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history, and it is interesting to know their origin. Before the ballad was written there was the story, which, perhaps, might have been forgotten hed not the verses given it perennial fame. Some of these nursery rhymes are very old, and it is wonderful to think how they and their story have come down to us through the centuries. Six hundred years is a longtime for a story to live, and not a few of those that were familiar to us when we were children are even older than that, says a contributor to the

Philadelphia Times.
"Humpty Dumpty" was a bold, bad
baron, who lived in the days of King John, committing many cruel deeds in his strong stone castle, but at last was tumbled from power. His history was put into a riddle, the meaning of which was an egg. The rhyme is more than 400 years old.
"The Beggar's Daughter of Bednah Green," is the poetic version of what may have happened many times dur-ing England's stormy history. A pow-erful nobleman is defeated in battle and disappears from the sight of those that knew him. The next day, however, a poor old beggar and his daughter seeks alms in the same neighborhood. The "pretty Bessee" of the ballad, is the reputed daughter of the great Simon de Monfort, Earl of Leicester, who was defeated at Evers-ham in 1265, and she marries at last a noble night, as in justice she should.

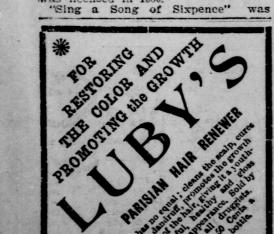
The story is one of the most popular of English ballads. "Little Jack Horner" is older than the seventeenth century. The thrifty Jack of the verses was the servant of a bishop who lived in the time of bluff King Hal. Being sent by his master with a bundle of title deeds to the King, he manged to extract one or two of the most valuable and kept them himself, representing to the gestion.

bishop that his Majesty had bestowed "Wha them upon him for the faithful dis-charge of his duty. The plums are the richest part of the Christmas pie, and naughty Jack's "plums" were iterally the whole portion of the

Pussy Cat, Pussy Cat, Where Have You Been?" dates from the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and was a popular rustic song in the old Devon county, where Drake and Raleigh lived. "Boys and Girls Come Out to Play" and "Lucy Locket Lost Her Pocket" date from the time of Charles II., the "merry monarch." It is not known that the rhymes refer to any particu-

lar thing or event. "The Pabes in the Wood" was for a long time supposed to refer to the murder of the princes in the Tower by Richard III., but is now known to have been founded upon an actual crime committed in Norfolk, near Wayland Wood, in the fifteenth century. In old house in the neighborhood is still pointed out to visitors, upon a mantelpiece in which is carved the entire representation of the pathetic

"A Frog He Would A-wooing Go" was licensed in 1580.



and pleasanter-65c, 75c, \$1, \$1 15 pair. sung by boys and girls as long ago as the time of James I., of England, 1603. The "four and twenty blackbirds baked in a pie" are the 24 hours of the day. When "the pie was cut," that is, when the day opens, the birds begin to single the day opens, the birds begin the day opens, the birds begin to single the birds begin to single the birds begin to single the day opens, the birds begin to single the birds begin the birds begin to single the birds begi begin to sing; so you see the simple rhymes were intended merely to il-

> to Sea in a Bowl" is an ancient Lincolnshire song. Gotham was a village not far from Northampton, whose inhabitants were credited with having very simple wits. Being situated away from the sea, naturally the villagers were ignorant of seafaring life. Yet they were bright enough to save their borough from the wrath of King John once upon a time. angry monarch marched to attack them he found some of them trying to hedge a cuckoo, some were rolling their cheeses to market, and still others were storing their carts, wagons and cattle upon their roofs. foolish as these men of Gotham are unworthy my vengeance," said the King; and he marched away, little deeming that the simple fools had

purposely deceived him. Two Shoes" the world by Oliver Goldsmith in 1764. It is one of the most popular of "poor Goldy's" productions, and celebrates an actual occurrence, although some of the incidents are exaggerated by an actual

"Bluebeard" was the production of Charles Penault, a French author of celebrity. The ballad was founded on occurrence in the life of Marshal de Retz, a great noble of who was executed for sorcery and murder in 1444. The ballad appeared in 1697.

Penault was also the author of those other famous rhymes, "Cinderella," "Tom Thumb" and "Jack the Giant Killer." all founded on popular folklore tales. book of 1609, and must have been fa-miliar to the early English settlers of "Old Mother Hubbard" and "Goosey, Goosey, Gander" date back to the six-

PRECAUTIONARY. "Excuse me," he said timidly to an employe of the weather bureau. "I don't wish to interfere in anybody's

business, but I'd like to make a sug-"What is it?" "You will remember that you predicted this cold wave some time ago."Yes."

"And it took almost a week for it to materialize." 'But it got here, didn't it?"

"That's the point exactly. Don't you think it would be a good idea for you to go ahead right now so as to get an early start, prophesying warm weather?"-Washington Star.

THE LAST OF THE DRUIDS. Historians of the present day are never tired of declaring that Druidism disappeared from England many centuries ago, says the Philadelphia Telegraph. The Duke of Buccleuch, however, can prove that this is not correct, as the last of the Druids still exists in his own person, although he appoints a representative to officiate in a curious old ceremony which has been preserved since long before the days of William the Conqueror. consists of the payment of what is called "Wroth money," the principal householders of the parish in which he is lord of the manor being compelled to pay him a certain sum in silver coins every November. The money is hrown into a hollow cross of Saxon design and collected afterward by the bailiff of the estate. An amusing feature of this old-time ceremony is that any parishioner failing to make the payment is liable to a forfeit of twenty times the amount, or is compelled to procure a white bull with a pink nose as a substitute. This curious custom was witnessed a few days ago by a large number of spectators, drawn to the place, but not so much, I think, by the imposing event as by the sump-tuous breakfast provided at the local inn by the Duke of Buccleuch.

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Australian Five-Mile Cycling Championship.

THE WHEEL

IN AUSTRALIA. 'At the second day's meeting of the Sydney Cycling League, held on Nov. 10, Ken Lewis won the five-mile Australian championship in 12 minutes 17 seconds. Parsons was second. Mc-Donnell, the American, was not placed.

THE MATTER OF DIET. To those who ride by distances the question of suitable food is an important one, as so much depends on retaining an unimpaired digestion. A great authority, Parkes, to wit, says that rice, tripe, whipped eggs. sago, tapioca, barley, boiled milk, raw eggs, lamb, parsnips, mashed and boiled potatoes, and fricassed chicken are the most easily digested substances in the order given, the rice disappearing from the stomach in an hour, and the fricassed chicken in two hours and three-quarters. Beef, pork, mutton, oysters, butter, bread, veal, boiled and roast fowls are rather less

SPOKES.

The Russian import duty on bicycles amounts to \$12 50 per machine. During last week 231 applications for membership in the L. A. W. were received, of which number 39 were entered from Pennsylvania, 80 from New York, and 16 from Connecticut, 13 from New Jersey and 7 from Massachusetts.

The Panama track at Jacksonville will be the battle ground where Tom Linton, the holder of the world's hour record, and his fellow countryman, Jimmy Michael, will settle their claims as regards speed at unpaced work. The man will ride three races at one and five miles, and for one hour, to be run respectively on Jan. 19, 21

At the Chicago show, E. C. Stearns & Co. have a section 70 feet long in they have a display mapped out which is magnificent in its proportions. They also have one of the most desirable spaces at the New York Show, but on account of the limited space in the lavish a manner as in Chicago.

TRIGGER. BEFORE THE TRAPS.

In a 200-bird match at Milwaukee last week, Dr. Williams scored 191 to

Fred Hoey has apparently got back strate a natural phenomenon.

Three Wise Men of Gotham Went Macalester as a partner he scored 96 out of a possible 100 birds in a recent team match at Riverton. In the same match Work killed 95. Hoey and Macalester won by a score of 185 to Work and Dolan's 178. J. L. Winston has been doing some

good shooting at Chicago lately. On last Salturday he defeated Dr. Carver in two 50-bird matches, scoring 45 and 47 to Dr. Carver's 44 and 42. Dr. Carver, however, had his revenge on Monday, for he defeated Winston similar matches by scoring 46 and 48 to the latter's 44 and 41.

> ATHLETICS. STRONG MAN MEYER.

A. E. Meyer, who now resides Detroit, has a splendid record in weight lifting. He has made a dead lift of 1,439 pounds, and has raised 134 pounds with his first finger, 107 with the second finger and 80 with the third and fourth, successively. Mr. Meyer is a U. of M. '96 law. TWENTY ROUNDS BY LIGHT-

WEIGHTS New York, Dec. 28.-Kid McPartland, of this city, and Owen Zeigler, of Philadelphia, lightweights who aspire to championship honors, met on Saturday night in the Broadway Athletic Club's arena in a 20-round go, and the result was a draw. the last round McPartland had the better of the contest, but the Philadelphian worked very oleverly in the last round and turned what promised to be a lost battle into a draw. Before the principal event Billy Stift, of Chicago, and Frank Purcell came on to battle at catch weights. Purcell stood fully six inches taller and about fifteen pounds heavier than his stockily-built opponent. Purcell was knocked out in the first round, in 25 seconds, just two seconds less than took Peter Maher to knock out

O'Donnell on Friday at Coney Island.
Joe Bernstein, of New York, and
Billy Whistler, of Philadelphia, sparred a 15-round draw. Kid McCoy, who has recovered from the fever he contracted in Johannesburg, is to fight Bill Doherty, of Australia, for twenty rounds at Johannes-

burg for \$5,000 a side and a division of the gate receipts.

Billy Hill, the "Pickaninny," in a letter from England, writes that none of the English light weights will fight him since his victory over Arthur Callan. Hill claims that he has a deposit up to meet any one in Eng-Sammy Kelly is authority for the statement that Peter Jackson intends

to box again. Sammy says: "Jackson told me just before he left England that he (Jackson) would come to America next year and meet some of the big men in limited-round bouts." At Victoria Hall, Melbourne, on Nov. 9, Dan Monagle and "Tot" Higgins, aspirants for the light-weight chamonship, met in a ten-round contest the former receiving the decision af-ter a hard struggle. Monagle intends to leave for America at an early date At Melbourne on Nov. 12 Bill Jennings and "Starlight," the American- Urinary Organs, Australian colored middleweight, fought a ten-round draw.

WESTON FAILED. New York, Dec. 28.—When Edward Bright's Disease, Diabetes and Payson Weston, the 58-year-old pedestrian, at 10 o'clock Saturday night, left the track on which he had endeavored to equal his record of 112 miles in 24 hours, he had walked 103 miles 426 1-3 yards. The old man went to the office of the skating rink in which the track was situated, threw himself on a cot and wept bitterly. A number of friends gathered around and sought to console him, but Weston refused to be comforted and reproached himself for his failure. The veteran started out bravely in his effort to prove that he was as LADIES, LOOK!—Feather and down cushions 50c each. Large stock of feathers, pillows; ticks filled with feathers on shortest notice. Telephone 997.
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his effort to prove that he was as sturdy a man as he was 25 years ago, and more than half the day maintained a gait that promised to break his record. Then he was seized with vertigo and was obliged to leave the track for longer periods than he had planned. He was also obliged, efter walking a few laps, to reverse the

direction in order to overcome dizziness. About thaif past 9 o'clock Saturday night Weston reached the 100 mile mark and the spectators cheered him, but the cheers did not gladden the heart of the gray-haired pedestrian, who realized that he must fail. He left the track and set for a four He left the track and sat for a few moments in one of the boxes, where he burst into tears. Again he took the track and sought to wipe out the mrles that stood between him and victory, and added 3 miles and 426 1-3 yards to his score before the clock struck 10. During Weston's last half hour on the track he was spurred on by the ___ters, who kept pace with him and congratulated him on his good showing. The band, too, played lively airs and the old man spurted in response.

Weston undertook the task of equal-

made when he was 33 years old, to illustrate how a regular and temperate life conserves man's vigor and makes him strong in his later years. Weston was sent off on his journey at the Palace rink at 10 o'clock Friday night with the encouraging cheers of a big crowd, composed principally of scientists, society men, professional men, prominent city officials, and the like. He walked steadily until 10 o'clock, covering with a few minutes' rest 72 miles. After 30 minutes' rest he appeared again on the track and continued the journey well ahead of

ing his record of 112 miles in 24 hours,

the schedule.
"I'll cover 120 miles within the 24 hours easily," he said, The old fellow actually seemed to grow younger as he went further. There was no exhaustion depicted on his face, On the contrary, there was a good healthy color in his cheeks and his eyes were clear and bright. At about 2 o'clock he had covered 74 miles. An hour later the score sheet showed that he had 77 miles and 41-2 laps to his credit, His 76th mile was covered in 10 minutes and 52 seconds, the record of the trial to this point. Shortly after 5 o'clock, when the veteran was well under way, he had an attack of vertigo, which compelled him to leave the track, and he was absent about 45 minutes. On his return he set off at a brisk pace, but after going an hour or more he was compelled to retire again. LAt 8:30 his record was 95 miles and he had only covered 23 miles in a little more than seven hours.

> BASEBALL. FLYS.

Troy has the call over Toronto for the eighth city in the Eastern League. In 1888 Boston and New York played to 63,649 people in six successive games, New York outdrawing Boston by 115 in three games in that city. Catcher Creiger, who played in several games for Cleveland, is said to be certain of a regular position on the team next season. He is counted as a wonder as a thrower to second base. McFarland, the crack catcher of the St. Louis Browns, is being greatly sought after by the different clubs in the league at present. All of the clubs with the exception of two have made offers to secure him, but the best secured by Chris Von Der Ahe are from Philadelphia, Boston and Pittsburg

teams. Ted Sullivan, the irrepressible exmanager of Toronto, Washington and a score or more of other teams is go. ing down to the Texas League again as manager of the San Antonio team. Sullivan cut up quite a stir in Texas two years ago as manager of the Dallas team. He is a splendid ball man, in that he creates enthusiasm and a breeze wherever he goes. Col. Van Derbeck, who is on the schedule committee, has arranged one which he thinks will please them all.

It gives the western clubs at home games Decoration Day or Fourth of July, and the eastern clubs alternateastern clubs will be in the west. says he thinks this will suit them all, the west has not had its share of heliday games lately .- Wisconsin.

BOWLING.

THE HIGHEST SCORE OF THE YEAR. a practice game at the Detroit Athletic Club on Christmas afternoon Harwood Bacon, a member of the junior team, made the highest score

of the year. The regulation pins were used, and Mr. Bacon succeeded in making 11 straight strikes. His score

was 299. BASKET BALL. HAMILTON BEAT BUFFALO. Hamilton 16, Buffalo 13, was the result of the basket ball game played at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, Hamilton, on Friday night, by teams from Y. M. C. A.s of the above places. It was the most scientific game ever played in Hamilton. The Buffalo players were heavier, but not as accurate as those of Hamilton. The return

New Year's Day. CURLING. AT ST. THOMAS.

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The curling season opened at the Granite Rink, St. Thomas, on Friday morning, when the annual match be tween the president and vice-president ice was in splendid condition. There were three rinks a side, and the vicepresident won by 23 shots.

CURIOUS FACTS ABOUT TEETH Damp weather booms the dentist The first false teeth were made on lead plates. People of the United States have the worst teeth of any nation. Baltimore is known as the cradle of dentistry, and has eight colleges. Hippocrates, 450 B.C., was the first dentist of whom there is a record. Gold-filled teeth are found in the jaws of skeletons exhumed at Pompeii. A child is said to inherit the teeth of its father and the jaws of its mother. Facial neuralgia is sometimes due to a dead tooth and may be cured by a dentist.

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