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THE STANDARD OF THE WORLD

## BY THE SHORT CUT.

BY MATTIE BARNES.

Sparville was grateful to Henry Griswold. Not since the engagement of McMahon's minstrels two months before had the town had so much to talk about.

Nine years ago Hank Griswold had gone to the city in his Sunday pepper and salt suit, with cowhide boots and cloth cap to complete his costume. Now he had returned Henry Griswold, and to the splendors of well tailored clothes he added the magnificence of a fur lined coat and shoes and hat equally glossy.

Sparville was accustomed to fur coats, but with the fur outside, while Henry showed only the cloth. Patent leather shoes, too, every day in the week were regarded with awe not unmixed with envy.

Even more interesting was the evident interest Griswold displayed in Nellie Morrison. They had been sweethearts in the old school days and had kept up a correspondence, a fact disseminated by the postmaster but it was evident that Griswold had come home with the intention of cutting out Ben Pierce, who escorted Nell home from church Sunday evenings and otherwise gave evidence of ultimate serious intentions.

Public sentiment was largely in favor of Ben. Had Sparville been so frivolously minded as to indulge in betting the odds would have been about three to one in his favor, for Henry had seemed to lose interest in skating and coasting and other winter sports in which Sparville delighted.

He visited the pond and the coasting hill, but merely as a spectator, and at such times Nell, fully conscious that the exercise brought a stronger glow to her cheeks and an added sparkle to her eyes, was most inclined to hector him.

Griswold ascribed her treatment to a desire to display her powers of coquetry, but when, near the close of the second week, he made formal proposal of marriage and was refused he stared at her in dismay.

"It's this way," explained Nell judiciously, seeing his bewilderment. "I like you, Harry but you are so different now. When you were a boy there was no one who could beat you in a skating race, and you used to go down Beeman's hill faster than any of the others. Now you're afraid to coast."

"I'm not afraid," denied Griswold. "I don't want to; that's all. I have found other amusements."

Nell smiled and changed the subject and Griswold went home feeling miserable. He loved Nell, and this refusal was a blow to his heart and his pride.

It was Ben who tugged Nell's sled up Beeman's hill the following afternoon and found Griswold gloomily regarding the coasters. The hill swung in a rough half circle down the steep declivity. Usually the roadway was beaten into a glare of ice by the coasters, for it was the only good coasting place in the neighborhood.

From the brow of the hill the entire road could be observed. All summer Henry Beeman had been cutting the thick growth of pines which had covered the hillside, and now only a broad expanse of glistening snow crust dotted with the pine stumps remained.

It was a pretty spectacle, and Griswold enjoyed it in spite of the evident favor with which Nell regarded Ben, who accompanied her in her dashes downhill and the walk back again with Nell walking by his side. Nominally Nell's sled was her sister's, and Ben's was supposed to be the property of his little cousin, but those two youngsters had little use of their possessions.

The sun was dipping toward the hills on the other side of the valley and most of the coasters had gone home when Nell settled herself for her last ride. Ben had stopped to tie his shoe laces, and Nell looked over her shoulder.

"Who catches may keep," she called as the sled gathered momentum. Ben sprang to his feet and ran for his sled, throwing himself upon it and starting off at a terrific pace.

Griswold gave one glance at the flying figure far ahead. He knew that Ben's sled was not as good as Nell's and that he would not catch her until she reached the bottom of the incline.

There was just one chance for himself, and, throwing off his coat, he caught up the pointer that Jimmie Sweeney had just brought up to the top of the hill.

At the foot of the field was a place where two lengths of the fence had fallen in, and there were similar breaks where he stood.

It was the work of an instant to step through one of these and throw himself face downward upon the sled.

Steering with both hands and feet, Griswold shot down the steep declivity. It was several years since he had been on a sled, but it all came back to him, and with a skill that was the talk of the hill for the remainder of the season he steered his flying sled in and out between the stumps, shoving the bark here and dodging a trunk there just as a fractured skull seemed imminent.

It took but a few seconds to accomplish the journey, but to Griswold it seemed years before he shot through the opening of the fence and with a last terrific effort swung himself into the road.

Just ahead were the smart gray jacket and saucy little hat that he was pursuing, and as he shot past he caught the runner of Nell's sled.

"Who catches may keep," he quoted as he steered the two sleds into the softer snow beside the road to permit Ben to pass them.

"How did you do it," demanded Nell wondering.

"Did you think it would be Ben?" he countered. The girl shook her head.

"I wanted to see if you would make an effort," she explained shyly. "All the way down I heard Ben shouting, and I was afraid that he was alone."

"He was," explained Griswold. "I came the short way."

Nell looked at the runner marks where Griswold had come through the break in the fence and then at the stump dotted hill.

"You came straight down?" she gasped.

"It was the only way," he said quietly. "Ben already had a lead on the road, and I knew that I should have to take the short cut in order to beat him."

Nell looked him over sternly. The thin leather of his shoes was cut and torn, and here and there was a rent in his clothing where he had struck a tree. The gloves hung in shreds from his scratched hands, and his necktie waved under his left ear.

"You go back and get your coat," she commanded, "and then we'll go home and tell mother and Harry. I'm awful glad that you win," she added as he turned away to obey the command. "I didn't think you would, but I never dreamed that you would come the short way. No one has dared before."

"No one else had you at the end of the slide," he explained, with a happy laugh, as she slipped her hand in his and they started up the hill after his coat.

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(Cleveland Leader.)

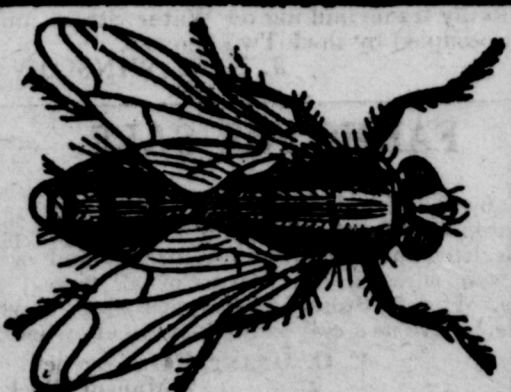
Peter J. Backus, a Cleveland mechanical engineer, says he has succeeded in completing inventions for the saving of lives that will eclipse any device yet produced.

With the aid of his electro magneto he claims that in a few seconds time he can patch a leak in an ocean steamer, permitting it to complete an ordinary voyage.

A brake for use on trolley cars that he has made is guaranteed to work automatically at times of danger, even if the motorman leaps from his post.

The electro-magnetos consist of sheet steel, to which batteries are attached and which are shaped to fit into or on any part of a ship. The batteries charge the steel sufficiently to become magnetized. According to Backus, they will then have a resistance of 300 lbs to the square inch.

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"You may think it strange that I do not get my inventions patented," said Backus yesterday. "I don't because I feel that then they would be worked upon by certain big corporations who make a business of that sort of thing, and by making improvements would make my efforts useless to myself financially. I have given my life to trying to invent appliances that will save lives. I read the newspaper accounts of every big accident and study carefully the cause with the purpose of effecting a remedy."

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### Pointed Paragraphs.

(Chicago News.)

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From a woman's view point a court of last resort is a divorce court.

You can make an enemy of a friend by convincing him that he's a fool.

It's harder for a man to raise bees than it is for bees to raise a man.

You may have observed that satisfied people, as a rule, keep quiet about it.

When people get a divorce the real reason doesn't always show on the surface.

Old fashioned honesty should not be allowed to drift into the has-been class.

The bark of the average dog is worse than his bite: the bark is usually kept up all night.

Did you ever see a self-made man who was able to talk to a stranger for ten minutes without mentioning the fact?

### Had Tried All Kinds.

(New York Times.)

A noted heavyweight puglist, who for a time in the heyday of his fame, occupied the chair of sporting editor of a certain journal, gloomily remarked to a friend one day: "Say, Jim, I don't mind standin' up in the ring an' givin' an' takin', a few hot punches in the ribs or wherever they happen to land, but this here pickin' up a pen an' slingin' off a column or so of titatator every day or two js what makes me tired. I believe I'll hafter resign."

"No use resigning, John, old boy," advised the friend. "A job like yours isn't picked up every day. To make it easier for you I would suggest your getting an amanuensis."

"Oh, thunder! What's the use?" exclaimed the great editor, wearily. "I've tried a common steel pen, a patent ink pencil an' half a dozen other writin' contraptions, an' it isn't at all likely an amanuensis'll work any better'n the rest of 'em. No; I reckon I'll have ter quit."

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	Amount Available.	Being Utilized.
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Alberta .....	1,114,000	1,330
Saskatchewan .....	500,000	—
Manitoba .....	505,000	18,000
N. W. Territories .....	600,000	—
Ontario .....	3,129,168	331,158
Quebec .....	17,075,939	50,000
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Nova Scotia .....	54,300	—
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(Punch.)

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