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My wife's youngest sister had a pet sheep that she had brought up from a

drop his prev.

It is not often that a wolf story is told in a way to show the cowardly nature of the animal. For this reason the following account, given by the author of "Twenty-seven Years in Canada West," has its own value and interest;

of her valiant opposition, to have her pet

She boldly beat him off the second

time, following him down the creek,

thrashing him and calling for aid with

all her might, when, fortunately, one of

her brothers, attracted by her cries, ran

down with the dogs and his gun. But

he was too late for a shot, for when the

wolf saw the reinforcement he scamp-

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rings a bell, an old man kneels in prayer,

the cock crows and the organ is played.

An Old Bullet.

produced the half of a large round leaden

"I was sawing up a fat lightwood log,

through the center of the bullet. Well,

I got to thinking afterward how old

this bullet must be. The log was fat

heart pine two feet thick. Evidently

the bullet was shot into the tree when

small or else it could not have pierced so

the center, and the tree was evidently

100 years old when it fell to the ground.

It may have laid there 100 years or more. You know fat pine never decays. I am

satisfied that old man Ponce de Leon, on

his tour through this country, must have

fired a fancy shot at a skulking savage,

and plugged the tree instead of the In-

dian. You see it's a round ball, and as

it is so large I judge it to be of Spanish

Bob is quite an antiquarian, you know.

Oil Ponds in the Gulf.

"The Oil Ponds" by the captains of the

There is no land within fifteen miles;

but even in the wildest weather the

water at this spot is comparatively calm,

owing to the thick covering of oil, which

apparently rises from the bed of the Gulf,

which is here about fifteen to eighteen

Galveston. When through stress of

this curious spot furnishing a good illus-

tration of the effect of "oil upon a trou-

The Silver Dollar "M."

There is a popular idea prevalent that

the minute letter "M" to be seen at the

base of the head of Liberty on the face

of the present issue of silver dollars

stands for "Mint," and is an evidence of

Morgan, George T. Morgan, who is the

originator of the design. Upon the same side there is another "M," also the

initial of the designer. This is to be

found in the waving locks of the fair

goddess, and is so cleverly concealed in

the lines of the design that it can only

be seen after a long scrutiny. A prom-

inent mint official, in speaking of this other initial, said that he had had it

shown to him scores of times, but could

No Fondness for Science.

nut street hotel watching the throngs

pass by, when a gentleman entered and

"Mr. Blank, can you give any scien-

"My dear sir." replied the professor,

tific reason why women walk pigeon-

in impressive tones, "women and science

have nothing to do with each other."-

Philadelphia Press.

A well known scientist sat in a Chest-

Record.

bled sea."-St. Louis Republic.

small craft which ply in that vicinity.

-Atlanta Journal.

the leap years on the other.

States.-Jeweler's Weekly.

subscription.

connected with St. Paul's German Lu-

theran church in Janesville, Wis,

lamb, which he again attacked.

ered off with all his speed.

Worrying the Elevator Conductor.

The decoration of elevators has become quite an art in some of the down town office buildings. One of the pioneers in this work has transformed an elevator in the New York Life building into a sort of Japanese bower. He says he has to spend most of his life there, and believes in softening the asperities lamb, and to which she was much atof labor with attractive surroundings. tached. One afternoon she was going While he easily holds the lead in this down to the spring for a pitcher of wasort of finery, others of his kind have ter, when she saw a large dog, as she done very well. The nabob of one thought, worrying her sheep, upon which caboose down town who is always she picked up a large stick and struck on the lookout for fancy prints and gewthe beast two or three strokes with all gaws, and who had rather stretch his her strength, thus compelling him to legs and contemplate the luxury of his apartment than carry passengers, was This, however, he did very reluctantly, presented the other day by a tenant of turning his head at the same time, and the building with one of the fancy cards showing his teeth with a most diabolical inscribed, "You press the button and we snarl. She saw at once when he faced do the rest." He was so much pleased her, by his pricked ears, high cheek with it that he made it a central decorabones, long, bushy tail and gaunt figure, tive figure for the rear wall of his elevathat her antagonist was a wolf. Nothing tor, bordering it with rosettes and a daunted, she again bravely attacked framework of gilt. him, for he seemed determined, in spite

His tenants admired it, commented on its fitness for such a place, and praised his taste in framing it. After it had been up a day or two it was noticed that a black line in ink had been drawn under the words "the rest." Another line soon appeared there as mysteriously as had the first. Then came a third and a fourth, and then some one further emphasized the words by drawing a ring of ink around it. The elevator artist was in a great stew over it for several days, for the decoration was too handsome to lose, and he could not take it down without spoiling his wall. At last, with rubber and metal eraser, he obliterated the incriminating word, lines and ring, but only to the increase of his discomfiture, for his tenants now read the sign, "You press the button and we do nothing."-New York Times.

Selling Strawberries at . Profit.

the third, middle age, and the fourth, "There are tricks in all trades but ours," said a retail grocer to me recently. a corresponding number of apostles make "You wonder how it is that we are able their appearance, from one to twelve. to sell strawberries at less than they cost Above them stands Jesus blessing them. us and still make money. It is a puzzler to the uninitiated, isn't it? But after all resented. At 6 and 12 o'clock a sexton it is simple enough when you know how.

"For instance, I go down to the market and buy a crate of strawberries for thirty cents a box. Now my trade is clock, showing the years on one side and not rich enough to pay me even thirtyfive cents a box, and at less than that I make no profit.

At midnight heathen gods make their appearance, and scenes in the life of "Well, I take those berries and empty Jesus are represented at noonday. The them out of the boxes. Then I take a four seasons are represented by appronice piece of white paper, which is much priate figures, as are the moon's phases. cheaper than strawberries, and drape, The clock was built by Mr. Martin, a as it were, the box. Then I take the millwright, of Schwarzwald Baden, and berries and arrange them very carefully is said to exceed in ingenuity any other in such a way that all that are any way clock ever exhibited in the United touched with decay go to the bottom and only the fine, ripe, sound ones are in sight. By leaving plenty of space between the berries, except the top layer, Bob Lockhart dropped in to renew his I have no difficulty in filling two of the draped boxes with the contents of one "I have something in my inside pocket of the original, and then they look much which I want to show you," he said, and richer and more appetizing and sell after searching for a few seconds Bob

"When this is done, out they go in front of the store marked twenty cents and you will see where the saw passed a box, and before I know it they are all 2.1 sold, netting me a nice little profit. If I had tried to sell them in the original boxes at thirty-five cents I would have had a good many left on my hands to

spoil. "Why, some of the bigger dealers in green groceries and fruits keep a man, at a good salary, simply to repack goods, and it pays well."—New York Herald.

Too Well Hidden.

Elizabeth Glover, in her book, "Family Manners," devotes a chapter to deploring the New England habit of repressing one's feelings on the matters nearest at heart, and never allowing them to find expression in words. She

There was a railroad accident, and a poor farmer's wife was taken out, bleeding and unconscious. The doctor and a kind woman were working over her Between the mouth of the Mississippi when her husband came in and stood a river and Galveston, ten or fifteen miles moment, looking on in disturbed silence. south of Sabine Pass, is a spot in the His cheeks were drawn in, his eyebrows Gulf of Mexico which is commonly called lifted, his hands in his pockets.

Presently, with some effort, he cleared his throat to speak, and as the doctor looked up he asked, "Ye didn't see a new tin dipper lyin' round where ye picked her up, did ye?"

He got no answer from the indignant doctor, and presently strayed out again in search of his dipper.

feet beneath the surface. This strange Meanwhile his wife opened her eyes refuge is well known to sailors who run and at once asked for her husband. on the small vessels trading between Cal-"He's safe," said the doctor shortly. She casien, Orange, Sabine, Beaumont and felt his curt tone, and faint as she was she divined what it meant. "He's a weather they fail to make harbor elsedreadful feelin' man," she said, "but he where they run for "The Oil Ponds," let don't never say much." go anchor and ride the gale in safety,

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A Family Tiff.

"Perhaps you are not aware that I had over a dozen proposals of marrige before I got yours," said Mrs. McDougall stiffnever find it unassisted.-Philadelphia ly, after a little tiff with her lord and master the other morning.

"And perhaps, madam, you are not aware that I proposed marriage to nearly a score of women before I became acquainted with you," retorted that gen tleman haughtily.-Exchange.

The Time for Such. Tommy (after reading the paper)-Papa, what's a tory? And have we to-

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