"But she's only a school-teacher!" said Rosa Vernon.

and as plump as a September peach-a girl who liked to wear jewelry and real lace, and was very particular as drooped an instant. to the set of her dresses. Moreover, there was a good deal of the aristocratic element in Miss Vernon's nature, considerably more than was exactly fitting

handsome college mate Henry Leslie. "Well what then?" demanded Bob the store. Vernon, stoutly. "She is as pretty as -I don't know what she isn't as pretty what she's like."

"Upon my word?" cried Rosa, sareastically, 'Bob growing romantic! What are we to expect next?"

"The subject is an inspiring one, Miss Vernon," said Harry Lesite, dryly.

"Does she got three or ten dollars a week?" demanded Hosa, with a supercilious tess of her head "and does she board round?"

"She boards at Squire Macpher on's," said Harry, 'and as for the salary, I can't tell you, but if you choose, I'll make inquiries."

"And I'm going round to the squire's this very evening, said Bob, "to get introduced to Miss Markham-Mabel Markham-isn't it a sweet name?"

"Bob!" ejaculated his horified sister, "would you so far compromise our social position as to-

"Compromise a fiddlestick!"

"But, Bob, now, of all times in the world, just when Major Taliaferro and his family are coming to the place, and one naturally wants to retain a formost place in society."

"Hang Major Taliaferro and his family! How are they any better than Squira Macpherson, and the dear little dove eved school-ma'am?"

"They are very wealthy and aristocratic, Bob, and they have traveled in Europe, and there's the major's niece, who will inheritall the money, and --

"Oh, is that all? I really can't see the occasion for falling down and worshiping Major Taliaferro on any of the scores you have mentioned. If his majorship should excommunicate me on account of the Markhams, I must submit to the dreadful decree, and become au outcast, but until then I shall take the liberty of doing precisely as I please. Come, Harry."

"Then you are actually going to Squire opherson's, a place where nobody visits?

"Yes, actually and truly."

Rosa's lip curved, but she chose to hazard no futher remonstrance. She was in the village drug store, one

afternoon, a few days subsequently, choosing a book from among the wellthumbed circulating library, when Squire Macpherson's rickety old family carryall drove up, and a young lady alighted.

Rosa turned and glanced at her with a sort of languid, insolent curiosity, as if at some raraavis that fortune had thrown in her way.

"So that is Mabel Markham, who teaches the district school?" she thought, contemptuously.

Miss Markham was slight, and fair, and delicate, with big blue eyes which looked at you with the soft, wond-ring innocence of a child, skin smooth and pink as an oleander petal, and a profusion of fair, flossy curls rippling like a golden cataract over her shoulders.

Her dress was very plain-a darkbrown gingham, with collar and cuffs of the mos potless lines, a bow, of blue ribbon at her throat, and a hat of fine straw, trimmed with blue ribbon

"You could buy it all for five dollars," thought Rosa, scornfully, as she gave her own green and gold changeable silk a rustle and glanced at the broad gold bracelets that she wore.

"Why, Mabel, my darling, is it you?" Mrs. Wylie had entered at that moment.

Mrs. Wylie was the rector's wife, a bustling, genial matron, of forty or so, and was hugging and kissing Mabel Markham with empressement.

"How very fortunate that I should have met you here, my dear, and how well you look! Ah, teaching agrees with you, I see! And how is your sick friend, Miss Claremont?"

She is better, Mrs. Wylie." "Is she? I'm sure I'm delighted to,

usar it .-Here the chirping little lady broke of abruptly, for she had just caught sight os Rosa, still glancing over the worn backs of the well-read volumes. and yawning behind her French kid-

gloved hands. She ran up to her at once.

"Rosa Vernon, you here, too! Why you are the very person I wanted to see! Come and let me introduce you to my friend, Miss Markham?"

She laid her hand lightly on Rosa's arm as she spoke, but Miss Vernon drew back, a little haughtlly.

Excuse me, Mrs. Wylle, but I have no anxiety to become acquainted with a school-teacher."

Mrs. Wylie looked bewildered. But my dear, you don't understand

from the introduction."

Markham from her position at the of love." tassie, not much over four feet high, the whole conversation. For the announced, and Rosa stepped aside, a second statement that he had partial the younger scions of the highest Ausannounced, and Rosa stepped aside, a second statement that he had partial the younger scions of the highest Ausannounced, and Rosa stepped aside, a second statement that he had partial the younger scions of the highest Ausannounced, and Rosa stepped aside. crimson had overspread the oval cheek. In the same instant Mrs. Wylie's laugh by recovered, was on the high road to train aristocracy, who were accustomed number of vowels being turned toward them, and make it had been turned toward them, and mabel's head ing eyes met hers.

> Oh, dear cried Mrs. Wylie in evident consternation, "I do hope she hasn't heard us."

was perpetually endeavering to incul-cate the same into her brother, and his disappointed, and Rosa swept out of

"Mabel, dearest, you won't mind a petulant child's ill'bred criticism?" not crying!" opening—a tiny white reschud, that's Markham, and possessing herself of tears of mortification that she had ever him no return. The whole philosophy ma otherwise the proposer himself was original word, he loses to the proposer himself was original word. one slender little hand.

pressing engagement, she said, lesson. In after years her brother's which he can reap more advantageous ner strasse to forbid all his servants next letter of the original was that she walked with him in the Markham. moon-light that night, under the gray old Macpherson mansion, until the village town-clock chimed eleven!

And the next morning Bob proclaimed to the astonished ears of the family group, gathered around the breakfast-table, that he was engaged! "Bob! Engaged! And to whom?"

"To Miss Mabel Markham." Rosa uttered a little breathless

scream of dismay. "To Matel Markham! Oh, Bob, you reckless imprudent fellow-just when Major Taliaferro's niece was coming to reside in the place, and they say she is

lovely!" Mabel, and I do not choose to submit One is of a man whose estimated this course. No man can be dishonest grading house'll by humoring aristoment, but it also serves as a "She cannot be more lovely than my to the imputation of being a fortunehunter. I am able to earn my own living and my wife's, too, You will

call on my fiancee, Rosa, won't you?" "I will never speak to her." "Then you can let it alone," said Robert Vernon, flushing a little; "only I did not know you were such a fool

And so the matter rested for a few days.

tents on the lawn and a band of music two children, which were some twenty partially manufactured curiosities uncomfortable but the most rapid, the times more common in male from New York! Oh, how splendid!" nine feet below the level of the caves ma be surprised at this explicit stateejaculated Miss Vernon, sancing about the parlor floor with the note of invita- paleolithic implements. The bed is tion in her hand. "So the family have a compact one of limestone. - Chicago num was and is doubtless strictly honreally arrived at the place-and you News. got me the invitation from Harry Leslie! So kind of you! And will the

majors's niece be there?" "Yes she will be there."

"Have you seen her? "Yes often."

"Oh I do so long to see her! I must send to the city for a new white grenadine dress and a wreath of pluk get aniums—roses are so common!"

And liosa sat down at once to write the note to her dressmaker. "Of course you won't go, Bob?" she

said, loftily. "Why shouldn't I go?" demanded

Bob, defiantly eyeing his sister. . "Because your fiancee won't be there,

"Don't be too sure of that." "I am sure of it; who would invite a district school-teacher? And the Taliaferros are so exclusive and aristo-

eratic too." "Mabel will be there," said Bob, briefly; but that was all he could be induced to say for the gratification of

his sister's curiosity. The evening of the much-talked-of party finally arrived, with a full moon, and the loveliest of September nights. to do all due honor to its festivities Rosa arrived rather late-impatient as she was to view the internal arrangements of the stately old stone mansion ments in the study of our mysterious

hand than been unfashionably early, 5 next Mars will arrive at a point agreeable consciousness that she was

to the host and hostessa dignified, elderly gentleman of the old knowledge for which science thirsts. Oletz 300 versts from St Petersburg. school, stood at the head of the room, with his wife beside him-a stately lady in rustling white brocade, and inclined her head to them the major

took her hand kindly. "Miss Vernon, allow me to introduce you to my niece, Miss Markham."

white roses in her golden curls of hair; and Bob stood beside her, holding her companion's winning beauty.

Ross looked so bewildered that her brother burst out laughing.

"I thought Miss Markham was a school-teacher!" stammered Ross. scarcely knowing what she was saying in her confusion.

Mabel, quietly; "nor was I ashamed of There was a hut and a small farm on my vocation. But I was only tem- the island and other signs of habitaporally occupying the position on le-tion, although there haif of my school friend. Miss Clare-life.—Seattle Letter

ONLY A SCHOOL-TEACHER. Mrs. Wylie-you will please excuse me mont, whose illness incapacitated her As she drew colding back she saw happy to say that now she is well some time ago the repeat show rates classes as our young noblemen ing charge of the game ago the release satisfaction that Miss enough to releave me from my labor from Bridgeport that the veteran show rates classes as our young noblemen of the game ago the release satisfaction of Heral and Possible satisfaction of Heral and Possible

spice of playful malice in her tone. "if ionate and relieved constituency—the spice of playing mance in her tone. If is least and release and release and release greater thank of you would only have allowed me to entire United States—queried and release service, in dressing their must mence with the letters of "It is quite a matter of indifference explain to you last week that Major marked, "Another advertising dodge, taches in just the same fashion as the word is composed, each le to me whether she has or not!" said Taliaferro's niece was officiating in her hey?" Probably not, but the incident "noble swells" they had to serve. One used only as often as it occurred to the last had been contained by the high horn contained word as local to the last had been contained by the high horn contained b Mrs. Wylie turned away, burt and ment it would have saved us all! You old gentleman's abilities in that line. Isid a wager with some of his friends. but I think Mabel has forgiven you, shape or other, said Barnum not long within a given time the objectionable reads about the words on his for Bob's sake. Rosa, sarely you are ago, because it is evident that if a adornment should, disappear from the sets the number of them does

shed. They were soon over, however of life is first sow, then reapan April shower, succeeded by sunshine This principal applies to all kinks of a given period. "And you'll come home to tea with once again -but the tears did our little business, and to nothing more eminent in order to effect his purpose the no one else has thought of Rosa good.

Whether that engagement had any- wife became very dear to her, and by than by sowing to the public in wearing mustaches on penalty of losthing to do with Mr. Bob Vermon, we Rosa acknowledged more than once this way." didn't pr tend to say, but certain it that Bob had been right about Mabel Barnum possesses a genius for adver- case he succeeded, but the waiters, who ed like the others the new

Prehistoric Glants

Near the Mediterranean coast, not far from Nice, are some grottoes, has, and which goes hand in hand with submitted to the imposed hamiliation. which are remarkable for the prehisteric research was recognized twenty his assurance. He has humbagged the of other hotels and restaurants, and will be found the words art. years ago. They were at that time purchased by Mr. Emile Riviere, who however, neglected to work them, and frankness. These methods of his more perial, the first hotel in Vienna, fla ly and credit marks set down, sold them again to a quarry master, active life he did not seem to regard as refu ed to comply with the whim of the of words beginning with rewho on removing some of the rock anything to be ashamed of. They were Vienna jeunesse doree whom he told unearthed some of the remains since the contract of the remains since the contract of the remains since the contract of the rock anything to be ashamed of. They were Vienna jeunesse doree whom he told unearthed some of the remains since the rock anything to be ashamed of the rock anything the rock and th then the grottoes have been in liti cour integrity," he said; "it is more he should readily get better customers. word, it is used but once as has been able properly to investigate precious than diamonds or rubies. The The case was also taken up, "as mat-

height is 7 feet 9 inches. The head of the skeleton is missing. Another is the skeleton of a womau 6 feet rinches tall, and the third is the remains of a youth. These added to previous esty no: only hes at the foundation of discoveries make seven skeletons of all success in life financially, but in be dictator instead of themselves going prehistoric men unearthed up to the every other respect." present time in these caves. The Italian government has not attempted exhibition of the negress Joyce Heth,

Up to 1875 Mr. Riviere had dis years old, his woolly horse, his Feejee "A party at the Taliaferror's-with covered the skeleton of one man and mermaid, and other manufactured or and were surrounded by undoubted ment of the case by one who could slowest, the third the most independ-

performed in Baltimore took place mere shrewdress. late General Hammond. Six carriages He has opened them himself. a funeral cortege as they slowly moved museum, and later when in the circus through the cemetery. When the business, he used to do a great deal of Hammond lot was reached the graves advertising in the then prominent New were strewn with flowers and the York papers, The Courier and Enwere strewn with no performed, the quirer, The Times and Messenger and bride standing upon the grave of her The Herald, "Night after night," he mother and the groom upon the grave said, at the midnight hour and later, of the bride's father. The bride is one I crawled up these several newspaper of Maryland's oldest families, being a staircases to put in these journals some remote decendent of President George fresh and startling announcement Washington. She is forty and the about my business. I even did this groom forty-four years old.-Baltimore

Mars Approaching the Earth.

The month of August next is expected to bring important, if not wonderful and sensational, developshe would sooner have cut off her right heavenly little kinswoman. August she was dressed in her white grenadine, directly opposite this earth, which it in The Novoe Vremya of a balloon with the wreath of pink blossoms reaches but once in fifteen years, when voyage from St. Petersburg to a point encircling her jetty hair, and had the the distance between the two planets not far beyond Lake Ladoga conveys will be reduced f om 141,000,000 to a striking picture of the benighted becomingly attired, and looked very 35,000,000 miles. Upon that night a condition of the Russian peasantry, we'l. Harry Leslie met her at the door thousand telescopes will be leveled at even within a few hundred mines of of the all ready thronged drawing-room the planet, which will repose in reful- the capital. The balloon in question and offered her his arm to conduct her gent beauty in the southern skies, and containing a Col. Pomostzeff and a thousand eyes will seek to pierce the Count Covanko, descended at a place Major Taliaferro, a fine looking, veil of distance that conceals the called Moustoi, in the government of

Wonderful results are expected by and this is what followed: reason of the marvelous improvements that have been made in astronomical peasants thought the anti-Christ was such diamonds as almost dazzled instruments within fifteen years and descending from the sky, and that the Rosa's eyes with their biaze. As she since the last most favorable obser- end of the world was come. vation, was made. With the powerful screamed, children cried and all the lenses and the photographic appliances inhabitants were well nigh out of their of today it will be as if the far away wits from fear. Soon from the wood visitor, tempted by curosity, had drawn came the women who had been gather-Yes it was Mabel Markham, dressed nearer to the earth than ever, ing mushrooms, running as fast as in white tulle, with pearls and simple Although Mars will be 35,000,000 their legs could carry them. "A house," miles away, the powerful Lick they cried, "has come down from the telescope will magnify her to a size as sky with wonderful strangers in it!" boquet with conscious pride in his fair if viewed at a distance of but The peasants thereupon hid them 17,500 miles.-Washington Star.

Run Down by an Island

Captain George W. Torrey, of the fishing schooner Alice, reports that his the forest. It was long before these boat was almost run down by a floating island in the Pacific ocean off Capo "You were perfectly correct in your Flattery. The captain and crew went surmises, Miss Vernon," answered on it and made partial exploration. Flattery. The captain and crew went tion, although there were no signs of

STILL A HALE OLD MAN.

by than to advertising. If a man has a latter commenced by trying to per- lowed to take two credits She had received a much-needed really good article there is no way in smale the hotel keeper in the Karnth-

calculated to attract attention.

One who is familiar with Barnum's Standard. to exercise any rights in the matter the alleged nurse of Washington, 161 talk so well about honesty; but Bar ent but the most uncertain,

nited States, a knight of the Order of faculties or not he has certainly de-

after the editor had gone home, bu the foreman in the composing room had some authority then, and would often put the matter I offered in type or make an announcement for me. Barnum still looks back with pleas-

Terrorized by a Balloon.

These was a general panic.

selves in the village as best they could, with the exception of a few bold fellows, who took their hatchets and cudgels and proceeded cautiously to latter, who assisted to convey the apupon their fellow villagers to come out suited their case. of their hiding places.

The aeronauts spent the night in this village, and in the mornin; marched back, the balloon bein; packed on a sledge, because there was not a wheeled vehicle in the place.

A Strange Wager in Vienna.

A curious wager is at present occupy-Some time ago the report went out ing the attention of such widely sepa- and a slip of paper, and the man, Phineas T. Barnum, was on his and the Association of Hotel and Resclock or watch may be man, Phineas I. Barnoth, the deathbed. This was soon followed by taurant Waiters in Vienna. Several of sulted. A word is then health, had made a real fresh in the Karathner strasse, took except- paper, and at a given time Markham, after all?" she said, with a business enterprises. Then his affection to the practice of the waiters, most players begins to write down The careful to advertise in some which was immediately accepted that mun has ever so good an article for upper lips of the waiter in all the fash- merals. When one writes But rosa was crying—the bitterest sale and nobody knows it, it will bring ionable notels and restaurants in Vien contains a letter or letters in

ing his aristocratic customers. In this words, and when these have tising, not only in the newspapers and were mostly married men, one after taken, and so on until all by posters, but in many other ways another gave notice to leave their used. The leader must see places. They were at once replaced by no one writes a word as Another element of success which he younger men, who for a consideration called. public and then written a book re- the wager was nearly won by the layer arctic, actic, at, attic, acts counting his methods with remarkable when the proprietor of the Hotel Imto him brilliant strokes. 'Preserve outright that if they deserted his house a letter occurs twice or often

most difficult thing in life is to make ter of right and honor," by the Associ-At present three skeletons found money disnonestly. Our prisons are ation of Waiters, which threatened to has the most credit marks. full of men who attempted to follow expel from the society any member dethe satisfaction of seeing their would out with shaven lip. Cor. London

Traverta vu.ua.

Travel in northern China is accomplished in a cart, a mule litter, or the who have been in the labit sadle. The first method is the most The disease seems to be second the most comfortable but the females.

The cart used in northern China has ast, as he interpreted the word, and all two heavy wheels, with wooden axie, to one side of the rids in though he paimed made up curiosities no springs, and a body about four feet where the end of the parets on the public he would have scorned to long, and three broad, over which is a impinges on the surfaced be The most unique marriage ever do anything teyond what he regarded light framework top covered with blue. The patch is usually red built cotton. Two mules driven tandem by blaish or pearly white It Monday within the bounderies of Barnum has never done things by a carter seated on the left shafs take it years, but tends to spread over Green Mount cemeters over the graves degrees. He has uttered some good along at a rate of about three miles an face of the tongue if the initial of the parents of the bride. The words about economy, but economy hour, and one can make in it an aver- continued. When diffused groom was Colonel Hendrick von and patience usually go together age of thirty-five miles a day, even over fashion it constitutes leavem Stamp, ex-minister of Denmark to the Whether Barnum has possessed these the roughest country. It will carry about three hundred pounds of goods, Dannebrog, and the bride was Miss clined to wait for avenues, by which to and one or even two passengers; and cause of cancer. The smooth Mildred Hammond, daughter of the reach the public to open up to him the tighter one is squeezed in the more never leave a "patch" united were occupied by the wedding party. In the days when Barnum was cubut the vehicles were supposed to be eavoring to establish the American the terrible joiling over the rough tion of the tongue. Halfs late

It is told in some old book of travel in the narrative of the mission of Lord Amherst to the court of Pekin, if I remember rightly, that one of his attendants die 1 from the effects of the jolting he received during a short journey in one of these carts. But this mode of travel being the most rapid, I ad ipt- cian. ed it. Several years of experience of eart travel in China had made me bold, so that I did not fear the fate which had overtaken the Amherst mission man. Comfortably wrapped in my wadded Chinese clothes, I squeezed myself into my cart, feeling like a deliare to his friendly dealing with editors. cate piece of chinaware packed in cotton, and after a hearty farewell to the friends with whom I was staying at Pekin, the carters cracked with their An account which recently appeared whips, and with a shout to the mules se were o.t .- Century.

Is This a Good Id a?

Why does not some enterprising person establish an intelligence office where it will be possible to hire fract-

Every housekeeper knows that the work of a household seidom comes out and has also appeared me in terms of an even number of servants the symphonies under He There is always a little too much for the servants to do or not enough. If there are two maids acre is generally work enough to occupy the time of about two and a hat if there are six servants there is not more than would suffice to keep five and a quarter busy and in general terms there is never an but in Albert Hall, Lond exact agreement between the the labor and sang in many orches o be performed and the persons hired ber concerts under Sir to perform it.

Now all this could be obviated by the success.—New York lie plan of having an office for fractional servants. This mig. be accomplished in one of two ways. Either the time of a single person might be distributed among different houses, or those servants who are in reality only equal to about half the work a real servant would do, could be properly estimated and let out as half servants, quarter paratus to the villege, could prevail servants, or whatever fraction really

The idea is not so whimsical as it might at first seem, and it is certainly one the carrying out of which would relieve the mind of many a housewife of no inconsiderable burden.—Boston

Each player is provided w

At the end of three m leader calls "time," and er which he must set down are self; and if any one has w After the words have been

Take, for example, the cratic. Beginning with a These having been read and The player who has once bee not only affords considerate spelling.—Delineator.

Cancer and Smoke

rince the death of Presiden constant smoker, cancer of p and eigar smoking have in associated in the public m geons of experience find the ease is far more frequent

The affection known as patch" is common. It is a raised oval area of the torga,

A Famous Trio of Sing

Mrs. Anna Bulkeley-Ill Winant and Mrs. Toedt, next to Miss De Ver, ably the best known and thes ular choir singers in this d Hills is the wife of a prosper

Mrs. Theodore Toedt as I Earle made an enviable both in church and eratoris fore 1883, when she married tenor of St. Bartholomer This good name she has ess maintain. For several years has been the solo soprano in ren's choir, where her husbar gaged.

Miss Emily Winant, the contralto of St. Thomas d born in Brooklyn, and has present place under Dr. G. W for the past thirteen years. her debut in a concert in State in 1878. She has been the contralto in three festing Hayden and Handel societ Goriche. In New York at the Philharmoniae as many other concerts and under Theodore Thomas, appeared in the various

throughout the country. Miss Winant made a She also sang in Dres

Jay Gould's CF Jay Gould smokes the be the market during bus Four eigars a day are his list usually buys them at the Windsor hotel. He pays

cents spiece for them, and like smoking more he wait reaches home, when he part luxury of a Turkish pipe. When Mr. Gould was

told him he must be temp use of tobacco, and not cumstances smoke over four day .- New York World.