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### GLADYS MAKES TROUBLE.

BUT HER OWNER WAS HAPPY, FOR HE WAS LOSING FLESH.

The Desire for Household Pets Results in Invention-The Cat That Was Five Times Baried-The Dog Was Always Jolly When Needing a Thrashing.

Another new method for the reduction of obesity has been discovered, as all great discoveries are brought about, purely by accident.

You see, it was just like this, expounded its inventor. My wife and I went to housekeeping a while ago for the first time, and she thought she couldn't keep house without some pets. You know how it is when your wife makes up her mind to have anything. Well, I got the pets, a cat and a dog.

At that time I was working a rowing machine night and morning, swinging a fifteen pound club, and various things of and dry, particularly the feet and hands; that kind to keep my flesh down. Well, the first week after the dog came, it kept me so busy effecting reconciliation between her and the cat, teaching her that I didn't enjoy tearing off down the block after her every time the door opened, rhea. The tongue is usually coated, and and curbing her propensity for rearrang- often there is nausea and vomiting after knew him well enough to show him a ing rugs and the little curtains and meals. sashes my wife hangs around on tables and chairs, and in bringing things, particularly my wearing apparel, from the the back yard, where she had a trick of increased fever during the night, fre- the beard, in growing, raises little hills dragging them, that I didn't have time to use the machine and club at all. At troubled with heartburn. Generally the ing a man smoothly the razor cuts these the end of the week I had a whip on every floor, and had lost two pounds of low, and sometimes there is a dry, hack- Under the microscope these bleeding flesh

After harmony had been established between Gladys and the cat, peace seemed to have been declared on her part with all the feline race. She began to cultivate a gaunt tomcat that came growling into the yard, but Tom didn't reciprocate her friendly approaches. He had known bitter experiences, and his instincts were pessimistic and aggressive. He made a dive at Gladys, who was all unprepared for the onslaught, and, of course, she got the worst of it. In a lull in the proceedings I put a bullet through Tom's back and finished the fray. I intended to hit the cat in the head, but with the usual perversity of his kind, he continued to spring just enough to take it in the back. He crawled up a tree in a sickening and writhing way, kicking out his quivering hind legs, and my wife began to cry and get white, and say she knew she was going to faint. I begged of her not to until I could bury my dead, before the neighbors rushed in, and just then the cat gave one last wiggle and dropped out of the tree. I put my wife on the bed with the Pond's extract bottle, as I couldn't find the cologne, and rushed down to bury the cat under a rose bush. Gladys looked on approvingly, and when the grave was smoothed over she snuffed around it in a satisfied sort of way, which intimated that the interment wa all correct and proper. The next night when I got home that cat hy under the rose bush without a hair on its carcass, and beside it sat · Gladys triumphant, radiant and expectant, waiting my commendation. Some of the dirt from that grave was on the parlor windows, some in the pan of lettuce set out on the door step, and a lot more was over the fence in the next yard. Well, I licked the dog as usual, as scientifically and handsomely as I knew how, rubbed her nose on the cat, on the spade in the grave, explaining megntime that I wanted the cat left glons. Then I buried it again, Gladys capering about the yard, catching the various fluttering pendant garments on the clothes line in her teeth, and swinging round and round in great glee until he begins to use his emotions as a subthe clothes tore or the pins came out. The next night when I went home my swife was gone. I didn't have to inquire. I knew without. A heavy tiger skin rug had been dragged into the next top. room and turned upside down, with a white silk scarf off the cabinet around the tiger's head. A large fur rug had the short cuts. been dragged away from the fireplace and piled up with a down pillow and a rug of choice skins from the couch; in a taking him. corner a Venitian glass ornament lay in fragments on the floor, and in the midst of the devastation, in a white and gold chair so decked out with blue ribbons and plush that neither I or any guest who ever came here had sufficient temerity to sit down is it, sat Gladys, ani- | tury. mated, expectant and delighted to see me. I went to the window to get a whip and looked out. There lay the cat, stark, stiff and staring. It took me a long time to polish that dog off as she deserved and get the cat baried again to my satisfaction, and it scas not quite agreeable, even to me, to corps or his wife in the precise seat bebe rabbing the dog's nose in the corpse in the way she deserved. The next night, when I went home, I found my wife crying by the wash bowl and holding some wriggling, squirming thing sewed up in a little muslin bag under water with her finger. Is proved to be three of the four kittens which she had asked me to kill, and which I had forgotten. The Lord only knows how long she had been about it, for she sobbed out that they wouldn't die and she was so faint and sick. I went out to enrich another rose bush with the last remains of the three embryonic cats, when Gladys | a scene, such as has characterized occacame rushing up so delighted about something that I knew she needed her usual liciting. The cat was not entirely disinterred; only his two hind feet stuck up straight and hairless above the ground. Evidently I had in my haste buried him with his feet up. I thrashed the dog and the next night found the two fore feet uncarthed. I hammered the dog again and buried the cat. That was the last of it. The fifth time I buried that animal his grave was undisturbed, and 1 had lost five pounds. Every night there's some new development. Last night it was a pair of \$10 shoes she had attempted to make a meal off of, and to-night it will be something else. Of course it's a little expensive, but I cat and drink everything I like, and the flesh is melting off of me like magic. Beats all the systems of reduction I ever heard of .- New York Sun.

### Catarrh of the Stomach.

The complaint from which Mr. Larsen suffered, catarrh of the stomach, is generally known to the sufferer as "dyspep-Among the symptoms may be noted a dull, heavy pain or oppression in the stomach shortly after eating, accompanied by the formation of gas and a belching of wind. Usually the stomach becomes tender or painful and frequently feels cold, as if there was a lump of ice held against it or in it. The breath often is offensive, and there is an ugly, bitter, slimy taste in the mouth, especially in the morning. The patient often has headache, and is troubled with vertigo or a feeling of lightheadedness or dizzistant feeling of languor, dullness and heaviness, of oppression and exhaustion, great depression of spirits, a disinclination for all exertion, and a general bad, wretched feeling.

In some cases the skin becomes hot in others, again, the feet and hands are cold, and there is a great heat in the body and head. Sometimes there are sharp pains, front and back, under the shoulders, and there may be chronic diar-

poor, and there is often an excessive flow of saliva. The patient suffers from an quently perspires while asleep and is of flesh around each root, and in shavface is flushed or the skin becomes sal- off, leaving the blood vessels exposed. ing cough, while the voice is hoarse and vessels can be distinctly seen, and the husky,-Boston Globe,

#### A Postal Box.

A patent postal pillar box of an in- always troubled with colds and affecgenious character has been exhibited at tions of the throat. Close shaving is so the Athenaeum club, Melbourne. The much a western habit that eastern barbox is octagonal in shape and stands bers say they can tell a western man by seven feet in height, having a diameter his dissatisfied look when he gets out of of about two feet, and it has three divi- the chair and feels that he has some of sions. The top one contains a series of the skin still left on his face.-St. Louis compartments, in which there are police Globe-Democrat. and fire alarms, the former being communicated with by means of a telephone, while the fire brigade is apprised of an outbreak of fire in the locality by the pressure of an electric button. The central division, which is the largest, is devoted to the reception of letters and newspapers, the ordinary slot or opening through which the letters are placed be- Chicago elocutionist, discussing in The ing covered with a wire comb, to prevent | Voice the elements of a successful recithe letters being extracted by the insertion of thin sticks or pieces of wire. The letters fall into an iron box which

is fastened on to the door, and when it that produce marvelous effects when well is desired to clear the box all that the postman has to do is to touch a spring, which causes the bottom of the box to fall, and this allows the letters to drop go ringing down the echoing aisles of the into the open bag underneath. There is a dial immediately above the door denot- beach of the cold and suilen W. B. It's ing the times at which the box is cleared, the "reading" that has rescued Mrs. and on the door being closed the hand | Browning and Poe from the insatiate

## TEDDIE'S CHASE.

"O mamma, mamma, did you say I may have the eggs I find today?" And Ted, with glee, To the barn ran he, Where he thought old Toddlekins ought to be.

He hunted high and he hunted low. Everywhere that a hen could go; Over the mow. Behind the plow,

And into the shed of the muley cow He moved the barrels and things about;

He emptied the boxes inside out

He looked in the barrow. Behind the harrow.

And into the oat bins, dark and narrow

He searched the crib and the woodpile through, Then down to the brook where the alders grew; Along the edge

Of the soft green sedge, And in cozy nooks of the osnge hedge.

And where was Toddlekins all this while? Well, I readly think if a hen could smile, 'Twould be at the race

And fruitless chase Of Teddie to find her hiding place.

"Twas up in the roof, on a broad old rafter, And Teddle may take his turn at laughter When her chickles try To walk or fly For what will they do up there, so high?

-Mrs. J. M. Dana in Youth's Companion.

That Close Shave.

Whenever a man comes into my shop and asks for a clean shave, I wish that I piece of his skin under a microscope The appetite is variable, generally after he has had his shave and is feeling. his smooth face in a satisfied way while the boy brushes him off. The hair of flesh is seen to be entirely without the covering of skin it should have. The natural result is that the close shaver is

#### That's All that Saves the Poems.

The "elocutionist" has hid his light under a bushel as long as he can. He is now determined to let his light shine, to lift up his voice and spare not and to magnify his office for all it is worth and toot his horn if he doesn't sell a clam. A tation, speaks of "other pieces like Mother and Poet, 'The Raven' and like productions of no great literary merit rendered." Often wondered what kept those mediocre jingles alive so long, when some of my own finest efforts, worthy to copy dummy, stranded on the shingly

Auxious to Get the News.

right before the public. If you have

company tell us-if you are not ashamed

we want the news, and we will have it.

He Kissed Me.

much so; regular-every evening; indi-

The Future of Electricity.

A Business Transaction.

if I'd bring you a reward of merit, you'd

give me a new knife.

"Here it is."

Mamma-Yes, my pet.

"All right, thank you."

"And how is it with yourself?"

Little School Boy-Mamma, you said

"But this has Tommy Toodles' name

"Yes'm: I traded him my old knife for

Well Provided For.

It would be quite impossible to forecast

-Mifllinburg Times.

## APPRAISING DIAMONDS.

#### The Scales Used Are So Accurate That They Will Weigh a Hair.

The arrangements for such an examination are quite elaborate. First of all down as Italians. These figures, howthe scales are tested. These are mar- ever, do not sufficiently indicate their vels of accuracy and will readily weigh real preponderance. In the first place, a a hair. An eyebrow dropped on the fourth of the total immigrants are not balance will send the other side of the classified except as entering the state by scale slowly upward. These scales are way of Montevideo, where it is very placed upon a broad table leveled by a common for transhipments of passengers careful calculation, around which stand from Europe to take place. Probably the appraiser, his assistants, the experts if the Montevideo returns were analyzed, and the importer. They do not talk, be- the percentage of Italians would work cause a tremor of the scales and conse- out as not less than 75 per cent. of the quent inaccurate weighing might result whole. But there is another and still from loud articulation. After the doors more important fact to be borne in mind. have been closed several innocent look. The Italians in South America increase ing wooden boxes are placed on the table | with remarkable rapidity, the marriages and unsealed. Two or three boxes of the made between them and the natives size that bonbons come in may contain proving peculiarly fruitful-a circum-\$500,000 worth of sparkling diamonds. stance not observed in such a high de-The stones are wrapped up in pockets of gree among the other immigrants. paper like druggists' powders. These

is no appeal from his decisions.

a carat, and the importer has it invoiced | more than half the existing population. half that sum, up goes the invoice to the now reckoned to be over three millions expert's figure. It is in the valuation of and a half. Under such circumstances the larger stones that the finest discrim- can it be doubted that in a very few inating power is required and the most years the Italianization of the Valley of thorough knowledge of diamonds neces- the Plate will be complete? Flaws that are absolutely undiscoverable to the naked eye, but which affect the value of the stones, according to location and quality, are discovered by the aid of the magnifying glass, which is indispensable to the expert. Every gem undergoes the same scrutiny. It is turned in all directions and viewed gems are rare. After the entire lot has been examined the appraisement is made between the government appraiser's calculations and the invoiced prices of stones.

Appraising diamonds is very hard on the eyes. The sparkle and glisten of the stones cause colors to dance before the inspector's eyes, rendering minute scrutiny difficult. A short rest restores the tired eyes, and the examination is resumed. The whole process is an extremely interesting one, and is made more so by the general air of mystery which surrounds the diamond appraisements. The precious stones are shipped from the principal European diamond centers in wooden boxes about six inches long and half that depth and width. Nothing appears more careless, but in reality this method is the safest that could be adopted. None but the shrewdest thief would suspect that an ordinary wooden box, handled like any piece of express matter, contained a fortune in astray, and the European agent of a big the novel, which was appearing as a

Italians is the Argentine Republie. During the last thirty-three years about a million and a half immigrants have reached the Argentine provinces. Of these, 65.25 per cent. are officially set

· In 1885 the Italian chamber of compockets are unfastened and laid on the merce of Buenos Ayres calculated that table. The invoice is consulted and the the inhabitants of Italian birth and pagovernment expert makes his inspection rentage then residing in the republic and calculations in the presence of all numbered over a million, while at the parties. His judgment is final and there present moment it is estimated that persons in whom Italian blood or Italian If he thinks a diamond is worth \$100 race influence predominates, constitute

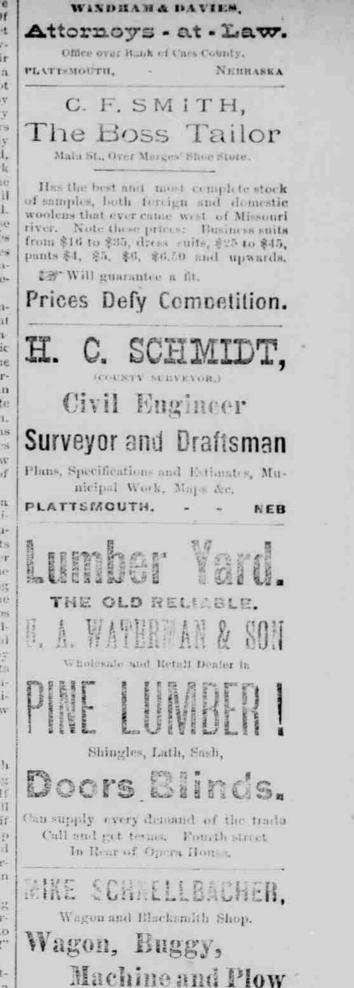
The only fact that tells against such a supposition is the newly adopted linemi giation point, of the Argenenie government, which has lately instructed its agents in Europe to do all in their power to attract immigration, from among the northern races. The danger of being swamped by the most vigorous of the from all points. In comparison with Latin peoples is fully realized at Buenos the number of imperfect stones, the real | Ayres, and considerable numbers of Eclgians, Hollanders, North Germans and Swedes have already been attracted by and a duty of 10 per cent. added to the almost free passages and generous grants price. There is rarely any difference of land. We doubt, however, the continued success of such a policy. Emigration flows with difficulty in new channels.-The Spectator.

#### Killing Mrs. Proudie,

When Dickens was remonstrated with by hosts of London ladies for killing "Little Paul Dombey," a critic said, "If Dickens don't kill Paul, Paul will kill Dickens." The critic thought that if Dickens had allowed Paul to grow up into manhood, he, the author, would have failed in fitting him to his surroundings, and thus injured his own reputation.

While Anthony Trollope was writing "The Last Chronicle of Barset," he surprised a friend one day by saving to him, "There's the end of Mrs. Proudiel"

"Why?" asked the friend, Mr. Trollope replied that he was writing one day in the --- club, while a group of young clergymen, gathered diamonds. It is rarely that they go around the fireplace, were talking about



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on the dial indicates at what time the next clearance will take place. The bot-Livion, Sr.-Robert J. Burdette. tom division is reserved for the batteries used in connection with the police telephone fire alarms, and on top of the a news item. If your wife whips you, roof an electric lamp is affixed.-Sydney let us know of it and we will set you Herald.

#### Reflections.

Stilts are no better in conversation of your visitors. If a youngster arrives than in a foot race. at your house and demands food and Folly must hold its tongue while wear-

raiment, buy a quarter's worth of cigars ing the wig of wisdom. and come around, and if you are a cash

It is the foolish aim of the atheist to subscriber we will furnish a name for scan infinitude with a microscops. him or her, as circumstances warrant. When poverty comes in at the cottage | If you have a social gathering of a few door, true love goes at it with an ax. friends bring around a big cake, six or A vein of humor should be made visiseven pies and a ham-not necessarily to ble without the help of a reduction mill. eat, but as a guarantee of good faith. The reformer becomes a fanatic when You needn't bother to invite us as it may be a little too cool for our wardrobe. stitute for his reasoning faculty. We mention these little things because

Many an object in life must be attained by flank movements; it is the zigzag road that leads to the mountain

All the paths of life lead to the grave, and the utmost that we can do is to avoid

The office should seek the man, but it sentence, "He kissed me," consented reshould inspect him thoroughly before | luctantly, because opposed to speaking

Humility is most serviceable as an undergarment, and should never be worn and a fond lingering over the word that as an overcoat.

The Good Samaritan helps the unfornoun; third person, singular number, tunate wayfarer without asking how he masculine gender; a gentleman, pretty intends to vote .- J. A. Macon in Cenwell fixed; universally considered a good catch. Kissed is a verb, transitive-too

Foreign Ministers at Washington. Foreign ministers demand the most

and third person, plural number and govscrupulous observance of the stereotyped erned by circumstances. Me-oh, everyrules of etiqueite, and watch with scrutiny every attention and inattention to body knows me," and down she went. them. A failure to seat a member of the longing to his or her rank at the table the future, even for a single decade, with would, probably, destroy the pleasure of reference to the applications of electricthe occasion. Not one inch farther from ity, even though discovery were ended. the host or hostess than belonged to the The mere expansion of industries already country they represent would be tolerin some degree established will give ated. The placing of the diplomats in them an importance which we cannot line to be presented at occasions of cerenow estimate. But discovery is not mony must be done in strict observance ended, and it is more than probable that of rank and importance of each. Hence, results will yet be reached which, alpersons dining or entertaining these digthough they cannot be at variance with nitaries must first post themselves aothe general doctrine of energy as now curately on the status of every kingdom, province and principality, if they expect understood, may to some extent revolutionize our methods, with corresponding to give their guests pleasure and to avoid advantages.-Professor C. F. Brackett in Scribner's. sions where "second class South America" has occupied positions a few paces above "first class Europe," or where little European provinces have been given more conspicuous places than greater kingdoms.-American Magazine,

Persian Shoes.

A high heeled lady's slipper from Monaco, an upper of richly embroidered on it." velvet, has a sole, shank and heel carved it."-Harper's Bazar. out of solid wood. Then in Oriental lands wood is largely employed. The museum collection includes many interesting specimens from Asiatic countries. The Persians have shoes made of wood and richly inlaid, which are really little along?" raised platforms with a strap across the front for the toes to pass through. One pair of these are clevated a foot from the ground and are veritable stilts .-Boston Herald. Washington Star.

maw of that relentless monster, O. B. importing house can ship his purchase serial. He could not help overhearing plain boxes, subject to regular express rates, with no fear as to their safe ar-Don't forget the editor when you have

rival.-New York Star. Irregular. The little steamboats which run on the

Florida rivers are reported to have a very elastic schedule of time to run upon. The habits of the easy going people are no doubt to be credited with the uncertain movements of the craft. A writer from that state says that no one seems to know exactly when the boat will arrive or depart, and, moreover, no one seems to care or to think that it matters at all.

"If she does not come today she will to-morrow," is the prevalent tone of answer to inquiries. "She'll be along about 5 o'clock." "No, she won't: she'll not come till 9 or 10." "She'll run down to Melbourne next trip." "No, she won't; she'll stop here," and so forth, say our various sources of information.

There is a tiny little steamer, which is A Nebraska paper narrates this educaannounced and intended to run to the tional incident: A high school girl, class southern end of the river, and which A, being told by her teacher to parse the looks like a coffee pot as it comes puffing fussily along, when we see it at last. For some days we do not see it; and further, of private affairs in public, "He," she no one seems to know exactly where the commenced, with unnecessary emphasis little craft is. "Say, have you seen the Haul-over?" brought crimson to her cheeks, "is a pro-

"Well, the Diana, she saw her the day before yesterday up river." "She went up this morning."

"Why, she went down yesterday." Says one, in compassionate tones: "The poor thing's took sick and stopped for a cative mood-indicating affection; first little rest. Laid up for repairs at the blacksmith's." This last surmise turns out to be the correct one .- Youth's Companion.

All About Laughter.

turned to prison after one term of service It has been observed that laughter is to the state has heretofore been from 80 indicative of particular temper and charto 90 per cent. This percentage has been acter, according to the sound of the reduced by the methods for mind and vowel that prevails in cachinnation. body culture adopted by the Elmira re-Persons that laugh in a broad Latin "A" are open hearted, honest people, fond of noisy jocundity, but perhaps of lators will consent to let the expert manvoluble mood. Excessive jerking laugh- agers quite alone, after giving them ter, however, is an evidence of vulgar- requisite state aid. The suppression of ity. Those laughing in a dry "A" are crime can be secured only by the suprespectable, but little expansive, and a pression of criminals. They must be hard lot of people. When the Latin transformed into honest citizens.-St. "E" prevails, there prevails also a phleg- Louis Globe-Democrat. matic, melancholy temper. Timorous, unsteady people, also those imbued with malignity, laugh in a kind of swelling "I," Laughter in "O" is the utterance be one growing at Oys, Portugal, which of proud, bold, imperative, somewhat has been in bearing since 1802. Its maxi-

in "oo" (o). They are traitors, haters, scorners.-Boston Budget.

#### An Untimely Gesture.

Magee) to a class of candidates for ordi- Telegram. nation:

"Most of you," he said, "will do well to avoid action in the pulpit. I shall "Hello, old man! Congratulate you! never forget a raw boned curate I once How are the wife and baby getting had, with hands like legs of mutten. I "Oh, I am living way up on the things exclaimed, 'Paws, me brethren, paws!" the neighbors send in for my wife."---London Exchauge.

directly from the diamond centers in them, as they praised the work, but agreed that Mrs. Proudie was becoming an intolerable nuisance. "What did you do?" asked the friend.

"Well," replied Trollope, "I hesitated a good deal what to do; but I finally made up my mind and went up to them and explained that I couldn't help hearing what they were saying, and I added. I am very much obliged to you. I am Anthony Trollope, and I'll go home and kill Mrs. Proudie."

And so he did. - Youth's Companion.

mankind being ignorant, talks about

sweet simplicity and doesn't know that

it is mounted on silk and is quite as costly

To be smart, you must sit up straight

Your shoes must shine, even if you

in your victoria and not loll in one corner

haven't time to cultivate your intellect.

The outside world only sees the bright-

You must wonder if really nice people

You must wear your gloves neither too

And if you want to achieve the very

height of smart indifference, you must

languidly ask the sister of the man you

are going to marry "what his first name

Reforming Prisoners.

There is one fact in connection with

prisoners and punishment that has been

positively established; that is, that it is

possible to transform these schools of

crime into schools for reformation and

education. The record of prisoners re-

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How to De Smart. The gingham kind is to the fore, and

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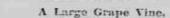
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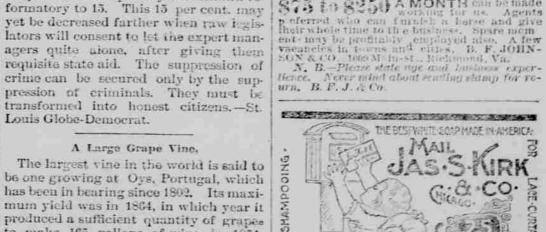
\$75 to \$250 A MONTH can be made working for us. Agents preferred who can furnish a barse and give their whole time to the business. Spare mom



The largest vine in the world is said to bantering people. Beware of those that mum yield was in 1864, in which year it produced a sufficient quantity of grapes to make 165 gallons of wine; in 1874, 1461 gallons, and in 1884 only 791 gallong. It covers an area of 5,315 square The following is extracted from an ad- feet, and the stem at the base measures dress by the bishop of Peterborough (Dr. 61 fect in circumference.-New York

#### A Precocious Iowa Youngster,

A Second street mother discovered a pack of cards in the pocket of her young hopefal and threw it into a little bonfire can see him still preparing for a grand in the back yard. She forgave the bright peroration, and leaning over the pulpit | youngster when he attempted to tramp with outstretched dependent palms, as he out the fire, singing the while: "The Boy Stood on the Burning Deck."-Duluth Tribune.





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