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How Answer.

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Asking you daily such questions as these:

Just when he guesses it's time to be night?

"Are flowers made out of a butterfly's

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. Does the man in the moon smoke while looking about? And are the blue clouds just the 'smoke

he puffs out? And the stars, are they just the wee sparks he lets drop?' "Do cat-tails grow up from-" But here

I will stop And ask you again-will you tell, if you How you would answer such questions as

> -Harper's Young People. I Meant To.

"I did not rise at the breakfast bell, But was so sleepy-I can't tell-I meant to.

"The woods not carried in, I know: But there's the school bell, I must go-I meant to. 'My lessons [forget to write,

'But nuts and apples were so nice-I meant to. "I forgot to walk on tiptoe; Oh, how the baby cries! Oh! Oh!

I meant to. "There, I forgot to shut the gate, And put away my book and slate-

"The cattle trampled down the corn, My slate is broken, my book is torn-I meant to.

I meant to.

I meant to.

Thus drawls poor idle Jimmy Hite. From morn till noon, from noon till

And now he's grown to be a man, He heedlessly mars every plan With that poor plan, "I meant to." -Home and School Visitor.

BILLY.

The clerk at the general delivery window of a city postoffice is usually pretty busy individual, but on rare occasions he has his moments of leisure. It was at such a time, one summer afternoon when active business seemed entirely suspended, that the young man who presided over the general delivery was startled out of a comfortable doze by the sound of a piping voice, issuing from some invisible quarter.

"Say, mister," said a voice "is der

a letter fer me?'! The clerk stared out across his little corner, but failed to see the owner of the voice. Then he poked his head half way out of the narrow window, and glancing down, saw a little mite of a ragged fellow with bootblack's kit swung around his shoulders.

"A letter for you!" he echoed, with a smile. "Don't know. What's your name ?" " Billy."

"Billy-what else?"

The little fellow shifted from one foot to the other, but his clear, blue eyes looked steadily at the clerk. "No'tin' else," he said. "Jes'

Billy." "I guess not," the clerk replied.

"Were you expecting a letter?" "Yessir."

his errand in the little fellow's face, recitations were invariably prepared and the clerk racked his brain for a with care, and his deportment was simple explanation to offer him.

"Mebbe," said the boy, "if I told yer why I wuz a-lookin' fer a letter yo' cu'd find it for me."

kit down on the floor.

Sunday mornin' I wuz at d' mission fellow." He did not smoke cigar, or Sunday-school up town, an' on my carry a cane, or take a drink, or sing a

You know her?" "No," replied the clerk, still smiling.

class. She wuz a-tel'in' me erbout d' frankness. At the conclusion of one lesson, an' when I left her by her of their talks this friend said to him:

it up over t' alley where I live.

"Mamma, does God simply turn down my own accord.

"D' wuz some cards'n things in it, | character and your manhood." tellin' d' name o' d' man what dropped it, an' I writ a letter to him, splainin' how I wuz sorry I'd kept it, an' signed my name—jes' Billy. Den I wrapped

it up and sent it to him by mail." time, and looked into the boy's sober face as he asked: "Did you tell the man where to reply to your letter?"

you'll wait a minute, I see if I can find | you

Without hope of success, he went | you give me time." over to the "B" box, and ran quickly over the letters it contained. In the centre of the pack he found one addressed

"BILLY."

"To be called for." With a brighter face he hurried back to the window, and handed the missive to the little bootblack. "Here it is." he said. "This must be for you."

Billy took the letter, turned it over once or twice, and then handed it

ain't much on makin' out writin'."

extracted the contents. In a business have seen Simon enter my room. I hand was written a kindly letter to knew he had it, for his whole face "My honest little Billy," and the fold the story of his success. writer asked that the boy call to see him at an address which he gave. The hand cost him many hours of hard letter closed with the familiar words work. Not only had he solved the that "honesty was the best policy, problem, but, what was of much greatalways; but I feel that in this case a er importance to him, he had begun to puzzles. Some sent in very large lists Dr. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass. reward of another sort is called for." This latter referred to a neatly folded under the inspiration of "I can and greenback which was inclosed.

Billy, and then handed it to him with matics in one of our largest colleges, the inclosure.

"Go up to Miss Rogers," he said, of his years in our country.—Selected. 'and tell her the whole story. She will advise you what to do."

Little Billy's eyes sparkled as he thanked the clerk. Then he swung his kit over his shoulders again, and promising to return to explain the rest and other vermin? Apply to the furof the adventure, he trudged out into niture or wood-work with a paintthe street.

It was a week later when he came edges with a strong solution. back to see the clerk. His clothes were new, and fitted him, somewhat better than his old ones, and the bootblack kit was not visible. He reached up and shook hands with his friend as

"I ain't shinin' shoes no more. D gentleman dat writ me dat letter hez giv me a place in his office, an' I'm

a-goin' to night school, now." He said more than this, and the two had a chat during the first lull in business. But we have told enough of little Billy's story to show how true-always true-is that old story about honesty is the best policy. And even had there been no letter for Billy, the policy would have been the same. -Ex.

Elements of Success.

Mark Holmes was not a young man of brilliant parts. He was an indefatigable worker, and his ideals as to quality of work in what he did were of the highest. He wrote a perfectly legible, clear, and rapid hand. His shorthand writing was like engraving, his typewriting was faultless. The drawings he made in the first year of his scientific course he presented, by request of the professor, to the coalege in which he was a student, as models There was an expression of faith in for other students to emulate. His

beyond criticism. Yet when he saw young men in his classes with talents so much more stoves, you can improve upon the orshowy and brilliant than his, he was dinary method, if you will add as much "Perhaps I could," said the clerk. inclined to despond as to his success in hard soap as you use of the polish? "It won't do any harm to try any- life. He was rather slow of speech, Boil the two together in a little water It is noticeable that sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferers from skin out fortunately their goodness does not encount the sufferer strength the sufferer s and found his pleasure in literary and apply. The little fellow set his boot-black's companionship with authors in their books rather than the young men "It wuz like dis," he said. "Las about him. He was not "a jolly good way back I walked wid Miss Rogers. | comic song, or go on a lark. There

was no fun in these things to him. Fortunately he had a friend some years older than himself with whom "Yo' orter. She's d' teacher uv our he discussed his future with perfect

house I jes' knowed it all. Well, I "You need have no misgivings as walked on down d' street, an' pretty to your future. With you character soon I seen an old gentleman in front will be as large a factor in your sucof me drop a pocket-book. Den I for- cess as education, family, or general got d' lesson an' everythin' else, and I ability. What the world needs is men brung d' pocketbook, when I picked who can be trusted, who can be depended on, whose integrity is firm, "I seen it was full of money, but I whose honesty is incorruptible, whose never touched none uv it. Long escutcheon is spotless. I am glad you erbout night time I begun t' think o' are not brilliant. Many a young man the Sunday-school lesson, an' the has been wrecked by the possession more I thought of it, the more I got of shining ablities, unbalanced by stirling virtue and established prin-"D' nex' mornin' I put on my good ciple. You have only to go on as you

clothes again, an' I wus a-goin' t' take are now doing, and the way will open d' pocketbook up t' Miss Rogers. I before you ; positions will seek you, knowd she'd feel bad's I did, an' so I and you will perhaps slowly but surely thought I'd send the money back on rise to the level you are capable of reaching by the simple force of your

The Hard Problem.

I know of a boy who was preparing to enter the junior class of the New The clerk had ceased smiling by this York University. He was studying trigonometry, and I gave him three examples for his next lesson. The following day he came into my room "Nusser: but I said I'd come here to demonstrate his problems. Two of an' ask, to see ef d' pocket got to him; them he understood, but the third-a very difficult one-he had not per-"I see," replied the clerk. "If formed; I said to him: "Shall I help

"No, sir. I can and will do it if

I said: "I will give all the time you

The next day he came into my room to recite another lesson in the same study.

"Well, Simon, have you worked that example?" "No sir," he answered: "but I can and will do it if you will give me a

little more time." "Certainly, you shall have all the liwl fo dgo ditheba rof erve.

time you desire." I always like those boys who are de- i snecnot htuo tno. "Read it for me," he said. "I termined to do their own work, for they make our best scholars, and men, The clerk opened the envelope and | too. The third morning you should

Yes, he had it, notwithstanding it develop mathematical powers which, will," he has continued to cultivate, The clerk read the letter over to until today he is professor of matheand one of the ablest mathematicians

Things Worth Knowing.

Do you know that alum, dissolved in hot water is sure destruction to moths brush. Wet your carpets about the

Do you know that cold tea may be used to good advantage in cleaning grained wood?

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Do you know that the proper way to dry the face after bathing it, is to wipe it upward, from the chin to the forehead, and outwards from the nose to the ear? Never wipe downward or inward, unless you wish to court

Do you know that matting should be washed in salt water, to keep it from turning dark?

Do you know that an excellent furniture polish is made of equal parts of

turpentine, linseed oil and vinegar? Do you know that, in polishing your

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a letter. -:0:-No. 61.—CHARADES.

1st. My first is a part of the body; My second is a small portion; My whole is what many people like

2nd. My first is a well known food

for animals : My second is one who hops; My whole is an insect. Yarmouth, N. S.

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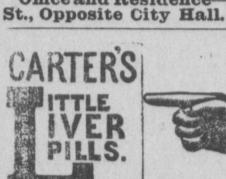
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