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Poetry.

EZ RICH AS COUSIN JOHN. Cousin John he built a manslon, "Lizabethan" in its style.

Crochet trimmin's round the corners, hard wood floors all done in ile, Portors hangin' in the doorways, didoes pasted on the wall, "Color schemes" a-runnin' riot in the

room an' hall! Went to see 'lun on a visit; felt like I wuz Not a heatin' stove or wood box, wuz hot by steam ;

in cach room, Carpets dragged by little go-cart, never saw uso a broom ! Parlor mantel piled with bric-a-bac, Injun mattin' on the stairs,

liroglyphics worked in yaller on the covered chairs; Vator fassors in the kitchen, took your choice; Celephone in handy waitin' of you liked your voice.

Loctric lights blazed every evenin' till the .itself seemed wan. No more use fer cracker matches, jest a would turn 'em on; reakfast showed up late an' 'tired, lunch came on at cloven o'clock,

Dinner shook the hand of twilight, givin' my old nerves a shock. Stayed a week an' saw the city! Cousin John was awful kind; But I come away rejoicin', home wur suited my mind t Thought the old brown house looked picer than

it over did afore: Mary sewin' by the winder, Rover barkin' at the Slipped right back into the wheels rolled smoothly round; 'Lectric blaze hed been too glarin'; lamps are

better, I'll be bound. Bric-brace makes a feller weary, purest water lives in wells, Common chairs 'll do fer tarmers, satin con 'll do fer swells! Noon time allers finds me ready for a dinner

not a lunch! An' steam heat-you can't compare it with a fire you can punch! Hick'ry wood a cracklin' gayly; stove a glowin Warmth an' peace an' drowsy comfort steal! up from foot to head.

Fall is slippin' into winter; never mind storms an' chills; Pack the iron pump in sawdust-we shan't run no plumbers' bills! Eat an' drink an' read the papers-let the world go brawlin' on ! Happiness is my twin sister-I'm es rich as

Cousin John ! -By Emma Eggleston, in Midland Monthly.

Select Family Reading. Officer Proved

That Love Is Blind. HE silent stars looked down through a clear, still night upon a host of sleeping men. The brigade had advanced by forced marches and now lay two miles of the dervish camp. To-morrow's dawn would see the assault. Two officers stood together talking in low whispers, for it was of the utmost importance that

the enemy should be taken by surprise and the orders as to silence were strict. "Buck up, old chap, you'll come through all right. And if not, what does it amount to? You've got no women folk to bother

"No, thank heaven. It is in times like this that one is glad never to have married -like poor Harcourt." "Why poor ?" "I was thinking of his wife. I should

not care to be tied to an ugly woman my-"That's all rot, Hamilton," retorted the other. "I don't believe it matters a row o

pins, so long, of course, as sher isn's repulsive or underbred." "Think so ?" "Yes. The most unlikely women sometimes attract most. "Well, old chap, I'm precious thankfu I've no thoughts of women to bother me

to-night. I shall try for a lead to-morrow, Oxford Stoves and Ranges even if I have got the route. We've a good chance of being first into the zareba.' "We will give you a race for it, anyhow. But we'd better try and get a sleep, for this awfol heat takes it out of a fellow." The two went to their separate posts. And as he lay sleepless the thoughts came to Hamilton that it was somewhat lone

some to think that no woman's eyes would fill at the nows of his death, and he looked upward at the stars above him, wondering where his soul would be to morrow. The shadow of death lay upon him, as at times it does upon the bravest soldier;

he would fight none the worse for it in the The sun had risen. In the previous short half hour of dawn

the assault had been delivered, the dervish forces had been driven from their intrenchments and now the black grinning "Gippys" were fraternizing and triumphing with their laughing and chaffing white com-

Backward, across the half mile of plain, the surgeons were busy. Away to the southward could be heard the sounds of pursuit as the British officers chased the flying Baugara. A field hospital at the front is not

pleasant place, neither oan it be described in cold black and white. War correspondents, as readers of the dailies have no doubt noticed, judiciously avoid more than the morest mention of each places.

There were some ghastly cases, and both surgeons and assistants had been worked hard. But the pressure was over and at last there was time to attend to the wounds which were not deadly. "Now, Hamilton, let's see," said Surgeon Major Murphy, approaching an officer who lay motionless on a stretcher-who had so

and beckoned to one of the order lies who at that moment turned his head. "Look, see, Dawkins, here's a bad case He must go back to the hospital." "Bad as that, doctor?" asked the moionless man faintly. "Tis so. . Now you keep quiet." Lieutenant Hamilton had been totally

blinded by the explosion of a shell in an

earthwork, as, well in front, he was leading

his company. He was sent to the rearto hospital-and sister May was given charge of him. Hospital sisters do not cease to be womon when they take up their work. Sister May was just as ansceptile to love as though she had been a silly young thing of 18,

the recipient of pity runs a double risk. Her voice was soft and musical, her touch was soothing, her care of him seemed first motherly, then sisterly, and then-

So it was by easy stages they drifted into that strange attraction which the world calls "love." And her one fear was that some day he might see again. The surgeon said it was just possible and was advising a consultation with the world-famed Professor Augenwirte of Glasfrath. She prayed against that possibility for in her own eyes she was plain, nay ugly past redemption. Pipes a leadin' from the basement, gladiators | Yet, though she could not realize it, her too large month and prominent teeth, her irregular nose and all the fancied imporfections of her face mattered little; for her large gray eyes were soft and full of animation, her skin was like velvet, her figure and carriage perfect. But, womanlike, she could only dwell upon her facial defects and was full of apprehension lest some day his sight should be restored, and, seeing her features, he should loath her. Her cousin Kate, a sister nurse, chaffed

> her anmercifally. "Now, May, I thought you had long ago sanrified your life to nursing and the firstgood looking young lieutenant-" "He will slways want nursing, Kate," she faltered in excuse.

"Ah! but suppose Dr. Hagerty is right and his sight comes back. He won't want | picture that an old gentleman across the | all other considerations are put aside. any nursing then." Sister May did not answer.

A week later Hamilton left the hospital for Graefrath full of hope. The night caught doing such an unmanly thing. it was decided that some poor stowaway previous to his departure they came to an Before another five minutes he way playing had fallen overboard in an attempt to esindefinite understanding, and though she would not give an unqualified answer to his pleadings, she had not the heart to stop him altogether. In recklessness she allowed herself to drink in the sweets of passionate words; they would at any rate be a life-long remembrance, even though on his return he should cast her off.

The operation was successful beyond his hopes, and in a few weeks he was rushing back to his love-eyes shaded, it is true, but with the certainty that in a short time fever and chucked the little one under the was too much elated to keep it to himself. his sight would be fully restored. "I want to see Miss Johnstone," he said to the orderly of the hospital at the

"Miss Johnstone, sir ? Which ? "Wby, the nurse." "Yes, eir, but there's two of them."

"Well-er-she's very good 'looking.

lidn't know there were two." "Oh yes, sir, there's two. But I know the one you mean now." And he was shown into the reception "Gentleman wants me? Who can it"-

Then the door opened. He started for-

"My love," he whispered. "I knew you were beautiful. I have come back toclaim Sister Kate drew back, startled. For the moment she could not imagine who this man with the shade over his eyes

could be. In that moment he had drawn

In that moment also the door opened, and sister May, looking in, saw all. She faltered and stepped back, the beating of ber heart choking her for the min-"Stop, sir !" said Kate, regaining her

enses. "You must be Mr. Hamilton?" "Yes." he auswered, amezed, releasing This frivologe little voice was not that of his love. This overfrizzed hair, these shallow eyes were not beautiful at the

second glance. What had he done? "Are you not Miss Johnstone?" "Yes. Kate Johnstone." "Kate? And is your sister"-"Couein."

"Is she not here?" "Yes," said Kate, with a smile. "Stay here. I'll bring her." "Why May, you there !" she whispered, on finding her at the threshold and won-

dering if she had seen or heard. "Here is Mr. Hamilton. Come." "No never! I will never see him !" anted between her heart beats. "Nonsense! He has come back on urpose for you and his eyes are all right." "Yes, and he expects to see a pretty girl

like you," retorted May, bitterly. "Look here May, don't be a fool! Go n. He is waiting." But Hamilton had already grown impatient. The door opened and he saw them

"Here she is," said Kate. "Ah I" he said. "Are you May Johnstone, my dear nurse?" he asked, his voice full of tenderness and love. "Yes," she whispered.

Kate had disappeared; they were alone

"My darling, I have come for you." he "But-you can see now ?" She looked up recklessly, and their eyes

"Yes, thank God, I can see my love !" Then she surroudered herself .- Clove ONE BOY IN VERY HARD LUCK.

When the new boy got into the school room he was of course, postered with Penny, who wants a supply of apples bearas to his name, his parents, profession, the illustration of it to certain growers at amount of his pocket money and various | Montrenil, France, and he will daly receive other matters about which boys are the fruit the following season.

"Who's your family doctor?" asked "Ain't got none!" was the prompt, if ungrammatical, reply. "How jolly," responded the questioner. Why you don't have no medicine to | vellow.

"Don't I," was the sarcastic reply. lain half an hour at least. The doctor That's all you know. Why, my father is by others, on the side of which the desired looked his patient over, gave a low whistle a homeopath, mother an allopath, my sister - Maggie's joined the ladies' ambulance corps, grandfather believes in massage, grandmother goes in for every quack medicine that's advertised, my Uncle Sandy's a horse doctor, and"-with a pathetic sigh-"they all of them experi-

> That boy got the sympathy he desired. UNCERTAINTY OF THE HORSE

Horse Owner-Suppose the motor your automobile gives out when you are half-way between two towns. What then? not be any worse off than if I were halfthough in fact, she was ten years older. way between two towns with a horse and arrow-pierced hearts, and other tender and he? Pity being akin to love the buggy and the horse should die.

THAT BABY.

There was a baby in the railway car the other day. It was not an unusual child, than a day from New York. A long, thin but it had a decidedly bright face and man was leaning over the rail, contemplaprotty ways. For the first few miles she ting the surging waters. Not far away was very quiet, and her blue eyes looked was a group of ladies and gentlemen. around in wonderment, for evidently it was | Suddenly the long, thin man showed signs the little one's first ride on the cars. Then of excitement. "Didn't I see a man strugshe became used to the roar and rumble, gling in the water there?" he exclaimed. the baby proclivities asserted themselves, The other passengers crowded about, and and she began to play with her father's gazed in the direction indicated, but could mustache. At first the father and mother see nothing. Presently, however, they were the only parties interested, but soon a heard a pitiful cry, "Help! Help! Save young lady in an adjacent seat nudged her | me! Help! escort and directed his attention to the In an instant all was commotion. The laughing child. He looked up, remarked shout was raised, "Man overboard." that it was a pretty baby and tried to look The cry still came from the waters, unconcerned : but it was noticed that his "Help!" eyes wandered back to the spot occupied by The captain came and listened. Then laughing eyes of the baby and when she place. turned back she seemed pleased about Everyone one on board knew that the something. Several others had become trip was a test of speed between this interested in the child by this time-busi- steamer and a steamer of a rival line the large silk hat of her father and placed had ordered the captain to lose not

peck-a-boo across the airle with the baby, cape from his place of hiding, and and every one was envying him. The ubiquitous young man, ever on the move, passed through and was at a loss to account for the frowns of every body. He by the loss of more than an hour. had failed to notice the baby. The brakeman looked in from his post on the platno custom till he had spoken to the baby had pleased him. The fact was, he had edification. The conductor caught the joke on the captain and passengers, and he chip, while the old gentleman across the aisle forget to pass up his tacket, so inter- three passengers that he was a professional ested was he playing peck-a boo. The old ventriloquist, and had counterfeited the call lady in front relaxed, and diving into her of a drowning man. These passengers reticule unearthed a brilliant red pippin told others, and soon the story was known and presented it bashfully to the little all over the ship. The long, thin man one, who, in response, put her chubby arms | regarded himself as the hero of the hour. around the donor's neck and pressed her rosy little mouth to the old lady's cheek. It brought back a flood of remembrances stake on the trip. And for that matter, it

that, as if to catch a felling tear. asked if he couldn't kiss it just once; the ventriloquist owed the steamship company old lady returned the caress she had | door, shaking a by-by over the shoulder of | joke!" he said. her paps, to which every one responded, including the newsboy, who emphasized "and perhaps we can. At any rate we can her to him and was wildly pouring out his his farewell with a wave of his hat. The try. I shall deem it my duty to have passengers rushed to the side where the you arrested as soon as we reach Liverbaby got off and watched till she turned pool, and then you will have an opportunity out of sight at the other and of the station, to answer in court any demand for financial shaking by-bys all the time. Then they lapsed into silence. They missed that baby, and not one of them would be unwilling to acknowledge it. The little one's presence had let a rift of sunshine into every heart, warm or cold, in that car.

IN PUBLIC. There are few better places in which to study the good and bad points of mankind than a public conveyance. I always resent it when I see a young and healthy girl sit while an aged man or woman stands, and have a thrill of delight when I see a woman with a baby in her arms enter and half a dozen men rise to give her a seat. And to the honor of mankind be it said "God rest her soul! she is now dead. I that this is the rule, not the exception, among men of all classes—the day laborer of typhoid, taking her temperature from as well as the thoroughbred gentlemen | time to time by having her hold a therdoes honor to motherhood. A few weeks mometer under her tongue. When she had ago a small boy of three years of age was nearly recovered I called one day and, Society, when in session at San Francisco in a horse car with his mother. As, there without further testing her temperature, a few weeks ago, adopted the following: were many seats to spare, the little fellow left a simple prescription and started on was ellowed to kneel on the end seat in the my way homeward. About three miles ed evil and a terrible menace to all our social forward part of the car, where through the from her house I was overtaken by her son civil, and religious institutions; and front window, he could watch the driver on horseback. 'Mother is worse said he; whereas it; total suppression would prove and horses. Suddenly his view was cut off 'come right back.' Back I went. 'Doc- a benediction to the home, the State, and by a man who, jumping upon the front ther,' said the old lady; reproachfully, 'why the church of Christ; therefore be it platform, stood with his broad back to the car window. Perhaps the intensity of the my tongue? That did me more good than stituency not only to favor, but unite in child's gaze upon the objectional back made the man turn. Glancing in, he saw the eager face close to the glass. He was a plain man, but as he stepped to the other

side of the platform the kindly smile that lighted his face made it lovely. "Mamma," cried the delighted baby. that gentleman moved so I could see the

borses! I'm sure he must have a little boy of his own." In public and in private the world over is the unselfish "fellow feeling" that makes us wonderously kind .- Harper's

A TRICK WITH APPLES. The landscape gardener has so long and so persistently improved upon nature that now the fruit grower thinks he has a right to try. Any person, says the Golden umerous questions by the other scholars ing his family crest, has only to send an

> The desired end is obtained by growing the apples in paper bage, which are slipped on when the fruit is about the size of a walnut. Being thus sheltered from the ann, the apples do not color as they swell, and when full grown still remain green or As soon as they reach their maximum

size the bags which cover them are replaced

crest or coat of arms has been out out like a stenoil. The sun can now penetrate to that part of the apple exposed and redden it thoroughly, so that when the bag is again withdrawn the device is seen standing out in red upon the green surface. To obtain the opposite result -- that is, a green device on a red ground-the second bag is not used, but the pattern is out out in

paper and stock on to the fruit, the sun

green the creat or other device which the paper forms. Many Parisian fruiters have recently exposed for sale apples with the arms of Horseless Carriage Owner-Well I would Russis printed upon them; others have them with monograms, Christian names,

A JOKE ON THE JOKER .. A transatiantic liner had steamed more

the happy family, and he commenced to he ordered the ship put about, and a boat smile. The baby pulled the hair of an old lowered. The long, thin man, much exlady in front, who turned around savagely cited, pointed to the place where he said and glared at the father with a look that he had seen the drowning man. The beat plainly said, "Nuisances should be left at pulled rapidly away, and the great steamhome." But she caught sight of the ship plowed herself slowly back to the

ness men and young clerks, old ladies and | Every minute was precious. A "record" girls-and when the baby hands grasped was being made. The owners of the ship it on her own head, it made such a comical minute. But in a chase of life and death way, unable to restrain himself, burst out | The sailurs in the small bost found no into a loud guffaw, and then looked sheep- man in the water, however, nor was there ishly out the window, as if ashamed to be any one missing from the ship. At last

> steamer proceeded on her way. The passengers were shocked and sa and the captuin was rendered rather glum

But the long, thin man seemed very gay, under the circumstances. One would have form and smiled. The paper boy found said that the drowning of this poor fellow and jingled his pocket of change for her perpetrated what he called the greatest Before long he had confessed to two or

But about this time the captain came to him, and told him how much had been at to that withered heart, and a handkerchief always costs a considerable amount to stop was seen to brush first this way and then a great steamship at sea and start it again, just as it does to stop and start a railway The train sped on and pulled into the train. The captain thought that, taking station where the baby, with its parents, the two elements of loss into account, the was to leave the car. A look of regret sum of several thousand dollars would came over every face. The old gentleman about represent the amount that the The ventriloquist stood aghast. "But received and the baby moved toward the you can't make me pay damages for a

"Perhaps not," answered the captsin

From that time the voyage had pleasures for the long, thin man. was in a state of great alarm. The pas-

passengers with any more feats of ven-

triloquism. JUST FOR FUN. A Pennsylvania doctor who has a decided vein of humor in his make-up tells this story : "I had an Irish women for a patient many years," said the doctor. once pulled her through a lingering attack didn't ye give me the jigger undther my

all the rest of yer trash '!" It was in a remote county in which | throw of this nefarious business and the bioyoles are rarely seen. A wheelman destruction of the saloon as a power in the approached a toll gate, where a sign body politic; be it further warned him that vehicles were charged | Resolved, that we express our hearty twopence and pedestrains a halfpenny approval of the law of Congress prohibiteach. Being a man of frugal habits, the ing the sale of liquor in the army rider dismounted, and, supporting his "canteen." and we protest against the wheel upon his back, tendered the tell- nullifying act of the Attorney-General of keeper a pedestrian's fee. "Two-peuce," | the United States. said the keeper, sternly. "Why so?" replied the artful dodger. "Am I not a foot | Beware of False and Deceppassenger ?" "Naw," was the answer,

"you're a cart !" A STORY OF PROFESSOR BLACKIE It is said that Professor Blackie often told this anecdote on himself. The genial old professor used to form a very picturesque feature of the Edinburgh streets. He was a wiry old patriarch, with haudsome fostures and hair falling in ringlets about his shoulders. No one who saw him could possibly forget him. One day he was accosted by a very dirty little bootblack with will be a flat and decided failure. this: "Shine your boots, sir?" The Proand cotton goods with contents of one packfessor was impressed by the filthines of the

"I don't want a shine, my lad," said he. But if you'll go and wash your face I'll give you sixpense." "A right, sir," was the lad's roply. Then he went over to a neighboring | materials. fountain and made his ablutions. Returning, he held out his haud for the

"Well, my lad," said the Prosessor, you have earned your sixpence. Here "I dinna want it," returned the boy with a lordly air. "Ye oan keep it and get yer

COST OF U. S. ARMY. The cost of the United States army at

the present time is estimated at \$500,000 a

coloring the exposed parts, but leaving day. The Treasury Department will have to do some Baanciering to keep income and expenditure within reach of each other, and Congress will no doubt be called upon to increase the revenue as soon as it assembles. The revenue for the fiscal year of 1800-1900 has been thus far \$12,000,000 or \$13,000,000 less than the expenditure.

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UNDER SEALED ORDERS. Out the swung from her meerings, And over the harbor bar: As the moon was slowly rising the faded from sight afar,

By the twinkling evening star. None knew the port she sailed for Nor whither her cruise would be; Her future course was abrouded In silence and mystery ; She was sailing under "seated orders." To be opened out at sea.

And we traced her gleaming canvas

So souls, out off from moorings. Go drifting into the night, Darkness before and around them. With scarce a glimmer of light; They are acting under "soaled orders," And salling by faith, not sight. Keeping the line of duty Through good and ovil report,

They shall'ride the storms out safely.

Bo the passage long or short;

For the ship that carries God's orders Shall anchor at lust in port.

A NOISY BOX. Like children, savages in all parts of the world are possessed of eternal curiosity. Mr. H. Cayley-Webster, a well known English traveller, gives an amosing instance of this trait among the natives of

New Guinea. One day a piano arrived for his excellency the governor, and some natives were told to carry the strange looking case from the beach to the house, After going a few yards one stumbled, causing one end of the crate to strike the ground, and, ever on the alert for strange noises, their ears were immediately pressed against it, and they listened outil the "ting" of the wires had

Again, after a yard or two, a similar mishap occurred. Again many ears were listening to the sound so foreign to them. until a native, rather more knowing than the rest, with a heave raised the whole case a few inches from the ground and let

The noise which issued from the inside bad by this time worked them up to such a frenzy that they one and all seized upon the case, rolled it over and over, and danced with joy at the strange sounds which came forth. And it was not until this odd performance had been repeated many times that the eye of an official was attracted by the shouts and yells of the natives; not however, before much damage had been done and many of the strings

WHERE CHILDREN MARRY. The further south one goes the carlier one finds marriages take place. A census was taken lately in Algeria, and it was found that the youngest Arab married man was 12 years old and that there were very many boys who were married at 13 and 14, whilesome at 15 had several wives. There is a youthful Algerian widow of 15 and a divorced husband of the same age. Girls are still more precocious and are sometimes married when only 11 years old, though 12 is the more usual age. There are 189 widows of 15 and 1,176 divorces of

A MOTHERLY CAT. Some years ugo the ut:ention of a family in Ohio was called to a brood of young chickens by a cat who seemed to devote He her time and attention to them. They were regularly fed by the mistress of the sengers grinned significantly when he house. The cat frequently purred to them, passed, for the captain's remarks to him and they came at her call, and followed had been overheard. He spent most of his her as closely as chickens follow the time (in his room, and did not favor the mother hen. They lodged together in a woodshed adjacent to the house for about three months; but in the early spring, the chickens being well fledged, abandoned their winter quarters and flew into the higher branches of a fruit tree to roost. The cut purred and mowed, and seemed much disgosted at their change of lodgings, but soon accepted the situation, and climbed to the tree-top and roosted with

> the chickens. THE BAPTISTS AND PROHIBITION The American Baptist Home Missionary

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