### Doctry.

THE WEIRD OF MISTER BROWN, OF SHAMONG, N. J.

The of an honest Farmer the tale I shall tell, lie had sold his fat Steers most uncommonly well:

With an innocent Heart and a fet Pocket-book Howas strolling down Broadway at the sights for to look.

#### CHORIUS

Singing-Tooral, li looral, li looral, li lay; Beware of false Friends to the Town when you

For the Nephow of Bankers, and the Y. M. C. A. Is too often a Capper to lure you to play.

At the Cornier he happened a young Man for to

meet, Lis Ulstier came down to his polished Boots so

neat, His Hat it was silken, his Jewelry snide, And his waxed Mustache stuck out a foot on cach side.

Said the Young Man : " Is my Earsight deceiving my Eyes?

O, this is a totial and joyous Surprise!

When did you from dear old Shamong come to town.

And how did you leave all the Folks, Mr. Brown?

"Not know me? You surely remembier -but

Stop!

Here's my Card"—and he gave one, "J. F.

Blenkinsop"—
"I met you at the House of my Uncle so dear,
Of the National Bank of Shamong he's Cashier.

Let's imbihe-it sin't often one meets you in

town. Come, give it a name," and the good Mr. Brown Took his Whiskey with gladness, and said to that young
Man," It warms my old Heart to meet friends

from Shamong.'

"A Cigar ? 'Tis pure Cuban, and that reminds

Me A Prize I have won in the Cuban Lotterie: If you will but come with me till the Cash is

paid down, Then safely I'll show you the Sights about

For know, Colonel Brown, in this Sodom of ours.

The Capper prowls round, seeking whom he de-And the Steerer he steers, and the Roper ropes

To the Den of the Bancoist simple Strangiers with Tin.

But here is the Office." They entered it. There

Was a middlo-agod Man with a clorical air,
A Pon at each Ear and a third in his Hand,
And an Aspect benevolent, business-like, and bland.

"This ticket? 'Tis number 1-6-4-7-2. One hundred in Gold is the Prize that it drew, Here are \$98 and two Tickets eke For the very next Drawing; time, Saturday

day week." "Woe is me I woe is me I" cried J. F. Blen-

kinsop. "Till nort Saturday week I, alas ! cannot stop, For this Evening I leave by the 6.50 Train For a Sojourn of Weeks at Molunkus, in Maine.'

"Then, sir," said the Agent, "to accommodate

We'll hold hore a drawing," and he brought into

view A Cloth marked with Numbers, a Box and Eight

dice,
"Which," said he, "you must shake and
throw on the Board twice."

Blenkinsop threw the dice. They turned up 29. Said the Agent: "Sir, \$200 are thine." Said the Winner: "Euough; t'other ticket, Judgo Brown,

le yours, upon Fortune, p'rhaps, may not frown."

Brown rattled the Dice. They came up 82.
"Sir, \$70 are coming to you—
Not now, but next thrown; for this is an Event,
By the Rules of the Game, where you must \* Reprosent."

Brown placed on the Board seven \$5 bills And threw 26. Said the Agent: "This kills all that I over saw, for 210 hallers size you will win—when you 'Represent' At Shamong, N. J., still resides Mr. Brown; He still rears fat cattle and sells them in Town. But when Nophews of Bankiers accost him bo, more

In Auger than in Sorrow, gays, " I've Been There Before I'

Singing-Tooral, h looral, li looral, li lay, Beware of false Friends to the City if you stray; For the Nephews of Bankers and the Y. M. C. A. Is too often a Capper to lure you to play.—N.
Y. World.

#### A RELIABLE CIPHER.

In the matter of ciphers, here is one which we find in the columns of the Boston Transcript, which will extert a sigh from the hearts of Mr. Tilder and his coparconers because they did not hit upon it. To decipher it would certainly puzzle the most adroit, as it depends entirely on the use of the keyword, which can be changed as often as may be desired. It is only necessary for the person writing to have a table like the following and a key-word previously agreed upon.

abedefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz bedefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyza edefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyzab defghijkimnopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijkimnopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijkimnopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijkimnopqrstuvwxyzabodefhijkimnopqrstuvwxyzabodefhijkimnopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijkimnopqrst ijklmnopqrstuvwxyzabode jklmnopqrstuvwxyzabodefs iklmnopq rstuvwxy zabode fg kimnopqrstuvwxy zabode fgh lmnopqrstuvwxyzabodefg mnopqrstuvwxyzabodefgh mnopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijkl nopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijklmn opqrstuvwxyzabodefghijklmno qrstuvwxyzabodefghijklmno qrstuvwxyzabodefghijklmnopqr stuvwxyzabodefghijklmnopqr tuvwxyzabodefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyzabodefghijklmnopqrst vwxyzabcdefghijklmnopqrstu wxyzabcdefghijklmnopqrstuv xyzabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvw yzabcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwx zabode igh i jk lmnopqratuvw zy

Let me suppose that A in Boston wants to send B in Chicago the message, 'rend me five hundred,' and that 'love' is the key-word agreed upon. He writes his message, and under it, letter for letter, the key-word, repeating the latter as often as may be neces sary, thus:

### send me five hundred love love love love love

He now refers to his table, finds the first letter's 'in the first horizontal line and runs down vertically until he comes to the letter which stands stands opposite to '1' in the first vertical line; it proves to be 'd.' This is the first letter of his cipher message, and he writes it under the 'l.' Next finding 'c,' the second letter in his message, he runs down vertically until he comes to the letter opposite 'o,' the second letter in the key; it proves to be 's.' This he writes as the second letter of his cipher, under the 'o.' Continuing in this way his three lines stand

> send mefive hundred love lovelovel ovel dsihx samgs cyyrmio

And the cipher messages to be sent to Chicago would be dish as amgs cyyrmio. When B in Chicago received this he would write it out, and over it, letter for letter, the key agreed upon thus

### dsih xam gscyyrm io lovelo lovel ove

Finding the first letter 'l' of the key in the first vertical line he follows horizontally until he comes to 'd,' the first letter of the cipher message; then going up vertically to the top he finds 's' the first letter of his transla-tion. Next he finds 'o,' the second letter of his key in the vertical column tilk he comes to 's,' the second letter in the cipher, and thence going up vortically he comes at the top to 'e-' Continuing in this way he de-ciphers the whole and gets 'Send me five hundred.' It is evident that by changing the key, which may be any word agreed upon, the whole would be changed.



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