THE FADED TINTYPE.

Beneath the weight of many years his agod back was bent, But from his gentle big blue eyes there shone a light that lent A radiance to his old face, and as a sout he took He ginneed about him with a smile-then sought his pocketbook And everyone who greed his way

Wished that his carfure they might pay For that one cheery look.

His clothes, though old and worn, were clean and patched with loving care, His trembling hands in home-made gloves, the well-combed fringe of halr Reneath his almost furious cap-all told of some one who Lovel this old man as much as when life's partnership was new

A moment more and he unwound The string with which his purse was bound And brought his wealth to view.

A scrap of cloth, a pencil small, a key, and next a dime-And then he stopped-in happy thought he seemed lost for a time; A faded tintype, that was all-a sweet old woman's face, and yet he kissed it softly ere he put it back in place. And then we knew what made his life So happy-just a faithful wife Gave his old age its grace.

Caught by the Camera

feet away, and was stooping down

"Let's get him," said I in a low tone.

I had several unexposed plates re-

button. Just at the instant when the

heard us and turned his head, facing

He evidently understood what we

were about, for he scowled deeply and

walked rapidly away through the

As the man's retreating figure dis-

ping a few more wayside pictures, and

then turned towards home and re-

That of ecnoon Lester came over to

my father's house to witness the devel-

As, one by one, we put the plates

through the developer, a majority came

out well. One or two were a tride

under exposed, and there were minor

defects in others; but, on the whole,

The star negative of the lot, how

ever, was that of the stranger whom I

had photographed drinking, and who

had turned his head and caught me in

the act. That was perfect. Every

thing was brilliantly sharp, and the

shutter had caught the man's full face.

In the negative even so small an object

We made a blueprint of this nega-

five, and both Lester and myself re-

agaized the faithfulness of the likeness.

notwithstanding the fact that we had

About the middle of the afternoon,

my father returned from the neighbor

ing town, ten miles away, in one of the

banks of which he was clerk. He sound

ed to be much excited and perturbed

The bank was robbed last night,"

he answered, "and over \$50,000 stolen.

Every cent I had in the world is gone

My mother made an exclamation of

"And the worst of it is," went on

my father, "that we are almost certain

who the thief is, but we haven't a

thing in the world to trace him by-

not a vestige of a photograph or any-

thing like it, which we could give to

detectives to guide them in the hunt

the man's gone, and the money with

And my father sank despondently

Meanwhile Lester and I stood by lis

ening silen ly, the still wet blue print

n my band. After a minute I went

nd pressed the print out flat upon the

able on which my father's arm was

eaning. At any other time I would

yould have been sure of his interest

with the rest."

nto a chair.

dismay.

as his eyes stood out beautifully.

seen the man but a moment,

coment of the morning's pictures.

us squarely.

raced our steps.

they were very good.

ESTER DRAKE'S detective cam- and the familiar home scenes and my era first crantal the idea of pho- playmates' faces were there plainly robber. ography in my mind. Before before me, it seemed to me that the that I hadn't the slightest inclination universe could hold nothing more entoward the art whatever, but when trancing then amateur photography. Of Lester purchased his next little insthers course, I had failures, but they were covered box, and went around merely lew compared with the successes. pressing a button, and getting pictures. One morning in May, after I had by no other means, I immediately de- become thoroughly versed in the art cided that I, too, must have a camera, of using the camera and had fitted up

Lesier's was not an expensive one, a dark room of my own in the attic, His father had found it in one of the Lester and I sailled out with our camphotographic establishments in Phila- cras to secure snap-shots whenever delphia, and, being of a slightly scient desirable ones might present themthe turn of mind, had purchased it selves. and brought it home to Lester, who It was an ideal day for picture takfitted up a corner of the cellur as a ing. Rain had fallen the night before dark room, and straightway faunched and had left the atmosphere clear and himself as an amateur photographer. brilliant, with none of that dim haze

Lester's first attempts, revealed by which is the camerist's Nemesis so the chemical development, were sur- often. prisingly good, and inspired a strong We had strolled along the road, perfeeling of envy in the breasts of those haps two miles out of the village, and of his comrades whose fathers were had caught three or four very pretty blind to the off-repeated advantages views. and delights of amateur picture taking. None other had presented them-Even more exceperating, he straight selves, however, for some time, when, way became the idol of all the girls at by a turn of the road, we came upon school, whose rest in posing for him a man drinking from a spring at the was only equalled by the grotesque- slds of the road. He was but a few ness of some of their postures.

I brooded long and deep over this with his back toward us. unpleasant condition of affairs, and finally arrived at the conclusion that "All right," replied Lester; "you do I would have a camera at any cost. it, though. I've only got one plate

Lester was kind enough to initiate left." me into the mysteries of his dark room, and to allow me to examine the interior of his camera by ruby light. With box toward the man and pressed the the knowledge thus gained, I resolved to manufacture one myself. It wouldn't shutter must have operated the man be as handsome as Lester's perhaps, I thought, but it might do just as good work So I made the attempt using the leases from an old microscope which I owned but in vain. The instrument never reached the second stage of its construction.

The contrast between Lester's clean, smoothly-covered box, and what I knew mine would appear, even if 1 could finally complete it was too great, and I abandoned it in despair.

Then I tried another tack. My father was exceedingly skeptical concerning the desirability of amateur photography, and flatly refused to furnish the necessary funds. It was October then, so I conceived a plan by which I would earn money during the fall by corn busking among the nearby farmers, so that when spring opened I would have the price of the coveted camera.

No one could have worked harder during the weeks through which the senson lasted than did I, Huskers were In demand that fall, and I secured work wherever I applied.

It is just possible that if Lester had grown tired of his camera in the meanwhile, and had ceased to use it, my desire for one might likewise have gone by the board, but the snap of his snutter was heard everywhere and at all times, and even at night-by tiashlight -in the barns, where the frequent huskings were progressing.

When, after a few weeks, the farmers ce sed to require huskers, I struck no a bargain with our grocer, whereby I was to spend Saturdays running errands for him. The money from this helped out wonderfully, and, according to my expectations, when April opened, a song little sum reposed as the fruit of my labors in one corner of my too bureau drawer.

As soon as the weather moderated slightly, Lester, who now posed as a about something. My mother noticed photographic oracle, and myself, went it and immediately inquired as to the to the city one fine morning to buy the cause of his uneasiness.

The neat little leather-covered box was duly inspected and purchased, to gether with the pamphiet of instructions that seemed so entleingly mysterious to my uninformed mind.

The camera was just like Lester's, with the exception of some minor improvements which had been effected ince the time when he had purchased

On the way home, Lester and I drew up a compact whereby I was to have the use of his dark room and chemicals until I felt that I was fairly on my pho ographic legs. Then I was to fix up a room of my own.

The camera had been sold loaded with plates, ready for use, and I lost no time in snapping several views here and there as the fancy seized me.

Lester taught me to develop them. and when the most of them came up under the chemicals clear and sharp.

like intruding upon his present worth-

As I laid the picture face upward upon the table, my father turned his head and looked at it indifferently. Suddenly he pushed me aside, and beut gone mad.

very thing."

know where I got that picture.

interposed and told my father, in as Professor H. B. Smith, of the Wor-

father, excitedly, "that's Eli Parker, Hountains, at a smaller cost than that him I ever saw, too."

back to town. Lester and I talked much about it all the afternoon, and felt our- From Russian sources it is learned selves quite heroes for having the that streams of colonists are still pourtemerity to stand before a real bank mg into Siberia to develop its agricul-

off from the negative and these were made. Farms as large as those of Illigiven to detectives, who secured the back lows, the Parkotas and Minnesota line every direction. After a two line country in every direction. After a two line cultivated either by angle formula. country in every direction. After a two days' search those pearest home were or by combinations of men and women gie but immersed in meiting ice, the to pay with checks. So much more gie but immersed in meiting ice, the businessilke, too, you know," Mrs. That sincreasful, and found Parker in the same woods where Lester and I had a which is a mir, or village. But these suitable car upon a temperary track. first surprised him. He had sought to Siberian farmers are still backward in Later still, M. Gulliannas discovered back to been attacked in one's acavoid capture by avoiding railroads, he use of agricultural machinery, all an alloy of 64 per cent steel and 31 though there is steady progress in that per cent nicket presented at exceed an alloy of 64 per cent nicket presented at exceed at exce citement of the robbery had passed egard. away. As the whole amount of the Readers of "The Thousand and One stolen funds was discovered in the Sights" will remember the "islands of for necurate base-line measurements." black grip which he carried, he was convicted of the crime without diffi. Wak-Wak," and the marvelous adven- This alloy is known as "invar" and is bank. Mrs. Tenney?" convicted of the crime without difficulty, and sentenced for a term in the dress of Hassen of Raisora and the usually employed in the form of a wire usually employed in the form of a wire use the same one that my husband

quent, when Parker had been safely tods, the home of the great bird of this alloyed wire. ing of all. One day, a month solve housed in the penitentlary, my father saradise. The name "Wak-Wak," he Even the infinitesimal variation is smile upon his face, handed me an envelope. Upon being opened, the discov. ery was made that "Howard Beaton be based on the actual adventures of termined and a correction applied and Lester Drake were authorized to tome traveler who discovered the This delicate determination is made by draw upon the First National Bank for launts of the birds of paradise. cent robbery upon that institution,"

maining in my camera, so I pointed the Days.

WHEN STAMPS WERE NEW.

People to Stick Them On. use," said a veteran postal clerk to a rears without loss of strength. Gar more of the women will have a piece reporter of the Galveston Tribune, nents from the fiber have the delicate of cotton cloth with one thousand woods, without, however, offering to them. You remember now, when ten structible, and may last a lifetime. molest us. He carried a small, black and coffee first appeared among us the ople fried the ten leaves and the coffee berries, and served them with salt and pepper? Well, the people treated appeared through the trees, Lester and

drew a long breath of relief, for we their stamps as absurdly in 1854. cit like criminals detected in a crime, "Some folks would put the stamps in and we were a trille afraid of the man side their letters, out of sight. Here is the official notice that we issued to stop We wandered a little further, snapthat practice"

> The clerk took from the drawer an aged bulletin that said:

"The stamps upon all letters and packages must be affixed on the OUT SIDE thereof, and above the address thereon.'

He nut back the bulletin and drew forth another one,

their letters instead of gumining arary contains the "three versions of them," he said, "and when they did the Bible" would be able to say what lie's Monthly Magazine. gum them, they would not do it right. these three versions are. In point of Hence this second bulletin," and he but they are the Douay, the King

"Persons posting letters should affix the requisite number of stamps pre piblical history occurred have accounts vious to depositing them in the letter of these same been wirtten. And as receivers, as when posted in a damp tivilization spread and gave rise to state the stamps are liable to rub off new people speaking new tongues, and thereby cause the letters to be these earlier accounts were translated treated as unpaid. Do not pin on the late different tongues to meet human

"Still," said the clerk, "the public didn't understand. Think of it-13 didn't understand the simple matter of sticking a postage stamp on a letter. So we got out a third butletin."

The third bulletin, in big, impatient

letters, said: "The simplest and most effectual method of causing stamps to adhere firmly is, first, to moisten well the out side of the stamps and afterward the gummed side slightly, taking care not to remove the gum."

The clerk said that a philatelist had offered him \$12 apiece for these three queer bulletins.

Room for New Standard. "I see that San Francisco has just graduated the first Chinese doctor in

"I wonder if he will be a specialist." "I don't know. Do the Chinese have tion: "Printers to the holy see. any special ills?"

its history.

"Never heard so. But if the new doctor is clever he can soon invent "Just think of a doctor making out

his bills with a paint brush." "Say, it must be embarrassing to have to put the totals upside down." "Nothing of that sort ever embar-

The average man will take his mediarve proudly exh. Fed it to him, and cine bravely, unless there happens b be a woman present to look symps. and appreciation, but I did not feel thetically at him.

Dopular Science

over the print so closely that his face In the "Petrified Forest" of Arizona almost touched it. I recovered my but here is a natural bridge, across a narsince with difficulty, and stared at him now campon, consisting the petrified, in frightened bewilderment. My fath- or agatized, trunk of a truce, 111 feet er had never acted in this manner be in length. The petrified trees in this fore, and I was almost afraid he had begin are believed to have flourished n the Triassic age. Most of them are "Great Scott!" he exclaimed. "The illied to the Norfolk Island pine (Aruaria) of to-day, but some resemble the Then, wheeling around, he grasped red cedar. Professor O. C. S. Carter me by the shoulders, and wanted to hinks that the petrifaction was due to soluble silicates derived from the de-I was far too dated by his strange composition of the feldspathle cement actions to answer a word; so Lester bound in the sandstone of that locality. few words as possible, of our morning jester Polytechnic Institute, says that expedition, and of the man whom we z is to-day possible to deliver on the had photographed in the act of drink- joast of California, for use in factories,

plectric power derived from the melt-"Bless the camera!" ejaculated my ng snows and glaciers of the Rocky the thief! And the best likeness of if an equal amount of power produced by steam, even if the fuel were deliv-Then he questioned us closely as to gred free at the factory furnaces. A the direction the man had taken when lew years ago, in San Francisco, an discovered, and ended by confiscating pectric-power current cost 15 cents per the print and the negative, and rushing Lorse-power per hour, but now the out of the house to take the next train jame current costs only one seventh as

The sequel of the incident was the Dr. Alfred Russell Wallace suggests a definite weight. A very valuable does," she unswered, discreetly. most agreeable and the most astonish hat the islands were real, and that piece of work on the bland of Spitz came home and with a mysterious hinks, may be an imitation of the call the force of gravity at different por of the birds, and the story of Hassan's tions of the earth is not too insignifi-

agalilon of their part in apprehending to have promising qualities. The plant ing point of water and company; the Ell Parker, the perpetrator of the re belongs to the nettle family, it resem- name with the barometric rending, the en." Hes ramle without the troublesome rest difference, if any, being considered I am still an ardent disciple of ama- in of the letter, and it flourishes in due to a variation in the action of the teur photography. Who wouldn't be !ropical forests at a height of 2000 force of gravity upon the mercury. under such circumstances? Golden feet. The fiber proves to be extraorlinarily fine, light, strong and durable, A rope of ordinary size appears like "When postage stamps first came into ler, having been used for scores of seen gathering in the streets; one or

Washington Library Well Stocked with Lore of the Book.

It may be an interesting fact to some people that the Bible is one of the reference books in the Washington ablic Library, that four shelves are trdny one or more ministers of the rospel seek this place of books to look up references for the sermons with thich they instruct the public from

hiele pulpits on Sunday morning. Information concerning the Rible is "People would pin the stamps on very few persons, if told that the lilames and the American version

Ever since the events that made

In the first place, there is in the itbrary a book which contains all the English translations from the original Greek text. The book is called the English Hexapia. The Greek text octuples the upper part of the page and e six translations are side by side columns underneath. These transliffous are the Wielif, published in 1330; the Tyndall, in 1534; the Cranmer, 1539; the Geneva, 1557; the Bheems, 1582, and the authorized version, 1611.

What is called the Douny version is lande up of the New Testament, pub-Lahed in Rheims in 1582, and of the Old Testament of the Douay version. published in 009 A. D.. This is the Bible of the Catholics. It was published with the approbation of Cardinal Gibbens by the great Catholic publishers the John Murphy Company, New York. The title page bears the inscrip-

When the early translations of the lible were being made, history was unfolding itself at a rapid rate in the British empire. Much of the work was done by Protestants, who were driven into exile for their religious beliefs. The Geneva translation was the outcome of such an exile.

After Henry VIII's stand against rassed a doctor." - Cleveland Plair the Pope, the cause of Catholicism as the established religion was a lost one, but it was not until later, during the reign of King James, that the authorized version of 1011 was translated for use in the Church of England.

The American version is the King coccessors consequences James version revised, annotated and brought up to date.

Other books of reference here are the Cyclopedias of Biblical Literature. -Washington Post.

MEASURING THE EARTH.

Geodesy.

acy and there is not much left to be Mr. Pell does for shines and newspaperfected in the way of method, says pers and things." the Philadelphia Record. The all-important problem of no ern as well as in savings and expenditures as be is," measurement of the dimensions of the the abstract. earth, which enters into all practical work of surveying navigation and terrestrial physics. The International the concrete. Geodetic Association several years ago Do you know," Mrs. Stedman beundertook the problem, the different can, thoughtfully, "I don't believe I've nations having agreed to contribute ever saved a penny in my life." their share toward an accurate deter- "Not on anything? Not even barmination. As has already been record: gains?" demanded Mrs. Pell, exciteded, the determination was undertaken Fin Ecuador, in 1901, and extended from the Colombian to the Peruvian facedly. "I'm out and out extravafrontier, and every possible refinement gant." to attain the maximum degree of ac "Why don't you start a bank accuracy was adopted. The greatest dif count? It might help you," said Mrs. ficulty is to secure an accurate base Tenney, kimily, mrai resources, and on the shores of parently trivial a thing as the expan said. "The find one for years-long Fifty prints were immediately struck bity rivers homes are rapidly being sion of the measuring medium. The ingly low coefficient of expansion and "it seemed simple to ask for money,

observing the pressure of the atmosa hundred dollars apiece as a slight rec. Olona, the textile of Hawaii, is found phere by the determination of the boll-

The custom of the Sen Nia Riki b slik and has the strength of a ship's one that has risen in Japan during the pawser, and strands no heavier than present war. Ever since the war be Postmasters Had Trouble is Getting 'wine are as strong as wire. Nets and gan, at all times of the day, and ever thop and Dressler's there couldn't be ish lines resist the action of sait was night, small groups of women can be "the public didn't know how to handle texture of slik, are practically inde- marks or dots stamped upon it. "Sen' ply adore Dressler's cafe mousse. is the Japanese word for one thou sand. "Nin" is the word for human being-either man or woman "Riki" is, in the Japanese language, strength In combination the words mean "the strength of one thousand people."

Each one of these one thousand dots or marks in the cloth are to indicate the place where a stitch or knot is is fled with an excellent assortment of be made by a woman, who, while makablical literature, and that every Sat. ing this knot, gives her best thought wish or mayer for the safety and protection of the soldier who will went this piece of cotton cloth as an "obi" or belt white fighting for his country The prayers of one thousand womes for one man are believed to protect about as limited as can be. Probably him from all dangers and to give him strength to overcome and conquer the enemies of his beloved Japan.-Les

An Eccentric Lord.

that upon one occasion when going to vioual annoyance." an election he stopped at an inn where the use of the tassel on the new umthe country people who had assem brella. "Nobody in his senses wants a bled from miles around, took him for tassel on an umbrella." idea almost worried "me lord" to one, on the sleeve of a cal? The death. His dislike for physicians was priter took a census of his buttons and left a codicil to his will which was to essury. He is particularly anxious as the effect that a favorite nephew was to the two buttons behind on a frock to be distuherited should be (the neph toat. Taking a survey of the whole ew) in the last illness of the lord le' buman family, he finds that there are his sympathies cause him to send for 100,000,000 buttons worn, all of the n known to the nephew when his uncle necessity for fourteen or sixteen pockthe lord, was in good health, it is need I is concealed in men's clothes. This is less to add he allowed that person't the limit of superfluity.-Philadelphia spirit to take its flight without calling Public Ledger. in any of the "Infernal surgical fra-

What Is the Date of This Year. Of course you would say 1904, but a and gave the order for retreat. that is meant to denote the number or thactry and see if this year should no rightly be at least 1908. It is worst "The only thing that can stop me your lavestigation if it happens to be a now," servely exclaimed Xenophon, subject you have not yet carefully con "will be an-injunction." sidered .- St. Nicholas.

Not Aute to huy, "Land is mighty cheap here. You can buy a good farm for a song." "Just my dura luck. I can't sing."-

When a farmer brings his family p town, the children have not had t thoroughly good time unless all fall asleep in the wagon before they ge

THE FINANCIERS.

the Jewish Cyclopedia, commenturies | The Linnet Clum of ladies had been of various sorts and concordances. A fistening to a lecture in which econo-Carbolic dictionery contains a descriptimes and sociology were subtly blendtion of the doctrines and rites of this pi. "It was very able," young Mrs. church, and was published in England Tenney said, judicially, "but I don't entirely agree with Mr. Hope in what he said about wamen's slipshed business ways. I think the average wom-Recent Appliances Used in the Science Sn is as good a financier as the average man. The science of geodesy is making "So do I." said Mrs. Pell, emphatic-

rapid strides along the line of accur- sily. "I don't spend haif the money

ancient geodesy, of course, is the continued Mrs. Tenney, returning to

"No," said Mrs. Stedman, shaine-

"Has it a name-or anything?" Mrs. They can be identified with the Aru Isl- bergen was completed with the use o Stedman asked. "I'd like to have my money where somebody I know has

an account." "Oh, try my bank?" arged Mrs. Fell. Two been there for years, as I said. When I was married Mr. Pell spoke of his bank, but I said. 'No: where father kept his money is good enough for me,' and I've been going there ever since. It is a perfectly sidential bank, with a special room for wom-

"What's the name of it?" Mrs. Stedman asked, hopefully,

The name?" repeated Mrs. Pell. "Oh, that doesn't matter at all. I'll tell you where it is, and when you go there they'll give you a book of blank checks and do all that sort of thing for you. It's right between that hat n better place for a bank, right in the heart of everything."

"I'm sure it must be a good bank." said Mrs. Stedman, warmly, "I sim-Thank you very much, Mrs. Pell."

his attention to the elimination of unpecessary things, and has succeeded in presenting a tentative list of articles chich mankind does not need. Like many other propagandists of a new cuit he goes to extremes in certain Instances, but, on the whole, makes out a pretty good case. He holds, to be gin with, that the resident of a city loss not require a watch. He goes so far as to say that an umbrella le not indispensable, and cited Lord Beaconsileid, who never carried an umorella, as an ilustrious example. When it rained he took refuge under the umbrella of the prettlest woman he could

The silk hat is taboord by this icon school. In his inventory of superfluour Matthew Robinson (Lord Rokeby) Inings we find the flap that covers the prominent but eccentric Englishmar Leyhole of the front door, which often the eighteenth century, became to sadly interferes with the entrance of mons for his long beard and his pro the belated, and perhaps bibulous, nounced hatred of medical practition householder. "It is redeemed from ers. In regard to the former it is said absolute fatility by its power of occa-He inquires as to

Turk and through this mistaket | Why are there two buttons or even doctor. This having been made useless. No one has discovered the

> Gampies of the Past The leader having fallen, Nenophon dinstily gathered his Greeks about him

"But general," remonstrated a staff ars since the Christian era it is prob officer, "why not suffender? We can ably wrong. Look in some good an never make our way back. The enemy will head us on.

Anybody who is enrious to know how the affair turned out may read aff. about it in the "Anabasis," if he can -Chienco Tribune.

Some of the insurance companies of Paris refuse to insure people who dye

Every farmer says there are only a

very few really good wheat stackers, and that he is one of the best.