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A Truthful Story of a Pennsylvania

Hen and Her Thirteen Chicks. "I was down in Indiana County the other day and stopped at a farm house for dinner," says a Pennsylvania gentleman whose veracity has never been questioned. "After dinner I sat down on the porch to take a smoke. I saw an old hen hobbling about in a very awkward way, and I said to the farmer's wife:

"'Madam, what is the matter with

"'That hen,' she said, 'is lame. It has an artificial leg. You know there was some very cold weather last winter, and one night the hen froze her leg tored her up, and she finally got well, But she couldn't walk on one leg. So I just stuck a clothes pin on the stump of her leg, tied a string around it to hold it on, and she does very well

with it.' "'Well, well,' I said, 'if that isn't

"'Yes,' replied the good lady, with a smile, 'but that isn't the strange part

" No! "'No. indeed! The strange part of it happened afterward and one would scarcely believe it if one hadn't seen it with one's own eyes. This spring that hen with the clothes-pin leg wanted to hatch. I didn't think she could. 'Fraid she'd break the eggs with her stump. But I kind o' pitied her, 'cause she was a cripple, and I put thirteen eggs under her. She stuck right to her business for three weeks and never broke an

"'Well, I said, 'that was not so remarkable.'

egg-hatched out every chicken.'

"'No,' replied the woman, 'that was not so very odd, but that isn't it. The funny part of it was that every one of those little chickens had a wooden leg!" "

Little Delaware's Claim.

Delaware not only wants a battle-ship named for her, but she wants the largest one of the whole fleet and she bases her claim upon services rendered to the United States from the time of the revolution, says a resident of that State. Delaware claims the honor because the first battle under the American flag was fought on Delaware soil; because the vote of Caesar Rodney made possible the Declaration of Independence, and because Delaware was the first State to adopt the Constitution of the United States. If these arguments are not considered sufficient Delaware can search her record a little and find some other

A Church of Iron.

A curious church is being built in Constantinople. The ground owned by the Bulgarian congregation of that city, upon which they propose to erect the structure, has been found unsuited for the erection of a church of the usual materials. The architect in Constantinople has secured the acceptance of his plans for an iron church, weighing about 1,000,000 pounds, and to cost 380,000 francs. This includes all costs of transportation and erection as well as the material.

False Witnesses.

There are knaves now and then met with who represent certain local bitters and poisonous stimuli as identical with or posses sing properties akin to those of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. These scamps only succeed in foisting their trashy compounds upon people unacquainted with the genuine article, which is as much their opposite as day is to night. Ask and take no substitute for the grand remedy for malaria, dyspepsia. constipation, rheumatism and kidney trouble.

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A SINGULAR FEUD.

Brothers Who Fell Out About a Matrimonial Arrangement.

"The queerest feud I ever heard of," said M. C. Allen, the well-known sportsman, "is one that I encountered while hunting in southern Humboldt County. I noticed our guide carried a repeating rifle, a big revolver and a knife half as long as his leg. He proceeded with the greatest caution, and appeared to be on guard continually. I knew there were no hostile Indians in that country, and my curiosity was aroused. Finally I asked him what the trouble was.

"'Oh, I yoost look out for some fellaw,' he replied, in his Swedish dia-

"'What's the trouble, anyway?' I in quired.

"'Oh, nutin' much. Maybe a pig man mit a goon watch me pretty close, too. "'Who is he?'

" 'Oh, he is my brudder. Las' time fix him plenty, you bet. He come back, now, und maybe he fix me.'

"Inquiry developed the fact that the brothers had settled in Humboldt some years ago, and our guide, who was married, had left a pretty sister-in-law in Sweden. The brothers talked the matter over, and finally agreed that the married one should send for the girl, and when she reached this country he would give his old wife to his brother and take his sister-in-law.

"The girl arrived in due time, but she was so much prettier than the unmarried brother had expected that he was loath to accept his brother's cast-off wife. Finally, he married the girl, and then refused to compromise the breach of contract by paying what his brother had expended in getting her to this coast. A quarrel followed, and the guide pinked his brother in the shoulder with a rifle ball and landed him in the hospital for three months. The other vowed vengeance, and they do little now but watch the mountain trails, fully prepared to renew hostilities at a second's notice."-San Francisco Post.

A Remarkable Vendetta.

"Did you ever hear of a strong, ablebodied man going crazy from grief?" asked Capt. Debney of the steamship ity of Puebla on the water front yesterday. "I don't mean one of your highly sensitive creatures," he continued, "but a man six feet four inches in his stockings and as strong as an ox. Of such a man I heard during my last trip to the Sound. He is a Russian Finn and is sensible on every subject save one. He has a vendetta against the walrus, and his cabin in the wilds of Alaska is built up with their skulls.

"According to the story told me by a passenger who came down with me from the Sound, this man settled in Alaska years ago. He married a native woman, and she bore him a son. A few years later the mother died, and all the affection of the half-savage father centered on the son. Nothing was too good for the lad, and everything in the way of hunting and fishing lore was taught him.

"When the boy was old enough his father took him out on all his hunting expeditions, and soon the yougster be gan working on his own account.

"One fatal day he attacked an old bull walrus, but instead of killing it he himself was the victim. When the father saw the dead body of his son he was wild with grief, which finally settled into a species of madness. Now all he lives for is to kill walrus.

"When the mania first seized him he lived in a dugout. Now his hut is on the ground and composed entirely of walrus skulls.

"He crawls up behind the brutes while they are asleep, and seizing them by the tusks, stands them on end by main force. He looks into their eyes as though seeking to recognize the one that killed his son, and then his knife does the rest. The head is then cut off. and goes to make one more to the monument he is raising to the memory of his son."-San Francisco Call.

Rufus Choate's Joke in Court.

There was a recent legal decision in which the Supreme Court of Minnesota colemnly declares that you need not employ a drunkard for locomotive engineer. This recalls a story of a former distinguished chief justice of Massachusetts. Rufus Choate, in reading a long deposition in court several times said "sheeting" where the manuscript read "shirting." The Judge corrected him, but the blunder was repeated and, becoming impatient the Judge growled out: "S-h-i-r-t spells shirt, Mr.

"Yes, yes," your Honor," said Choate, "but it did not require a decision of the Supreme Court to establish the fact."

To "Storgize."

A new word has come out of England. It is "storgize," which appears in a London paper. "To "storgize," we are informed, is "to indulge in laudable maternal affections excessively and out of due place and season." The British mamma has been "storgizing" in the presence of an editor who could only find relief from the boredom of hearing anecdotes of a bright 3-year-old, of witnessing the letting loose of a juvenile torment upon an unoffending party by inventing the word. The anxious trans-Atlantic world is now waiting to learn whether the "g" is hard or soft.-Boston Evening Transcript.

Women Prompters Preferred. Women prompters have been tried at Covert Garden theater with success, as it has been found that their voices carry better across the stage and are less audible in the audience.

When a man manages an amateur show, or has a baby at his house, he says, "Well, it's the last one."

Origin of "Tommy Atkins,"

Did you ever hear an explanation of the origin of the term "Tommy Atkins" as applied to all British soldiers? It originated in this way: About forty years ago the Queen caused a little ledger to be published and distributed to every individual in her army and navy. In this book the soldier was expected to enter his name, age, date of enlistment, length of service, description of medals received, etc. In the back of the ledger, by way of instruction, a filled-out leaf was inserted. The name used in the blank was "Thomas Atkins," just as we use the name "John Doe" and "Richard Roe" in legal patterns. Soon after some wag gave the name of "Tommy Atkins" to the book, and it has since become common to apply it to the soldiers themselves.

A Whole City in Pawn.

Formerly it was not uncommon for kings and nobles to pawn a part of their territory. But Wismar, in the grand duchy of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, on the Baltic Sea, probably enjoys the distinction of being the only city in Europe remaining so pawned to this day. Wismar has a population of 15,-000, and belonged to Sweden since 1648. In 1803 Sweden pawned it to the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg for 1,258,000 Hamburg thalers, to be redeemed in 1903. One hundred years' interest at 3 per cent will have swelled the amount due in 1903 to \$27,000,000

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Something Like an Apolony.

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> honorable man and put a thaler in the poor box." Pillsbury, the champion chess player of the world, is an inveterate smoker of green eigars, and during one game he will consume six or seven.

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