

THE BLUFFER.

The Messenger Boy as a Unique Character.

By A. LOUNSBERRY.

In any large city the occupation of the messenger boy varies according to the section of the city in which he is employed. It is, however, a recognized fact that they are all the same in being old men with children's bodies.

For shrewdness and quickness of perception the messenger boy has no superior. No one ever saw a look of surprise upon his face, no matter where he was told to go or what responsibility he was commissioned to assume.

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New York. Though but a few months more than 6 years old, he has been twice around the world, out by way of the Cape of Good Hope and home around the Horn, and he has made other long voyages besides. He is the son of a sailor.

AN IRISHMAN IN SPAIN. Strange Story of O'Donnell, Duke of Tetuan.

In the early part of this century three brothers named O'Donnell left their native country—Ireland, of course—and went to live in Spain, where they all had extraordinary careers.

One of the O'Donnells died in 1807 after he had become the duke of Tetuan, though he was better known as General O'Donnell; he was one of the most brilliant military men of his time.

The youngest brother was cut off in his youth, but nothing in the lives of the others is so strange and touching as the story of his death.

In 1832 there was war in Spain regarding the succession to the throne, and young O'Donnell declared himself for Isabella, who was indeed soon proclaimed queen; but before that time O'Donnell fell a prisoner to General Zumalacarray, a leader of the

Carlist forces. He was taken to a prison in the city of Pampeluna, where he was held for some time.

One day he was taken to a garden, where he was allowed to walk about with a few other prisoners.

He was there one day when he saw a man who he recognized as a friend from his native Ireland.

The man told him that he was a messenger boy, and that he had been sent to the prison to deliver a letter to him.

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ever, from what I have read, to satisfy me that in the matter of food we must come to accept the chemistry of nature as perfect, and sufficient to produce a perfect food or building material for the structure of man and that no disorganized food products are permissible.

To further support the evidence already in hand, my father has decided to send me to the principal countries of the world to secure further data relative to food. I shall go to London first, where I shall spend some time making inquiry into the subject.

NO LONGER THE BABY BOY. Youth's Companion.

He has given up his cradle and his little wooden baby, but he has hidden all his dolls behind the door; he must have a rocking horse.

He has cut off all his curls, they are only left for girls. And he left them in a heap upon the floor. For he's six years old today.

He has pockets in his trousers, like his older brother, Jim. Though he thinks he should have had them long before.

He has heard his parents sigh and shed great tears, and he is sorry when they are so. For he's now their darling boy.

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In China we couldn't sell our great Ottumwa purchase of pianos in a thousand years—but here in Omaha at the prices we name we won't have one a week from today—Twenty-nine pianos in all—bought away below factory cost—and sold like this—a \$250 Vose & Sons upright—Curly walnut case \$138.00—A \$400.00 Hallett & Davis—rich mahogany case—all latest improvement, \$222.00—A slightly used Chickering \$125.00—Some great bargains in organs—\$37.00—Newman Bros—twelve stops—\$80.00—\$60.00 Sterling at \$28.00—It will pay you to take advantage of this sale—Open Saturday evenings till 10 o'clock.

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Yes, we have ball bearing lawn mowers—in fact all kinds of lawn mowers—from \$2.50 up—and every one worth more than we ask. We are sole (Omnibus) agents for the "Stranek" imported Grayman enamel stoves—we guarantee this ware for five years.

A. C. RAYMER, WE DELIVER YOUR PURCHASE. 1514 Farnam St.

A good old standby that our mother used for our baths when we were children was pumice soap—it has stood the test of time—further back than any soap on the market—and we have it in white, green or port-colored—guaranteed perfectly pure—in large bars or small cakes—by a large supply—it will keep in the closet for years.

The Aloe & Penfold Co Largest Retail Drug House. 108 Farnam Street, OMAHA, Opposite Paxton Hotel.

AMERICAN BATTLE CRIES. Some of the Famous Sayings of Uncle Sam's Heroes on Land and Sea.

REMEMBER THE MAINE! THE LATEST Memorable Utterances of Barry, Decatur, Lawrence, Perry and Other Naval Chiefs—Sam Houston's Slogan.

"Remember the Maine," Commodore Soley's now famous signal of attack on the Spanish fleet, will undoubtedly become immortal in American history, in the history of the English-speaking peoples, in fact, for, as an appeal to patriotism it is thrilling as was Nelson's battle cry at the Nile.

The sea fighters started in this line at the very beginning of the revolution, in fact, before the tremendous struggle with the mother country was begun.

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