begged o help me: I shan't have to hoe but one

me never to sell another drop to him. She cried till I promised. P. S. sold hist "And so I went to the next and next. enough this very day to make him sman But there I stopped again, and loooked over | furniture and beat his children. Ha! ha! the field. That gave me another thought, ha! Business is buriness. Friday :- Phil Carter had no money it; it was only looking away off to all the took his wife's wedding ring and silk drees

Saturday :- Young Sam Chap took bla nothing but the spot where my hoe had to third drink to-day. I know he likes it and will speedily make a drunkard, but I give him the value of his money. His father whole field, looking only at the hill in hand, implored me to help break up the practice before it became a habit, but I told him if

"I learned a lesson tugging away at I didn't sell to him someone else would, Sanda : - Pretended to keep Sunday law to-day, but kept open my back doon. Sold be done now, and not hinder or discourage | beer and wine to some boys, but they'll be ashamed to tell of it. Bet my till is fullerto-night than the church baskets are

> for real gentlemen stronge my bar. And yet I guess I won't keep a diary, for these facts look very queer on paper .- Seb ded.

N.B .- My business must be respectable.

ENCOURAGE YOUR SONS.

A wise father give this sage advice: "My There are three bad things which all | boys are out in the world doing well, but I should strive to avoid-bad thoughts, bad sympathize with the anxieties of fathers words and bad deeds. A bad thought is who have yet to see how their boys will the worst thing that can get into a boy's to pan out. My plan was always to heart, and the longer it remains there the encourage the boys in all possible wave. more mischievous it becomes. It is more Remember that all boys are not equally poisonous than arsenic-more decietful smart. Don't crowd your boy. Above all thon a snake, and far more dangerous than | don't be comparing thim unfavorably with a mad dog. A bad thought got into the some other boy, your neighbor's son. That heart of the first boy that ever was born, sort of thing breaks a boy's spirit, destroys and it never left him till it made him kill his pride, and he may lose all ambition. his brother. Shun bad thoughts; fear Protect him; build pp on his weak spot: them, bate them, fight against them, and let him feel feel that you are back of him pray against them. Remember our that while you expect him to plunge in and thoughts are heard in heaven. Bad swim for himself, still you have a long pole thoughts lead to bad words, which have that you will reach but in case he needs it. brought much evil into the world. They Don't hurry him if he is a little bit slower creep through the ear into the heart, call | than some other boys. Percocions boys up all its bad passions, and tempt it to lare not always the successful men when 1. That the height of the atmosphere is break God's Commandments. Stop your they come to the mature stage of life ears against bad words and run from | Don't let your boy get the idea that money those who use them as you would from a is the sole end and aim of existence. But tiger. Bad deeds follow bad thoughts teach him thrift, and by adding something 3. That the freedom of the press was and bad words: Entertain had thoughts to his savings bank account, say \$5 to and you are sure to use bad words prac. every \$20 he saves, realizes the value for a

> TAKE THEM IN TIME. A Boston paper opposes woman suffrage this strain: "Women," it remarks. have all the necessary qualities to make good men; but they must give their time and attention to it while the men are bove." That is true; every wise mother can do a great deal towards making good men out

Worms derange the whole system, \$12.00 and \$14.00 Suits made to creek. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator de. They are better value than can the see as ranges the worms, and gives rest to the sany other place in town by More dollars sufferer. It only coats jumply-five couts to Buit. Inspection in tiled. First to try it and be convinced.

Kurzy Bace.