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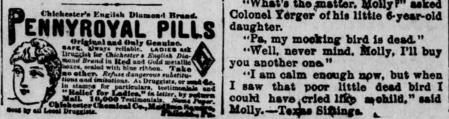
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neter Written at an Early Age. Having regard to Mr. J. M. Barrie's visit to Dumfries academy, the Courier and Herald of that place prints some extracts from the novel-ist's early contributions to a school magazine called the Clown, which he and some friends started. Young Barrie writes some "Reckelections" in the asumed role of a "skoolmaster" whose spelling is Artemus-Wardian. In his second installment he complains that the editor "spelt sum of the wurds in my last reckollections rong," and he adds: "Altho, of coars, I maik jew allowance for your eddukation not being equal to mine, I hop you will be more cairful." Resuming the "Reckellec-tions," he writes:

tions," he writes:

"I alwais open the school with prair, as I think it a verry good thing to do, and I got two skollars by it. Now, my skollars have generally verry durty faces. Well, one day in the middle of my prair won of the boys crept in belo the tabel, and when he was there anuther boy cam in at the door with a cleen face. This was too mutch for the boy in belo the tabel, and, just as I had finished saying 'And may they crie from the botom of their harts—,' he shouted out 'Lord Almichti, there's shouted out 'Lord Almichti, there's Jock Smith wi' his face washed!"

Here is an instance of how effectively the lad could reproduce a conversation. Relating a railway journey the schoolmaster says:

"On my rode we passed the river 'Aye.' A gentleman asked me, 'What river is that?" "I was meditatin', so I answered

abruptly, 'Aye.'
"The gentleman repeated his question, and I, thinkin' he had not heard me, again replied 'Aye.' "Could-you-tell me-what-river-that-is?" he roared into my

"I again answered 'Aye.'
"Sir, said he, 'I sea you want to
insult me!'

"I couldn't comprehend what he said till another person in the trane informed me that he thoat that I meant 'eh' when I said 'aye.'" Here is another example well

worth giving:
"The minister of the town was sed to be a good preacher, and so I went to heer him on the furst Sabboth of the munth. I went early, and their wer only one person there who I saw was a nelder. I sed to him, 'When does service begin?'

"The man staired."

"'When does service begin?' 1 agen asked. "To my surprise the elder ex-claimed: 'What abomnabul impurt-

nense. Pray, sur, do you know oor respecktit ministir?" " 'Me no him? No,' sed L " 'Then get oot o' this,' he re-

plied. 'You impuraant skoundral git oot o' this; an' if I sea you here agen I'll kick you oot mysel!' "Of course I was grately aston-ished at the man, not noing anythink I had sed about the minister; but it struck me at wonce that the minis-ter's name was Service!"

Admiral de Horsey and the Sentry. When Admiral de Horsey, who some years ago had command of the British fleet in the Pacific, was the admiral of the North Atlantic squadron, he was one evening dining on shore at Port Royal, Jamaica. On returning to his flag-ship alone after across the barrack square. A black sentry, of one of the West India regiments, halted him at the gate with, "Who goes dar?" Great was the admiral's annoyance to find he had reglected to get the page and had neglected to get the pass-word before leaving the ship. "That's all right," he said carelessly, hoping all right," he said carelessly, hoping to overcome the man's scruples by indifference; "you know who I am."
"Dunno nobody, sar," replied the nigger, pompously; "you can't go in dar." "Why, I'm Admiral de Horsey." "Well, you can't go in, I don't care if you's Admiral de don't care if you's Admiral de Donkey."—Argonaut.

Learned by Experience.

A certain judge in Chicago, who rather prides himself on his vast and varied knowledge of law, was compelled not long ago to listen to a case that had been appealed from a justice of the peace. The young practitioner who appeared for the appellant was long and tedious; he brought in all the elementary text books and in all the elementary text-books and quoted the fundamental propositions of law. At last, the judge thought it was time to make an effect to hurry him up. "Can't we assume," he said, blandly, "that the court knows a little law itself?" "That's the very mistake I made in the lower court, answered the young man, "I don't want to let it defeat me twice."-Argonaut

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> Poor Litt's Thing. "What's the matter, Molly?" asked Colonel Yerger of his little 6-year-old

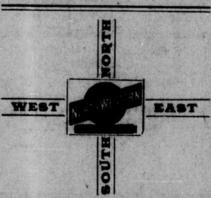
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"Pa, my mocking bird is dead."
"Well, never mind, Molly, I'll buy you another one" "I am calm enough now, but when

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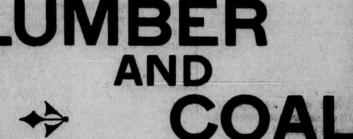
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