

## George Ade Pastures



## WITH MR. PEASLEY IN DARKEST LONDON.

Can't get away to marry you today-My wife won't let me!"

of English music hall humor. Mr.

with us in London. He planned to the sounds of lamentation and modified checked your baggage could not by any hurry on to Paris, but he has been cuss words. Mr. Peasley could not waiting here for his trunk to catch up find his trunk. It was not with the

of Amily no.

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"There was I, a-waitin' at the church,
Waitin' at the church,
Waitin' at the church.
When I found he'd left me in the lurch,
Lord, how it did upset me:
Here's the very note,

"There was I, a-waitin' at the church,
Waitin' at the subway, or whatever you over the approaching ordeal. As the fateful hight draws near he counts up his study and investigates the "white option of full dress he brooods
Waitin' at the church,
Wait

The foregoing is a very new specimen brought ashore and sorted out according to the alphabetical labels in an ad- burg." sley thinks it is the best thing he joining room to await the customs has heard since he struck London, and he has seen a play by Henry Arthur Jones and attended services at St. Paul's. After going to the music hall in ten minutes the trunks had been specified by succeeded in certification. When the customs we called Mr. Peasley's attention to the reading matter, but he said it was opening of an Oklahoma reservation. In ten minutes the trunks had been "Nevertheless your trunk has gone to the struck London, and examination. When the customs we called Mr. Peasley's attention to the reading matter, but he said it was opening of an Oklahoma reservation. In ten minutes the trunks had been "Nevertheless your trunk has gone to the struck London, and the customs we called Mr. Peasley's attention to the reading matter, but he said it was opening of an Oklahoma reservation. three times he succeeded in getting the passed and were being trundled out to words, and is now working on the air.

We do not expect to have Mr. Peasley voices and the rattle of wheels arose "Nevertheless your trun the special train. Above the babble of "Where is Hamburg?" "In Germany. The

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the six listened for the next fifteen min-

"But why didn't it come ashore?"

"Every one

impression that he had crossed on the Mr. Peasley took off his hat and leaned Umbria possibly twelve or fourteen his head back and howled for his trunk

times and had spent years in Munich. The train started and Mr. Peasley, after

The Illinois man looked up to Mr. momentary indecision, made a running Peasley as a modern Marco Polo, and leap into our midst. There were six of Mr. Peasley proceeded to unbend to us in a small padded cell, and five of

"A few years ago Americans were utes to a most picturesque and impas-

"A few years ago Americans were the state of a most picturesque and impas-very unpopular in England," said Mr. sioned harangue on the subject of the Peasley. "Every one of them was sup-general inefficiency of German steam-

posed to have either a dynamite bomb ships and English railways.

or a bunch of mining stock in his "Evidently the trunk was not sent ashore." some one suggested to Mr. Peasley. "If the trunk did not come

in Plymouth you will notice just be- ashore you could not reasonably ex-

it is Sunday and the weather is threat- on the Boat knew that I was goin

will haul us around in open carriages trunk? Has anybody else lost

ening, but the reception committee will get off at Plymouth. It was talked

be on hand. If we can take time beabout all the way over. Other people
fore starting for London no doubt a
committee from the Commercial Club
you heard of any German being shy a

to visit the public buildings and brew- thing? No; they went over the pas

eries and other points of interest, senger list and said, 'If we must hold

in Plymouth you will notice just be ashere you could not reasonably ex-yond the station a large triumphal arch pect the station officials to find it and

posed to have either a dynamite bomb ships and English railways.

of evergreen bearing the words of 'Wel-come, American!' Possibly the band "But why didn't it come.

will not be out this morning, because demanded Mr. Peasley.

While the passengers were kept herd-ed into a rather gloomy waiting room the trunks and larger baggage were letters at least two inches tail, "This

"Where is Hamburg?"
"In Germany. The Teuton who effort of the imagination conceive the possibility of a person starting for anywhere except Hamburg. In two days your trunk will be lying on a dock in

"Well, there's one consolation," ob served Mr. Peasley; "the clothes in that trunk won't fit any German." When he arrived in London he be-san wiring for his trunk in several languages. After two days came a ssage couched in Volapuk or some other hybrid combination, which led aim to believe that his property had

been started for London. Mr. Peasley spent a week in the world's metropolis with no clothes except a knockabout travelling outfit and what he called his "Tuxedo," although over here they say "dinner jacket." In Chicago or Omaha Mr. Peasley could have got along for a week without any embarrassment to himself or others. Even in New York the "Tuxedo" outfit would have carried him through, for it is regarded as a passable apology for evening dress, provided the vishes to advertise himself as a lonesome "stag." But in London there is no compromise. In every hotel lobby or dining room, every restaurant, theatre or music hall, after the coagulated fog of the daytime settles into the opaque gloom of night, there is but one style with aim. The story of the trunk taggage marked "P." It was not in of dress for any mortal who does not wish to publicly pose as a barbarian. As we steamed into Plymouth harbor ever they called the heap of unmarked as well wear a sweater. In fact, it on a damp and overcast Sabbath morn-stuff piled up at one end of the room. would be better for him if he did wear the boneyard, or the discard, or what- The man who affects a "Tuxedo" might

In beginning a story he would say, ing his trunk. The station agent and "I remember once I was crossing on the Umbria," or possibly. "That reminds in all sorts of impossible places, while me of a funny thing I once saw in Munich." He did not practise to detective, and yet he gave strangers the aboard if he wished to go to London.

In the station agent and porters ran hither and thither, looking in all sorts of impossible places, while the locomotive bell rang warningly and the guard begged Mr. Peasley to get aboard if he wished to go to London.

a pretty dingy lot compared with a well dressed stream along Fifth avenue. Many of the tall hats bear a faithful resemblance to fur caps. The trousers has and the coat collars are

is ready to venture forth, a tall collar we belong to the minority that is tryand fumbled over a lot of papers, and is ready to venture forth, a tall collar finally unfolded a receipt about the choking him above, the glassy shoes size of a one sheet poster. On top was a number and beneath it said in red at ease as he would be in a full suit of letters at least two inches tall, "This armor, with casque and visor.

Is ready to venture forth, a tall collar we belong to the minority that is trying to debrutalize it and reduce the death rate.

Here it was, February in London, armor, with casque and visor.

armor, with casque and visor.

However, all of this is off the subject. rival forty-five Association games and



MINUST OUT SON DELINON CHA.

Here was Mr. Peasley in London, desirous of "cutting a wide gash," as he very prettily termed it, plenty of good money from Iowa burning in his pocket, and he could not get out and "secondate" because of a more defici-"associate" because of a mere deficiency in clothing.

At the first class theatres his "bowl- at each of which the attendance was er" hat condemned him and he was over thirty thousand, with the receipts sent into the gallery. When he walked exceding \$5,000. A very conservative As we steamed into Plymouth narpor on a damp and overcast Sabbath morning Mr. Peasley stood on the topmost deck and gave encouraging information to a man from Central Illinois who was on his first trip abroad. Mr. Peasley shad been over for six weeks in 1895, and that gave him license to do the "old" out to the "luggage vans," and Mr.

trousers bag and the coat collars are down, just to let the flunkeys know

to about \$45,000. There were two games

"They are what?"
"Cheering." In beginning a story he would say, ing his trunk. The station agent and about half-past seven P. M. The men wear a placard reading "I have some newspapers are beginning to ask editional agent and thither, looking seen in the streets during the day seem clothes, but my trunk is in Hamburg." to rially "Is football a curse?" There is

The game to which Mr. Peasley con-

are flockin' over there'" he asked. "Goin' after their tea. Tea! Turning their backs on a football game to go and get a cup of tea! Why, that tea thing over there is worse than the opium habit. Do you know, when the final judgment day comes, and Gabriel blows his horn and all of humanity is bunched up, waitin' for the sheep to be cut out from the goats and put into separate corral, some Englishman will look at his watch and discover that's it five b'clock and then the whole British nation will turn its back on the proceedings and go off lookin'

"and I will take you to the only dry So we descended to the "tuppenny

Dotty was in the room one day when her mother was entertaining a friend who had recently lost her husband. The widow was saying in a tearful voice, "Dear John may have had his faults, but his heart was on the right side." "No wonder he died," whispered Dot to her mother.—Philadelphia Ledger.





over here? Don't you know how to language and are simply recording the back up a team? Where are all of your usage as it becomes established. flags and ribbons, your tally-hos and Such men as the editor of the Centin horns? Is this a football game or tury Dictionary, Dr. Benjamin E. a funeral?"

Smith; the etymological editor of the

"Might as well put a little ginger into the exercises," suggested Mr. Peas-ley. "Do you sing during the game?" "Heavens, no. Sing? Why should one sing during a football game? What is the connection between vocal music and an outdoor pastime of this char-

"You ought to go to a game in Iowa City. We sing till we're black in the face—all about 'Eat 'em up, boys,' 'Kill 'em in their tracks' and 'Buckin' through the line. What's the use of coming to a game if you stand around all afternoon and don't take part? Have you got any yells?" 'What are those?

"Can you beat that?" asked Mr. Peasey, turning to us. "A football game

without any yells!" The game started. By straining our eyes we could make out through the deep gloom some thirty energetic young men, very lightly clad, splashing about in all directions and kicking in all sorts of aimless directions. Mr. Peasley said it was a mighty poor excuse for football. No one was knocked out; there was no bucking the line; there didn't even seem to be a doctor in evidence We could now follow the fine points of the contest. Evidently some good plays were being made, for occasional ly a low, growling sound—a concrete murmur—would arise from the multitude banked along the side lines. "What is the meaning of that sound they are making?" asked Mr. Peasley, turning to the native standing along-

"They are cheering," was the reply.

"Great Scott! Do you call that cheering? At home, when we want to en- English spelling, and, inde courage the boys we get up on our hind legs and make a noise that you can hear in the next township. We put cracks in the azure dome. Cheering! Why, a game of croquet in the court house yard is eight times as thrilling as this thing. Look at those fellows juggling the ball with their feet. Why doesn't somebody pick it up and butt through that crowd and start a little rough work?"

The native gave Mr. Peasley one hopeless look and moved away. Soon after that-we saw a large tion of the crowd moving over toward booth at one end of the grounds. Mr. Peasley hurried after them, thinking that possibly some one had started a fight on the side and that his love of excitement might be gratified after all these reformed spellings.

Presently he returned in a state of "In this connection attention might

"Do you know why all those folks

After we had stood in the rain for about an hour some one told Mr. Peasley that one team or the other had won by three goals to nothing, and we followed the moist throng out through

JERKING OF THE LIMBS.

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ON THE RIGHT SIDE.

## **tayors Fonetic** Spelling.

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A new governor had pointed to the prison

Don Hugo, was a re

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and early successful in

an ill-advised hour he speech in public, where

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the brigand chief, who

terrorized the district.

some of his crimes, against him the penalti

All this Don Q. read in

eyrie with exceeding re

tered his self-esteem. I fully reported in the which we may call El M sting lay walting in th "And yet this reputed mountains," concluded interest all self-esteem in the self-esteem. I full self-esteem in the self-esteem i

after all, a miserable

than the meanest ass in carries but one ear!".

Whatever his other how the bandit possessed but the libel was of a nature never be forgiven. His dwelt upon it with an authorise to the liber of the sumb him awoke, tormenting. Upon this day, which it terval of terrified quiet bers' valley was thrilled ment, hot with the doub novelty and danger. A

ment, hot with the doub
novelty and danger. A
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tice, had met with a lady
lady she seemed—who fa
ling after the usual ma
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stantly demanded to be
presence of the dreaded
In the dusk Don Q.
head. "Do not keep me
pray, Gaspar," he said in
lant voice. "What is it?
"Lord, a senora woul
you," stuttered the man
Don Q. paused. It mus
that a lady desiring an i
him was something of a

NEW YORK, March 30 .- Dictionary ak rs of the new school do not frown on originality in spelling, for they are pledged to the movement financed by Andrew Carnegie, which has for its object the simplification of Engiish orthography. It was not so many years ago that the compilers of lexicons were regarded as making usage and as being laws unto themse ves The first great American lexicographer Noah Webster, whose house still stands near Yale University, at New Haven, was one who struck out himself into the spelling industry and set a few standards which the people of the United States were supposed to

He did, as a matter of fact, bring about some of the arrangements of let-ters which are accepted, at least, on this side of the water. He was the original foe of the "u" in such words as honor. Some of his reforms have fallen by the wayside and others he actually abandoned himself. The dictionary makers of the present, how-

"Why should one wear ribbons at a same publication, Dr. C. F. G. Scott, football game?" asked the Englishand the Rev. Dr. Isaac K. Funk, the



publisher and reditor-in-chief of the Standard Dictionary, look kindly upon the proposed reforms and have become ong the zealous advocates of a simpler spelling. They have all joined the Simplified Spelling Board and are taking an active part in the plans for the campaign of education on behalf of an

easier spelling.
Dr. Isaac K. Funk is one of the most in the dictionary of which he is the editor in chief, but in the publication of the firm over which he has supervision he has directed the employment

of many of the improved spellings. "Although these words are constantly used, and have been for years," said he, "very few prot concerning them. In fact, they are scarcely noticed. Once in a great while some one in England writes about spelling which he considers as different from that in common use. It is intended, however, not to use words which might strike the eye as being greatly different and thus distract the attention of the reader from the subject of which he is reading. Several journals

be called to the changes in spelling of proper names which have been made by the United States Board on Geographical Names. The American Philological Association has adopted three hundred words with reformed spelling and has urged the simplification of

"The Modern Languages Association, which includes teachers of English as well as of the European languages, is in favor of this reform. The National Educational Association by a vote of 1,545 active members to 171 decided to appropriate \$2,000 annually to advance the cause of a simplified orthography. The Philological Society of England has committed itself to the same pol-

"In England the movement has the support of such men as Professor A. H. Sayce, the Oxford philologist; Professor W. W. Skeat, the distinguished etymologist, and H. Sweet, the well known old English scholar. The late Sir Alfred Tennyson and the late Max Muller were advocates of the symplified spelling. The great scholars of England are thoroughly in accord with the proposed reform. The only opposition which the simplified spelling meets in England is from that class of literary men who are no longer entitled to be called conservative, for they are simply ignorant of the history of language."

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storage in Siberia.-Montreal Herald. LONDON, March 31-The correspondent of Cairo of the Daily Telegraph reports that Turkey has begun the withdrawal of troops from the disputed posts in Akabah.

The benefit that comes to a great newspaper from its advertising is infinitesimal as compared with that received by the advertisers themselves

him was something of a
"Good. The senora's n
"The lady would tell
self, lord."
"Let her come," Gaspan
with relief, but the self, lord." "Stay, Gaspar, Make up light a torch, fix it up me. I trust, Gaspar, I inconvenienced the senor her waiting? I will ask inconvenienced the senor her waiting? I will ask the silence was eloquent A few minutes later a late to the circle of light with the circle of light with the circle of light with the senoral waith the alledged beauty, audactous Don Q. rose from his gloom beyond the fire an "I am the chief of the se and the senora's very hum. The words uttered in provide the senoral waith the soft tone of coustartled the hearer. She the smoke and flames, be had been set to baffle he "I have come, senor, to ald," she said, impulsivel At the same instant sher mantilla and disclostures. Don Q gazed at hen ment in silence. She wilke a red blossom, her so looking but extreme beat by a skin of exquisite crowned with golden hair "Senora," began the sof a pause, which the lady ated as a tribute to her cipermitted to ask by what remember such loveliness "Catalina, the Condessa off excitedly; she had an and wished to gain it w"I was told that you were

and wished to gain it was told that you were in distress, and would he when you could."

"I rejoice that there a

"I rejoice that there a speakers of the truth und tains. Be at ease. Dona tains. Be at ease. Dona is only equalled by my is only equalled by my is know in what manner I gratitude for the honor "Sehor, I am the wife somest caballero in Spain "Ah! And the countes "In Castelleno," she ans "In Castelleno," she ans "In Castelleno?" The fament to the moment. "He nora. You are doubtles with the governor of the The condessa started sli "Why, yes."

"Is he not an ugly, pim low?" questioned Don Q. She replied hotly: "On he is an exceedingly han He cut her short. "Parare you sure? I have he dies cried out at the mere smile!"

"With gratification, per'

"With gratification, per

And you'll find that we're all one out a trunk on any one, let's hold it people—just like brothers. Wait till out on Peasley—old good thing Peasley."

right back among your friends in Decatur."

It was too early in the morning for the reception committee, but there was a fellow that couldn't is that he wears it enly about once a cause of any outery acter of the play or tallity," but because has a more abiding Association game.

as test placed, for them sits without how the share true to the female,

If the Englishman dressed for travel in the United States as a counter-irritant for the old fashioned form of manslaughter, is by far the more popular in English and irre-ular in England. The Rughy Association was not at all in keeping with regalia is the most correct and irreproachable of mortals. He can wear
lon is waning in popularity, not bethe advertised importance of the game. proachable of mortals. He can wear evening clothes without being conscious of the fact that he is "dressed up." The trouble with the ordinary American who dwns an open faced suit is that he wears it enly about once a special or the same of the play or any talk of "brutality," but because the British public Peasley. He spoke to a native standing fondness for the ing alongside of him and asked:—
"What's the matter with you folks What's the matter with you folks

is double that will be been their and by what

DR. CHASE'S CINTMENT. and by the public.-N. Y. Sun.

the big gates. "Come with me," said Mr. Peasley, place in London. LETS MOLD IT OUT ON PEASLEY bunched in the rear and all the shoes that they had been mistaken. seem about two sizes too large. Occasionally you see a man on his way to a train and he wears a shapeless bag of a sarment made of some lossely in that they had been mistaken.

Mr. Peasley was greatly rejoiced to clement weather—that is inclement learn one day that he could attend a London weather—which means that it football game without wearing a specwas the most terrible day that the inroy, Ont. a train and he wears a snapeless bay of a garment made of some loosely woven material that looks like gunny-sack, with a cap that resembles nothing so much as a welsh rabbit that sack, with a cap that resembles nothing so much as a weish rabbit that pastime known as football in America has "spread." To complete the picture, is a modification and over-development of the Rugby game as played in Great the fact that the weather it is a rug, but it isn't. It is a horse Britain. The Association on "Socker" thousand spectators attended the game. it is a rug, but it isn't. It is a horse Britain. The Association, or "Socker" thousand spectators attended the game, which is now being introduced and saw it through to a watery finish. 413 BOWLER MAT CONDEMNED MIM