An Obstinate Boy.

Of course Donald was a most foolish and obstinate boy. There could be no question about that. He had a good position in the house of a very rich and a very liberal patron. His duties were not onerous, but such as they were he fulfilled them in a most conscientious manner. The position might have been a snap, but Donald did not look at it in that way and all his waking hours were given to the doing of things, required or not, which should makefor the betterment of the stables

of his employer and all they contained.

Donald had not had any education to speak of—that is, any education lying within the realm of books, and what training he had came from the sterling discipline of his good Scotch

Anyway it so happened that the union of his mother and father had not proved most fortunate, and the rugged qualities of the material Scotch had been neutralized by the indecisive character of the father with his mixture of French and American blood. At any rate, when the boy was a mere child, both parents died, and Donald was placed in servitude with the family of the wealthy Hobart Wayler. His place was in the stables and right fanhful work did he do with the horses and vehicles. For besides the Scotch blood in his veins, which made him faithful him when a mere baby to be thorough and careful in all the efforts of life.

So he plodded along, putting up with groom, on the afternoon rides, and there were rare afternoon racings over the c r. "The sting of your words the fine country roads and through the gave euge to my resolution, as keen, groves. And through it all Donald was exceeding careful and releasing the of winning you. Besides, it gave me high spirit of the girl as well as his an insight into two characters—yours own superior strength and skill with the horses, he often taxed his ingenuity not know, but learned on that day the utmost strength and tact with his own horse, crazed with the excitement of the course-and his own youthful head not so cool as it might have been. For racing for a goal with a fine siced under you is not so cold blooded a proposition as would naturally permit out into the cold moonlight. Then the average boy to regard it as a mere | she said slowly:

The days and weeks and months merged into years, and all the time Donald became more and more satisfled with life-especially as be rode with Miss Ethel by day and dreamed of her by night. For she was in truth a bonnie lass to look upon, with her bright blue laughing eyes, and her sunny yellow hair, and her red lips and her lithe and years and her lithe and processed in the sunny second processed in the sunny and her lithe and graceful physique. She inspired Donald to great thoughts and filled his sturdy young mind with lofty purposes. And as he grew older and worked hard o' nights in his little and heart. While it was hard and sometimes discovering to him he came month by month to realize that his brain was able to solve the problems presented by the books and the high spirit of independence, which am not I as good as she? Without masters or teachers I am able to teach her day by day how to do her tasks. Why can not I go out and conquer the world and come back and—" and then his dream went off into the rosy realm where it really is not safe to wouch for their accuracy or their sanity.

And then came the crash. Ethel

had arrived at the age of sixteen, and was about to launch forth as a young lady in the devious and alluring paths of society, under the skillful tutorship of her mother. And Ethel was a willing student-and an apt, and the horse-back rides and the romps became fewer and fewer and Donald fretted his young spirit sore. But he was patient and faithful and many a time when sorely disappointed did he catch the gleam of kindly sympathy from the eyes of Jennie Gray, the young maid who served Ethel.

"A fine lass," he said to himself "An' I pity her for having to spend her time in the great house with its sordid atmosphere. But still it is worth all the trouble and humiliation to be near Eihel all the time. One day after an exhiliarating ride

with Ethel, incident to which there had been considerable talk of books and studies, Donald, warmed by the companionship and exalted by his own thoughts, lingered at the doorsteps, after helping Ethel down, and poured out his hopes and aspirations-bis dreams of an academic education and a career as a surgeon. Then he would return, he said, and lay his reputation

and his money at her feet. The blue-eyed little patrician gazed at him with curling lips and blazing

"You!" she exclaimed scounfully "you indeed. You forget that you are my groom. How dare you speak of such things to me. Your foolish head has been spoiled with too much kindness and too many books. Surgeon indeed—a veterinary, maybe." And she laughed merrily at her little joke, "I will tell papa of your impudence, and if he does not discharge you I will see to it that you do not ride with me

any more. I would have you know, sir, that I am to marry a gentleman.

This impudence comes of treating servants like human beings."

She swept into the house, leaving Donald standing, stunned, beside the horses. Her little maid, Jennie Gray, who had come to meet her mistress, had been an involuntary listener to the scornful speech, saw the pain and hu-

"Forgive me," he said, "I do not know what I am doing. Thank you for your kind words. I will always remember them. And—and I will be

a great surgeon."

He sprang on his horse and went clattering to the stable.

And he did become a great surgeon. This story is all too short to follow his struggles and self-denial, his dogged persistence as he slowly climbed the adder. He worked his way through school and college and medical school and then went to a distinguished surgeon and begged to become his hostler for his board and the privilege to study with bin. He was refused, and tried again and again, until one finally saw the light in his eyes and took him in. Then there were more yes sof toil by day, and sady by mgb. And his in-dustry and perseverance, his thorough messery which came under his observation, made the distinguished surgeon his friend and Donald became his as-sistant instead of his hostler. Never betraying a trust or failing in a task, he was trusted more and more, and some grave operations were given him to do. In these he showed marvelous skill, and scon began to be talked

about. Then his preceptor and patron dropped dead one day, and Donald became his natural successor. And he was called to attend a very high official stricken nigh unto death, and they sent half across the continent for Dr. Donald Durand, the famous young. surgeon, as the most trustworthy, to perform the delicate operation required. And the newspapers rang with praises of his slin, and he was courted by the rich and great, and money flowed into

his pockets.

In the meantime Ethel Wayler's life had not been all as she had dreamed and persistent in his duty, there were it. A financial crash had carried off the lessons he had been taught at his mother's knee, who had instructed had been far from the luxury into which she had been born. The Lnight of her maiden dreams had not eventu-He could not help it—no more than ated, and she was becoming discourcould she; it was the heritage of the aged—and old. When she read of the greatness of Dr. Donald Durand and how he had fought his way from povthe sneers of the lackeys and other em- | city single-handed and alone, the scene ployees, who laughed at his conscient at the door of her father's mansion tious work, as best he could. It was came to her and she realized the misno small comfort to this homeless and take of her girlhood, and it came to lonesome boy to come in contact with pass that she met the doctor at a social Ethel, the golden-haired little daughter | function, and being a clever woman, of the house, whose thirteen years told him in a plain, straightforward seemed to give his fourteen something manuer, that she was sorry she had of a right to protect and guard over failed to appreciate him and his amher. Being a bonnie lad and handy with the horses, he found himself almost always her companion—or cast eyes. "I vas as well, perhaps," replied

to permit her to win, albeit it required Jennie Gray, you remember Jennie

Gray, do you net?"
"Why, that was my maid—" "And is to be my wife," he re-joined, gravely. "She consented only vesterday." The woman sat a long time looking

"I congratulate you—and her."
"I thank you," he rejoined. Then he went away.

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the Government Report This The government report on the 3rd

tember, and if correct an advance of cotton will surely come, which in itself seldom realized. The readers of THE the way in which those interested in the management of the gigantic capitude more apply carous do they pile on high spirit of independence, which ever characterized his face, grew in his young heart until he whispered conclusions upon the statements herewith given.

The monthly report of the statistician of the department of sgriculture shows the average condition of cotion on Aug. 26 to have been 64, as compared with 81.9 on July 25; 71.4 on Aug. 24, 1901; 68.2 on Sept. 1, 1900, and a ten-year average of 73.7.

The present unprecedently low avot conditious, which is twotenths of a point lower than the condition on Sept. 1, 1896, is due mainly to the reports from Texas and Alabama, in both of which States the prevailing conditions are nothing less than disastrons. The average for Texas is three points lower than at the corresponding date in 1895 and 1901, and is the lowest ever reported for that State. In Alabama also, the crop is the poorest ever known. Georgia reports 9 poins below its ten year average, the condition figures being one point 1900, or 6 points below its ten year average. Mississippi reports 7 points below its ten year average, but its condition is still 8 points above that at the corresponding date in 1909. South Carolina is within 1 point of its ten year average and North Carolina is a within 1 point of its dency which has been accentuated to an expression of instance in the dency which has been accentuated to an expression of instance in the desiration of instance in the desirat ten year average and North Carolina, Tennessee and Arkansas are 2 points, 7 points and 1 point above their respective ten year averages. There are general complaints of the premature opening and imperfect development of bolls and from South Carolina, a State whose prospects are far from being among the most favorable, the statement is made on the authority of ginners that about 14 per cent. more seed cotton is required for a 500 pound bale

than in an average year.

The average condition in the different States follow:

Virginia, 80; North Carolina, 80; South Carolina, 74; Georgia, 68; Florida, 75; Alabama, 54; Mississippi, 68; Louisiana, 70; Texas, 53; Arkansas, 75; Tennessee, 82; Missouri, 73; Oklahoma, 76; Indian Territory, 68.

Mr. Theodore H. Price, of New York, thinks cotton will bring ten cents a pound this season, and his reasons therefor are given in the following interview, which has been sent throughout the South:

"I take this means of answering hundreds of telegraphic inquiries reaching from all over the country in regard to the cotton market. It is imscornful speech, saw the pain and humiliation which came into Donald's eyes, and before going into the house went to him, and laid her hand on his arm.

"I am sorry for you, Donald," she said, her eyes wet with sympathy. "But you must not mind. Be a great surgeon anyway."

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does not justify the expectation of a crop of 10,000,000 bales of American

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"I think it entirely probable that before any effect upon consumption is apparent cotton will be selling at 10 cents a pound in the South and doubt the advance will stop there. If pro-

demand and obtain that figure." ROOSEVELT'S TRIP

ducers of the article are wise they will

TO THE SOUTH. He Begins Journey in Happy Mood-Talks on Trusts and

Government Control. President Roosevelt and his party left Washington for the trip to Chat-tavooga, Teun., on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and the first stop was at Wheeling, W. Va., where he was greeted by a vast crowd at the depot should be so much deception. All and smiled his appreciation, desnite so so tricks are constantly being bis bad'y discolored face. His right practiced, and notes ve y long ago, it cheek was rather badly swellen and confused and bis left eye showed sizes gening a pension from South Catolina confused and his left eye showed signs of discoloration.

The entire party, which embodied Clure House, headed by a military Carolina pensions. band. Throughout the entire route enthusiasm was rife, the streets being lined with people from Western Penasylvania, Eastern Obio and West Virsylvania, Eastern Obio and West Virgivia. At the botel the chief executive hard thing to say that men w'l know-The government report on the 3rd met a delegation of the prominent citi- inst. has caused quite a flurry among the speculators, and the mills in the tor Nathan Scott. President Roosevelt and that men who do not deserve it South are said to be anxious about the seemed in a very jovial humor and are ic. ay claiming to have served and

President said :

century, flourish. We have grown to speak of century corporations rather loosely as trusts, using the word in its usual and common significance of a big corpo ation, usually doing business be more correct to call it a group of problems) we have to class all of our ellow citizens. One is composed of those men who refuse to admit that there is any action necessary at all. The other is composed of those men who advocate some non-effective action or action which, if effective, would be effective only by destroying everything, good and bad, connected with our industrial development. In every government of process the aim that a people capable of self-government should keep in mind is to proceed by fossilization of mind which refuses to an er raordinary degree by steam and electricity and by the fremendous up-building of industrial enterplies dealing with these problems, I think we must set before ourselves a desire not to accept less than the possible and at the same time not to bring ourselves

to a complete standstill by demanding the impossible.
"It is a good deat like taking care, through the engineers, of the lower Mississippi River. No one can dam the Mississippi. If the nation starts to dam it its time would be wasted. It would not injure the Mississippi; it would only damage the population along the bank. You cannot dam the current, so you build levees and keep the arrent within bounds and shape its di ection. Now, I think that is exactly what we can do with these g cat corporations known as trusts. We cannot den them; we cannot reverse the industrial tendencies of the

are. You can control and regulate them so that they will do no herm.

"We can do something. I believe we can do a good deal, but our accomplishing what I expect to see accomplished is cenditional upon setting to work in a spi it sa far removed as pos-sible from hysteria, a spirit of sober, sicadfast, L'ud'y (I want to emphasize he word kindly) determination not to

I am advocating them not in any par-tisan spirit, because, gentlemen, this problem is a problem which effects the ife of the nation as a whole. I am adverating them simply as an Ameri- zona does not cross a foot of cultivated can citizen, who for the time being sands as the Chief Executive and the special representative of his fellow special representative of his fellow American cit zens of all parties. A line is 277 miles. Landmarks along quarter of a century ago there had been the line will make it possible for the no development of industries such as boundary to be located without any make it a matter of the least imporonce whether the nation or the State and sure viril dithe great business and the very peak of this butte is exactly

industrial organizations.

"Some of my ultra-conservative friends have professed to be greatly shocked at my advocating governmen explain to the e gendemen, once for all, that they ere whenever they think il at I: lyocate on the stump anything I will not try to put into effect effect election. Now the point is made that working along these lines will take time. Soft will. The first thing is to give the national government the power. What power is given I can assure you will be used in a spirit as free as possible from rancor, but with the firmest determination to make big Peru, Ind.

men and little men alike obey the law. The first thing would be to find out the facts. For that purpose I am ab-solutely clear that we need publicity, not as a favor from any one corporation, but as a matter of right. The mere fact of the publicity itself will tend to s.op many of the evils, and it will show that some of the alleged evils are imaginary. And, finally, in making evident the remaining faults, those that are not imaginary, and are not cured by the light of day itself it will give us an intelligent proposi-

ting at them." (Appleuse.)
At the conclusion of the speech the party re-entered the train of carriages and were driven over a route of the principal thoroughfares of the city. The decorations were of an elaborate and festive order. All along the route vast crowds cheered the President to the echo as the party was driven to the southern portion of the city, where the Baltimore and Ohio special train was boarde I and the trip to the South continued.

The Abuses That Are Practiced to Get Names on the Pension Roll.

The Columbia con aspondent of the News and Courier writes as follows: There has recently been a good deal of agliation regarding the abuses that seem to creep into the pension lists in this State. In the Federal pensions, where the amounts are large, it is more readily seen why so many undeserving names get on the persion rolls, but in the matter of the State pension, which is but a refle, it is surprising that there should be so much deception. All as a Confede ace Veteran and the Federe gove nmeut was e'so paying him Secretary Correlyou, secret service men a peasion as a Federal soldier. It was and a staff of correspondents, entered which can be staff of correspondents, entered No. '1 Carolina to claim and get South

There have been a great many sugment of the regular progrem. The the fac s of every individual case. "Yes dent said:

"A great period of great national Prune the lists and to be stringent in would be almost unprecedented, as material well-being is reavoidably one the requirements about exact informshigh prices early in the season are in which human minds are turned to doa and it outstall cortilicates, the

he State voord. It is suggested that one of he great troubles is day is that there is ino much perty politics in the selection of the county boards. It is even suggest ed that those who are refuse I pensions get loge, ber and work systematiseems to me that in dealing with this problem of the true.s (perhaps it would be more correct to call it. cally to elect those who they know will these township representatives select the county boald. It is said that far heiter icsults and often better men were secured when the State board selected the members of the county boa ds, and this was because they would pick out men who were under

no obligations.

The State board, so as to facilitate those who wish to help in pruning the lists, not only sends one for publication to such papers as wish it lists of the county pensioners, and every year the name of each and every pensioner in South Carolina is published in book form. This is the sort of publicity below the corresponding averages in the other hand, every people that has form. This is the sort of publicity that the Federal government wi! not give to its pension list.



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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets clear the Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets clear the complexion and sweeten the breath,

H. B. Carpenter, a civil engineer, who has just completed the survey of the southern line of Utah, says the boundary between that State and Aridifficulty in the future. Just east of the Colorado river a sand-stone butte the very peak of this butte is exactly on the boundary.

Lake Erie and Western railroad engiue No. 79 is justly termed the most unlucky engine in the company's service for it has been in more accidents and has killed more people than any engine that ever traveled between Indianapolis and Michigan City over this company's line. No. 79 is a 35 ton engine, built by the Pittsburg locomotive company in 1875. Since that time it has been in active service, and now it s spending its last days switching in the Lake Eric and Western yards at

A great scheme is suggested by the Figaro of Paris for the utilization of the rainfall of the Pyrenees. It is proposed to dam the valleys all along calculated that no less than 10,000,000 horse power could be obtained from the Pyrenean range and this power could be supplied at about one-sixth the cost of steam.

The Fiji Islands, within the memory of some now living, far away on the other side of the globe, inhabited by fierce cannibal tribes, were the dread of mariners. Through the efforts of missionaries they have become so thoroughly Christianized that the proposition is now be debated whether the time has not come to leave the natives to carry on the work in their own unaided native ability.

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