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CURRENT HISTORY,

GREAT TIMES FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

They Will Have a Whole Building a Lots of Fun at the World's Fair. CHICAGO, Feb. 2.-The little ones-God bless 'em!-the crowing babes with dimpled cheeks, the little misses in short dresses and gay colored sashes, the young masters in knickerbookers, the rising generation, the boys and girls that a couple of decades hence may be having considerable to say about the running of their native country—these are quiet."—Washington Star. not to be forgotten at the World's fair.

We are hearing a good deal nowadays about the preparations for the enlightenment and entertainment of the maturity and old age of both sexes, about the great things that are to be unfolded to those big enough and old enough to comprehend them, about clubhouses where the special commissioners from foreign lands may entertain in princely style. Why not, then, some provision for the little ones, so that they can come and stay awhile and then go away with the satisfaction in their little hearts that they have had the best time in their lives, and perhaps a better time than they ever expect to have again.

And they are going to be taken care of. Every master and miss that just about now are tugging at mamma's freck or papa's coattails and trying to extract a half promise that they shall be taken to Chicago need not be put off with the story that the show is for old folks, and that there will be nothing that children can understand, even though they may see. That story won't go. For there is to be a Children's building, as pretty a structure for its size as any on the grounds. with its kindergarten, and its kitchen garden, and its gymnasium, and its reading room, and its magic lantern room, and its nursery, and last, but not least, its big playground on the roof, inclosed in a strong wire netting, with vines and flowers, and live butterflies and birds flitting around, and a big doll show, and a collection of toys of all nations, with which the visitors can play at will. Oh, but there will be great times up on that roof this summer! The very thought of it makes us wish we were children again.

Patriotic women are to rear the buildhaven't contributed a cent toward it, guilt. and they won't be asked to. The idea originated with Mrs. Potter Palmer, and the board of lady managers assumed the responsibility of raising the necessary fund for the erection of the building. The co-operation of the women managers of the various states was sought. and the amount required for the struc-



THROUGH • PULLMAN • AND expenses, but they expect their sisters they are not likely to expect in vain. It will cost more to equip and run the af-fair than to erect it, and it was for the former purpose solely that the recent international bazaar was given at the Palmer mansion. The women of Chicago have already their share of the money in hand. What they now need is the small balance from the country. How long are they to wait? That is what the executive committee of brainy women who have charge of the details and it along would like to know. They are sion of artist was looked upon as merely an all prominent in Chicago society and excuse for idleness. have given their time and money freely to the cause of the little ones. They are Mrs. George L. Dunlap, who is director of the building; Mrs. L. Brace Shattuck, the secretary, and Mesdames Solomon Thatcher, Jr., Leander Stone and

W. W. Kimball. The Children's building, an ornate afand occupying a tract of ground be-tween the Horticultural hall and the Women's building-90 by 150-is intended primarily as an educational ex-hibit. There will be a department deal-ing with the newborn babe, and in marrying an artist!" tended primarily as an educational exwhich Miss Maria M. Love of Buffalo strating by example as well as in short anything of a disgrace."-Youth's Comlectures the most healthful, comfortable and rational system of dressing. feeding and providing for the rest of infants. Then rising by easy stages will city? be the kindergarten, under the auspices of the National Kindergarten association, showing how the little ones can develop their intellectual and moral faculties; then the kitchen garden, illustrating housekeeping; a physical develop ment department, where athletics will be illustrated by President Charles Barry of the World's Fair Commission North American Turnerbund, and a small nursery under the auspices of the committee on philanthropy of the New York lady managers. This will be simply a chil-

dren's department of public comfort. The library will be filled up with children's literature, and in a room near by Pennsylvania will have a department giving daily demonstrations of the progress that has been made in teaching very young deaf mutes to speak. In the assembly room there will be rows of little chairs and a platform from which steropticon lectures on our own and foreign countries will be given. Kind hearted guides, or kindergartners, as they will be known, will welcome the little visitors in groups and conduct them through the building, so that they will feel thoroughly at home. As for that roof garden, with its flowers and Lir's and candies and cakes and toys-well, some of us older folks are likely to be seen up there.

IL NEY M HUNT.

Tes Notay Even For Him. He was a Chicago man and was taking in the house of representatives before leaving Washington. He listened to the rattle of the gavel, the echoes of "Mr. Speaker" and the rattle of oratorical musketry with astonishment so great that he became silent. In a few minutes he rose and made for the

"Where are you going?" asked his friend. "I'm going," he said, with deliberate emphasis, "I'm going back to Chicago. I'm going back to the board of trade, where it's

Why the Baby Cried.



Little Girl-Ma told me to tell you that the milk you sell makes the baby sick. Grocer-Tell your mother if the baby does not thrive on fresh milk to boil it. Little Girl-How long is the baby to be boiled?-Texas? iftings.

A Case of Pig.

A Washington lawyer of considerable prominence relates an amusing story incidental to the first criminal case in which he was retained by the defense. He was then practicing in a small town not far from Washington, and the case was that of a local character who had purloined a fat porker, the property of his neighbor.

At first matters looked bad for the ac-

cused during the trial, but Mr. L., the lawyer, was most eloquent in his defense. His yer, was most eloquent in his defense. His speech abounded in rhetorical flowers and figures. At times he was even pathetic to such a degree that tears dimmed the eyes of the jury, while the prisoner wept most copiously. The final outburst of his eloquence brought everything around to a climax of triumph, the jury delivering the verdict of not guilty without leaving their seats, although the evidence of the prosecution tended to show a most conclusive guilt.

The released man was most profuse in his words of gratitude, calling Mr. L. his preserver, the champion of his honor, his liberty and all that life held dear to him.

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Mr. L. acknowledged with becoming modesty his flood of thanks, but at last

"Well, I mean to keep my word, Mr. L.; here it is. I brought you the pig! And there in the grimness of the midnight's weird shadows stood several hundred pounds of stolen bacon calmly await-

ton Herald.

ing the transfer of ownership.-Washing-

Not So Bad. Among Dr. Mines' stories of old New York is one of a young artist who had presumed to fall in love with the daughter of a famous shipowner of that day. As Dr. Mines expresses it, this was "long before who are holding daily meetings to push the dawn of aesthetic taste." The profes-

When it became known that the rich shipowner's daughter had encouraged the suit of a painter, society was shocked. The young man had talents no doubt, but they were talents of a sort that did not count in

those days. One day Mr. C. F. Briggs, then a widely known journalist, entered the shipowner's house, and the women of the family-the fair of two stories and a roof garden offending young lady's mother and sistersbegged him to remonstrate with the obstinate Emily and save the family honor.
"The family honor!" said Briggs. "What

has Emily been doing now?"

"Pooh! pooh!" was the quick reply. "The will conduct a model creche, demon-fellow isn't enough of an artist to make it

Liked Excitement.

Mr. Gotham-Why don't you live in the

Mr. Suburb-Can't stand city life. Too I couldn't exist without excitement. Mr. Gotham-Huh! What excitement do you get by living in Jersey?
Mr. Suburb—Oh, ferryboat collisions,

railroad smashups and lots of things. - New

York Weekly. She Consented.

"You want me to marry you? Why have you singled me out from among so many girls of your acquaintance?" "Because I made a vow that only the loveliest and most amiable girl in town should ever receive a proposal from me."-

Too Much Time Wasted. He-I think I shall have to get a new lin-

ing to my coat. She-When you do, George, get a satin one, and then it won't take so long to get it on.-Clothier and Furnisher.

Good Advice.

New York Press.

May-Is Mr. Foster as attentive as ever to you! Edith-Yes, but he's a perfect riddle. May-Hadn't you better give him up, then?- New York Herald.

Too Sudden. Dicky-What makes you look so sad, Jacky. Deliane refuse to name the day? Jucky - That's just the troubleroomed next Thursday -- Tenth

Pirst Boy—I hear you had a fight with big Billy Beefly? Second Boy—Yes, and you oughter see

me make him run. First Boy-Git out; you make Billy Bee fly run!

Second Boy-Yes, I did, but he couldn't catch me.-Raymond's Monthly.

An Investment. Mr. Tompkins (to his head bookkeeper)

-Williamson, see that young Jonesby's salary is raised ten dollars a week. Williamson-Yessir.

Mr. Torpkins (with a grin)-He's spend ing all his money on my daughter Alice now.—Chicago Tribune,



She-We shall have all of papa's money

ben he dies. He-If he keeps on taking my advice in speculation we shall have all of it before he dies .- Life.

and to purchase and own real e tate as a site therefore and such other purpose as may be

modesty his flood of thanks, but at last seeing no end in sight of these extravagances began to hint that a financial acknowledgment would be more in order.

"To be sure, to be sure," exclaimed the client eagerly, "I won't forget about that and will pay you handsomely too. Say, Mr. L., you be in your office tonight at 12, and I contain the contained the see of the contained the sale will be sure and delivery of all stock made shall be kept by the secretary in a book for that purpose.

and will pay you handsomely too. Say, Mr. L., you be in your office tonight at 12, and I'll come around and fix things all right."

"Twelve o'clock!" said the lawyer in astonishment. "Bless me! Why do you set that late hour?"

"Never you mind, sir," returned he, "never you mind, sir," returned he, "never you mind. I mean to pay you, and pay you well. Don't forget; 12 o'clock, sure."

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