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That the children's faces might them fast For many and many a day. If I know a box that was large enough To bold all the frowns I most,

I would try to gether them every ope From nursery, school and street. Then, folding and holding, I'd pack them in. And turn the monster key : I'd hire a giant to drop the box

Family Reading

Rod Macy's Fence

JOHN GORDON WRIGHT

who would come out to the farm and do a few odd jobs for mr. " John Kingman sald us he thrust his pitchfork

nto a cock of hay and swung it to the top of the load. "There's a few leagths of fence to be built, and some natching to be done to the roof of the berg, and a new door to be not on the cornorib, and perhaps some other things that I don't think of just now. I could do it myself if I had the time but I can't stop now."

Rodman Macy, who was driving the bay wagon, spoke up quickly. that's all you have to do, Mr. Kingman, I believe that I can take care of your work. You know that I've worked with father quite a little, and this fall I'm goldg late the shop to learn carpentering as a business." "That will suit me first rate. Rod."

the farmer said cordially. "I can find somebody also to belp me in the bay field while you're doing the other work. The fence ought to be up now so you'd better get at it as soon as

Accordingly, Rodman began his carpentering next day. As be had told Mr. Kingman, he had some knowledge of that kind of work, but soon discovered that it was quite a different matter working in the shop under his father's experienced direction and working on the farm with pobody but himself to rely upon. He set the posts for the fence and thought that he had them at regular distances apart, but when he was ready to put on the boards, be found that in two or three places the posts were farther apart than they should be, so that the scantling did not come to the middle of the posts as they should, but barely gave a nailing contact. The next section was correspondingly short, with scantling that overlapped a trifle and the effect of the whole was noloubledly beculiar. At one point ited had used too large a nail in fasten-

ing a board in place and the wood had split. Altogether the fence looked anything but workmanlike, and Rod surveyed it a little doubtfully. "I suppose it would look better if would take off those boards again and other !" move the posts over, but that's a lot of bother, and I don't believe Mr. Kingman will repecially care about the looks of the fence. He wants it for

use, not for looks, and be wanted it up as soon as possible." got there." was the farmer's comment. but flod answered with the same armyment that be had made to himself. that the fence was wanted for use and not for looks, and wanted as soon as possible, and Mr. Kingman, remembering that Rod had agreed to do the work for a very small sum, made no

further criticisms. A few days later one of Mr. Kingway to town, caught sight of the fence own go out, and what is left? and halled the farmer, who was work-

"I say, Kingman, who built your take such things when you can get as though the wind had blown it one you want them again. - Selected side, or something else had happened

"Itod Macy built it," the farmer ax-

with some embarrasement.

Iterather particular work." it to suit you."

But the other man-shook his bead 'I want to be sure of getting first-place work," was all he would say. He had the saute experience when

be asked for the job of building the new chicken bosse on the Irving place at the edge of the town. Irving shook his bead.

job Rud," he said kindly. -"When you're keeping choice varieties fowl your chicken house has got to be

Plummer's work, Hod was top proud and is greatly attracted by it all, but to ask why he was considered capable of doing the work, but when be had had a third experience of the citement comes a salm, and everything same nort, he put his pride in his goes back to its normal state. Now, "I want you to answer one question | life in a large city.

frankly," he said to the man who had

To the depths of the deep, deep sea. It's that prany fence that you put up to his room; he must be out at a cer on John Kingman's farm. It's a talutime in the morning or his be-

> bat's at all particular." Hod's face was a study. He had forheatily for John Kingman, but as he 1.30 p. m., and supper from 5.30 p. recalled it in the light of his present to 7 p. m. If he is there, all wall and knowledge, he did not wonder that he | good ; if not, he has to go without, or had failed to get the various jobs of go out and buy for himself. He is not small carpentering which he had up. at home where mother will give him a

"I'm glad you told me," he said quietly. "I remember that fence, and me another chance."

that you can do good work, I'll be glad if he could wat anything that was to let you have the job. I like the placed before him, but he cannot me

down that piece of fence that I built old home, with dear old father and for you last summer, and I'm going to mother, Betty, Maggie, Jack and Ton put up for you the best piece of feace around the table, the conversation along the county road. It won't cost used to be on topics which were interyou cent. It's a case of changing my setting to him; but at this table, what advertisgment," and he explained is the talk? Nonsense and chatter. briefly his recent experiences. "Perhaps I'll hang out a little sign on the general but no one in particular," and new fence, This was built by Rodman | which is no interest to him. At home

Mr. Kingman laughed. "I'll advertise over your plate," and he would get it for you, Rod .. And I hope the new I second supply : here no second supply advertisement will do you as muc good as the old one has done you

OHE KHEW

A Washington public school teacher as quoting to ber pupils the sayings various wise men touching the alue of silence on certain occasions. when she gave then; the Froverb to the effect that we have one mouth and wo care, in order that we may listed wice as much as we speak. A day or so after the instruction th

reacher, to see how well the lesson had been learned, saked a girl pupil the uestion as above. Little Mabel had forgotten the phileopher's maxim, but the question did not seem a difficult one to answer.

"Because," said she, "we should not have room in our face for two mouths,

that way so we can let what we bear go in at the one sar and out at th

MHJOY YOURSELY

Some people mean to have a good line when their hard work is donepleasures when they get to be rich. foundation, or the farm is paid for.

poverty, death, claim each its victims. there to go to bed, and get refreshing were carried to the foot of the front man's neighbors, driving past on his The lives of those whom we love, our sleep-to prepare him for another week Then take your pleasure to-day. while there is yet time. If you don't

plained. "It was just a chesp job..." Ben began, "who started in the spring then off to bed. All this has now had a glimpes of two well-known "Cheap job! I should hope be did- to have the finest gardens in their n't charge you much for that sort of part of the country. They bothspaded work! I gness he'll never be such a land raked and planted all scots of chrienter as bis father." things, and had a great time generally In town that day the neighbor mee- getting things going. Then I noticed tioned Rod's fance to saveralacqualut- that one of them seamed to have ances whom he met. "Look at King. plenty of time to go .iwimming and man's new fence when you're driving fishing all summer. The other chap past. Funnisst looking feace P ever | was in his garden a good part of the saw. Rod Macy built it." By the end time quarreling with the weeds and of the week Rod Macy's feace was making friends with the stuff he had known through all the region round planted." Uncle Ben stopped to shake his head reflectively. "Beems us if It was months later that Rod, now things were not divided evenly between working steedily in his father's care those two toys. The one who worked penter shop, asked Mr. Plummer for | hard all summer had all the bard work a chance to do a piece of work that when harvest time came. too. The he had on hand. The latter refused other boy hadn't a stroke of work to do in his garden then-there wasn't "I think I had better give it to some | anything there to harvest. He didn't one who has had a little more exper. have any/of the bother the other lence than you have, Rod. You know fellow had afterwards, either -planning what to do with his crop and his "But, Mr. Plummer, it's the sort of money. It seemed as if work and work that I'm doing in the shop right bother fairly dogged "the other boy's through what he had set out to do in the beginning. Too bad, wasn't it?" Uncle Ben chuckled jovially to himself as be appealed to his hearers for sympathy for his hero.-Comrade

Having seen several articles in .. The Mr. Parmer's Advocate" discussing the subject "How to keep the Boys on the "I want an experienced man for the Parm," I thought it might be a good

thing if the young men could see things of in their right light. A young man comes to the city at Exhibition time Thanksgiving, Christmas or Easter In this case, as in the case of Mr. be seen all the lights and festivities not fails to realize that wall is not gold that glitters," and that after the exlet us take a look at boarding bouse

A young man arrives in the city and

refused to let him build a cornorib. seeks a room for himself, and after a "Just why do you think that I can't while finds one to his liking at from do the work as well as anybody also ?" one dollar and a half to two dollars "I don't blame you for asking, Rod," | and a half a week. The lady of the the other man answered, "and as you bouse at once informs him that if hi want me to tell you frankly, I will, bee any callers he must take them up standing advertisement of the wrong will not be made; and he must supply kind. Nobody who has ever seen that his own towel and seen. He next fance is willing to trust you with work | hunts up a boarding-house, and finds one that be thinks be likes and three dollars a week. Meel bours are 6.15 a. m. to 8 a. m., dinper 12 bite, and where the pentry is handy

This young man best finds employ ment, and his working hours are 7 as you say, it's a standing advertise. Im. to 6 p. m., with one hour for din ment of the wrong kind. I'm going to mer. He rises at 6 s. m., prepares for change my ad, though, the first thing work, and then proceeds to his board-I do, and if you don't find anybody to ling house, and after breaking his fast, build your cornerib within the next sets out for work. At agos be returns two or three days, I hope you'll give to his room, washes, makes himself presentable, goes over for dinner and "I'll agree to that, llod," the other then back for another five hours' work said beartily. "I'we always liked you life hurries home, when his work i personally, and if you can show me done, bungry as a hunter, and feels as and sit right down to his meel as be Rod went straight to John King. could at home; no he must go to his room, wash, dress for the evening and then off to his boarding bouse. At his which is intended for "everyone in he would say, "Betty, that pudding he "I don't believe it will be necessary." Lip-top," and Betty answers, "Pass be gets, or if he does, the black looks

of the boarding mistress drive away his appetitr. After supper be has the choice of two things-spend the evening in his room or go out. The city being new to him. there are many things to be seen and beard. If he is moral and religious, the churches, Y. M. C. A.'s, Public Libraries, and night schools, open their doors to receive him; if the opposite way, the theatres, bowling alleys, billiard parlors, and music halls all lavite him to an evening of enloyment, while the seloons, with lights all glittering, invite all young men, rich and poor, good and bad, to their doom

A bar to heaven, a gate to bell, Who ever named it that, named Sunday comes around, and he gets go to his room. At home in his leisure "Yessum," responded Rosalie. "It's bours, Maggie would alt at the plano, and no one interfered, or if he felt frisky be could give mother a kies and a bur, or a wrestle with Jack, or a good when their business is built upon a sure of is, give us your money at the end the grind of some particular secrew is Ho he reads for a while, and then goes Parson Brough and his wife had the to shurch. In the afternoon he can good habit of sitting quietly in the Such persons might as well give up go to Sunday School or not as he dark on such evenings, resting their ever having a good time. The season pleases, but there is not much confort eyes and discussing the affairs of the of delight, which is so long walted and I for him. He goes to church at night day. boped for, too rarely comes, -Disease, and after church to his lonely room. of work and thankless toll. At home. after church, they would alt around the big old-fashlooed store, while the fire crackled and blazed, and discuss to the switch, and with a quick turn fence? It looks sort of queer to me, them, they are to be missing when the sermon, and bring to memory old throw on every light in the house. scenes and faces; mother would then belag out a pan of "Snows," or Northern Spice, and uh! what a a quick gasp and an exclamation of personality. U is the letter that "There are two boys I know," Uncle munching-match would follow, and dismay. The callers, waiting outside.

passed out of his life.
This is but a faint picture of boarding-bouse life with no sympathy, love ly seeking a place of retreet. ... And b or care, with only strangers, and no one in whom to confide a care or an row. True, when a young man comb to the city everything is new to him. but it soon becomes monotonous. The completely surprised. lights do not burn so brightly, the wheele do not turn as fast, the hurry and bustle become weary ploddings.

be anticipated, and he singe : "Mid pleasures and places though. may roam, charm from the skies sooms to flow us there. Which seen through the world is no met with shewhere. Home! bome! sweet home

that life in a large city is not all that

There's no place like bome ! An exile from home, splendor daxale in valu : lb. give me my lowly thatched The birds singing gally that came my call, live me them, and dearer than all.

Home! home! sweet home!

There's no place like home !" - Farmer's Advocate. got carly 'tatios." Toronto.

TWENTY YEARS AGG day, July 20th, 1988

Hay is beavy and farmers are having rduous work getting it in. Willie Smyth, aged 6, stepped on store cover just off the stove badly surning ble foot. Mesars, W. H. Storey & Son have

Acton Tanhlag Co.'s works will resume on Naturday. The entire staff will, however, be several days later to

On Friday a son and daughter of Mr. John McKinnon, Nessegawaya, in coming to Acton, narrowly secaped serious injury, when the bolt came out of a clevis allowing the waggon tongue to drop. They jumped out, but the ougue broke and the horse ran against

The band gave a dalightful free ope air concert in the Park on Monday evening. Citizens Harvey and Wright trusted the members to several gallons of lemonade.

was held in Mr. John Warren's grove, tiam, whether the parents were willing on Saturday. There were about 200 present.. The two principal officials christened all the boys Frederick after of the school, Mesers. Geo. Smyth and himself, and alt the girls Mary after John Clarke, were the expert man- the Virgin. The author of 'The Life agere of very successful event. Two Hamilton children, Alice and method of christening as follows:

Edith Atkins, poices of Mosers. Alex. and T. K. M. Secord, Acton, were drowned by the collision of a boat against a treatle over an inlet under under the N. W. H. track pear Hamil-Miss Annie Boomer, of Schomberg,

returned home on Monday. Miss Gadaby, of Toronto, is visition at Mr. W. Hmyth's. Dr. Kroset Hall, of Victoria, R. O., was in town yesterday.

Parkbill, visited the Misses Bryers this | handlesp him with Archibald Camp-Mr. and Mrs. James Hell, of Cleveland, were with Acton friends this and can't be altered."

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Coleman are spending a week or so at Mr. Coleman's old home at Strabane. Misson Minnie Nelson, Alice Hender-

son, Jessie Nicklin, Lens Dorland, and

this morning on the excursion from and explain things to his little sort. big word in that brown frame over Rev. G. B. Cooke and Miss Augusta have gone to Chicago to visit Mr. Cooke's brother. Rev. Mr. Cooks will take in the World's Fair.

Mr. John Duff, of Krip, has gone to Brandon to act as judge of horses at the Fair there. HELL.-In Asian, on July 10th Was, Hell, a daughter.

McAntuus-in Krin, on July 13th, Bunne-Oer July 11th, Raphomia, wife of Mr. William Barne, Erumens, aged 26 years,

A GENUINE SURPRISE lomething had to be done. The

Rev. Mr. Brough had been pastor of the Hardonsburg church for tweatyyears, and the anniversary was to be colebrated. Hardensburg was a small place. The church was small and the It has been rightly named, "The lier." people were poor, but after much con A bar to progress, a bar to bealth, A door to poverty, a bar to wealth, sultation it was decided to give the

aged couple a surprise donation party. It was a real donation party, with a cross never does any good. Smile, and barrel of floor, a sack of yams, a side things always look brighter, and you duds on, and off be goes for a walk, luxuries of Hardensburg life. And as "No. Mabel," said the teacher, "that and then to breakfast. After that is a crowning feature, Doncon Rogers s not the reason. Perhaps liusalis over he may go for another walk, or who had just introduced electric lights into the village, had the parsonage wired as a gift to the church, and and he could exercise his vocal powers. served to turn on the lights on the Blatter gives an illustration : evening of the donation, To make it all complete, he left the person without the knowledge that old-fashloned argument with Tom ; but | the wiring was finished, and installed here be dare not sing, he might disturb a switch on the outer wall by which low." the other roomers. There is no one every light in the house could be say, at fifty. Others plan to enjoy around who cares a straw whether he thrown on at ouce. Then, in the dusk themselves when their children are is happy or and, good or bad, or of a hot autumn evening, the members "Hather funny looking fence you've grown up. Others mean to take their | whether he feels "at home," and has a of the Hardensburg church brought pleasant time or not. All they think their gifts to the minister's door. The parsonage was dark. Not even of the week and keep out of our way. a candle glimmered from a window.

> steps, quietly the parishioners were arranged in a semicircle in front of the parlor windows, and then, in thedark ness, Deacou Rogers softly tiptoed up . The surprise was a grand success From the person's sitting room came

forms scurrying away through the wlaring light from room to room, valu the parlor, beside two stilling-rocking many chairs, stood four battered shoes and two pairs of neatly darond stock inge. The Roy. Mr. Brough had been

HOITHETHI YE

When a Scolchman has no argumen

A man who bas an estate in Scotland took his new plowman to task for the "Your drills are not nearly straight as those Angus made," be

left such a globe as this." "Angus didna ken ble s A CLUSTER OF CRITICS

You be may be very bright and very Said the cloud about the sun.

"People say so; but for one, When I'm round, I always find he down't ships ?" Call that candle brilliant? I waw!" remarked with beat, The extinguisher. "Poor dunce,

I can put ber out at once, the is never, never dazzling when we They say diamonds are sparkling !

speered the clay. "All I know le, in our mine,

That I never saw one shine. bough they lived right in our midet. as one might my So they settled it and really they wer

From their special point of view; Everything they said was true, But-the sun, the flame, the diamond still shone bright !"

- Priscilla Loogard.

BHORT MARKS An English clergymon, Dr. Frederick I so had a prejudice against a long string of Christian names, and held that if such names were proposed the clergyman should alter them at bapor not. It was said of him that be of Walter l'athr" gives Doctor Lee's

"Name this child," he would say in bie Cathoritative voice. "Archibeld Cholmondeley Contanttine Ferdinand," perhaps the mother

would whisper. "Frederick," she would bear to her amazement, and then would follow the formula of baptians.

In the vestry of course, there would be objection. "This child," Doctor I'm would reply, "will have to get his living in Misson Annie and Ida Arnold, of the world, and what do you want to bell Cholmondaley and all the rest of them for? Anyhow, it's done now,

Billy was in his father's office, for a short visit. His father is superintendent of the oil mills, and a very busy Mr. Herbert Henderson left for Barnia | man, but he is always willing to ktop "Daddy," said Billy, "what is that

> "Can't you spell it son? A hig boy, almost through the first reader, should not have a have trouble in spriling a word longer than that."

"Handle, unile," spelled Hilly. "Why did you hang that up there, daddy P "Did you ever know a boy that sometimes gets mad, and pouts, and fromps when he can't have his way? He doesn't always amile, and say 'All right, mamme, I'm coming.' Sometimes this boy frowns, and fusses, when he is called from play to amuse his little sister. Did you over meet

wach a boy Billy?" Billy dropped his head and looked sheepish. "Well." continued "grown-up men can't always have their way, and sometimes they get mad, and act naughty. I keep that motto right where I can see it, to remind me that frowning and getting

THE TRUE FIRHERMAN Mahermen have a more philosophic view of chance and fate than any other brotherhood. A writer in Fliegunde

"What did you tell me for? Now you've spalled my whole day's fish

"You'll find there are no fish in that

VULGAR PRACTIONS Everything that Bobby learned at school he endeavored to apply in his dally life and walk. When his mother asked him if one of his new friends was an only child, Bobby looked wise and triumphant.

"He's got just one sister." he said.

"He tried to catch me when he told

me be bad two half-sisters, but I gures I know enough fractions for that!" THE LETTER THAT COUNTS The most important letter in Luck is the U. Do not be under any mlsapprobension on that score. Donot imagine that a favorable combination of cir-

cumstances, or a fortunate presenta-

tion of opportunity, will take the

place of a dominanting, downright

counts in Luck.

There never was and never will be a universal panaces in one remedy for all ills to which flesh is heir. What would relieve one ill in turn would aggrevate the others. We have, how ever, in Quining Wine, when obtained in a sound, unadulterated state a remedy, for many and grievous like. By its gradual and judicious use the frailest systems are led into convales sence and strongh by the influence which Quinlas exerts on Nature's own restoratives. It relieves those to whom a chronic state of morbid despondency and lack of interest in life is a disease, and by tranquillizing refreshing sleep-imparts vigor to the action of the blood, which being stimulated, courses through the veins strongthening the bealthy, animal functions of the system, thereby making activity a necessary result strengthening the frame and giving life to the digestive organs which naturally demand increased substance -result, improved appetite. Northrop & Lyman, of Toronto, have given to the public their superior Quinine. By the opinion of scientists, the wine approaches nearest partection of any

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and the young man wakes up to find at his tongue's and to defend his own line of conduct which another may have criticized, it may safely be infer-Be it ever so humble, there's no place red that his ancestry has a strain from the nerves disposes to sound and some other nation.

> wavefing furrows which were the result of blu work. said, severely. "He' would not have

Tammax, calmly, contemplating his employer with an indulgent game. "Ye see, when the drills it crookit the eun gets in on all sides, an' 'tie then ye