Twas then I woke the harrow up, would to get the foresoon train-his hired man

her hefore. It washed this road wo're on

till it looked like a place of ploughed

ground, and it took the bridge over, on the

state road and whisked it away-and there

the major was, out off fr'm the depot come

"I'd drove over on the state road that

mornin' on a little matter of business, and

I met the major bein' carried to the station

had litched up to carry hint. I passed the

time of day with 'em and was letting my

hose walk up the hill, when I heard a

hallerin' goin' on behind me. I twisted

round in my seat to make out what the

matter was, and see the major wavin' both

arms and bollerin' fit to bust, and backon-

in' me back. So I cramped the wagon

"When I got to where the major was,"

explained Mr. Otway, "I could see round

the turn of the road to the bridge or. rather. I could see to where the bridge had

been, and that was the fust I know that

the bridge was gone ; I noticed that before

"I won't deay," confided Mr. Otway

You wait, I says.

"lo a few minutes we fetched out

hose a wellon with the onds of the reins.

wipin' the mud off'n is and sputterin'.

"He dide's make much talk the r

ed for and and hollered into my ear

'bad so this-all the time "

the ruts get hardened.

comer of my mouth :

Monday mornin' !

round and started back.

Y asw that hose and carriage.

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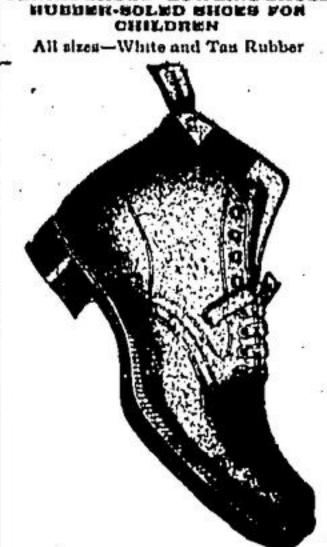
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And fotched the water from the well, eigh

pacify the plough. I love to lie in hed and think, I need nt do

love to think of boyhood days, when

used to fix their breakfast food, ere yet

used to dry shampoo the horse and mani-

love to lie in bed and think, I needn't do

I love to think of boyhood days and when

the snow was deep.

How I went logging in the woods, when on the log I'd creep;

How in the cold I'd freeze my ears, bring

I love to lie in bod and think, I needn't de

I love to think of boyhood days, when it

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MENDING THE SOUTH ROAD

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back seat and we started. R. OTWAY'S rickety carryall, drawn by an almost equally that he'd been sort of delivered into my rickety horse, joited over the hands, and that it was my part to bring rute of the byroad. From time to time, as the danger of upsetting seemed mminont, the new school-teacher grasped the seat firmly and held her breatly. "I never saw such routs !" she exclaim-Mr. Otway regarded her tolerantly, and | behind me, but I didn't let that worry me,

guided the old horse round a particularly and bimaby he begun to brad use a little to large statruction. The wagen tipped go faster. alarmingly. "Bho !" Mr. Otway remarked, "eln't a mite of danger-not after you get kind wonted to it and learn how to set in the wagon 'thout alippin'. Some of these here stuns cent a feller up sideways some, but I sin't ever gone class over-not a once ! He oranged his mack and reined the horse sharply to the right. "Here we be, on the main road. I kind of thought mabbe wo'd

fetch through all right." The teacher allowed herself to relax in her seat, us therettle and jelt of the carryall changed to a smooth rolling. Mr. Otway glanosil back over the road they had just

"I o'r remember," he said slowly, "when this place of road we're on this minute was full as bad, if not wuss, then the road we've jest come out of, and no prospect of its ever bein' any diffrent, scemin'ly. And then all to once everything smoothed right out and shifted round, so we got a good road. I was here," he explained casually, "me'n' this hose and this wagon, -- when it all happened."

"When it happened !" school the "When what happened-this

"Yenny rate, when it was made likely, or | go a little more careful?" even possible, for it to be same's it is now And I was one of the instuments that helpal the matter close some, if I do say it. "At the time." continued Mr. Otway, "I d'know's the whole country could have in' more careful.' I saye. 'I o'm drive you ti'duced the likes of this stretch of roadcareful and miss the train or I o'u burry there we'n't four months of the year when t was safely passable. Every place where I save : "It sin't nothin' to me sither way." there was a little bill, or rum down, the reins had follored the rute and washed so a wagon'd drop in clear to the hube, and If it kills ma. I s'posa." " 'Wal,' e'l, 'I guass it won't kill you, but mable you'll wish it would 'fore we fotch the denst." Bo I hit the home an-

then in the winter the frost had worked on it and have it all out of shape, and I alo't stretchin' it a mits when I say that there was rooks along bars, right in the middle of the road, as hig as that bose. Yolks had skiged out round the rooks where they could, and by so doin' they'd got 'bout the crookedest place of road you ever looked "Now, in order to build a good read," Mr. Otway proceeded learnedly, "you've

got to have two things-stune fore founds tion, and good gravel to finish off the top with. We didn't have neither the stune nor the gravel ; at least, they was here handy, but we didn't have no right to "There was a gravel bed a quarter of a

mile long, and two tumbledown stup wells. both baloagin' to Major Parlin, and they wa'n't a lut of use to him, neither one o 'am. But he wouldn't let us have a stun nor so much as a spoonful of gravel to fis this road that was reely a manace to a pus-

to be of old are to be cured purgu-"I won't say why he wouldn't let us have 'nough to mend the road, less's it was on account of the selectmen and him havin' words over the town lights-the major's a kind of pudjicky old lunkhead. Islways inlatenated that that was realy why wouldn't let the gravel go. The selectmen tried it two-three times, and they even sent others to trails for it private, but nevercome to anything ; and it got so at the last that the major wouldn't even talk about it with aprone.

"You see," wont on Mr. Otway, "the roads in this part of the town are like the letter 'A'-the major lives on the left leg. us you might say, and we folks here are on the right one, and that rough crossroad we come over a suell back makes the crossbar of the letter. The major's log of the letter is the state road, and that road and this one comes to a peak at the depot. As long as he had the state keep his road in shape for him, he didn't seem to care how we folks over here got to the depot, or whether we ever got there. He owned the gravel he hauled some paper out of his pocket and the test here I handlest and and

major for every lounce he got. "When we fin'ly got to the depot and ! got a chance to look at the major, I was sort of scared for a minute to see how he

"'It's a good road to haul-' And last

then we struck a rock that like to hove us

both out of the wagers, so I had to quit and

"I heard him snort and say something

but I couldn't make out what he said.

mite crooked to hit 'em all, but I took

pains. And I fetched a grunt out of the

" 'Aign over 1" I bellered. "

looked. The wheels had throwed mud and spattered him pretty much all over. and about his last breatle had been folted out of him. But after I looked at him a minute I made up my mind he was all right, so I started to turn the boss and go back home ; but be held up his hand and "You wait a minute,' he says, gaspin'. 'Itwant to send a word back by you.' And

and he wouldn't sell it, and we could like and begun to write on it. When he got

"There! he says. "I want you should I can be good for nothing."

## OUR DAILY LIFE

The one great truth to which we all need to come is, that a successful life lies not in doing this, or going there, or possessing something else; it lies in the quality of our daily life. It is just as surely success to be just and courteous to servants or companions or the chance comer, as It is to make a noted speech before un audience,

or write a book or make a million dollars.

ake that to the selectmen. This ride you give me this mornin' has made me change my mind 'bout some things,' he says, 'and "I gethered from the major and highired | long's I've changed it I ain't goin' to give man-both of 'em talkin' at once-that it any chance to change back. That's an when the hoss came round the turn and order for them to use all the gravel they saw that hole right under his feet, where want of that gravel bed of mine, and all sere ought to be a bridge, he got scared they want of the atun walls providing t I lie in bed and quetion why I cannot have and tried to turn round with 'em, and in stuff is used on the south road. There's no some way he made out to get one leg over knowin' how long it'll be 'fore they git the crosshar. Then, in tryin' to clear him. that bridge fixed,' he says, 'and Y don't self he'd kicked the crossherout, and most want to have to ride over that road any needay. of the dasher, and in doin' all this he'd more'n necessary, in the shape it's in now, lamed himself so he couldn't get but three That's all the authority they'll need to use every mite of that gravel, if it's needful." "Wal, the upshot of it was, the major And with that, of he went with his head

wanted me to get him to the depot in my in the air, straight and stiff as a ramred rig, takin' him through the crossroad and and got on the train, and I come home. than down the south road, -that's this one "And that," concluded Mr. Otway, we're on now, -and he wanted me to hurry. "was all there was to it. We took the Treasurer-Mrs. James Brown. I tried to tell him that the road wa'n't in graveland had the road fixed before fall. any shape to haul passengers over, but it Pretty good road now; ain't it?'-Youth's didn't make a mite of diff rence he'd got Companion. to git that train. Ho be piled into the

WHEN IS A MAN DRUNK

guility, "that when the majer climbed into To the Editor :my wagon I had a feelin' come over me How I wish that everyone could read an article under the above heading in the er resident of Acton is preparing the plank in to a sense of what we had to drive over every day of our lives, over here on

the south road. But jest at first, after we your readers. Holentific experts say that one little turned into the crossroad. I sased him drink will sat you back seven per cent. In along as careful as I knew how. I could physical endurance and filteen per cent. bear him openin' and shuttin' his watch In your ability to remember things.

This is no temperance lecture. It is the | ago. findings of rold scientific scentrery and shows the moderate drinker that he does " 'Wal,' e'l, 'this ain't no trottin' park we're drivin' over, and I thought I'd no not need to make a fool of himself to get drunk. One plans of beer will make him dental surgery at Brookville, is working kind of slow till we git out into the main drunk in the same that he will be that up a good practice. road and then mabbe I o'n touch the hose much less of a man than he was before in up a mite and git along a little better. body and brain. We all want life and want it more abundantly, but solence shows that alsohol in any form and avec in the main road. 'And now,' thinks I, 'I'll small quantities lessons our life, our vitaljounce you along here as fast as these

ty and our efficiency. boulders and washoute'll let ma.' He I One of the first things the solentist leaned out over the dasher and fetched the ound out when they commenced to mies are drunkensees was that every man who and he started with a jump that almost drank alooholio liquore was drank-in vanked the major out of the seat. I slantdegree-for two or three days afterwards. ed my eye back to see if he was still in the Now it may be too much to sak the mod wagon, and there he sot, with a hand on erate drinker to believe that. He thinks each side of the seat, holdin' on for dear he has increased his vitality, instead life, and the wagon elentin' sideways every essening it, but there is no getting over time a wheat hit a rock-and that was the ergograph or the hundreds of memory

bout every time they tured round on the The ergograph is a little instrument the "We'd gone mabbe a quarter of a mile tails muscalar streagth and eadurence like that, when I falt a dig in my ribe and first without alsohol for several days, and heard the mejor bollerin' that he'd got to than with a glass of wine after mails for git out and git his hat-it had joussed off several days. These experiments were when I hit a boulder a mite harder's I duplicated bundreds of times. callisted to. When he come back he was

It would require too wuch space to de free standarm and the machine used "What a road I be saye. 'A man "Wal, yes, to a manner of speakin'. can't even keep his had on! Couldn't you to secure accuracy. The resyste prove that a man cannot write as fast or as " 'Wel,' s'I, careless like, 'losis' your fast or sociretely after one drink, and hat off ala't anything here on this road ; the strange part of it is that he thinks he you'll lose your cost and vest off if they is writing mote rapidly. That has fooled

ala't buttoasd up tight. And as for driv. many a man. The manney table ware interesting an lastructive. These were carried on some and git it -mable. Take your pick, two weeks without alcohol, and then for two weeks with alcohol, and the results "He got back late the wages and sattled showed, first, that wastery power was ble hat down till it most restad on his care. weekened fitties per cont. I second, that "To absed," o'he. "I've got to gis that train when alcohol was taken helore breakfast, it regulard four times to long to memories

a given task. Dr. Ridge, an Kaglish physiologist car ried out a series of experiments on mad other lick with the reins and we started feel students, and porters, to assertale the effect of liquor on sycalable with the startling result that the average man who had the way, but I guess be kep' up a consid. I takes the equivalent of a plat of beer had to approach twenty feet nearer to read erable thinkin' all the time. Occabe lanletters that he had read at thirty feet the day before, and that the affect lasted from " "Is this road," he save, the words gittin' yanked out of him between jounces.

four to five bours after drinking. When we consider how much depends this swith war upon the vigor of body and "'No.' I says, 'most of the time, it's blearesse of heals of our soldiers, and wass-take it in the summer time, when when wethink that they are not only per-"He settled back and dido's say any mitted, but are actually tempted to drink that a few men may make money, to show more for a spell. We went on a place. rattlin' and lurobin' from one side to the us that a large number of people are still other, and then I hollered back out of the Ignorant of the true mature of this ter-

H. ANNOYP. M. H. M.C.P.H.

THE WONDER CITY.

uit the boss back into the toul 'fore I The Merchants' Association of New York City, has been collecting data to justify the claim that New York is "the wonder city of the world." They have the slone but Bootland herself who spake .-From there to the depot I didn't say any foures to substantiate the following claims : Clargow Herald. more, but if there was a rock that I missed | "the greatest Jewish city, and the greathittin' with both wheels it was because I out Irish city with 074,721 residents of Irish didn't see it in time. I had to drive a blood."

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## TWENTY YEARS AGO

From Our Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, June 4th, 1896

Forbes farm at Crewsons Corners and will move there in October. We have received from Mr. C. A. Mat- You will pay with your body and mind thewe copies of St. Louis, Ma., papers giving illustrated reports of the destructive. It may be worth while but I venture to tornado which visited that city last Wed- The fun of the dance down the Good

Mr. Robert Wallace picked a fine varlaty of early strawberries on Queen's Birth-

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church have elected as officers: President - Mrs. John Matthews; Vice Pres. -- Mrs. Joshua Norrish : Heerstary-Mrs. John Agnews Mr. Albert Wenham, who has been i

faithful service on the staff of the G. T. I at Acton station, has been called to the agency of the road at Swansos, four miles west of the Union Station, Toronto. He has been a worthy eltison, and an official member of Bt. Alban's Church. Mr. Richard Hamilton, of Erin, a form

American Magazine for April. As that is for the new vats at the tannary. He has improbable, I will try to condense it for | pub in nearly all the vate at the tanneries for thirty years. Mr. James Elliott, of Certwright, Man., spent last week with his brother Thomas

and other friends here. He went to the North West with his father fifteen years Mr. Duncan Boott has just completed ile course at the flushih Business College. Dr. J. M. Bell, who opened an office for

THE LAST SIGHT When Lizzie saked if she might get out for an hour on Monday evening we guessed har errand before she explained it. For asveral youths belonging to the village, force. Something very much like it is at who had been training cleawhere were bosse on leave, and were to start that slight to rejoin their regiments on the way to France. And one of them (by special rerusse) but had too twice in the kitchen. "I'm wantin' to see Jock Bleect aff."

Lizzie said simply. "It'll be the last sight o' him we'll be getting for a while" was no beauty. But he had an boneat face | often it is not felt or recognized until it has very fresh and pink-chaiked, with pale, cervoty hair and paler eye lashes, which blinked shyly when he was addressed. He looked very young. Like another youth of a riddy complexion, Jook had been called from the sheepfold, and it struck me that he bore a strong resemblance to his late the answer. charges ; he had an air of dull, solid quiet "Miss Oriswold asked especially about ed bour Limie west out, and presently. Letter woman for having known you and after an interval, we beard the which of the south-bound express so its way. Hose alterwards Lizzie appeared, and although we avoided an immediate meeting with her inflatace her friend, but had simply tried these precentions proved to be unities. Limie is a patriot, and a typical Host as will, and her countingance gave no clue

to the smotlone withing whatever they were, they had not been suffered to disclaim "Ay, they're awa'," was all she stoloully volunteired that night. But I observed for a while "like a cat in astronge garret," that that evening she did not slag.

Next morning, however, the broached the subject again, perhaps she was able to speak more freely. "There was a great growd at the statled

last wicht," she become

"I suppose sa," I said. "Ay. . The band was playin" They got a great sand-off. . ." Buddenly stooping, she poked the kitches fire

"Home was prestin' to see them gang. he patriot continued in an altered volce. still addressing the grets, "but that's no what would gar me great-to see them gaun' awa' to the war-na" The last word was floredly spoken; also straightened harvalf and turned on me, and then I saw that unshed tears of shame and rage stood the chance, he showed them the bouset is har gray aves.

"It's seein' them gang awa' fou'!-- that's what it is. That's the last ye see o' them. Blin' fou'-them that ne'er was fou' afore And I thought that it was not Lizzle

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beyond doubt If you journey through life by the Good Fellow Route. There's many a spender, a Prince and a Who makes a big bit with the Good Vellow Thing. While the wife and the children are thread-

bare and pale While regal spendthrift, he tosses his kale To the lackeys and aycoplants standing Who feather their nests ou the Good Fellow Route.

In grim prison cells and in padded ones, Are planty of fellows who morrily blew Along the road where the Good Fellowstro, And on the park benches are row upon Of those who belong to the Down and the

And who got that goal by the Good Fel-low Houts. It seem very bright and it sounds very Mr. Robt. Gibbons has purchased the But to follow that road means a big score

Yow will pay with your youth, and your

Fallow Route.

THE SILENT, STEADY INFLUENCE Every year thousands of vessels pass through the St. Mary's River, the connecting link between Lake Huron and Lake Superior. The difference in the levels of the two lakes has made necessary the construction of the famous canal and looks at Hault Sta. Marie, by means of which huge vessels deeply laden with ore or other heavy cargoes are lifted or lowered many

feet by the silent power of water. When one of these great freighters prosents itself at the lower and of the canel, for instance, it is admitted into the first or lowest lock, the water tight gates are closed, and water begins to run quietly into the looks through various lalets. Silently but quickly the water rises in the lock, and as it rises the steamer floats blober and higher, until at last it is on a level with the surface of the water in the next look. Then the gates are opened, and the boat moves forward, to repeat the process until she has gained the level of

Lake Superior and can go majestically on There is no soley excitement as the locks fill and empty, to raise or lower the great freighters that pass through the canal. It takes a lot of power to raise a luge ore boat, but the work is done us silently us

though it were only a toy sailboat floating on the surface of the water. Canal looks are not the only places where one may find this allent, powerful work among men and women the world over. We get a glimpes of it when some man whom the world is glad to honor says simply that whatever he is he ower to his mother, or his wife, as the case may be. He means that some noble influence flowing into his life, has relead it to a bigher level than it woold have gained without The one sight I had had of him at the that influence. Such influence to never of hack door had been quite reassering. He the noisy kind, it works so quietly that

"Tell me shout Miss Oriswold." a young woman sald one day, referring to a former companies, some years older than harriell, whom one of her Irlanda had recently visited. She was established as

your mother." The girl who received the surgetalne answer had never consciously trial to to keep her own daily life up to a certale standard. Nevertheless, her influence has worked as alloutly and as powerfully as the inflowing water in the canal looks. When Janes Pearnell's father and mother

moved to Westmore and she entered the third year of the high school there, she feld so the supressed it, for many of her new commandate were careless in their manners and their speech, while Janet, whose father was a college bred man, had been trained to the use of careful and beautiful English. But after a little the quist influence begen to work. The other girls began to realize the difference Latward Janat's way of speaking and their own, then to try to be more like ber. In this way you see a whole class was raised to higher standards through the guist but powerful influence of one wirl. When Albert Devden took charge of a class of street boys to one of the settlement houses be did not lecture them about bonesty, nor threaten them with punishment if he caught them doing anything dishonast. But quietly, whenever he had way was the right way, and soon came to stand, in their minds, as the champles of honesty and truthfulness. When darkeyed Tony was discovered by some of the Oh if I had the desvils that did other olub members stealing apples from a neddler's cart one afternoon, a practice in which they had all indulged openly and Joyously whenever they had the chance, he was compelled by the other boys to put lack every plece of fruit he had taken, and, more than that, to give a solomn promise that he would not do such a thing again fants of the nourishment that they should | Once more, the allant, steady influence had derive from food, and mal-nutrition is the relead a crowd of most unpromising born

We are bound to have some sort o influence on the people around us. With lower their standards, to make them think more or less of truth and honsety, and right-doing. It is for us to decide which way our influence shall work.

INNOCENCE VRHOVD Grocer-We have some very nice lion railish to-day, mailam. Mrs. Newlywed-I don't thing I'll take any this morning, thank you. You see