

## DOUBLE VISION.

It Affected the Oculist as Well as the Patient.

A well known oculist of New York city tells a story of one of his patients who proved rather more than a match for him. The patient was an old fellow from one of the rural counties of the state, fifty years of age or more, who strolled leisurely into the doctor's office and, after taking a mental inventory of the place, remarked that he was afraid that his eves were "gitting a lettle out o' kilter" and he guessed the doctor had better "take a peek at them." He was seated and. as a preliminary, was invited to look through a prism at a photograph.

"Why, now," said he after "squinting" awhile, "this is curious! I see two photographs. What makes me see like that?"

The oculist, who is something of a humorist and inclined to be jocose with certain of his patients, replied that this phenomenon was certainly very interesting and that, while possibly it indicated some slight abnormality. It yet had its compensating advantages. "With double vision you have a great advantage over me, for example," he continued, smiling, "for you will be able to see twice as many beautiful things in the world as I can. You will have twice as many friends. Your family will be doubled. You will have twice as much real estate and two pocketbooks instead of one."

The old man did not say much in reply, but seemed to be pondering it. Meanwhile the oculist completed his examination, and the time came to receive his fee, which in this case was

Very slowly the old man, still pondering, drew forth a roll of notes and, DESC. carefully selecting a five dollar bill. looked hard at it for some moments. Then, proffering it, he said quietly, 'Here's your \$10, doctor!"

### Spoiled Her Play.

A very promising love affair, if not nipped in the bud, received an ugly jolt through the medium of that "infernal little brother" the other evening at the home of the young lady involved.

An informal card party was in progress, and a young fellow who had been very marked in his attentions to the daughter of the house had her for his partner. In the midst of the play "little brother" popped up with this

"Mr. Blank, does sister play cerds "Yes, very well, indeed." replied the

"Well, then, you'd better look out," shouted the youngster, "'cause I heard mother say that if she played her cards well she would catch you yet."

She Won. James' wife had a rather hard time. as a rule, to coax money out of him for new clothes, although he always wanted to see her well groomed. She wanted a new dress, and she wanted it badly, so she resorted to diplomacy. At breakfast she said: James, I have decided to do with

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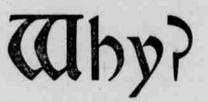
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"I GUESS NOT !" HE EXCLAIMED. it would cost 1 shall have mother here for a nice long visit." James turned on her excitedly. "What-wear that old brown thing

another season? I guess not!" he exclaimed vehemently. "You go right down to your tallor's today and order something handsome. Remember. please, that as my wife you have a certain position to maintain!"" The wife bowed her head in sub-

mission. On her lips played a peculiar smile.

Wisconsin Plans Big Athletic Carnival. As part of a comprehensive scheme to restore the University of Wisconsin to a place in the front ranks of intercollegiate athletics it has been announced that an interscholastic basketball carnival, in which sectional champions from Iowa, Indiana, Illinois and other states will participate. will be held in the gymnasium March 10, 11 and 12.

### Misnamed.

During a geography lesson in a Baltimore school one day the teach er spoke at great length touching that wonderful stream, the Mississippi. Incid tally she afforded the pupils some interesting account of the historic events associated with the great river. "Finally," said she "we must not overlook the poetic value of the name Mississippi. 1 means 'Tather of Waters.' Don't forget that, boys and girls."

One lad, however, was not muci impressed by this later contribu tion to his store of knowledge. "] beg pardon, ma'am," said he, "but if the name of the river means 'Father of Waters,' why don't they call it 'Mister Sippi?' "-Circle.

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