

POOT BALL season is at hand and already one of the Busy Bees has written of an exciting game in which he assisted. Non-the interesting way in which to tell of the excitement of the game; that is, some spectator, some one of the girls, perhaps, might tell us how the game looks to her from the side lines.

In fact, there is such a multitude of things which the Bees might write about at this season of the year that we should have a great many more stories than are now coming in. It is a matter of habit, this writing about what we see: furthermore, it is a valuable habit and a generous one, since it means sharing our experiences with those who have not had them.

Try telling what you see on the streets; what you do at school; how you spend Saturday, what fun it is in the parks in the fall, how the squirrel gathers nuts; tell of any of these every-day happenings that will be interesting to others if you honestly give your own impressions of them.

The two who have written prize stories this week are Elsie Stastny of Wilber and Colonel Maxfield of Fairmont. The two stories are of quite different character, the first telling of a princess who dwelt in a land where there are fairles, and the other telling of what possibly he thinks would be s much-to-be-desired experience for any boy. The second story, moreover, tells of a present-day possibility, but would have been considered, not so many years ago, a "fairy tale."

Any of the Busy Bees may send cards to anyone whose name is on the

Postcard Exchange, which now includes Jean De Long, Ainsworth, Neb. Irene McCoy, Barnston, Neb. Lillian Mervin, Beaver City, Neb. Mahel Witt, Bernington, Neb. Anna Gottach, Bennington, Neb. Anna Gottach, Bennington, Neb. Anna Gottach, Bennington, Neb. Marie Gallagher, Benson, Neb. Medie Gallagher, Benson, Neb. Marie Gallagher, Benkelman, Neb. (Box ID. Ida May, Central City, Neb. Vera Cheney, Creighton, Neb. Louis Hahn, David City, Neb. Rhea Freideil, Dorchester, Neb. Aleda Bennett, Elgin, Neb. Ethel Reed, Fremont, Neb. Mulda Lundburg, Fremont, Neb. Mulda Lundburg, Fremont, Neb. Marguerite Bartholomew, Gothenburg, Neb. Marguerite Bartholomew, Gothenburg, Neb. Anna Voss, 407 West Charles street, Grand Island, Neb. Lydia Roth, 665 West Koenig street, Grand Island, Neb. Ella Voss, 467 West Charles street, Grand Island, Neb. Pauline Schulte, Deadwood, S. D. Martha Murphy, 323 East Ninth street, Postcard Exchange, which now includes: Louis Hahn, David City, Neb.
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Ethel Reed, Fremont, Neb.
Huida Lundburg, Fremont, Neb.
Marguerite Bartholomew, Gothenburg, Neb.
Anna Vose, 407 West Charles street, Grand
Island, Neb.
Lydis Roth, 605 West Koenig street, Grand
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Irene Coatello, 115 West Eighth street,
Grand Island, Neb.
Jessie Crawford, 405 West Charles street,
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Herene F. Rutt, Leshara, Neb.
Allos Temple, Lexington, Neb.
Marjoris Temple, Lexington, Neb.
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Marlan Hamilton, 2021 L street, Lincoin.
Middred Jensen, 708 East Second street,
Lincoin.
Charlotte Bogs, 227 South Fifteenth street,
Lincoin.
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Helen Goedrich, 4918 Nicholas street, Omaha. Mary Brown, 222 Boulevard, Omaha. Eva Hendes, 462 Dedge street, Omaha. Lillian Wirt, 418 Cass street, Omaha. Levis Poif, 215 Franklin street, Omaha. Juanita Innes, 279 Fort street, Omaha. Bassert Ruf, 1814 Binney Street, Omaha. Bassert Ruf, 1814 Binney Street, Omaha. Helen F. Douglas, 1821 O street, Omaha. Helen F. Douglas, 1821 O street, Omaha. Mayor Cohn, 386 Georgia avenue, Omaha. Helen F. Douglas, 1821 O street, Omaha. Marion Staples, 1823 South Thirty-first thought of that. The king, who was very thought of that. The king thought of that thought of that. The king thought of that. The king thought of that. The king thought of the very that thought of the very t

Oscar Erickson, 2007 Howard St., Omaha.
Gall Howard, 4722 Capitol avenue, Omaha.
Heien Houck, 1625 Lothrop street, Omaha.
Emerson Goodrich, 4010 Nicholas, Omaha.
Maurice Johnson, 1927 Locust St., Omaha.
Leon Carson, 1124 North Forlieth, Omaha.
Wilma Howard, 4722 Capitol avenue, Omaha.
Hilah Fisher, 1210 South Eleventh, Omaha.
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Midred Jensen, 2767 Leavenworth, Omaha.
Edna Heden, 3789 Chicago street, Omaha.
Mabel Sheifelt, 4814 North Twenty-fifth
street, Omaha.
Walter Johnson, 2405 North Twenty-fifth
street, Omaha.
Emma Carruthera, Elli North Twenty-fifth

on, 933 North Twenty-fifth Dorothy Tolleson, 656 North Thirty-eighth all over the world to bring any beautiful in the afternoon.

WORKER Don't come around to bother me, For I'm a working man you see A tower high I'm building here: So stay your distance -And when I'm through, ·we'll go play ball. We'll run and romp just you and me. Till Mamma calls me in to tea



## **RULES FOR YOUNG WRITERS**

1. Write plainly on one side of the paper only and number the pages. g. Use pen and ink, not pencil 3. Ehers and pointed articles will be given preference. Do not use over 250 words. 6. Original stories or letters only will be used. 5. Write your name, age and address at the top of the first page. First and second prises of books will be given for the best two con-tributions to this page each week. Address all communications to CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT,

> (First Prize.) Princess Olga's Garden

Once, long ago, there was a little princess

Lincoln.

Louise Stiles, Lyons, Neb.

Estelle McDonald, Lyons, Neb.

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Harry Crawford, Nebraska City, Neb.

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Lucile Hassen, Norfolk, Neb.

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Leths Larkin, South Sixth street, Nerfolk, Neb.

Emma Marquardt, Fifth street and Madison avenue, Norfolk, Neb.

Genevieve M. Jönes, North Loup, Neb.

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North Platte, Neb.

Louise Raabe, 268 North Nineteenth avenue, Omaha.

Addena Sorry, Monarch, Wyo.

Pearl Barron, Monarch, Wyo.

John Barron, Monarch, Wyo.

Heith Amend, Sheridan, Wyo.

Her birthday was soon coming and the king had planned the most beautiful present a little 5-year-old princess had ever received. It was all kept a secret. For many years there had been a large space in the royal garden which for some reason had never been filled. Here were now employed many experienced gardeners, who were ordered by the king t received. It was all kept a secret. For many years there had been a large space By Colonel Maxfield, Aged 12 Years, Fair-mont, Neb.

Frances Johnson, 933 North Twenty-lifth avenue, Omaha.

Marquerite Johnson, 933 North Twenty-fifth avenue, Omaha.

Makel Baker, Lander, Wyo.

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Covinne Allison Robertson, Wilber, Neb.

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Marion Staples, 183 South Thirty-fifth garden was finished, but, dear mel not a wornue omaha.

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flower of its kind. After they were through hoy had a banquet and then went away. Early next day the little princess went to money." "-New York Sun. bid her parents a "good morning," and hen they took and led her to her garden, followed by the whole court. When they reached the garden, which was surrounded by a high wall, and opened the diamondstudded gate, the king was so astonished he almost fell over, for there was the most beautiful flower garden, and every plant had a large and pretty bloom.

After the king had given a long speech,

of which the little princess understood little, she was led all over and was to choose her favorite of those many rare and beautiful plants. Each flower was sure it was the most beautiful and tossed its head, all except the little sweet, blue violet, who hid beneath its leaves shyly. The little princess passed them all, giving exclamations of delight and fondling many of them, but they were near the end and By Elsie Stastny, Aged 13 Years, Wilber, she had not chosen one, so the king thought they must have omitted a very rare one, but at last they came to the end, who was very sweet and beautiful and was and to the surprise of all little Princess the pet of the court and loved by every- Oiga, as she was called, knelt down and It was a wonder that she was not plucked a little violet, and when they respoiled. She was very fond of flowers and turned that night to their homes each one was never so happy as when she was had a little blue violet from Princess Olga's

(Second Prize.)

The Victor and the Falcon

A boy of 16 years was standing in the his father prepare the largest of the two were ordered by the king to make a beau sirships for the race that was to come off and most loyable men you ever saw. He young woman of accommodating turn, one Only four carriages followed the hearse

When he returned home his boy said to him, "I have a surprise for you."

"What is it?"

"Now," said his father, "I have a sur- succeed. After we had stopped him, the Then the brownies had to choose a new contrary is a fallacy. Falcon."

a trip in his little Falcon to his uncle's, quarter did was to punt. gave his uncle the account of the race and started for home. On reaching home he joined in a race with of it and stopped. Our center got over the

us Falcon and won. His father gave him the plans of an air- gave the signal and got behind the ball HE boys had a habit of stopping boys found themselves locked out when he beg (in his best English) the boys to ship and money enough to buy the articles and then started off. The best tackler airship of his own. When it was done his all the boys who tried to stop him and father said it was all right. With the new got through all right.

one he won many races and soon became Just then the bell rang and we stopped.

been responsible for the accident, having aged to hand him. And in a short time he

built too flerce a fire in the kitchen stove, had every spark out. You may all say

The first thing that John did was to over his face. "I've been a dog-a pup,"

After some five minutes' fast work John "That's the right thing to do, Art," he

had the fire in the roof entirely estin- had stepped to the Chinaman's side and

mer-kitchen stove and it caught in the and see how the poor abused Chinaman

chimney," explained the lady who proved has given good for evil. He's a brave

man came at once to my assistance. It "Well, he has taught me something,"

seems I was so frightened I could not call said Arthur. "I now know that a staunch

loudly enough at first to attract anyone's heart and a brave nature are to be found

And he saved the place. The roof is dry that of one of our own people. I shall

as tinder, and in another minute the whole make it a point to stop at John's shop of

thing would have been on flame. Then it evenings and offer to teach him any

would have spread to the main part of thing on our language that he may wish to

the house. Oh," and turning to her son, know. We all owe him a debt of grati-

hirs. Graves continued: "Hew I was tude which I hope we shall never forget."

But he heard me and came, inside a Chinaman's breast as well as it

roof through a defective place in the has repaid your treatment of him!

"And-just think of iti-this good China- Station many noble things."

guished. As he was descending several had shaken his hand.

neighbors who had at last heard the call

for help (for the mistress of the place had

kept on calling "Fire! Help!" while she

handed up water to the Chinaman) came

quickly into the yard, asking excited quas-

tions. And immediately behind them came

running three boys, whom the Chinaman

recognized as his tormentors. The leader

frightened surprise. "What's up, Mamma?"

he gasped, addressing the mistress of the

"Nancy made too hot a fire in the sum-

to be none other than Arthur's mother.

Arthur, and his face was full of

A Foot Ball Game By Arthur W. Mason, Aged 12 Years, 1205 North Irving Street, Fremont, Neb. Red Side.

day before school a lot of boys got back" could do him no possible good and protect his patrons' property and we'll to find a plate on the table, in the plate together and formed two teams for foot they found their home was gone. might bring harm to him or to his bust- dash in at the back door and unlock the the poor little dead mouse. The good nat- ball, The side I was on kicked off first. Where do you think it was gone? The

Columbus Dethroned. "I never dare say where any man will she concluded to pull it off. Carefully rais-HE paths of great discoveries

have always been thorny ones, as our aspirants for polar ionors can testify, but it re- Dispatch. mains for an old Vermont farmer to put forth an as yet unheard of rival to the great Columbus.

The farmer's wife was greatly stirred up by the agitation of the women's rights question. One evening the old lady was condemning the men in very strong terms and expressing herself in favor of women's voting. The old man got tired of it. He dropper his paper, pushed back his specta-

"Marendy! The men hev made out to govern this kentry ever since Robinson Crusoe discovered it, and I guess they will for a spell linger, so you keep still."-Youth's Companion.

Not Necessary in New York. The following anecdote was related by Monsignor Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's delphia Record.

"A farmer had come to New York from the country to have a look at its sights. One night he got home very late and a burglar stopped him in Central Park and put a platol to his head, saying at the same

brains out." To which the farmer replied: "'You may blow my brains out of you wish, but I certainly shall not give you my money, because from what I have seen so far you can very well live in New York without brains, but certainly not without

A Wonderful Improver, F. H. Elliott, the secretary of the Ameri- hands being o can Automobile association, laughed, at a Newark Star. dinner in New York, over some of the absurd claims made against automobilists. "If an automobile runs over a pig." he said, "it is sure to be a blooded Berkshire. Every chicken slaughtered is a pedigree bird worth \$40 to \$50. A yellow barnyard our is a white-haired fox terrier. A calf is always of Alderney or Guernsey blood."

Mr. Elliott smiled. "To tell the truth," he said, "nothing seems to improve live stock like cressing it with an automobile."-Detroit Free Press.

Was Well Paid. Once upon a time there was an Indian named Big Smoke, employed as a missionary to his fellow smokes.

A white man, encountering Big Smoke, asked him what he did for a living. "Umph!" said Big Smoke, "me preach." "That so? What do you set for preach-

"Me git ten dollars a year." "Well," said the white man, "that's damn poor pay."

"Umph!" said Big Smoke, "me damn poor preacher."-Norman Mack's Monthly.

Beecher Wished Him Well. At a conference a young minister said to Henry Ward Beecher:

"Mr. Beecher, my congregation has dele-

One of our boys got the ball and started

The Brownie

could pat him on the back and say,

As Arthur feelingly begged the laundry-

her son what it all meant. Arthur hon-

the Chinaman, and declared he had not

man being till that very hour,

realized that a "chink" was really a hu-

"Ah, my son," said Mrs. Graves, "you

have indeed acted very, very wickedly,

fellow, and may teach his superiors in

tried to get through our lines, but did not them all away, to store up for winter.

go after death, but wherever this man goes ing her hand she gave it a little twitch, he certainly has my best wishes."-St. Paul but there was more of the thread appear-

Selections From the Story Tellers' Pack

Vast Millinery Shop. The death of the widow of Ira D. Sankey, the evangelist, recalls an incident which took place in her presence many

There had been a monster revival mosting planned for women only at Madison Square Garden. Men were to be rigidly excluded, but on the day of the meeting one young man managed to slip in unobserved and scampered to the top gallery, from which he watched the proceedings. Later, in the hearing of a number of

women, of whom Mrs. Sankey was one, he related his experience, and was asked if he had enjoyed the meeting. "What struck upon 10,000 bonnets, no two alike."-Phila-

How She Could Help Herself.

Dr. G. Herbert Richards, president of the Orange Board of Health, tells this one: "A very bashful young man was driving with his best girl one cool Sunday. The young lady used all her arts to make him secret. 'appoon,' but failed, and, despairing, became silent and preoccupied.

'What's the matter?' asked the young man when the silence became oppressive. "'Nobody loves me,' said the young lady,

tearfully, 'and my hands are cold.' "Tm surprised to hear you say that," your mother loves you, and, as for your parents. hands being cold, you can sit on them." --

This Waiter Was Wise.

One of the last times that Bishop Burgoss of Long Island dined out was at the Press club, where the waiters are all negroes. The head waiter bowed Bishop Burgess and his host profusely to their places. "This way, adm'ral," said he, "Tek this table. You get a bettah view of the harbor heah, adm'rai."

"I am not an admiral," said Bishop Burgess, amiling, 'My mistek, suh," said the head waiter. "Ah mout er known all the time I was er

talkin' to a military man. You like dia table, colonel?" "I am not a colonel," said Bishop Burgess, smiling more broadly, "I am a

("To be shuah, sus," said the head watter. "To-o be shuh! Ve'y sorry for mah mistek, sub. I got dem titles of admiral and colonel wrong. Ah knowed soon as Ah saw you dat you was one of the face cards of your profession, suh."-Cincinnati Times-Star.

she Pulled the String.

A funny thing happened to a young woman who was attending her church a few Sundays ago in Jermyn, Tex. Sitting directly before her was a tall, well-dressed door of a large barn. He was watching gated me to sak this question of you: We stranger with a piece of raveling hanging down his back over his collar. Being a is upright, honest, generous, the heartiest of those warm-hearted, good girls, who which took Mrs. Nina Tourville to her The first airship that went up ran out of supporter of the church we have—the friend grow to be motherly women, a friend to grave in East St. Louis. Among the Just the day before her birthday the gasoline and came down. In the second the of the poor, the beloved of little children, everybody, she thought how glad she would meurners were none of the 2,000 men and a veritable saint-but he does not believe to be if some kind-hearted girl would do as women whom only two years ago she had But the third was a successful one. It some of the generally accepted dogmas, much for her father if he should come to entertained at the feast of food and drink, went all the way around the circle and Now, where do you think he will go after church with a raveling has ing flown his which she prepared when she married a back. Besides, the thing worried her be- second time, a month after her first hus-Mr. Beecher was equal to the occasion, cause of the uncouth appearance presented. band's death,

ing. Setting her teeth, she gave another pull and about a yard more bung down his back. That was getting embarrassing, but with a resolve to do or die, she gave another yank and discovered that she was unraveling his underwear. Chloroform would not have alleviated her suffering, nor a pint of powder have hidden her blumben, when the gentleman turned to see what was tickling his back.

Marriage Secret Well Kept, Married six years without ever her parents or closest friends being aware of the fact is the record set for feminine secrecy by Mrs. R. Makutchan, wife of R. W. Makutchan, 56 Fifth avenue, Chicago, formerly alies Nola Wright, eldest me most," he replied, "was looking down daughter of C. W. Wright, founder of the Wright Buggy Body company of Moline, Ill.

During the World's fair Miss Wright and Mr. Makutchan eloped and were married at St. Louis on September 2, 1964, by the Rev. Mr. Cunningham, oldest Methodist divine in the state of Missouri. Returning to Moline, both played their parts well, neither by word or action disclosing their

A two years' courtship preceded the marriage. The secretive groom was local agent of the Adams Express company for that time. After the wedding he continued his attentions to his wife as if they were still sweethearts. Last month, tiring of the double part she was playing, Mrs. said the young man. 'God loves you and Makutchan confessed the marriage to her

> The reason given for the six-year-old secret is that Makutchan is not considered. financially able to care for the girl and they both feared her parents' wrath.

> A Buttle-Scarred Heroine. There is a rather attractive young woman in Cleveland who had the misfortune to fall down stairs a few years ago and fracture one of her knees so badly that the limb had to be amputated. The young woman, of course, walks with the aid of crutches. She is not in the least sensitive about the matter, and she doesn't mind informing properly introduced people of the nature of

> the accident which maimed her. She has set a limit, however, and she was compelled to use it one afternoon last week. She got into a Payne avenue car, and found herself in the same seat with a sharp-eyed woman who seemed to take a whole lot of interest in her and her crutches. She scrutinized the young woman's face carefully for a couple of minutes, then turned her attention to the workmanship of the crutches, which she even took the liberty to handle curiously. Then she looked the young woman over again, and

leaned over to hen "D'ye mind tellin' me how you lost your leg?" she asked.

"Not in the least," responded the young woman, amiably. "I lost it in the battle of San Juan Hill."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Forgotten at the Finish

have a name for the new airship. The The center got over the ball and they master of the pumpkin field had carried otherwise than well dressed; and to begin at the beginning, every argument to the prise for you. I am going to give you the center got over the ball and the quarters home. They chose the large oak tree for "This matter of dress is a primordial

passed by.

out to our base. He got within ten yards The Four Seasons ball and our quarter got behind him. He Eighty-fifth Street, New York City.

said to his father: "Oh, father, I wish it was summer." His not a normal girl, father said: "Go and get my memory By Lillian Guyor, Aged 11 Years, Basin,

page."
."The next time it was a rainy day and The brownles lived in the pumpkin fields. Every morning they got ready for their he said to his father: play. But one night as they came home "Oh, father, I wish it was winter." His

father said: "Write that in my book, fall." His father said: "Write that in my book.

wish it was autumn," again his father said: ordinary young man." "Write that in my memory book." He wrote it again.

Then his father said: 'Do you know who wrote this, and this, and this," and he pointed to the three other wishes. The boy answered: "Yes, I wrote them." And he said: "Father, I like all of the four

Seasons.

His father said: 'That is right, my son. May God bless you."

SURE ROAD TO HAPPINESS Byes on Well-Dressed Women.

Rev. Herbert S. Johnson, one of Boston's men's pardon, confessing to his own foremost divines, champions the cause of wrongdeing, his mother stood a surprised the hobble skirt and other ultra fashions listener. And after the neighbors and of the fair sex, and advises the American John Chinaman had departed she asked youth in search of a helpmate for life to select a girl who is a close follower of the estly told her of his wickedness toward fashions.

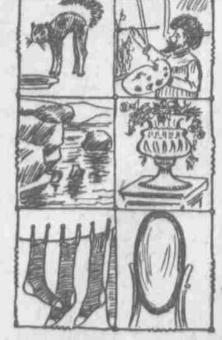
There is no more potent influence for good in the modern community today," said Dr. Johnson, "than feminine fashion, Not only are the ever changing fashions of women one of the ohlef delights of civilized communities, but it is a safe statement to make that we have today no more conclusive key to a woman's mental and normal development than the clothes she

"Much has been said of the high cost of llying. The immense sums of money spent annually in this country on apparently useless articles of women's perso decoration are cited as arguments in favor of American extravagance, when as a matfrom the lure of the latest thing in clothes, shoes, hats and gloves, can afford to be singer

and his boy got ready. He got four yards their home. They lived happly in their trait. The man or woman who drasses The boy asked his father if he could take and then we stopped him. Next thing the new home while the winter months the best, whose personal habits are the most irreproachable, is, in all the countries of the earth, the man or woman whose mental and moral development is the highcut advanced. A girl or a woman who is By Ada Kleinberg, Aged 13 Years, 217 East self respecting will always dress fashionably and well. The hobble skirt, the peach There was ence a boy by the name of basket hat, high beeled shoes, and all the Ernest. This boy was never satisfied with thousand and one foibles of the feminine what he got. One day he and his parents sex ar entertaining and products of goodwent for a walk through the woods. So he A girl who, on the other hand, does not care about dress and the latest fashions is

> "The young man wao contemplates marriage nowadays may fight shy of the girl Then his father said: "Write it on this of fashion, but he makes a mistake. He may be a gainer at first financially, but in the end he pays a terrible price for his shortsightedeness. The girl who is lax about her personal appearance is lax mentally and morally. She is not made of the The next year it was too cold for him stuff that turns out self-respecting chiland he said: "Oh, father, I wish it was dren. She is either a visionary, and as such an unreliable element in the community, or she is downright lax and shiftless. In either The next time he said to his father, "I case she is not a safe proposition for the

> > Illustrated Primal Acrostic.



If the words pictured in this acroster of fact this item is one of our smallest tie are rightly guessed it will be national extravagances. No woman today, found that their initial letters spell however free she may consider herself the name of a great Italian opera

## A "Common Chink" :- Story of a Chinaman's Bravery

To these insults John Chinaman paid not wash behind the shop." ness. So he bore the hoys' abuse, keeping front door. Won't he get fooled" his head bent over his ironing table.

where they could spend a few minutes in to pay."

"fun" at the poor fellow's expense. 'Here's a bit of grub for your supper." And he threw into the shop a dead mouse which he had found on the street. John Chinaman glanced at the lifeless little creature, but did not advance to pick it up. He decided to let it lay where Arthurhad thrown it till his termenters had sone away. Then he would toss it into the alley behind his shop. But Arthur was not satistied with what he had already done, and called out in commanding tones: "Pick it up. Chink, If you don't, we'll come in

and cut off your pirtail." John Chinaman understood most of what Arthur said, for he had lived in America from babyhood, having come from the Pacific coast the year before to the town

where he now lived. "Come, pick up your supper, Chink," cried another of the boys in imitation of Arthur. "If you don't, you'll get a free

hair cut." John Chinaman looked uneasily towards his termenters and tried to smile. shook his head, saying in his best English that he did not want to sat the mouse. To this Arthur and his comrades roared with laughter, and Arthur made a dush for the door. As he did so-his companions close behind him-John ran to the door and turned the key. Thus the

on their way from school of they tried to force their way in. Then allow him to enter his own private quart- which he needed and told him to make an could not get him. He jumped over evenings in front of a China- Arthur kicked loudly on the door, demand- ers. They refused for some minutes. The man's laundry to watch him at ing entrance. But paying no heed to him, fact was Arthur was hunting a plate on his work. And two or three of John Chinaman kept on with his work. which to lay the dead mouse. Once he had the boys were rude enough to "Say, boys," whispered Arthur, "Lil tell accomplished this unmanly thing he told cast ugly remarks through the Chinaman's you what we'll do. We'll go behind his the boys to open the front door and run. shop door at him, calling him "Chink," or shop and make believe to take the clothes Then he unlocked the rear door and called from the line. You know he dries his out to the owner of the shop to enter.

the slightest heed, for he had the patience "Yes, that's it," agreed a close second to street through the front door. born of his people and knew that to "talk Arthur. "Then he'll come tearing out to John Chinaman entered his front room

mischief or play. It was he who first ily clothing. Arthur recognized some of the shirt.

ple-that a "pig-tailed" man from the Cel- Immediately the Chinaman opened the direction came the cry for help. A slighty sistance till after the fire had been extinestial empire was not to be classed as back door and stepped into the yard. Sup- curi of smoke could be seen rising from guished. human. So he led a few of his comrades plicatingly he held up his empty suds- the roof of a one-story summer kitchen in . The fi

But while he was saying this the boys faint voice: "Help! Fire." "Hello, Chink!" called out Arthur one But while he was saying this the coys evening as he stood in his accustomed had dashed round him and had entered John ran as tast as he called to the lady to hand him pails and before his companions in mischief Boston Presenter Centers Masculine

Then he followed his companions to the

ured, patient Chinaman merely took the So the wicked fellows went around be- thry creature that had doubtless met its Arthur Graves was the ringleader of the hind the Chinaman's shop to the back death through some harsh accident and handsome house, had burst through the frightened! I didn't know which way to mischievous boys, and sometimes his door. They found the yard strung with tossed it in the ashbarrel behind the house, fragile brick chimney and had ignited the turn. In a trice the good fellow was on pranks went beyond the bounds of mere clothes lines full of recently-laundered fam- Then he set to work again, troning a dry shingles. The servant girl who had the roof taking up water which I man-

began making fun of the Chinaman by garments as belonging to his own mother. He had barely finished the garment when calling him mean names and making wry therefore refrained from doing any damage a faint cry fell on his ears. "Fire! Help! had gone to the market on an errand for what you please about Chinamen, but this faces at him through the window. He to the clothes But he went to the laundry's Fire!" came the words of some one in dismay not have quite realized how mean his back door and called through it: "Say, tress. John dropped the garment he was the place to put out the fire. The neigh- vanced to shake John's hand warmly as conduct toward the Chinese laundryman Chink, we'll carry off your clothes if you spreading afresh on his troning table and bors had not even heard the call for help, she expressed her deep gratitude to him was, for he thought-like many other peo. don't open up the deor."

ran out at the back door, for from that and only John Chinaman came to her as- for the service he had rendered. human. So he led a few of his comrades picturary he had up the block directly opposite the back yard grab a bucket of water and toss ft up he said in a determined way, speaking to where they could spend a few minutes in the people's clothes off the line. I will have of John Chinaman's shop. And a woman over the place beside the chimnes his companions. "We've all been as mean of John Chinaman's shop. And a would wave first place was seen. Then he as dirt to that poor washes man, and I waving her arms excitedly was calling in a the slight flame was seen. Then he as dirt to that poor washes man, and I faint voice: "Help! Fire."

brought some boxes from an outhouse and was the ringleader. I'm going to 'tess

climbed upon them to the low roof. Then up to him and ask his forgiveness, too. key in the lock. Thus John found himself fire in the summer kitchen, a long low of water as fast as she could do so. locked out of his own shop. In vain did board room attached to the rear of a very



"HELLO, CHINK! HERE'S A BIT OF GRUB FOR YOUR SUPPER."