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### Poetry.

Schools Open A NEIGHBORLY NEIGHBOR A neighborly neighbor," said Rupert, the wise is something no one can afford to despise, For the day of the hour we never can know When a neighborly neighbor rare kindness ma

> Now it chanced that I dwelt on the edge With no neighbor neerer than Charity Brown, And she, worthy soul, was so given to roam, She seldom, if jever, was found at her home. Dauch a real delghborly creature was she,

She came in to brookfast, she came in to tea. As long as the pleased any hour of the day. Did I have a friend who arrived by the train, waiting for Stock. And had but a very short time to remain. Miss Charity Brown would be sure to appear-

"To keep you from being too lonesome, my We give the best value at She borrowed my skillets, my pots, and my pans In a neighborly way she upset all my plans; Old pitchers the broke, and new kettles she

DAY'S BOOKSTORE GUELPH. And borrowed more eggs than she ever returned Einished Book Papers DAY SELLS CHEAP.

She dearly loved gossip, and forced me to hear ), many a story uot meant for my ear. for any rebuke in the way of a frown Was entirely lost on Miss Charity Brown.

That comfort the soul like a beaven sout balm My neighborly neighbor would enter straight-And keep all my peaceful companions at bay. And so I am rather juclined to believe

if ever I longed for the quiet and calu

That neighborly neighbors may cause us sympathy far in excess of their real;

and though very much of my comfort depends On being surrounded by doar loving friends, I'd rather by far live some way out of town Than be a near neighbor of Charity Brown. -Josephine Pollard.

### Select Family Reading.

### .The Engine Driver's Story

Did you ever hear of a railway president running as fireman on an engine! Well, I know one who did, and, if you've got time | abroad, pull off your coat, and do just af to listen to it, I will tell you the story now while I smoke this eiger you were kind

enough to give me. It was in the summer of '85 that I was firing on a single-track line that runs up from Junction City through Georgetown, a matter of 110 miles. The line was owned mostly by a man named Thedford-who was president and superintendent all in

I had been firing on the line for two years back; all the time with one driver. Bob Hunter by name, and a finer man never lived. I suppose it would be only natural for me to speak well of Bob, anyway; for I was cloun head over cars in love with his pretty daughter Molly; and was only waiting for a bit of rise in my pay to make her Mrs. Jim Martin. Though I was, I didn't like to leave and go on anfrom Molly.

One day Bob says to me,et married ?"

You see, Billy was always what we called

Mr. Thedford-behind his back, of course, - for I warrant you we were mighty polite "He won't do anything for me." says .I. for you know either one of the cleaners

up to Georgetown would be glad enough to jump into my place, and he ain't agoing to give me a rise just to please me." "Well," says Bob, "it won't do any hart | larching first to one side then to another

So next day I washed up and went to the | wrong side up in the ditch. company's office, and asked for Mr. Thed-After a few minutes, he sent to me that he would see me, and in I went. There he sat-a large, heavily-built man with big side whiskers and a pair of goldrimmed glasses on his nose. pert Satarday." "What is it, my man? I'm very busy."

So I up and told him what I wanted. "How much are you getting now?" I

"Forty-five dollars a mouth," says I. Then he pursed up his lips, and hemmed and hawed a little; and says .-"I don't see how we can give you any hing more, my good fellow.

You see yours is not a very responsible position; merely one that requires a little bodily strength. And we can find pleifty of men who would be only too glad to take your place at that salary."

With that he turned to a letter he was vriting, and I knew I had no more business there. I tell you I felt sore to be told didn't take much to know how to fire an engine, and I came near throwing my job up, and trying to get it on another line. But Molly persuaded me to hold on a little

Now, before I come to the particular point of this yard, I want to tell you a little about the line. I have said it was a single-track one running from Junction City to Georgetown. The latter place was a little town of five or six hundred inhabitants; but in summer a great many Chicago people came up there, and so suppose the line paid. Anyhow, Thedford. who had a summer place there, was rich enough to run it for himself alone, if he

wanted to.

Bob lived at Georgstown, and I boarded with him. Our trips began at eight in the morning, and we generally ran the hundred and ten miles in five hours. Then at three in the afternoon we came back, getting home at eight. As soon as we reached the round-house at Georgetown our day's work was over, for the cleaners took the engine then, cleaned and polished her, and laid the fire all ready to start the next morning. hoping that something would turn up that would give me a lift, till one day in August. The whole summer had been uncommon hot, but that day went a head of anything I ever saw. Of course, while we were running we had a breeze, but the minute we stopped it seemed as if we were in a furpace; and naturally, working as we were

pear grapt fire didn't improve things. On the home trip Bob was taken sick and had all he could do to hold cut till we got laid out on a heap of ashes, dead drunk. for me now, sir, and I must go.

Here was a pretty mess, for it would certainly take me until midnight to get the nachine in proper trim for the next day's run; and a hot, greaty job it was in weather, but on such a night as that it was

frightful to think of it. However, there was no help for it, and I started in. I had barely made a beginning when heard some one coming in at the door. Looking up I saw it was Billy Thedford, In a very excited voice he asked where lunter was.

"Home," I said, "and so sick he can't old his head up." "Heavens!" he said; "I shall

Then he went on to say that if he wasn't in Chicago the next day, some deal, I think he called it, would fall through, and i would cost him a quarter of a million. "There's a train goes through Junction City at eleven-five that'll get you to Chicago

in time," says I. "What good'll that do to me?" says he I've been away for two days, and only ust now got the telegram. If Hunter was here he might get me down ; but as it is ? may as well go home and let the money

"Mr. Thedford," said I, "Bob is sick but I can run this machine to Junction City in time to connect with the train you want ; but you will have to fire for me, as my two cleaners are drunk, as you see, and there isn't another man in this village knows the engine from the tender, hardly." I hope that I have been forgiven that lie,

for there were two or thre men that could have fired all right, but it struck me all of sudden that here was a fine chance to get even with Billy, and let him see whether it took any knowledge how to fire an engine for a hundred and ten miles run: It so appened that we had just wooded up on he home trip at a little station three miles from Georgetown, so we had plenty of fuel abroad to make the run with.

"Can you do it ?" says he. "Remember t is a hundred and ten miles, and it is eight-thirty now, so you have only two hours and a half to make the run that generally takes double that time."

"I can do it," says I, "if you will jump No somer said than done, and in ten-

minutes we had the old engine on the turntable, turned round, and were off. If the road was rough when we ran our usual speed, that night, making double time it was awful. As we flew round the curves it seemed as if we should leave the track at fevery turn of the drivers, and the poor M machine rocked and swayed so that, used as I was to it, I could hardly

keep my seat by the lever. If it was hard on me what must it has been to poor old Billy ! I could hardly keep from laughing in his face as I watched him and heard him groan as he handled

the heavy sticks we used for fuel. The heat of the weather added to that o the furnace and the unusual work, made him look as if he was in a Turkish bath. The water ran down his face, his stiff other line, for that would take me away white collar hung down on his shoulders like a wet rug, and his beautiful smooth shirt bosom looked as if someone had "Jim, ain't you and Molly never going to thrown a pail of dirty water over him His hands were torn and cut, from hand "Just as soon as I can get my rise," save ling the wood, and take it altogether, he "but I don't see how I'm going to get it! was the most unlikely-looking railway president I ever saw. Once in a while "Why don't you go and ask Billy " says | had to shout to him to lay the wood more even in the furnace, and would tell him he

would get the knack of it in time: Whenever be tried to rest I told him w were losing steam, and if he wanted catch that train he mustn't idle over the work. If I had thought to hitch a car when we started we should have run much smoother; but it was too late to think of that now, and so on we rushed, not through woodlands, now past green fields. entil I expected every minute to land

However, luck was with us that nigh od we pulled up at Junction City at jus eleven. Poor old Billy could hardly climb down from the engine but he mannged to

"Come down to my office at two o'clock I learned afterward that, finding the Chicago train was behind time was behind time, he hauted up a clothing shop and rigged himself out so as to look like a civil

ized man, which he didn't aben he left me. I maneged to find a fireman who was willing to make the ron back with me, and I finally got home at three o'clock, and finding the cleaners a little sobered up, got to bed as soon as possible, for I was clea played out. I told Bob about my trip next day, and thought he would die laughing to think of old Billy playing fireman. But ali

he said was -"I'm afraid that'll settle your hash Jim, for he will find out that you worked im more than was needed."

The next Saturday, at two o'clock, I reported at the president's office, wondering whether I was going to be rewarded for my extra work or kicked out for my impu-When I entered the office, there sat the

old man spick and span as ever, and showing no signs of his hard work. "Well, young man," says he, "you helped me out the other night, but I would not go through the same experience again for ten thousand dollars. At the same time, I think you were trying to get even with me for not doing what you asked about your salary, and I have concluded

At this my heart went down into my boots, for I can tell you it isn't an easy thing to get a new job when you can't bring a recommendation from your last place. Then he went on to say-

"I have a lotter here from the superintendent of the Chicago and Western asking me if I can recommend them driver who has a sharp eye and a cool head to run their new fast night express. I have Well, as I said, I hang on to my job, written in reply that I can recommend such a man, J. mes Martin, who will report for service the first of September. The pay will be one hundred dollars a month. I may add to you privately that I shall never apply to you for the position of fire!

That's all there is to my story, Molly and I were married, and went to Chicago to live. I took the new train, and have brought her in on time every trip I've ran so you can see I've a pretty, good record to the home station, when he got home as with the company. I've never seen Billy ed two crops in one day." "Delightful!" grammer as i prefer her ingage in yoseful party has the catarrh, even love's kiss load. soon as possible. After the train was since, and I don't believe he wants to see replied the emperor, and a third purse of studies and can learn her how to spoke its sweetness. Dr. Hage's Catarrh Hemen emptied I ran the engine to the round- me; for Bob told me last time I saw him gold was given, after which, putting spors properly myself. I have went through two is a sare core for this repulsive and di house, expecting to go straight home and that they called the old man " Martin's to his horse, the monarch retreated, say. grammars and can't say that they did no tressing affliction FBy its mild, soothis wash up. But when I ran the engine in, Pireman"; that he knew it, and naturally log: "Reverend father, I date not stay good. I prefer her ingage in german and antiseptic, cleaning and healing properties the first thing I saw was my two cleaners | didn't like it. There's my mate signalling | longer, lest thy wit should exhaust my vokal music, on the plane,"-Danson

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY. SCIENTIFIC PARSIENT -The first agricult.

real experiment station, according to Prof. W. O. Atwater of the United States Dopartment of Agriculture, was established at a little German village near Leipsic in 1851. In 1850 there were five, in 1861 fifteen, in 1866 thirty, and to day there are more than one hundred experiment stations and kindred institutions in the countries of Europe. The first agricultural experiment station in America was established at Middletown, Ct., in 1875. There were four u operation in 1880, and in 1887 some seventeen in fourteen States. In the latter year Congress made the enterprise national by an appropriation of \$15,000 per annum to each of the States and Territories having agricultural colleges or departments of col-

leges. This has led to increased activity. and there are now forty-siz, or, counting branches, fifty seven, agricultural experiment stations in the United States. To support these forty-six stations the National and State appropriation for the present year reach about \$720,000, and over 870 trained men are employed.

ELECTRIC POWER .- The otilization distribution of electric power are stated by Mr. P. L. Pope to have reached by far the greatest development in Switzerland and the United States. It the former country electricity is transmitted to considerable distances for large motors. At Solothurn which derives its energy from a turbine wheel more than five miles away on a mountain stream. At Derendingen. a delsine mill of 36,000 sliudles is driven by a pair of electric meters of 290 horse power. operated by a turbine wheel twelve miles distant. At Lucerne 120 horse power is similarly carried half a mile, and 250 horse power a quarter of a mile. In the United horse power is known to Mr. Poper but go together; for harry is the child of a there are as many as 6000 small motors in use, a favorito size teine 10 horse sower. It is predicted that in cities electric motors

engines of less than 50 borse power. of remains of the mammoth is almost inthan 20,000 of these animals of past ages | advance of the date. have been collected.

AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA In St. Nicholas for May C. F. Holder gives his experience as a diver off the Florida coast: "The fishes were beautiful," he writes. "Some swam over my arms and let me move my hands toward them. But most werd shy. As to the selves stories of sharks, they are in the main not true. I have had a shark come within five darted off in such a burry that the boiling of the water nearly threw me off my feet.

would have fallen. For a few seconds the taught to the growing youth it is mastery water was not clear. Then he saw that of self, and that not less of his physical the cause of his opect was a big skate that | than his moral nature .- N. F. Independent

had been lying partly buried in the sand-

asleep, perhaps. He had stepped with his leaden shoes right on its back. "Among the strange things that may be seen by divers is the ocean forest, off the eastern coast. The sandy bottom there is covered with the hardened roots of great trees, and in some instances parts of trunks are standing showing that the coast there must have been settled, and that the sea there has rolled in over the land. Some times we go down at night, and then the scene under water is often a beautiful sight. Every jelly fish and living creature seems to be ablaze with light; your fope appears to be on fire, and every motion makes the water glimmer. The crabs and fishes sparkle many with a light of their own. you see, instead of being a dark and barren place, as the majority of people seem to regard it, the ocean, even at the greatest depths, is probably made bright by the very animals that most need the light."

THE PEASANT AND EMPEROR. A Persian emperor, when hunting, per ceived a very old man planting a walput tree, and advancing toward him, asked his age. The peasant replied: "I am four years old." An attendant rebaked him for

attering such absurdity in the presence of

the emperor. "You censure me without

cause," replied the peasant; "I did not speak without reflection, for the wise do not reckon that time which has been lost in folly and the cares of the world; that this line can dispense with your cortherefore consider that to be my real age which has been passed in serving the Deity and discharging my duty to society." The emperor, struck with the singularity of the remark, observed : " Thou canet not hope to see the trees thou art planting come to perfection." "True," answered the sage; "but since others have planted that we might eat, it is right that we should plant for the benefit of others." "Excellent!" exclaimed the emperor, ppon which, (as was the custom when any one was honored with the applause of the sovereign), s purse-bearer presented the old man with a thousand pieces of gold; on receiving them, the shrewd peasant made a low obeisance, and added: 'O, king! other men's trees come to perfection in the space of forty years, but mine have produced fruit as soon as they were planted." "Bravo!" said the monarch, and a second parse of gold was presented, when the old man exclaimed : " The trees of others bear

fruit only once a year, but mine have yield.

tressury."

CULLINGS. The man who "makes a living " by dislling and selling intoxicating drinks to be used as a beverage will never again feel easy in this life. The conscience of mankind is against his business-and so is his.

A young colored man has appeared as the class orator at Harvard University this scason. -Mr. Morgan is his name, and he is the first of his race who, in the rivalry of the coffege life has been accorded preeminence. Moreover his oration was very much above the average of youthful rhetorical efforts. "Before we take up the collection this

morning," remarked the good pastor, as he looked mildly over the congregation, " f wish to say that we have in the church treasury already two quarts of nickels that appear to have been punched through and afterwards plugged with lead. These coins am informed will not buy stamps, groceries or fuel, and conductors on street-cars refuse to take them. The choir will please sing 'O Land of Rest for Thee I Sigh."

A moderate drinker, became very angry with a friend who argued that safety was only to be found in total abstinence. "What, sir," said he, "do you think I have lost control over myself? "I do not know," was the reply : " but let us put it to the proof. For the next six months do not a manufactory of machine screws is driven | touch a drop." The proposal was acceptby an electric motor of 50 horse power, ed. He kept to his promise, and at the close he said to his friend with tears in his Two Mothers Are Unable to Distant eyes," "I believe you have saved me from a drunkard's grave. I never knew before that I was is any rense a slave to drink, but during the last wouth I have fought the fiercest battle of my life. Had the test been tried later on, it might have been too

Some people are always in a hurry, and States no electric motor of more than 60 | generally always behind band. The two etate of mind rather than of a train of circumstances. The metholical man is never in a hurry. He moves along in his will soon practically supplant the steam orbit, as Goethe says the stars do, " with. out baste and without rest." He knows A REMIREMET TRIDE.-The abundance | what is first to be done, what next, and how long each item to be attended to will credible Middeudorff reckoned that at require. He sees in an exegency what can least 100 pairs of traks had been put upon be omitted or deferred, and what must be the market yearly during the last two done according to the programme he has centuries, and from personal observation | made. If he is due at a certain train he is Fordenskjold is inclined to regard the esti- there on time, with five or ten minutes to mate as too small. It thus appears that in | spare. If a certain task is to be done by a the recent modern trade the tusks of more | certain date, the work is ready a little in

There are people who are hart if you A MILITARY NOVELTY. - A vegetable cart- bow, or if you do not how, who are offended galore, which they took in perfect good ridge-shell which is entirely consumed in if they are not invited everywhere, on all patore until the last bit of pleasantry, firing, has been brought out in France. occasions, and who wish to be petted by all | which proved to much for them. Yester-The cartridge has scarely half the weight creation, because they are so sensitive! day morning Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Housof one with a metal shell, the cost is con- The worst is that the victims of this sort ton left the cherubs sleeping and started siderably less, and the inconvenience of of morbidoess take pride in it, and consider out to do the days marketing. They both removing the shell after each shot is themselves to be made of finer porcelain asked Mrs. Committaky, who lives on the than their brothers and sisters who live for larger interests than their trivial sensibilities, and who, if they suffer, do so in silence. What is to be done with such people to take them out of themselves, or rather to give them the beneficial shock of seeing themselves as others see them ? There is no help until the victims become interested in something or somebody besides them-

We are not sure but the tendencies of the present day are to a relaxation of will feet of me, and when I maised my arm it power, from various causes. The use tobacco, for instance, where it leaves no impress upon the individual, seems Of course there may be cases where a very | weaken the power of resistance in the off large shark might attack a diver, but if he spring. Our modes of education, of critishould attack one wearing the modern cally examined, would be found to deal diver's helmet or armor. I think the shark | mostly with the intellect and the affections would have a hard time of it-copper and rather than with the will. Loose objection glass would not make a very good mouthful. | to authority and constant yielding to unde-"A friend of mine had a funny experi- sirable habits on the part of those with ence. He was walking on a sandy bottom | whom we associate, beget loose subjection when suddenly he was lifted upward, then | to one's own self-control. If there is one thrown backward, and, but for his pike, thing more than another that needs to be

GEMS OF THOUGHT

Occupation is the safest thing for man. Lofty, beights must be ascended by wind Knowledge unused for the good of others is more vain than unused gold. How many neglect their own fields to in-

spect the farms of their neighbors. He who learns the rules of wisdom, with out conforming to them in his life, is like man who labored in his fields, but did not No one need be the slave of circumstance.

and no nature can be so hopelessly inert or weak or bad that rightly directed and resolote babits will not reform it. but it is thought to have been Hickey. The heart of the giver makes the gift dent and precious; as among ourselves we say even of a trifling gift, " Is come from a hand we love," and look not so much at

the gift as at the heart.

penalties. Through pain she teaches the child to avoid the fire that would consum him; through pain she teaches the man to avoid the vices which would rain him. We can if willemake an interest in life for ourselves, supposing that none exists i our original circumstances. We can study for the improvement of our minds and the enrichment of our knowledge or we can do good to those who need help-good to the poor or to the sick, to the lonely or to the

Nature is kinder than we know in her

What greater thing is there for two doman souls than to feel that they are joined for life, in order to strengthen each other in all fabor, to rest on each other in all sorrow, to minister to each other in all pain, to be one with each other in silent, unspeakable memories at the moment of the last parting here on earth.

. The duty of thinking of the probable and possible effects of our conduct upon others ban never be too much emphasized. As regards its effects upon ourselves on our plans and prospects, on the success of our andertakings and esteem of our fellow-men we think long, closely, and to the purpose Are we not then calpable if in our conduct to others we act without reflection, and then strike pain into their lives? THE INUTILITY OF GRAMMAR

pupils to study grammar told the child to get one, whereupon the mother sent the following note to the teacher: "I do not desire for Luin shall ingage

lady. The teacher, wishing one of her

HONEST BROWN. I sale in chilet, laughing way,

Tota neighbor, one bright morn;

"How is if that Brown, sir, never come out

At the little end of the horn?" Though bater draughts the people drink From the strange world's varied expe-And get things mixel,

Friend Brown seems fixed, And always right side up." dy neighbor smiled a pleasant sm That did one good to see. Do you mark that grand old mountain He quickly said to me: Did you ever see it move an inch From rugged base to crown. Though earthquakes rend The rocks, my friend? Or find it myside down?

Thus stands our honest neighbor Bro Who has a word for all. The people's friend and counsellor, The same in for and threll: What keeps bim firm is principle-The solid rock of troth: On that he'll stand. Though all the land ' Were looking on, forsooth.

He keeps no animosities

Laid by apon the shelf :

To men for worldly pelf:

He tells no specious falseboods

You can't move honest Brown." - Mrs. M. A. Kidd MIXED UP THE BABIES

But when he thunders out that 'No!

You've got your answer down ;

You may be strong.

But if you're wrong,

guish Their Progeny. That's my baby!" . 'It's not, it's mine!" " No, it ient; 'this is yours!"

And so the conversation ran for seve Mrs. Patrick Collins and Mrs. Houston, who both live at 135 Delancey. street, found their babies missing when . they returned from market the other day and after a rearch filled with thrilling incidents found the two babies in the bed of E: young man who drives an ice cart and who rents a \$1.50-a-week room from Mrs. Colline says the New York Journal.

Both babies were perfectly nude and both women claimed the same child. Both were born on the 28th of May list, both were boys, both had brown eyes and each weighed eleven pounds and a ball. Each mother was jestous of the other, and both claimed that her child was the best looking. The little incident cansed no end of talk the house, and both Mrs. Collins Mrs. Houston received

CONGRATULATIONS AND TEASINGS second floor, to have an eye out for the children. Mrs. Commitzsky sifterward found that she herself had to go out, so. after taking a look at the sleeping beauties, she decided that they would be all right antil their mothers returned and went about her business. It was only half an hour from the time Mrs. Commitzaky went away until the mothers returned and found their babies missing. When the sweet little darlings were found placidly biceping, every woman on the block was brought in to give her opinion as to which was which. No one, however, could tell one baby from the other, and things looked as though the whole business was going to result in a very interesting fight. Matters were finally

quieted down a bit and Mrs. Colling and Mrs. Houston BOTH TOOK A CHILD though she latter was sure she had not got the right one. During the argument both babies began to cry. " You've got my baby. I can tell by the

way he cries !" shouted Mrs. Houston. "GB out : you're crazy." "I'll have that child if I have to steal it," eplied Mrs. Houston, and then Mr. Hickey who owns a milk route, came to the sasist ance of the women. "Let both the mothers go outside." said, "and I'll cover the kids up with

choice, and whichever gets which, why, le them have no more talk about it." After some talk, that was accepted as satisfactorily. Mrs. Houston won the toss and chose her baby, Mrs. Collins took the other, and both shouted with glee because each had got the one she wanted. As it is, both women are satisfied, though the general impression about the house is that each has the wrong baby. Just who 'mixed the babies up' could not be learned.

sheet all but their feet. Then let the

mothers come in, toss up a penny for first

WHO CAN'BEST BE SPARED.

Young men, the first question your are ployers ask themselves when it is thought secessary to economize in the matter of salaries is, "Who can best be spared?" It is the baruacles, the shirks, the makes shifts, somebody's good for nothings Young men, please remember that these are not the ones who are called for when responsible positions are to be filed. Would you like to gauge your own fature for a position of prominence! Would wen like to know the probabilities of your getting such a position ? Enquire within What are you doing to make worked valuable in the position you now occupy If you are doing with your might what your hands find to do, the chances are tem to one that you seen become so valuable in that position that you cannot be spared from it; and thee, singular to relate, will be the very time when you are sought out for promotion for a better place.

Finishing A Buffalo. saw at old Indian, sixty years age, apparently following a bufthat was just able to drag himself along with three arrows in his side. The old man's quiver was empty, and he was impatient to finish him. He alld dautiously from his pony, and, stealing

existed a flourishing school, taught by a PLATT. Bow delicious is the winning Of a kiss, av love's beginning."sings the poet, and his rentiment is true with one possible exception. If either It cares the worst cases. \$500 Towar

In a locality near Dawson there recently it quick as a flash into his heart.-L.

offered for an incarable case.

behind the buffalo, sprung foward, snato ing one of the arrows his side, and sendi