panied by the goat, the mascot of the Fusi

guest, who has never eaten one before is

beat a roll behind his chair. He is then con

sidered a true Welshman. All the toasts are coupled with the name of St. David. It is in

much this way that the toast with "High-

land honora" is drank. Each guest stands

with one foot on his chair, one on the table

Teasting Sir Francis Drake is an interest-

and, consumes 5,000,000 gallons of water per

lay, and its first regular supply was give:

to the town during Sir Francis Drake's mayoralty. Annually the town indulges in

he quaint ceremony of toasting his memory.

which is done in this way. The plous

memory of Sir Francis is drank in water at

the head weir. But then the company

descendants of him who brought us water

As to the word itself-toast. This is its

origin, which dates back to mediaeval times,

PRATTLE OF THE YOUNGSTERS.

"Freddy, did you see the rubber man at

"Yes, Uncle Bill, but he ain't no good;

The mother was examining the proof of

he didn' squeak when I punched him."

never want for wine.

assembled at table,

the museum?

our muddy feet?"

"In what way?"

"Making treks."

Boers, mother.

and the pipers a-piping parade the room.

obliged to do so, standing on his chair, with

THE BURRLESS CHESTNUT.

A Story of Two of the Laziest Boys in the World. By Charles Battell Loomis.

Mason and Jason Nason were just about father says, since the tree was found." easy task, for it was only half a mile for the other kind." sleds, and as winter at Loudon Hill always the burrs," said Bardwell Studwell. sets in on the 1st of November and lasts while, they, of course, coasted every day peeled for the burrless tree. Then, instead of pulling their sleds up the They had foolishly come and instead of walking over the lee to her house, a distance of three scant miles, these lazy boys would put on their skates and akate over.

Now it is a tradition among the country folk of Loudon Hill that every fall there is one chestnut tree loaded down with burrless chestnuts. But, as a matter of fact, nobody in the memory of the oldest inhabitant has ever happened to find the tree. The forests are thick around Loudon Hill, which might account for it, but, then, the forests are full of boys at chestnutting time, so it does seem singular that no one had ever come across the tree since Anderson Sanderson gathered five barrels of the nuts in 1799,

Of course, any of the boys would have been glad to run across the tree, but, bless you! the woods were always packed with the ordinary kind of burry chestnut, and ofter a sharp frost there were not many

that needed opening. But you may be sure that the day that Mason and Jason became old enough to go chestnutting alone they determined to discover this tree and so save themselves the bother of opening any burrs.

The morning after the first hard frost, just as soon as it was light, they got out of bed and actually dressed without washing, they were so eager to begin the search for the burriess tree. Forgetting to put on their blouses, although the air was nippy, they rushed out of the house with red worsted caps on their heads and their blue school bags in their hands. "If there are a lot," said each twin to the other-for they were both twins-"we'll get papa to harness up Ned and take a barrel down to the tree.'

They were actually the first boys to enter the woods that morning. The squirrels were chattering orders to each other, for the winter storing began that day and they foresaw a hard day's work to get ahead of visiting giants in the shape of small boys.

Mason and Jason bad not gone ten rods before they came on a great tree, almost bending beneath the weight of chestnuts. Now, boys who weren't so fearfully lazy would have tumbled over each other in their eagernoss to get the bushels of nuts that lay upon the ground or clung to the open burrs as if they were afraid to drop, but these lazy bones both said, "Shucks. We wouldn't stop for that kind. Fancy having to climb up a tree and shake it to get some of them "And got needles in your hands," said Mason; "or perhaps slip out of the tree,' said Jason.

So they pressed on. At first the squirrely shouted to each other when they saw them coming: "Look out! Here come two humans," but after awhile they seemed to understand that the boys weren't after squir rels, but after burrless nuts, and they chat tered derisively at them as much as to say: "We've seen lazy people before, and they never got just what they wanted."

After an hour's fruitless-or perhaps should say nutless-search the woods began to resound with the voices of other boys who were taking advantage of Saturday holiday to fill up their bags and baskets and pails.



Howell Newell came upon the two boys in shots and the two bullets joined forces the course of their wanderings. Each of the and penerated her brain and she fell off trio had a bushel bag half full of the nuts, that branch as dead as a door nail or even almost as big as the Italian kind. "Hello, a window nail. boys," said Bardwell Studwell. "Why ain't you picking up nuts; too hard work?"

said Mason and Jason.

(Copyrighted, by Cherles Battell Loomis.) it's just a hundred years this fall, my grand- as they got half way home the ball gave out. as lazy as boys could be. They really had "Why, what more do you want than all a ball of very fine thread in his pocket and

enough laziness to supply a whole family, these nuts?" said Howell Newell. "I never he tied his to the end of the other and they but they preferred to use it all themselves. saw so many in my life. Well, if you must continued their home run and met their They were so lazy that instead of walking go, good luck, but you'll find it easier in the down hill to school in winter, a perfectly end to get what nuts you see and not bunt

straight shead, they coasted down on their "Why, half the fun is knocking 'em out of "Work isn't ever fun," chorused Mason until the 1st of April, with snow all the and Jason, and away they walked with eyes

They had foolishly come away without bill again, they were so lazy that they would any breakfast and long before noon they bewait for the mall sledge, which came along gan to be awfully hungry, but if they were just as school was let out, and they would lazy they were also mulishly obstinate and hitch on behind and be drawn home again. they wouldn't go back to get anything to cat. They were just the same on the ice pond. They are a handful of ordinary chestnuts that lay between them and their grand- that they deigned to pick up, and, queerly mother's-thoroughly lazy. On Saturdays enough, each boy got a pricker in his finger, they always took dinner with the old lady. because those particular burrs were not quite open. This made them more than ever determined to search for the burrless kind. "We'll make those boys look sick when we

ome home tonight with several flour barrels full of nuts," said Mason. "Why not sugar barrels? They're larger,"

"Heavier to lift," replied Mason. "Flour arreis will hold all we want."

All the afternoon they wandered. They ould hear the shouts of happy boys and ould see their playmates staggering along inder heavy loads of the finest nuts that ever scorned to give up their errand and pushed leeper and deeper into the forest, Once they saw a deer, who fled in a fright,

and rabbits innumerable leaped across the with Ned and the big wagon. path in front of them, while partridges and quail flew about in profusion. Finally the together, "and we killed a panther." chestnut trees began to diminish. Oaks and pines there were in abundance, but they gateway. "That's just what Anderson Sand-

less time than it takes to say boo to a red- drinking the sovereign's health. tle time that takes.

Mason always carried a ball of very fine board, is drank by the officers sitting, inthread in his pocket and he took it out and stend of standing, as is customary elsewhere. tied one end of it to the tree and then they started for home unwinding it as they went, toasted by the officers. so that they could find their way back. Just By a curious chance Jason always carried After the dinner the drum major, accom-



west = grew around Loudon Hill, but they still CROUCHING TO SPRING AT THEM WAS brim with wine or mend, in the center of A PANTHER. which floated a piece of toasted bread. After

> father just about starting to look for them "We've found the burrless tree," said both host, who drained what remained and swal-Old Grandpa Nason was standing in the

there is no doubt that the boys ran gleefully after dinner that the loyalty of the Seventh daughter. "you ought to be ashamed to a under the tree and filled their blue bags in was sufficiently well assured without their speak to your faiber so importinguly. I'm ture you never heard me talk to him in headed woodpecker, and you know how lit- It is a curious fact-the origin of which is that manner." "No, of course not," renot known-that the queen's health, on ship- plied the rebellions little mirs. "but you choosed him and I didn't."

Every night, in every ship which carries the "What is a furrier, Tommy?" asked the flag of the British empire, her majesty is teacher of a pupil in the juvenile class. man who deals in furs," answered Tommy Of all her majesty's regiments the Weish "That's right," said the teacher. "Now, Pusileers have the most curious army toast. Johnny, you may tell me what a currier It forms part of the ceremony of the grand "A man who deals in curs," was the dinner given annually on St. David's day, unexpected but logical reply.

Mother-Stop pounding your little brother leers, bedecked with resettes of red and Margie. What do you mean by treating him blue ribbon, marches around the table, In that manner carrying a plate of leeks. Every officer or

Margie-Well, mamma, I told him we had better play we were engaged, but he would one foot on the table, while the drammers play we were married.

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drinks in wine to the sentiment, "May the A Maryland man has invented a machine for the mixing of said, cement and crushed atoms to form concrete, the materials being placed in a hosper in layers, with a small opening at the bottom, through which the ingredients fall on a revolving cone to mix them.

when the loving cup was a feature of every Dustless roads can be rapidly made by Californian's machine, which has plurality of dust-stirring fingers, which ar adjusted to stir up the earth in the road a series of pipes extending at the rear of the fingers to sprinkle oil from a reservo mounted on the machine. banquet. The cup would be filled to the putting his lips to the cup the host would pass it on to the guest of honor; after going the rounds the cup finally came back to the

In New York a man has patented a collar button which will save grouble in fastening a stiff collar, the shank of the button being relescopic, with an internal soring which prevents the shank extending too far out and also locks it in a contracted position after the collar is fastened. lowed the toast in honor of all the friends First Little Girl—I'm never going to speak to you again; your father keeps saloon.

Second Little Girl—And I'm not going to speak to you any more; I saw your father go into it.

Horses can easily be controlled with an improved bit attachment, which comprises two L-shaped levers elvoted on the ends of the bit, with loops for the reins and straps which pass around both jaws, a pull on the reins drawing the straps together to shut off the animal's breathing.

To insure the complete closure of a gas key when appropriate the results of the straps together to shut off the animal's breathing.

To insure the complete closure of a gas key when turning out the light an improved lock has been designed, comprising a spring wire formed into a double loop, which is pivoted in the fixture and presser against he side of the key to force either side back against its shoulder.

A Pennsylvanian has patented an im-

A Pennsylvanian has patented an improved coal bag and unloading arrangement, comprising a central sustaining member, surrounded by a bag, which has a gathering cord at the top, the bags being suspended by the stems on a wooden support for filling from the chute. her little 4-year-old daughter's photograph. 'Why didn't you smile, Nellie?" she asked. "I did smile, mamma," she replied, "but I 'spect the man was busy an' forgot to

Runaway horses can be brought under control by a new dashboard attachment which has a base bolted to the dashboard, with a lip pivoted to clamp to rein against the base when pulled from the front, a backward pull releasing it for tightening the reins when a new hold is taken by the driver. "George Billson! why didn't you wipe "I'm showing my deep sympathy for the

People struck by a new car fender can-not roll under the wheels, the fender be-ing held in a vertical position in front of the car and pivoted in such a manner that a blow on its face causes it to fall back-ward and assume a horizontal position, with the front edges raised to hold the person.

sister the lion's share of your candy and she says you didn't give her any. Why didn't you do as you were told?" "I did, mamma," answered Jonny. "You see, lions don't eat candy."

"Bessie," said a mother to her little

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"We've come too far. Let's go back," said You're smart boys."

went on. But they were so tired. And so time to the three.

task imposed upon them. It must have been close to 6 o'clock: cer- were doing. The twins ate the food as if it tainly the beams of the sun were almost had been a Thanksgiving dinner. horizontal when Mason said, joyfully, "There | Lt didn't take Mr. Nason long, with the

of fear, for crouching to spring at them was Mrs. Nason hated cats of all kinds, a panther. She had been lying on the outtime to see her supper coming to her.

to spring. But if the twins were lazy, they were also plucky. And there were no boys on Loudon Hill who were such masters in the use of the deadly sling. Both boys sprang behind trees and drew out their slings at the same time. They always carried a pocketful of bullets,

and they lost no time in loading up. There was the tree, just laden, so that t bent and cracked with the weight of nuts, all of them hanging by their featherly tails to the stem, and not a sign of a burr on them. It evidently needed but a tap on the trunk of the tree to liberate them all. And, better yet, a well defined wagon path led from the tree out to the highrend, some miles distant to be sure, yet still easily within reach of their house.

But there was the panther still crouching and waiting for the boys to step from behind the trunks. I tell you that such plucky little fellows deserved to succeed, and as far as the panther was concerned they did. They watched their chance and just as she closed her eyes, thinking she must have dreamed that she saw two little boys and wishing to dream again, they slung their

And as soon as she fell every nut on the tree dropped to the earth. Whether her fall "We're hunting for the burrless tree," jarred them off, or whether she was the guardian spirit of the nuts and at her death "Oh, chestnuts!" said Stillwell Stockwell, they were at the mercy of anyone who chose "Every year some idiot kid does that, but to gather them, will never be known, but

heard my father tell of it time and again.

The barrels were soon put in the wagon "No; it's more likely that the tree is not and Mr. Nason whipped up old Ned and fol-

mong the others," answered Jason, so they lowing the thread they came in course of hungry. And so depressed. They had not Mrs. Nason had thrown a few apples and walked as far in their lives and their leg a loaf of bread into the wagon, as she nuscles swelled up in resentment of the thought the boys might be hungry. She had not worried, as she had guessed what they

help of a coal shovel, to fill seven barrels At the same instant Jason uttered a cry with the nuts. He left the panther, because

On the way home they met Kneeland stretched limb of an oak, taking an after- Vreeland, and when he saw the seven bar noon nap, and she had awakened just in rels of burriess nuts he congratulated them. "Although my eight barrels are burrless "Here's luck," thought she and crouched now and I haven't a pricker to show for it

it's a great chestnut year." The twins did not say that they had se cured any prickers themselves. They were really too tired to say anything. That evening their mother boiled and

reasted a lot of the nuts and they were very good; no better than ordinary nuts, but excellent, neverthless. But, strange to say, the boys did not care to eat any. They may

have been too tired to eat or they may have



UNWINDING IT AS THEY WENT, SO THAT THEY COULD FIND THEIR WAY

thought that such hard earned nuts deserved better fate, but, whatever the reason, the nuts went begging as far as Mason and Jason were concerned, and so, after a few days, they were all shipped out west to a tootheless minister, to whom a box of goodics was expressed every fall by the missionary society.

It would be pleasant to be able to say that the boys were cured of their lazy ways, but, as a matter of fact, they still coast to school and skate to grandma's as of old, so the lesson of the burrless nuts was lost on them.

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