bank, where a large recess had been worn

out in the soft sandstone during the times

of high water. Jim could hardly believe

his oyes; that object simply couldn't to a

"Great ladlowing bullfroge !" murmuro

identity beyond all question.

Jim, absolutely sulast.

of water above the fish.

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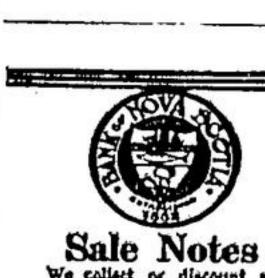
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TROUT

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the region.

invariably got away. Jim Chadwick was the only boy in the shiner and two or three nighteraulors.

fisherman always managed to capture the every form of balt that one could conceive season's pride.

and won't let any others hang ground."

Regal Shoe nothing to his efforts, certainly did look paid not the least attention to these atiole anyway," was his resolve.

usually prefere to be in moving water.

diaxon or more fish of all sizes.

forth from beneath the shelving a lightning stroke the big fish flashed forward : that was all.

A Stock-Judging Contest between young farmers of twenty-five and under

This like of training is highly appreciated by the young agriculturists.

"The cannibal!" mused Jim in vast satisfaction. "Now I see where he grets his sate, and I think I see his finish." The mystery as to how the huge

trout! But then the fiels stopped on a patch of gravel lighted up by the sun's kept in such fine condition was a mystery loup, and the snell of the book, worn and rays, where the tell-tale white on the line no longer. Of course other trout were frayed by constant friction against the and mottled green of the back proved its moving up and down the river more or heny jaws, parted at the sudden analy. less constantly, and in so doing they had The been was again free, willly pounding to pass through the fatal pool, thus giving about in the few inches of water on the the bone plenty of apportunity to gratify | bar. Never in his whole career 'as an angler his unnatural appetite. It is a well known had be seen a trout like this one. Nor had fact that trout, like all fish, are cannibals one to compare with it ever been taken though they do not usually carry the precfrom the Swiftwater within the memory of tice to such extremes as did the bose of the oklest inhabitant. There could be no Aller Pool.

doubt about that, even allowing for the Jim had confided to his family the secret magnifying effect of the six or seven feet of the pool and all, capacially his younger brother, Bud, were keenly interested "Goo, but I'd work ten years to hook the affair. At length, when Jim started that old chap," Jim told himself, but a off fishing on the afternoon following his triumph over the powerful trout seemed discovery, with the hint that developments almost too much to hope for ; even though | might be expected, But was so wild to go booked, it appeared that he must succeed along that the older boy could not refuse in escaping in some way or another, as the him paradelon. In addition to his roll

.The carried a small empty pail which | And still the boy watched unable to tour I aroused much curiosity in his brother. his eyes from the sight. Aside from the "Wacha going to lait with?" inquired suckers with whom the hose doubtless the latter, who had vast respect for his brother's skill as a fisherman.

"Don't son where he gots enough to est," the retort. "Just stick around and keep lot more." At length they reached the abler thicket but progressive village of Walton. The wouldn't do much to fill a broadbasket the but Jim did not stop. He led the way to a ripple a hundred or more yards above the No enswer to this question seemed to be pool, where he proceeded to put his rod forthcoming, although the trout's plump, together, looping two tiny flice in the line. that endeared them to all Waltonians of well-fed appearance clearly indicated that Bud watched this process in disapproval. "You sin't a going to use those little Of course Jim's first thought was to try hooks, are you?" he demanded, but Jim

he s did not favor him with a reply. Presently the angler stepped out on a hair-raising stories of long battles with The proper mode of proceedure was to wait rift and began easting. Almost immediate ly a fine trout selzed the tall fly, but it was gently unbacked and returned to the water while Hud looked on in open-mouthed wen-

nawt, saveral large grasshoppers, a smull "Too bly," was the only explanation. A few minutes later the Halistranan caught a second trout about six inches long and this one he put into the nell which he had

The flies were quickly replaced by a sub.

stantial snelled book, and then Jim started down stream towards the mool. Near

way," he muttered, "but its got to be of, and all varieties of flies, not to mertion the good of his race. If he lands that hig Methodist Church for another year.

With great caution the angler waded fished the pool both with flice and bait the pool in the wild hope of catching the out into the water above the pool, Bud carrely watching operations from the manager of the Shaw, Casalla & Co. tannery at all flattering to his ability. And it had Jim had a pet theory that he always whore. Soon a faint clicking from the real there, as to his ability and general care of announced that the line with its baited the premises. hook was being swept down towards the tiesn a "sure thing" without doubt the ing what plan of attack would most likely stirred uneasily on the rook where he was Luther, being seriously injured.

happening in the pool, sixty feet below engage in gold mining. them, but in vain. After what seemed an eternity he saw Jim's laws tighten together

and his body grow tensa. springing the rod into a graceful curve familiar. "Did you write this unaided?"

upper and, no one detected the boy's contrated energy at the far and of the line.

trusted tackle would attend the atrain. Had emerged dripping from the water, mouns a lost fish

The slanting shadows caused by the fast sinking sun were slowly growing longer ! a steam whilatle, indistinct by distance giant trout seemed unalisted. Jim's lingers school from their repid-fire manipulation of the real ; the skin was worn from his

Acton cat; a long thank shelder was moving motionidal force. With the suddenness of big flah prive in floating belly up on the thee deliversely simple.

surface in token of surrouder. tiously realed him closer, heading the un resisting captive towards the shallow water off a convenient sand bar. Hut as the mighty fish felt the bottom sorete his silvery sides he gave one final despairing no longer. Of course other trout were frayed by constant friction against the

> When Jim saw his hard won victory thus changed into probable defeat, he dropped his precious rod unbested into the water and made a flying tackle towards the balfstratuled fiels. He landed with a recounding splant, frantically clutching at the clusive trout, whose struggles were constantly carrying him into deeper water. But presently Jim arose in triumph from this lively wrestling match, gripping the slippory fish to his breast. He lost no

time getting to a safe distance from the "By Jiminy!" Jim muttered after and his brother had gazed down upon the her right-hand neighbor. The stout lady eplandid captive in slient admiration for a few infautes, "she certainly was one stressuous tuesle, Buildy, and no mistake. But That ought to take off a pound or two. take it from me, son, that trout's worth all "Never you mind, Itaddy old boy," was the trouble it took to get him and a whole

TWENTY YEARS AGO From Our Issue of the Free Press on Thursday, May Oth, 1808

Mr. W. B. Unaworth has lessed Gordon's Creek for the season. On April 6th the boys were skating on Honderson's poul, on May 4th the ther-

mometer registered 88 in the shade. Thos. Campbell, an employee at Btorey's Oatmeal is too heating for my blood. tannory, was severely burned on arms. head and face, on Tuesday, by the explosion of a barrol of lime he was slacking. Mr. Will Joins has secured a dachachund, also called ladger dog. It is small, with crooked logs and long body, and is in her fifteen breaths."

favor with hunters for burrowing after foxos und smaller game. Mr James Matthews, postmaster, is gofilled with water. Hud began to see a ling extensively into the relaing of small fruits. He has just planted on the part of I wish through the day. I wish I could "Yes, Mr. Sherlock Holmes," was the his farm near the corner of Main and measure of success or hunting and fishing look the fish had vanished. Evidently he unewer. "That's just what I'm going to Queen Streets, 15,000 strewberry plants,

and several thousand red and black raspborry and current bushes. At the vestry meeting of St. Alban's Church Hamuel Laint was elected Minister's the upper out he paused to prepare his Wardon; T. H. Harding, People Warden; "It's a shame to use a haby trout this Atkinson and Hidney Saunders, Skleamen. Rev. J. E. Howell has received a cordial

done. I recken he's a sort of martyr for invitation to remain as paster of the Boycott's treatment," also explained to the It was one glorious morning in early sundry types of artificial baits and spoons. Heli it'll be a mighty fine thing for the rest. Some of our merchants seem unaware of The you like cream in your coffee? Why, The Huntaville Enterprise speaks very approvingly of Mr. Edward Forbes,

> At a barn raising at Mr. Hugh Bluck's lithe form poised at the end of the current. | Eramosa, a heavy timber fell, striking The slow seconds dragged along. Bul several men, Mr. Jas. Thompson, of Mr. Angus Kennedy, son of the lat

He tried to watch the tip of the alender | Duncan Kennedy, has left Buffalo and

PORT WAS ME-INCARNATED When W. D. Howells was editing a mag-Just when the younger boy began to axino, so the story runs, a young man callthink that he would surely burst if noth od at the office and offered him a poem. "The old follow's got to eat something." Ing happened to relieve the strain, Jim's Mr. Howells read the poem and thought it Ing," the girl wanted to add, but she re-

> "I did," replied the youthful post. "Then I am very glad to meet you, Lord under the impression that you had died waist since I began those new arm and big

HE WAS HERVOUS

A narvous young curete, presching his first sermon, began thus : "Clantlemen and ladies, before I begin t peak to you I want to say a few words. As noxt Wednesday is 'Shrove Tuesday,' there will be an open air meeting in the savagery in her volce.

vestry to deckle what color the walls are to be white-washed."

THE IDEAL "PRAYER-MEETING" In a church which could be named the mutor was desirous of bringing about, in a actful way some improvements in the midweek service, und announced for a subject. "The Island Prayer-meeting." A number steam of her hot water with a sigh. I helpful suggestions had been made.

"I think everybody should come prepared to say something, so that no time should | the new boarder. "I want to be-deadly ! be lost except that which is taken by the I want to est chocolate on my raw cysters

As he was known to be a great admirer of the paster, the gravity of the meeting

Yet the strain could not fall to tell on in no botter preparation than Dr. Thomas' hole he had usually been able to count a saw a fair-sized trout-about seven inches the old veteras also, though Jint was our- Eclectric Oil, as it counterages the inflam-

OLD AGE

It's a great land, mayourneen, this land of my seeking.

Where a man can be all be had dreamed he might be: But I'm getting old, lass, and when night comes u-sneaking. My heart takes to raving 'way over the

I see the thatched roof, and the peat the burning. The truth in your eyes and the promise there, too-The promise of love, with its infinite learning, If I'd stayed home, mavouracen, I might

have find you. Hut the call of the world, on the keen cur of twenty, to the siren's own song when the young blood is bot

Vaith, I've fought a good fight and I'v friendle a planty, And there's never a man that can way But at duck when the thoughts of the day

are diabanding, Like soldlers of war when the fighting is through, Then I long for the peace that is past understanding,

That might have been mine, lass, in Erio ure, there's women have bland mo, with soft arm entwining. But there's none gave the love that up-

lifta and ordures; And I might have soon you, with your dear A crossing to children - my children and

yours ; And children of theirs might come slyly a pasking. By tales of the lander to have to my Tie a great land-this land that my wild

lest came sacking: But, oh, my acushla! 'tis home I would -Maliel Htevone Freez

PADS AND PANCIES It was a radiant morning, and as the new loanier sat down in her appointed place at the table, she felt impelled to pune the word on. "The world is an enchanted Taul in this freah enow," she remarked to shook out her mankin as also replied, "I increase my walk to two miles this morning. You see, I'm under treatment for my floals.

Good morning, Mr. Vaxon !" "Good morning, Mrs. Lovering!" said the newcomer, taking the chair at the new boarder's left. "How much have you lost this week Y'

"Five pounds, Mr. Faxon. It ought to have been six by schodule, but I took sugar three times in my tea. I must be more

"Mr. Faxon, will you take catmon! this norning ?" asked the landlady.

"Wheat berries, please, Mrs. Holt. Good morning, Miss Lowis !" 'Vlood morning! No, thank you, Mrs. Holt, no cereal. Just my egy on toust,

please. And have mother's hot water ready. She is coming as soon as also takes "How do you find your one meal a day agrees with you?" naked Mrs. Lovering. "Thank you, it's really the only way to live. You see, I can have all the common

persuade mother to try it. She's simply killing herself with that Hamburg stock and hot water, but when she gots a fad you can't do any thing with her." "Mrs. Holt, may I have grapefruit instead of oranges? They're so much better

for my rheumatism," said the schoolmis W. Hturk, Delagate to Synod ; Harry tress. "And I prefer triscuits to muffins." "Bread twice toasted in the thing," remarked Mrs. Lovering. "I'm taking Miss new boarder. "I've geneeff thirty pounds.

that's the worst thing! 1-" "I'd rather go without coffee than take it without cream. I'm so depondent on

It." broke in Miss Lowis. "That's what makes you so billous." said the schoolmistress. "Why, if I should take coffee with cream in it three mornings running, I'd be dead. My stomach wouldn't stand it."

saked the man opposite. "What course are you pursuing?" asked Mrs. Lovering of the new boarder. "I'm taking a few postgraduate studies at college."

"Oh. I don't mean that. I main wh

"Mrs. Holt, could I have a baked apple ?"

"Course in diet? Why, none, except to cat what's set before me,"-. "and say noth-

Mrs. Holt looked up with a gleam of interest in her tired eves. "Not even buttermilk !" she asked, ton-

"Not even buttermilk," replied the girl. "Well, I've tost two inches round the movements," said Mrs. Lovering. "What

exercises do you take ?" "I walk and tow and golf and skate and

"I don't mean that. I mean for your "I don't do anything for my health," returned the girl. There was a note of

"Really !" exclaimed Mrs. Lewis. "You look healthy, but there, you never can tell Now !-" "Mother !" interrupted Miss Lowis

"Don't get on to your feelings. You don't begin to suffer us I do, but us long as you limit on that diagnating steak you won't be well." Mrs. Lowis retired beliefed the At the week's out the new boarder gave whom one brother, known to be harmless as up her room. "I'm sorry," said Mrs. Holt.

a dove if not wise as a serpout, got up and "le it the table? It has the name of being very byglenic." "I don't want to be hygienic," returned

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have what he will .- Franklin.

THE BOSS

YYYO LURE from the clear double of the soomed to concern blussif, no o her field Hwiltwater the "biggest trout of the seeson" was to acquire glory and to arouse considerable envy among a mused the angler. "All the grassloppers your eyes open ; you may find out." good proportion of the suglers of the small and bugs that could fell into the water Swiftwater was famous for the size of its trout, and in that cold spring-fed stream the fish developed fighting characteristics

Speckled trout of three to four pounds were fairly common, and every experienced flahorman on the Swiftwater could tell you had only just finished fishing the pool huge trout, whose weight in pounds and half an hour or so and then offer him somenunces even Baron Munchausen would thing irresistible in the form of balt. Jim have blushed to mention. It is probably scouted around a bit and soon gathered unnocessary to said that these higgest trout | quite a collection of creatures including a | der.

village who really deserved to be ranked | One after another of these delicious tid among the expert trout fishermen. He bits went drifting down to the bly trout, was keenly observant regarding all forms but not one spark of enthusiasm or appraof wild life, and the application of the clation did they arouse. And when Jim knowledge thus acquired won him a larger slipped up through the aklore for a final trips then usually fulls to a fail of his age. | did not care for society of that sort As Jim would have expressed it, he "used | Jim, like every successful trout fisherhis bean," and nothing gave him keener man, was a boy not easily discouraged. satisfaction than to match his wits against After that first attempt on the big fish in the cunning of a wise old trout. But to Akler Pool he spent much of his time in the troy's litter chagrin he had never yet devising new and original methods of atlanded "the biggest trout," large ones treeting the favorable attention of the disfell victims to his skill but some older dainful creature. He fished the pool with

summer that the real possibilities of the Bo far as results went he would have uc- of the trout in this river." Alder l'ool occurred to Jim. He had just complished just as much by jumping into without securing a single rise, a result not trout in his hands. been the same each time Jim had fished the liked to put into practice when on the trail hole that season, though other years Alder of a bit trout, provided it were feasible. Pool, so named from the thick mass of His scheme was to study the habits of the sprouts surrounding the water, had always fish as much as possible, in this way learn-

come of this important fact struck him, slong the river. "that must mean that there's a whonper of a trout in the hole. Mebbe he's a 'hose' Jim had often heard old and experienced anglers tell of the so-called "boss trout," some solitary, overgrown fish with a violently pugnacious disposition, that now and then pro-empted as his personal property a promising pool, promptly driving away all

fished from the sides, owing to the encire- would be so much the less.

ing the recesses of the pool. Vortunately whereupon he began all over again with his the num's light came from such a direction facrics of balts, yet the results were as bethat it maile objects on the bottom easily fore, visible. Two or three enormous suckers "No, sir," was the boy's undiscouraged announced that it was suppor time in the were to be seen lying in the still water at comment. "That trout wants something village, but still the battle-rage of the the deepest part of the pool, but not a particular and when I hand it to him no'il However, Jim's supply of spare time was is."

heat place for trout along the whole be followed by success. That was a system perched. which had enabled him to take more than ! "By ginger :" he muttered as the signifi- one fine trent from from various points red in hope of getting an idea of what was gone to British Columbia, where he will Accordingly, Jim storped fishing for the bose trout and spent all the time he could lying in the alders by the deep pool, watching the fish whosever the latter was to be was his thought, "and if I stick around right arm shot back with a sharp jerk, was good, but somelow it seemed rather frained long enough I'll find out what it is." The boy's eyes soon accustomed them- while a small hombaliell seemed to have he asked. other trout rash enough to swim into his selves to looking down through the clear exploded down in the pool. Bud's pentstrotoh of water. Such was the popular water and he found it no little pleasure up enthusiasm broke all bounds in a wild wrote every line of it."

conception of a loss trout, though Jim had thus to spy upon the magnificent fish. He yell, and in the general excitement the never taken one that answered to the des- especially enjoyed himself when the lure of exuberant youth rolled off his perch into a Byron," said Mr. Howells. "But I was oription. Yet the fact that Alder Pool, a some angler floated flown from above the foot of wet water. place where in previous years he had al- trout. Sometimes the line was handled But Jim did not see or hear. His hands some years ugo !"-Continent. ways caught many fish, both large and skilfully, occasionally the reverse. But it were full. Braced against the slippery umall, had for so long a period yielded made no difference; the boss of Alder Pool rocks on the shallow rift, he was fighting highly interesting not to say suspicious. tempte on his life. As anglers had to go brother's presence and of all things clas-"I'm going to have a squint into that around the pool after fishing it from the save that bunch of steel springs and con-Jim slipped up the narrow pool very presence there, and you may be sure that Back and forth, up and down and across cautiously and quietly, but us the thicket he took good pains to conceal it. For if the pool darted the huge trout in his blind

extended to the water's edge, he had tittle others learned of the prize lurking in that rage. Nothing could stop those furious fear of being seen. The hole could not be part of the river his chances of victory rushes and Jim could only hope that his ing alders, but an angler could easily get Day after day went on in this feation his line in from the upper end, where the and Jim had never seen the hig trout take but with undampened enthusiasm, to shout ourrent entered without serious risk of its any foul, though it remained as sleek and words of encouragement, approval and adbeing snarled up in the alender trees. Ac. | well nourished as ever. He could easily vice at his brother. It was all unbeeded. cording to Jim's kies if there actually was have captured it by means of a copper wire Jim's brain was to much complet to cona huge fish in the pool it would most mare, but the boy was too true a sports. own itself with other matters; the boy had naturally he found in the deep water just man to take any such unfair advantage. all he could do to keep tant that allken before the current lost its force, for a trout His victory would come honorably or not thread which cut the water like a kulfe at all. Then the kies came to him that blade; as every angler knows a slack line The hoy's sharp eyes were soon explor- the trout was feeding exclusively at night,

trout, large or small, did he perceive. bits. It's up to me to find out what it not quickly exhausted and he patiently Therefore Jim went back to his task of right thumb where he had used that memmalatained his position. The more he con- apping upon the big fish, tirm in the bellef her as a brake on the spool; his arms were the pool must contain a big trout, for on discovered. And finally one aftereson his from the constant effort.