

LOANED IT TO HIS FRIEND, AND IT IS BURIED IN THE GRAVE.

"No, I am not going out in the rains just now to anything but a funeral," said Mr. W. V. Trumble, a friend of the sufferer the other day. "Well, because just now I am as much a possessor of a dress suit as I am of a pocket watch, and I don't intend to purchase another until I have had a funeral, and then I will have a good fellow, who came to me once and asked me if I wouldn't lend him my swallowtail. I consented, and told him I wanted the clothes back next week, and I had a function to attend myself."

"Well, to make a long story short, the week went by and not a word from my friend or not a sign of evening dots. I had crossed my fingers, and I didn't think of anything. Another week went by and still no word. Then I decided to go and hunt up my friend and find out what had happened. I went to his house and rang the bell. His landlady came to the door. When I asked if my friend was in, she gave a gasp of astonishment and exclaimed, 'Why, didn't you know he was dead and buried?' "I called at his house and found that it was my turn to be killed."

After I recovered my breath, he told me that I had not heard the news. He had merely called to take back my dress suit. It would doubtless be among my friend's effects, and I would have to go and look for it, and then pick again. 'Why,' he said, 'that must have been the suit you buried him in. It was the only one we found among his wardrobe.' "So you see the reason why you never saw my V. V. Trumble just in Philadelphia Inquirer.

He Stood the Test.

One of the grandest of the civil war plaintiffs who stood the civil war commission boards of examiners in the form of printed matter, who he called upon without a single card to his credit, and who was a very intelligent and able man, and who frequently correct errors in his magazine which they cannot copy it.

It was lately an applicant showed his printed page for this work was given a printed page and a copy it.

"Want it just like this," he said, "or want a change," the examiner replied.

The man laborer. The printed work was on a white sheet and spotless, with the exception of a speck on one of its corners. The student had been told that at that particular spot, but when it was turned in there was a well dyed speck. There was not a bit of the work, and he received a rather low mark for the portion of the work and today is one of the best of the commission, where he was called—shortly after taking his examination.

A Diligent Lady.

A New England woman is the owner of a hen which appears to choose her soundings with a discrimination of the eye.

Soon after her present owner acquired the hen she discovered the turkey's fondness for stepping into the hen's nest, and she placed a board entrance and laying an egg down covered with ornaments and in the "best chamber."

One day the hen managed to get into the nest, and she was unobserved during a season of ten days. The portion of the nest which she made her way to the side door, cackling with triumph, some time later.

As the best room covered the nest, the hen was not aware of the mistress of the house looking for the egg which she felt sure had been laid somewhere. She found after half an hour's search, only a plush mantle covering it, and she was not aware of the fact that she had been laid somewhere. She found after half an hour's search, only a plush mantle covering it, and she was not aware of the fact that she had been laid somewhere. She found after half an hour's search, only a plush mantle covering it, and she was not aware of the fact that she had been laid somewhere.

Nothing on the mantelpiece had disturbed, although the hen was not aware of the fact that she had been laid somewhere. She found after half an hour's search, only a plush mantle covering it, and she was not aware of the fact that she had been laid somewhere.

Merely a Question of Spelling.

One of the engineers of the corner liner and prided himself on his knowledge of electricity. On one of his visits to a party. The subject of electricity coming up, he indignantly stated the hen must be sat in the corner to produce an electric current through the body of a simple physical contact. His wife, a friend said they would prove it. He pulled up his sleeves and placed his hands flat on the glass. They thumped side, took a firm grip of each other. At the end of a few moments he said:

"Don't you feel a pain, Will?"

"No!" he replied and returned to the party.

At his third response most of the company began to laugh, and he proudly flashed into his mind the pronunciation of pain and pained the name.—New York Tribune.

Surprised the Congregation.

Two little folks went to church in the morning, and their mother, and their home, and their mamma they would be safe. During the sermon they got tired, and the mother, supposing that the school held good in church, in his sister in the box of the pulpit and said, "If we may go home?" Much surprise the clergymen gazed at them as spectators. Then he understood said, "Certainly, my children, if you wish to go home, you may go home."—Weekly Budget.

Her Business For Him.

Little Charles—Sister told mother yesterday you were born to be a business man.

Mr. Stimpely—A Politician?


Under why she thinks so.

Little Charles—She says you can be a politician like Mr. Stimpely.

People who suffer from head aches and pains can obtain speedy relief from the same by placing their stockings and gaiters in a small portion of very fine oatmeal.

POWDER

delicious and wholesome



Costs less than One Cent a cup.

Be sure that the Package bears our Trade-Mark.

A Perfect Food. Pure, Nutritious, Delicious.

WALTER BAKER & CO. Limited.

Established 1780.

DORCHESTER, MASS.

TRADE-MARK.

It Is Necessary

to do your Fancy Work for Christmas NOW.

Battenberg is having the great run. It is very pretty and easy work. It comes in Doilies, Bureau Scarf and Handkerchief patterns, costing 5 cts. each and up, according to size.

We have the Thread from coarse to as fine as 1000, 5 cts. per spool. The common Braid only 1 ct. per yard.

One Thing More

is very interesting and that is the Sofa Pillow Covers
selling at 35 cts. and 50 cts.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE THEM.

STORE WITH WHITE FRONT.

Thomas Smiley,

Special Sale Wool Soap.

The Week of

Monday, Dec. 4 to 9, _____

we shall have special sale of

— WOOL SOAP,
Also "Pride of Laundry."

Look for the Wool Soap Babies in our Window.

N. Dayton Bolster & Co.,

85 Market Square,
South Paris, - - Maine.

Announcement. ---

I desire to inform the people of this vicinity that I have purchased the

GROcery BUSINESS

Near G. T. Depot, formerly carried on by

to insure the friendship and support of all who may favor me with their trade.

BOTH GOODS AND PRICES WARRANTED RIGHT.

Respectfully,

C. G. CURTIS, South Paris, Me.

Special Cash Prices

on Harness
 or the next 30 days, to reduce stock.
 We also carry a large stock of
BLANKETS, ROBES,
TRUNKS & VALISES,

at reasonable prices.
W. O. & G. W. Frothingham,
SOUTH PARIS, ME.

STMAS GIFTS. 1899

PHARMACY this week.

Pocket Books,
 Photograph Albums,
 Autograph Albums,
 Enslavement Sets,
 Violin Sets,
 Writing Tablets,
 Ink Holders,
 Map Boxes,
 Toy Stands,
 Sew Cases,
 Picture Books,
 Games,
 Iron Toys,
 Toy Sets,
 Dolls,
 Dolls' heads,
 Scrap Books,
 Maps,
 Cups and Saucers,
 Banks,

ve Boxes,
 Spark-
 Boxes,
 and Cuff Boxes,
 istic Rolls,
 istic Counters,
 Parlor Croquet,
 Whistles,
 Knives,
 Scales.

ANT'S PHARMACY,
South Paris, Mo.
 Elegant Display of —

Holiday Goods!

consisting of Fancy Baskets, Work Baskets, Hampers, Music Racks, etc.
Sterling Silver Novelties, Fancy Pins, Buckles and Chains, Celluloid
Sets, Medallions, Gent's Fancy Neckties, Mufflers, etc. Ladies'
Muffs and Scarfs, Children's Fur Sets, Handkerchiefs in Lawn,
Linen and Silk, Umbrellas and hundreds of useful things.
Come in and look at the pretty things.

Special Sale of Ladies' and Children's Jackets
this week, Dec. 11 to 16.

Yours respectfully,

Lewis B. Andrews,
SOUTH PARIS, MAINE.

W.J. WHEELER,
South Paris.
Pianos and Organs,
Piano Stools,
Covers
AND
Instruction Books.
Reasonable Prices.

E. W. CHANDLER,
Builders' Finish
Also Window & Door Frames.

Planting, Sawing and Job Work.
Matched Hard Floor Boards for Sale.
E. W. CHANDLER,
Sawyer.

BOSTON STEAMERS
Daily Service Sundays Excepted.
THE NEW AND PALATIAL STEAMERS
Bay State and Tremont.

Scientific American Agency for
PATENTS
TRADE MARKS, DESIGN PATENT, COPYRIGHTS, etc.
Address with stamp F. R. WAD-
LEIGH, Alton, N. H.

WANT people everywhere to
take orders for me, \$150
a month easily made.
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Quaker Range Contest No. 1.
A FIFTY DOLLAR CHRISTMAS PRESENT
FOR SOMEBODY.
THE PATRONS OF THE DEMOCRAT TO
DECIDE WHO SHALL HAVE IT.

NEWSPAPER COUPONS.
A newspaper coupon counting one point will be printed in every copy of the Democrat during the contest. Save them, they may be the means of securing the prize for some friend. They can be voted at any time before the contest closes.

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For every cent paid for subscription, advertising or job printing we will issue a certificate coupon, good for as many points as there are cents paid us, to the person making the payments. These coupons can also be voted at any time before the contest closes.

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Begin early before some one else engages the points.
Ask your friends to subscribe or pay their subscriptions to the Democrat and give you their coupons. Solicit their job printing and advertising for the Democrat. Save the coupons from the Democrat and ask your friends to do so. A \$50 Quaker Range is worth a little effort on your part.

ATWOOD & FORBES, Publishers,
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If presented at the Oxford Democrat Office before
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BEECHAM'S PILLS
The Best and Safest
Family Medicine
FOR ALL
Bilious and Nervous Disorders,
Sick Headache, Constipation,
Weak Stomach, Impaired Dig-
estion, Disordered Liver and
Female Affections.
The World's Medicine
Annual Sale Exceeds 6,000,000 Doses.
10 cents and 25 cents, at all drug stores.
Beecham's Pills have the largest sale of any Proprietary Medicine in the world, and is the best sold.

AGENTS!
We have a good opening for a few live sales-
men. We pay salary or commission. Write us
for terms.
W. D. CHASE & CO., Syracuse, N. Y.

Two Farms for Sale.
My home farm of 75 acres of land, 10 to 15
miles from South Paris, Maine. Good farm
house, barn, and outbuildings. Good soil.
Also a small farm of 10 acres, 10 to 15
miles from South Paris, Maine. Good soil.
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Now for Business!
Nursery Stock Agents Wanted.
Best of everything in Fruit and Ornamental
Trees and Shrubs. Apply now.
A. S. Chubb, Hallowell, Me.

THE CLEANING AND DYEING
CATARRH
Ely's Cream Balm
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THE BAKER
No. 100—Word Squares.
1. To repeat. 2. Brains. 3. Some fa-
mous island. 4. Particles. 5. A sub-
stance useful to bakers.
No. 101—To go in. 3. To stand
as an equivalent. 4. To stand as an
equivalent. 5. To stand as an
equivalent.

MAKING CHRISTMAS CANDIES.
Home-made candies are always pure.
The best of material is used, and the
cost is much less than is paid for the
same grade of candy made by the
shops. It is a nice plan to make your
own Christmas candies. You can make
candy in hours, and you can give it
for little more than the cost of the
materials. People like things that are
made especially for them better than they
do things that are bought; it brings
more of the giver with it.
Suppose we begin with butter-scotch.
This is an old-fashioned candy, and
it is made in a very simple way. It
is made of butter, sugar, and vanilla.
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in look tough, but I want you to look
as hard as de real thing, de bloke on de
Bowery, and no harder."—Atlantic.

NO MAKESHIFT.
In This Case the Work was
Property Done.
Any reader who has had backache and
found relief by rubbing the back with
liniment and lotions, understands that
the relief obtained was not a makeshift,
for the same reason. There's a way to
do it as the ache will not come back.
Read how it's done.
Mr. Fred A. Wood, of 103 Thurston
avenue, Providence, R. I., messenger for
the Earle and Prews Express Co., says:
"In the winter of 1897 I became so en-
thusiastic an admirer of Doan's Kidney
Pills, after they cured me of kidney
trouble, I wrote to the agents unhesitatingly,
telling them about my cure and asking
for my recommendation would help
the preparation along I would be only
too pleased to furnish it. It has appeared
in our Providence newspapers since, and
now in the month of May, 1899, I em-
phatically state there is not one word I
wish to retract. On the other hand, I
am only too pleased to re-endorse a pre-
paration which acts so faithfully to the
representations made for it as Doan's
Kidney Pills."
Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all
dealers, price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-
McBarn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents
for the U. S. Remember the name,
Doan's, and take no substitute.

MARK TWAIN'S Self-Pasting
Have you seen it? **SCRAP BOOK**
Contains a copy of the Bible, Shakespeare, and
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Ask a Dealer for Mark Twain's
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NOTICE.
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has
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of **HARRISON W. CHILDS**, late of Paris,
in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given
bonds as the law directs. All persons having
claims against the estate of said deceased are
desired to present the same for settlement, and
all indebted to the estate are requested to make pay-
ment immediately.
Nov. 1st, 1899. **CHANCEY N. CHILDS.**

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