Clinton Sat Under It.

ton reburial ceremonies on Decoration in an English business town you can-Day," said a New York man, "and I not fail to be surprised at the almost stood a while beneath the branches complete solitude that surrounds you, of what is perhaps one of the most re- says the Philadelphia Record. This markable old oak trees to be found town that you may have seen in the anywhere in this country,

knows, but there are records showing Intense a life, is now deserted. that 260 years ago it was a landmark. The tree stands there to-day more than 100 feet high and its trunk is you walked in a city of the dead nine feet in diameter. Nowhere about

of declining vigor. But aside from its admirable physicondition and aspect this old tree has historic interest. The tree stands house, where the state of New York of a plot on which the famous one-leg-Dutch governor of the colony, Perer Stuyvesant, built a stockade as defense for the colonists against marauding Indians.

"After the revolutionary war, when Gen. Washington went up from Newburgh to visit Gen. George Clinton at Kingston, the two patriots sat beneath the spreading branches of this oak and for hours recounted the events of the long struggle and doubtless discussed plans for the future welfare of the country. Who may know but that some of the benefits which we enjoy to-day under the institutions of our government are results of the discussions of those two great patriots beneath this grand old tree? I brought myself to think so, at any rate.

A few miles from this historic old oak, an old resident informed me, is another tree which besides being an ancient landmark is something of a curlosity. It is a chestnut tree, with a trunk 21 feet in circumference, from which about six feet from the ground a white elm of large size has grown. The chestnut trunk completely encloses that of the elm, and the explanation of the curious association is that at some time a branch of the chestnut was broken off, leaving a cavity in which in time mould and vegetable matter collected and made suitable depth of soil for the seed of the elm, which lodged therein to germinate and grow and become a tree, a veritable part of its unprotesting host, the mammoth chestnut trunk."

Boy Groping With a Problem.

A bright boy who writes letters and "compositions" for his mother as a "home study," but has time enough for baseball, had this to say in one of his recent productions: "Archie - can't be first base because Harold's mother won't let him play with a driver's boy. Archie in a bully player, even if his father drives a team. I sent Harold's mother what was the son of a barber, Franklin was ington Star. a tallow chandler, Oliver Cromwell's father kept a browery. Accord was just a slave, Dickens was a reporter and Ben Jonson was a bricklayer. But a little scene on lower Seventh avenue Haroli's mather told him that was one morning this week, says the New long ago, and it den't go now, so I York Globs. On the pavement directdo not know what to do to get Archie by in front of the entrance to a poor in if we don't set a new club without tenement sat a negro boy not more Harold. I wish a had a big brother than five years old. Bare-headed and to tell me what to do, for t think la bare-feeted, clad only in two ranged dies don't know so much about such garmen's, he equatted like a tailor, things.

No Loopholes There.

Eugene Waiter, the extraordinarily successful young playwright, said at a recent dinner in his honor in New

"The playweight, to succeed, must make his point inevitably. Every point, by fair means or foul, must be cap- stitute for an unattainable nursemaid. tured. Not a loophole, for failure to creep in, may be left."

Mr. Walter smiled.

"In fact," said he, "the playwright must be as sure of his point as was the young lady who took advantage of the present leap year to propose.

"'She didn't give me a chance,' her husband explained afterward to a me? Have you any objection" Thus, carrying their money whether I said yes or no, she had me cornered.

"Well, you might have kept silent," said his friend.

"That is what I did,' the other replied, 'and she flung herself on my mois. breast, murmuring that silence gave consent.

All the Lady's Fault.

Some one hard up for a subject, it seems, has suggested discussion of the question, "Are literary persons illmannered?" In this connection a story is told of a minor author who went visiting in a Boston home. During the evening he asked the hostess if she would ask the guests to retire into the little room adjoining the large he wanted the large room in which to the Boston woman granted his request and crowded her guests into a small space, it is not likely that a hostess in any other part of the country would have taken the request seriously, so this exhibition of bad manners must be set down to the exagger- after a kindling glance at the money ated idea of hospitality and not the literary propensities of the man,

Down, but Not Cut.

First Mate-A man fell overboard just now.

plarm? First Mate-What was the use? He

was all in!

Centuries Old and Washington and What Happens in the Small Town After Sunset.

"I was at Kingston during the Clin- If you happen to spend an evening afternoon swarming with such num-"Just how old the tree is no one bers of busy people, teeming with so

To its previous animation has succeeded a strange calm. It is as though

It is because every evening after six it did I discover any sign of decay o'clock work is over in the English town; the complex machinery of the immense labor organization stops.

The factory and the office, their doors open wide, cast into the street not a great way from the old senate their world of liberated workers. By crowded tramways, by crowded pavehad its birth, and it marks one edge ments, the town disgorges itself, Each one clerks, workmen, workgirls, office boys, bankers and merchantswith the same haste to regain his dwelling, leaves behind him the gloomy town where he labored, where he strove as in the lists. It is an immense and enthusiastic retreat. It is the daily exodus of the English toward

their "home." What, then, is it, this home of which the English constantly speak, the thought of which touches their heart, whose memory dims their eyes, that enfolds all the happiness of their life?

It is home, a place in which to forget the aggravations of the world, in which to be with one's dear ones, one's pets and one's lares and penates generally.

Shaw's Life Principle.

Leslie M. Shaw of Iowa, formerly secretary of the treasury, has a story on tap to fit almost every situation that presents itself. He was governor of lowa when President Roosevelt invited him to become a member of his cabinet. He went to Washing ton in response to a summons from the White House. While Mr. Shaw's appointment had been rumored, it had not been announced officially, and a persistent rumor was in circulation to the effect that he would not accept the learn his intentions regarding the mat-

"When I was a boy," he said, "I started off one day on a fishing trip with another boy. We had a long tramp to the fishing place, and as the weather was warm we got very thirsty. and coming to a farmhouse my companion suggested that we stop and get a drink of water. The lady of the house not only gave us a drink out of a nice tin dipper, but insisted upon our taking some pie. Bill, my com-Bill looked at me with amazement. "Les," he said, 'always help yourself to ple when it is passing.' That was safe for all time. boys. It was that Virgil was the son pretty sound advice, and I have acted of a porter, Sir Richard Arkwright on that principle ever since "-Wash-

A Study in Black.

Like a glima e of the southland was his chony face alight with appreciation as he munched a bit of fruit.

Close heside him on the sidewalk was an old scap box. In the soap box was an ebony baby of 18 months, clad in a single garment-and equally happy in an end-avor to swallow a hare of the fruit. The soap box was a substitute for an unattainable baby carriage, and the five-year-old a sub-Dire poverty meant nothing to the pair of negro child; en.

"There's an opportunity for a fine canvas," said one observer. "I wish I were an artist."

Immigrants' Purses.

The immigrants who stream into triend. 'She gaid, 'Will you marry New York all have different ways of

The trish immigrant carries a canvas bag in which notes and coins are crammed together.

The German wears a money belt. gay and costly, of embroidered cha-

The French and Italians carry brass tubes with screw tops wherein they keep their cash in 20-franc gold pieces. The Swede is sure to have an im-

has been handed down from father to son for generations. The Slavs carry their money in their high boots, along with a fork and

mense pocketbook of cowhide that

An Eye to Business.

An expert golfer had the misfortune room in which they were gathered, as to play a narricularly vigorous stroke at the moment that a seedy was farer meditate. While it is recorded that skulked across the edge of the course. The ball struck the trespasser and rendered him briefly insensible. When he recovered a five-dollar bill was pressed into his hand by the regretful golfer

"Thanky, sir," said the injured man, "An' when will you be playin' again. sir?"-Lippincott's,

His Last Joke.

"You say you would like more exercise?" said the death watch to the an's wicked But-Captain-Why didn't you give an condemned man. "What sort of exercise would you like?"

"I should like to skip the rope," replied the prisoner with a grin.

FIND PIRATES'HOARD

WINDFALL FOR PEOPLE OF POR-TUGUESE VILLAGE.

Hidden Plunder of Long-Forgotten Sea Banditti Revealed Through the Encroachments of the Atlantic Ocean on Coast.

The inhabitants of Paradelha, a tiny fishing village on the Portuguese coast some distance south of Lisbon, have been growing rich of late on what seems to have been the hidden plunder of some long-forgotten pirate band. Some of them have gathered in as much as \$1,000 worth of treasure.

That part of the coast of Portugal is suffering from the encroschments of the ocean. Many houses have been undermined in the last few years and have had to be abandoned. Sometimes big slices of dry land slip off into the Atlantic ocean on a stormy night and the people wake up to find all landmarks changed.

This is what happened a couple of weeks ago in a furious gale. The waves washed far in over the upland and carried away vast masses of the upper soil, leaving the shelving beach a couple of hundred feet wider than it had ever been before. A fisherman walking along the edge of the strand saw something glistening in the slope and rooting it out of the ground found it was an ancient silver cup. He dug some more and found quantities of scattered gold and aliver coins.

When the news got around the village the whole population turned out to dig. They found still more money, all dating back to the end of the seventeenth and beginning of the eighteenth centuries. There were rings and brooches, crucifixes and jeweled chalices, leweled sword handles and table plate. Nobody knows just how much the treasure amounted to, since the fisherfolk hid it as fast as they secured it, and when the official inquiries were made every one denied his

own share. They are still digging, however, and an occasional find is made. The sea seems to have broken up the cache cabinet offer. Several correspondents and distributed its contents over many waited on Mr. Shaw at his hotel to acres of beach. Objects are picked up as far as low water mark, and some are doubtless washed back from time

to time from deep water. It is believed that the treasure represents plunder from Spanish coast towns. It is said that long ago there were numerous bands of Portuguese pirates which committed depredations on a considerable scale both afloat and ashore, and when Portugal was at peace with Spain they were obliged to be very careful and hide their plunder. From time to time other boards of panion, took a large piece, but from the same sorr have been discovered. diffidence or something, I declined When this collection was buried, no doubt, the spot was far enough from the water's edge to be regarded as

Serlous Thoughts.

The multimillionaire was being shaved. As he lay back in his chair, looking upward, his grave face gave the Impression that he was in deep "Mr." whispered one of the burber-

shop leiterers, "Til wager a dellar against a toothpick that he is thinking of rallroad mergers." "No," said another, "he is think

ing about hear raids in Wall street." "But he is pendering over the rebath system," echoed a third.

"Til ask him." Walking over to the chair he said

"then pardon, sir, but to settle an argument, would you kindly tell unwhat mighty question you are study ing over?"

The multimillionaire turned his lathered face around and smiled. "I was just studying two flies doing bandsprings on the ceiling," he chuckled, and the trio of guessers looked so sheepich they failed to hear "Next" when it was called to them.-Chicago

Antidote for Ingersoll.

Colonel Ingersoll was to speak in a Western town: As an antidote the good people announced for the following night: "An answer to ingersoff!" Circulats were even scattered about the hall the night before, and one was banded to ingersoil by mistake as he made his way toward the platform.

He was fairly into his subject, when a mule attached to one of the vehicles. about the entrance opened up an opposition, after the manner of taules. Ingersall baused, listened intently till the music ceased for an instant, then, shaking a menacing finger in the direction whence the sound had come, he cried:

"Hold on there! You stop! Can't You play fair? This is my evening! You are advertised for to-morrow Annual Estimate of Expenses and Report night!"-Hlustrated Sunday Magazine.

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Plut, Master Sage, that beauty I am showing you, she's very wicked!" cried the Fool, "Why, she has rulned men galore! Wicked-well, I should say she was!"

The Sage smiled simply as he made renty: "You may be right in that the wom-

He paused an instant to drive home his point. "Her beauty, Fool, is good, exceeding good!"-ilertaberger's Weekly.

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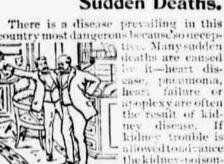
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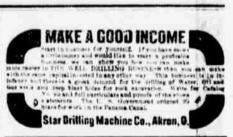
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