- A WISE TOAD.

A knowing toad one summer's day Unto a fly was heard to say: "You're pretty sure to find me here Before thisstore year after year." "But," said the fly, "it seems to me : That you demolished soon will be By people passing in and out, And ground to dust without a doubt." "Oh," smiled the toad, in all things pat,

"I never am afraid of that. Amid the city's whir and din To purchase here but few pass in. The reason's plain, if you but think; This merchant shunneth printer's ink."
Printer's Ink.

AN EVENING'S FUN.

It was an impromptu entertainment which, we all know, is usually the most successful. It was just after the holidays, and we had a house party of a dozen congenial spirits at the Henderson's country home. It had been a gay week, and for this particular evening a long sleighride had been planned; driving rain, all day, prevented this, however, and imposed the necessity of some indoor amusement.

"Why not have an old-fashioned evening of candy pulling and games?" suggested some brilliant spirit-a proposition we all hailed with acclamations of delight!

The coachman, dispatched to two or three of the nearest houses, brought an accession of half a dozen to our numbers, so a lively party soon crowded the laundry kitchen, where we had free scope for our candy. This part of our entertainment needs no description, for we all know that one candy pull is much like

But nine b'clock found us all adjourned to the wide old hall, with its great fireplace and huge back log. This was always our favorite rallying ground. Being nearly all old friends, we were ripe for a regular romp.

"We must have the broomstick trick first," cried Alice Henderson, "and Harold is dying to distinguish himself in

Harold shrugged his shoulders good

"Alice, you are bent on manslaughter with that broomstick business," he protested; but the others, who had never seen it, were clamorous, and Harold

A broom was brought, one having an unusually strong handle. It was laid across two chairs which faced each other. On the back of one was balanced a pair of gloves. This arranged, Harold, armed with a stout cane, very carefully seated himself cross-legged on the broomstick, facing the gloves. If you think this is an easy matter, try it! You will find judicious management very necessary.

Once balanced on the narrow resting place of the broomstick, the object is to knock the gloves off the chair back with the cane, while retaining one's balance. It is exceedingly simple to describe; but, ye gods and little fishes! to accomplish it!-"Hoc opus, hic labor

Harold soon succeeded, for he had grown expert by oft-repeated trials, and the others, therefore, were easily persuaded to attempt it. But the involuntary gyrations that the victim makes to retain his equilibrium, and the wild | zine. tumbles sidewise that result from the first efforts, are convulsively funny. We always expect to laugh ourselves sore over this, and we always do.

Harold made the next suggestion. "Come, Judith, you and Holt haven't eaten as much candy as the rest of us. so we'll put you to feeding each other with crackers."

Judith knew what this meant; but Holt had never seen the performance. and he professed his eagerness for an extra course. Alice disappeared to make preparations. She returned with a sheet over her arm, and behind her a smiling maid with a big bowl of cracker crumbs, two saucers and two spoons. The sheet was spread on the floor-a necessary precaution -- and the two martyrs to the cause were invited to seat themselves, Turk fashion, upon it, facing each other. This done, they were carefully blindfolded, and each was given a saucer of crumbs and a spoon. Then they began to feed each other. The ridiculously earnest expression of each face, coupled with the wide-open mouths, as each endeavored to insert a spoonful of crumbs therein, convulsed the lookers-on, and their gibes and mocking directions complicated matters further. A heaping spoonful struck against Judith's chin, and most of the contents went down the open neck of her dress. Her vaguely directed spoon encountered Mr. Holt's nose, and his brown beard was liberally powdered. "This is on the order of a Barmecide

feast," laughed Mr. Holt, at last, flourishing an empty saucer. "Miss Judith. are you satisfied with what you didn't get? Suppose we appoint some other It was some time, however, before

the company considered itself sufficiently amused by this exhibition, and most of us were obliged to take a turn. "Did you ever pick up potatoes with

a teaspoon?" asked Miss Emmet, after a lull, while we took breath. "No? Well, if you'll send for ten big potatoes, Alice, we'll try it. We can use these spoons, though after dinner coffees are

"If this sort of thing continues," laughed Alice, leaving the hall, "we would better transplant the larder here

"Oh, bring two small baskets, also," called Miss Emmet.

When the things appeared, Miss Emmet arranged the potatoes, which were of goodly size, in two lines of five each.

"Now, Ned," she said, "shall we run a race with these? We each take a basket and a coffee spoon, and see which can pick up the potatoes first in our respective lines. The one who does can impose a forfeit on the other."

"That sounds," observed Ned, "'as easy as rolling off a log.' I have your forfeit in mind. Miss Grace."

"Don't be too sure," laughed Grace They took spoons and baskets and down the boulevard. stood ready for the word "Go!" But when Ned began he found the operation more complicated than he had imagin-

around unconscionably. "My stars! Miss Grace," he cried at last. "You don't mean to say that you have them in already?" as he mopped his perspiring brow, surveying his still empty basket and his five potatoes in different parts of the hall. Grace had What a mistake I've made, and for the reduced it to a science. Of course one was not allowed to push the potato against anything to steady it; but she

rolled them sideways, and, holding her to see it?" spoon in readiness, caught them as the impetus carried them upon the bowl ef

"Ha! ha! young lady! I see your little game," Ned exclaimed, going to work again. But at that moment Grace deposited her last potato in her basket and gayly cried out: "Mug-

"And now, by way of forfeit," she went on, judiciously, "I condemn you to allow me, in the sight of all this company, to place your finger on your nose in such a way that you cannot leave this hall without removing it. Do you

believe I can do it?" "Ordinarily, no," returned Ned, in much dejection: 'but after the potato episode I am not prepared to be dogmatic. I will only say to the unenlightened mind it seems impossible." Nobody knew how Grace would accomplish the feat, and we watched her

with much curiosity. "How many of you think I can doit?" she asked, laughing. "Affirmative, ay; contrary minded, no. The noes have it.

She led Ned to the staircase and seated him on the lowest step. She quickly slipped his arm through the railing, and bringing it round the newel-post, placed his finger on his nose. There was a shout of laughter, as they saw it was obviously impossible for Ned to rise without removing his finger. "Beaten again," laughed Ned. "But in return for this, young woman, I pro-

pose to hypnotize you so you can't stand alone." "Oh, no," said Grace, shrinking back. "I can't bear that sort of thing." "Try me." said Alice, good-naturedly, knowing her friend was really very sensitive about hypnotism. "Though I

fancy I shall be a difficult subject." "I think not." returned Ned, with his head on one side. "You'll do nicely. Indeed, I never failed yet." He seated her and made mystic passes before her eyes.

"I don't feel a thing," she protested. at last, as one and another inquired with much solicitude how she felt. "You shouldn't talk on the subject," objected Ned. "However-" with a final grand flourish-"it is accomplished! You cannot stand alone-try it!" "Indeed I can," returned Alice, spring-

ing up lightly. "Behold!" "Yes, 'behold!' " laughed Ned, with a low bow; "but you are not standing alone, for all of us are standing with

"Oh, you wretch! nothing but a miserable pun!" cried everybody, while Alice remarked that her good-nature in releasing Grace from the situation had met with the usual reward of virtue in this world.

"Do you know, my friends," remarked one of the outsiders, "that it is eleven o'clock-'time honest folks were in bed, and rogues a-jogging?' You know there is to-morrow's grand smash- my stock, as up in prospect."

"Oh, that's very early yet," pleaded Alice. "We must have the blind lancers, anyway. Did you never do it? It's great fun. Mamma, will you play for us? Choose your partners, gentlemen, for the lancers. No, we can't have two sets. because it's as much fun to look on as it is to dance;" and in a trice Alice had marshalled a set on the floor.

"Now, out with your handkerchiefs!" she ordered. "Yes, you are all to be blindfolded, and dance that way." And amid much laughter she bound up their

Mrs. Henderson struck up the opening bars, and directly they were all wildly making aimless courtesies, balancing at imaginary corners, and trying to turn opposites-when they found them. All these amid the derisive shouts of the lookers-on, and their urgent entreaties to "keep up with the

lessly than the last, as they grew more complicated. It was irresistibly ridicu lous to see profound courtesies made to another person's back or to empty space. or to see partners vaguely feeling for each other. The grand chain utterly demoralized them; and when they dropped at last, laughing and breathless, into their seats, we all concluded that. past experience to the contrary, there was infinite amusement to be had out of a square dance.—Demorest's Maga-

HIS AMBITION.

Just after the memorable three days of July, 18-, the floating population of Paris was modestly increased by the arrival in that city from his native province of Symphorien Baliveau.

The owner of this curious and not entirely euphonious patronymic was a young man of about twenty five years, neither handsome nor ugly, fat nor lean -the type, in fact, that one daily elbows on the boulevards and never looks

I need not add, of course, that such was not his own opinion; on the contrary, he was deeply impressed with the consciousness of his own charms, and equally determined to profit by them for the attainment of the object of his ambition-netoriety.

"Everything is in my favor," said he, 'good looks, money and a determination to succeed. All I want is a short cut to celebrity; a duel will give me

The next evening while he was treating himself to a bavaroise at Tortoni's. a short, muscular individual, dressed in the latest mode, with a bristling mustache and a self-satisfied air, took his

seat at an adjoining table. The provincial, after a critical inspection of the newcomer, rose from his chair, and, saluting him courteously, RAILWAY BILLS,

requested him to favor him with the address of his tailor. The stranger glanced askance at his

"Why?" inquired he, curtly. "Because I am struck, monsieur." said Symphorien, "with the good taste of your costume. That green coat with silver buttons becomes you so admir-

"You think so? Well, your wish can be easily gratified, for I chance to have a card of my tailor in my pocket. Be-

hold it!" "Thanks, monsieur. May I ask if you have also the address of your shoemaker in your pocket?"

"The same thing in my pocket, monsieur." the little man answered with great suavity, and tearing out a leaf from his notebook he wrote on it the required address and handed it to Bali-

"Is there any more you desire to know, ly running.

"Only this-your hatter's name, if may be so bold." "That, I regret to say, sir, I cannot afford you to-night. I have it at home, and to morrow morning two of my friends will bring it to you if you will kindly oblige me with your address." "With pleasure, monsieur," replied Symphorien; "here is my card."

"And here, monsieur, is mine." "Nothing could be better," thought | both Baliveau, as exchanging a polite bow with the stranger and paying for his bavaroise, he strolled leisurely out and

He drew the card from his pocket, approached a lighted window, and on the little square of pasteboard, in clear, ed. The potatoes wobbled and rolled sharp etching read: "Martial Roque." "Roque!" said he, starting back and paling visibly, "the great duelist who never misses his man, but either spits him with a thrust impossible to parry or brings him down with a bullet sent evenly between the eyes. Bon Dieu! sake of a little celebrity. I'll be celebrated to-morrow, that is certain. But what good will it do me if I'm not there

> A secluded spot on the Bois de Boulogne-less frequented in those days than now-agreed upon at four o'clock in the afternoon, proposed and accepted. M. Roque's friends announced that their principal, having the choice of weapons, selected pistols, and, this formality over, left Symphorien to his meditations,

> none of the cheerfulest, as you can see. While ruefully reflecting on whom he could apply to in his dilemma, he chanced to pull from his pocket the two addresses given him by Roque.

> And without a second's delay he dispatched a message to MM. Staub and Sakosky, the fashionable tailor and bootmaker, of that epoch, requesting their immediate attendance at the hotel where

> he was stopping. Thirty minutes later they were there, and as wise measure of conciliation-Symphorien was no fool, after all-he gave them an order considerably larger than they were wont to receive, even from their most extravagant customers, then, the necessary selections and measurements made, he amazed them still

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more by demanding the amount of the bill, as he desired to settle it before-

With one accord they protested against the need of so speedy a settlement; they had every confidence in monsieur's solvency, and were not in

the slightest hurry! "That may be," replied he, "but I am. I have a duel this afternoon with Martial Roque, and though I am no novice in such matters and have caught a swallow on the wing many and many a time, one cannot be sure with so dangerous an | Oct 17, 1894 antagonist what may happen.' Staub and Sakosky stared at each other

ighast. Such an off hand proceeding took the breath out of them. They reflected on the chance-most unlikely of course, but still possible -- of his proving himself the better shot of the two. Roque owed them a regular pot of money, and if he should chance to fall by Symphorien's bullet, who would pay their bills?

Staub looked at Sakosky, Sakosky looked at Staub. It was enough. They understood each other. "Monsieur," said the latter, "in a case like yours the choice of seconds is a matter of great importance. May I take the liberty of enquiring the names of

those who act in your behalf?"

"I have none as yet," replied the young provincial; "I shall probably take the first two soldiers I meet; anyone, in short. I have no acquaintances in Paris to whom I can apply.'

"Then, Monsieur," said Staub, "I may venture to make you a proposition. Whenever I have a leisure moment I am generally to be found in some shooting gallery where our skillful marksmen congregate. Therefore, as you are unprovided with seconds, if you will condescend to accept my services and those of M. Sakosky-'

"Willingly, monsieurs," interrupted Symphorien, who desired nothing better. "You anticipate my wish and save me an infinity of trouble." Three hours later the two principals and their seconds, punctual to the minute, arrived at the spot fixed upon for the encounter.

"W' i!" exclaimed Roque, "he has chosen you?' "He could not do otherwise. You gave him our names and addresses, and as he knows no one else in Paris he was

only too glad to avail himself of our Roque's sense of humor-small as it was-was so irresistibly tickled by the absurdity of the situation that he laughed outright. Encouraged by his unusual geniality his two creditors began eloquently to implore him to be merci-

"Consider, monsieur," urged Sakosky, "if you deprive us of so excellent a customer the loss it will be to both of us. A perfect treasure, who pays without bargaining and before the goods are delivered! These are hard times, M.

books, M. Roque," Staub added. insin-There was a parley. Roque was clearly perplexed. He stood a moment in thought, evidently wavering between passion and mirth. Finally he walked over to the outwardly calm Baliveau. "Monsieur," said he, with a courteous bow, "you are sharper witted than I

"And we have so many debts on our

took you to be." "Eh? In what way, monsieur?" Sym-"You know how to save your skin | Pallings, without compromising yourseif. But see you, tell me what made you so bent Box-Shooks. on a duel last night?"

and saw no other way." "Ah, you have the mania, too, then? So had I once—till I outlived the folly. Matched Flooring, Well, no matter; you've courage, and your wish shall be gratified more easily and safely than mine was. Get into my cabriolet. When they see us re-Dimensioned Lumber, turning together people will say of you: Behold the only man who ever went out with Roque and came back safe and sound.' Jump in before I change my

Then, agreeably conscious that he was the object of universal attention, Baliveau proceeded to the Cafe de Paristhe restaurant most in vogue at that time-where he lengthily dined, knowing that every eye, from the waiter to the dame de comptoir, was fixed upon him with an interest and curiosity that satisfied, even beyond his anticipation, his thirst for notoriety.

mind, which would be all the worse for

Alas for the unstableness of human felicity. Next morning there was a REDUCED PRICES panic on the bourse. When he entered Tortoni's for breakfast no one noticed him; they were too much absorbed in | Mixed Candy, uts, Grapes, Lemons the profits and the losses. It was the coup de grace to Baliveau's

brief celebrity, and weary and dispirited

he returned to his province home. - N.

Y. Commercial Gazette.

Where Rain is Unknown. There is, perhaps, no more curious place on the Pacific seaboard than Iquique. It stands in a region where rain has never been known to fall, and where, as was remarked by Darwin when he visited Iquiqu

in 1835, the inhabitants live like people or board ship. These number about 14,000. nearly all connected with the staple industry of the port, due to the development of the nitrate industry on the adjacent pampas. The rain gauges at Lima, close to the Pacific, record absolutely no rainfall. There are several parts of the earth where rain never falls. Such are the Sahara, or great desert of Africa, and considerable tracts of Arabia, Syria, Persia, Thibet and Mongolia in the old world, while in South America the rainless districts comprise narrow strips on the shores of Peru, Bolivia and Chili, and on the coast of Mexico and Guatemala, with a small district between Trinidad and Panama on the coast of Venezuela, -Brooklyn Eagle.

To Make Sunlight. Nicola Tesla, whose wonderful achieve ments in the line of electricity are well known, thinks that he will soon be able to produce sunlight on the earth at will. H says that the light of the sun is the result of electric vibrations in the 94,000,000 miles of other that separate us from that luminary, and does not proceed from a great central fire, as the scientists have al along held. If these vibrations can be reproduced, the light will follow, The rapidity of the vibrations in a second necessary to produce the desired result is, he says, expressed by the figure 5 with fourteen ciphers annexed, and he is now trying to build a machine which will produce these vibrations. It would appear from what he says that this vibration must be produced in nothing, or what comes next to nothing-ether-for he asserts that if one had a solid chunk of steel as big as a house, and could communicate to it this vibration, it would instantly be atomized and disappear.

A Shattered Idol. One of the greatest sorrows of famous personages is that it is impossible to live up to the ideal opinion which the people whom they meet in the ordinary affairs of

life have formed of them. It is recorded that a certain literary man of high reputation had occasion to remark to a waiter in the restaurant where he sometimes lunches: "Waiter, this beefsteak is very tough."

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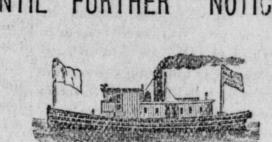
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