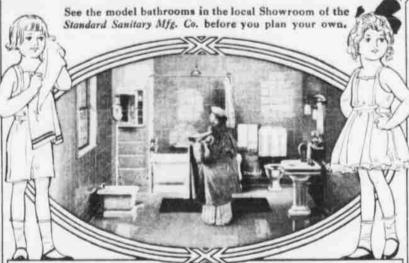
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pleasure and brotherly affection that you'd almost have swore they loved us like brothers. Rubbing it in, they were. Had us licked to a frazzle. Counting their graders, which they certainly would and no way for us to prevent it, would and no way for us to prevent it, they all being strong men, they had more than fifty big, husky votets, and they were not only going to keep the court house, but we would be lucky as all get out if they didn't pass a law making it illegal for any other town to run in the county. We went home with every symptom of seasiekness.

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Course we didn't take any stock in the railroad. Thunder Creek had been fishing for railroads for four years. She'd paid the fare back home for more than a dozen busted surveying parties—though that was n't the reason they gave for collecting money. And she had every survey on her map of Thunder Creek and environs, making it look like a cartwheel bristling with spokes. But railroad or no railroad, there were the graders and they were our rain. Trougraders and they were our ruin. Trou-ble was, Thunder Creek had a million ble was, Thunder Creek had a million-nire. His name was DeLancy Smith, from a horrible ways East, and he'd come to town with a couple of thousand and got a hundred more every month. Poker or nothing else could get it away from him. We'd tried it. And now DeLancy was financing the phony rail-road for the glory of Thunder Creek. It was another clear case of capital trampling down labor. We turned social-ists, every one of us, and as for Ike be turned plumb amarchist, and wanted to turned plumb nunrchist, and wanted to put a charge of dynamite under that camp and plaster the zenith with des-sicated Dagos.

Funny how totally prosperous and chesty you can be one day, and how much you feel like an angle-worm that has been stepped on, the next, "Twasn't twenty-four hours after we discovered Thunder Creek's transplanted, population until what Jupiter City men were still hopeful had their hands full holding those that were all for giving ing those that were all for giving up and hopping the band wagon. We was so busy at it we didn't have time to electioneer at all. Besides, it was n't There were n't four votes in uny use. the county outside the two towns and how we were going to accumulate twenty-five citizens in forty days, unless it clouded up and rained 'em, not one of us could see. It was along about that time, when we were sitting in the extreme sub-cellar of the everlasting dumps, that Sam Linthicus came roaring into town one afternoon, with the proud light of victory and other things making his face as red as a boiled beet, and asked me, the mayor, to call a meeting of the city conneil—which I did that minute by stepping to the door and hollering across to Bill Crawford's place.

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When Sam got as assembled he legan to make a speech. It was all about the glory of Jupiter City and how she was progressing, and how we ought not to choke her down with a city limits that was as tight as a corset string, but ought to widen out and let her grow and expand. It was fine to hear, but the aldermen were impatient, most of them having left chips on the table, and they asked Sam to come down out of the sky asked Sam to come down out of the sky and tell, in short, easy words, what was eating him. "All right," said Sam, "I want to introduce an ordinance to widen this here town and make her more capacious, you might say, by annexing a strip of ground half a mile wide, extending from Pete Allen's cow barn on the west limits, to the county line,"

"Whee-ooo!" we says, simultaneously,

The county line was fifteen miles away, and the territory between did n't contain anything more exciting than prairie dogs.
"What's your object?" I asks.

"None of your dam business," said Sam pleasantly, "and don't you go nos-ing around either. Just annex that territory fast as you can and I'll undertake to guarantee that when this here elec-tion comes along, Thunder Creek will poll the nicest little minority you could ever hope to see. Fellows citizens, do we enlarge?"

We did. We did it to please Sam, and because it couldn't hurt anything any way. And then Sam offered to bent the liver and lights out of any citizen of Jupiter City who tried to explore the



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