

A Very Sick Boy.

Mark Twain on his last visit to his birthplace—Hannibal, Mo.—told the school children a true story about a schoolboy, says the Philadelphia Record.

"This boy" he said, "Awoke one morning very ill. His groans alarmed the household. The doctor was sent for and came, post haste.

"Well," said the doctor as he entered the sickroom, "what is the trouble?"

"A pain in my side," said the boy.

"Any pain in the head?"

"Yes, sir."

"Is the right hand stiff?"

"A little."

"How about the right foot?"

"That's stiff too."

The doctor winked at the boy's mother.

"Well," he said, "you're pretty sick. But you'll be able to go to school on Monday. Let me see, today is Saturday and—"

"Is today Saturday?" said the boy in a vexed tone. "I thought it was Friday."

"Half an hour later the boy declared himself healed and got up. Then they packed him off to school, for it was Friday, after all."

SPOILED HER BEAUTY.

Harriet Howard, of 209 W. 34th St., New York, at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble. She writes: "I had Salt Rheum or Eczema for years, but nothing would cure it, until I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve."

His Afternoon Job.

"This Hot weather," said a Cleveland Baptist to an exchange, "reminds me of an address I once heard John D. Rockefeller make.

"Mr. Rockefeller was speaking about the value of little things—spare minutes, spare pennies, and so on.

"He told us how one of the littlest things, in the human line, that he had ever seen—a little new office boy—had caused him, at the beginning of his career, to distrust a bookkeeper who afterwards turned out to be a very unreliable man.

"This boy had come to work in Mr. Rockefeller's office. He was a bright little fellow, and the chief liked his looks.

"One hot August afternoon, as Mr. Rockefeller was starting out to collect a bill, he said kindly to the little boy:

"I suppose the bookkeeper has told you what to do this afternoon?"

"Yes, sir," the boy answered. "I am to wake him up when I see you coming back."

A GRIM TRAGEDY

is daily enacted, in thousands of homes, as Death claims, in each one, another victim of Consumption or Pneumonia. But when Coughs and Colds are properly treated, the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley, of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, and three doctor, gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds which cured her, and to-day she is well and strong."

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Cotton's Condition Worse.

Weather Bureau Weekly Report Declares Rust and Shedding Extensive and Drought in Texas.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The weekly summary of crop conditions, issued by the Weather Bureau, says:

While cotton has improved in portions of the central and western districts, the crop as a whole has suffered deterioration, which is most marked in the eastern districts. Rust and shedding are extensive throughout the belt, and dry, hot weather has proved injurious over much of Texas, where premature opening is reported, but boll weevils in that state, as a rule, are diminishing. The crop has improved in Arkansas, some northeastern counties in Texas, in portions of Louisiana, northern Alabama, and in a few places in South Carolina. Picking is quite general in central and southern Texas and over the southern portion of the eastern districts.

Wet weather has proved injurious to tobacco in Ohio and Indiana, but most reports respecting this crop are favorable, an improvement in Kentucky, the Middle Atlantic States and New England being indicated.

A Profound Secret.

Alton B. Parker, at a dinner in New York, characterized as illogical the position of two prominent financiers, says an exchange.

"These gentlemen remind me," he said, "of two sailors who were found one day seated at a table before a cafe.

"One sailor had a letter before him and was reading it aloud, while at the same time the other sailor held his hands over the reader's ears.

"It made an odd picture—the two sailors with their mild drink, one reading and the other holding his ears while he did so.

"The friendly waiter, impelled by an irresistible curiosity, paused before the table.

"Why," he asked, "do you hold your hands over your friend's ears while he reads that letter out loud to you?"

"Because," was the dignified answer, "the letter is from my sweetheart. Jack is reading it to me because I can't read myself. That is all right, but I don't want him to hear a word of what is written."

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The Habit of Observation.

"Be observing, my son," said Willie's father, according to the Newark News. "Cultivate the habit of seeing and you will be a successful man."

"Yes," added Willie's uncle. "Don't go through the world blindly. Learn to use your eyes."

"Little boys who are observing know a great deal more than those who are not," Willie's aunt put in.

Willie took their advice to heart, a day passed and once more he stood before the family council.

"Well, Willie," said his father, "have you been using your eyes?" The boy nodded.

"Tell us what you've learned." "Uncle Jim's got a bottle of whiskey hid behind his trunk," said Willie. "Aunt Jennie's got an extra set of teeth in her dresser, and pa's got a deck of cards and a box of chips behind the books in the secretary."

"The little sneak!" exclaimed the family.

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Special to News and Courier Spartanburg, August 22.—One of the local dispensary board of control has resigned his place as superintendent of a Sunday-school. That is about the only thing any one of them has given up to this date.

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NOTICE. The board of county commissioners in their meeting Monday passed a resolution to the effect that hereafter no magistrate in Lancaster county will be paid for holding an inquest unless it is impossible to get the coroner, and then the magistrate must comply with the law by securing affidavits from three citizens of the immediate community that it is important that an inquest be held in the particular case under consideration. M C Gardner, County Supervisor.

Notice. My regular office days will be Saturdays and first Mondays. All other days you will find me at my office near L & C depot. Will keep school books at both offices and will be glad to wait on you any day in the week. W M Moore, Co Supt of Education. Jan 16, 1905.

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Winthrop College Scholarship and Entrance Examination. The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College and for the admission of new students will be held at the county Court House on Friday, July 7th at 9 a. m. Applicants must not be less than fifteen years of age. When scholarships are vacated after July 7th, they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for scholarships should write to President Johnson before the examination for scholarship examination blanks. Scholarships are worth \$100 and free tuition. The next session will open September 20, 1905. For further information and catalogue address: Pre. D. B Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.

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