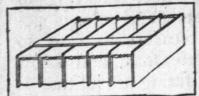
AN INTERESTING GAME.

It Is Played With Croquet Balls and a Homemade Box.

Some time ago, when traveling in northern Wisconsin, I came across a new game, which, although simple and easy to play, was so fascinating that I think every boy or girl would enjoy it.

Here is the way to make the apparatus needed: Take six boards about eight inches wide and two feet long and place them on edge in a parallel position, with the long edges to the ground. With a gimlet bore a hole in each corner of the boards and through each set of holes thus made insert an iron rod two and one-half feet long. Adjust the boards on the rods so that a space of about five inches intervenes between each two-boards. Cut ten tin or wood doors five inches wide and eight inches long to fit in the spaces under the rods and between the boards and then hang these doors on the rods with cord or wire, taking care to have them loose enough to swing freely. To make the apparatus steady nail a nar-



THE APPARATUS.

row board two and one-half feet long across the top of it, midway between the rods. You will now have a structure containing five oblong compartments, open at the top and bettom and closed at the ends by the swinging doors. Beginning at one end number the doors on one side of the apparatus 10, 20, 30, 40, 50. Now pro-cure three large balls, croquet balls pre-

ferred, and your game is ready.

To play the game each contestant stands at a distance of thirty feet and rolls the balls, one at a time, along the ground at the little doors, the object being to send the ball with just force enough so that it enters one of the doors on the side toward the player yet does not go out through the corresponding door on the op-posite side. Of course the larger the number on the door of the compartment in which the ball remains, the larger the count for the player. The game continues, the players—of which there may be any number—each taking his turn at bowling the three balls until some one has 200 points.-Lyman H. North in Brooklyn Eagle.

"No Trouble to Show Goods." The merchant who hangs this motto in his establishment, or, better still, insists on his employees adopting it, makes use of an excellent advortising system. One customer well served usually brings oth-

"Have you any red sweaters?" asked young man of a clerk in a large store.
"No," was the reply. From his manner the customer had evidently asked for a red sweater just for a "starter," not having absolutely decided on that color. But the clerk's emphatic "no" seemed to take from his mind all thought of asking for another color, so out he went, proba-

bly not to return. "Why didn't you show him some other colors?" asked the floorwalker.
"Why," answered the clerk in surprise,

Perhaps it was some "trouble to show goods," but what else is the clerk there for, and what else are the goods for?-

### American Boy.

Strange Funerals. A Chinese funeral, so the Celestials say, never proceeds straight from the house of mourning to the graveyard. The devil is always on the lookout for funerals and follows them to seize the soul of the dead man, so that in order to outwit the evil one the bearers take the body and start with it in a brisk trot, while the packs of firecrackers and pyrotechnics emitting a dense smoke and vile smell are set off just as the procession starts. Having thus deceived Old Nick as to the direction taken by the bearers they run as fast as they can with the body, then suddenly turn a corner while more fireworks are burned. The devil cannot turn a corner easily, and so, if really in pursuit, he shoots on by, and by means of a good deal of sudden turning and stopping and a lavish expenditure of fireworks the fuprocession generally gets to the grave in safety.

Time He Doesn't Like.



There's a time to sing, to eat and to play, Is the time to go to bed,

School Humor. "The grind of going over examination papers," said the principal of a school, "has its compensation if one has a sense of humor. Some of the answers are of humor. Some of the answers are stupidly funny, while others are unconsciously witty. One of the questions in the paper I went over this morning was, 'Name some of the causes of dyspepsia.' One boy's answer was, 'Eating green apples and drinking beer between meals.' Another answered, 'Drinking ice water and after dinner speaking.' Isn't that delicious? A third boy said dyspepsia was caused by going swimming on an empty stomach. Another question was, 'Name some of the vital organs of the human body.' One answer was: 'Heart, liver, lungs and lights. These are the eternal organs.'"—Philadelphia Record.

CHILDREN'S COLUMN. | "I hope others will

do as I did." fered for six years with ovarian trouble. writes Mrs. E. Waite, of Chicago, Ills. (Lake View Postoffice.") "Sometimes I could hardly walk, and when I had to cough it felt as though a knife was cutting me. My hands and feet

were cold all the time. I had such a tired feeling and such a poor appetite, and when I went to bed I slept only about two hours at a time. I got a bottle of 'Favorite Prescription' and by the time I had used two bottles I felt so much better that I continued until I had taken eight bottles of 'Favorite Prescription' and one of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and now I am so well that my friends remark how well I am looking. I go to bed now and sleep till morning. My appe-tite is splendid and that tired feeling has left me. I hope others will do as I did-give Dr. Pierce's medicines a fair trial."

THE WILY TURK. Paris, Oct. 14.-Le Franca's pub lishes a despatch from Susa, Tunis, an-nouncing that a Turkish officer was recently arrested there on a charge of swindling, and that an investigation disclosed the fact that he had received instructions from the Ottoman Minis ter of War to organize a rising of the Arabs in South Algeria in the event of the rupture of diplomatic relations be-tween France and Turkey resulting in declaration of war. It was concluively proved that his presence there was due to these instructions. According to the same advices, the accused officer is only one of several who were entrusted with the same mission.

SURPRISE FOR ZIONISTS.

London, Oct. 14. - Israel Zangwil says of the coming conference Zionists, in Basle, Switzerlan1:- "It is not impossible that Dr. Herzi may ave a great surprise for the world to be announced at the convention. He has been negotiating in person with the Sultan of Turkey, for a charter for Palestine, and it is possible that he has obtained it. It seems likely, a my rate, and the charter may be had before many months, Once the charter as assure larger contributions should be ob-tained. We have at present about \$1, 000,000, most of it from three or four subscribers. And after the charter s obtained and the money is raised he poor folk among the Jews will have a place of refuge at last."

## AN IRISH RIOT.

London, Oct. 14. — John O'Donnell, Nationalist, attempted to address his constituents to-day in Kilmaine, counof Mayo, the scene of recent evic ions. He was dragged off the platform several times by the police, and finally, after a fierce struggle, was taken to the barracks. One hundred and fifty police were present at the neeting. The crowd hurled stones, and several persons were injured. John O'Donnell is a young tenant farmer, and a protege of William O'Brien, M. P., He is secretary of the United Irish League and was first re-turned to the House of Commons for South Mayo, in February, 1900, suc-ceeding Michael Davitt.

"Tommy," said the father of a pre cocious five-year-old at the dinner table, "don't you think that is a prety big piece of cake for a boy of your

"It looks big, papa," replied Tomm; "but it's sponge cake and nearly all

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TWIN NIGHT BIRDS.

The Whip-poor-will and the Night Hawk

bits-Wild Life in Ontario. Twin birds of the summer night are whip-poor-will and night-hawk, though in many ways their habits are very dissimilar. The one never leaves the seclusion of his woodland home; the other, at times, seems to court the widest publicity. Originally, perhaps, the habits of these two birds were very similar, says Raven-spur in Toronto Star. Both are night fliers, both lay their eggs on the bare ground, without constructing the flimsiest attempt at a nest, and both spend the daylight hours, like the owls and bats, in slumber, or, at any rate, in idleness. There, however, the resemblance, as far as habits are concerned, seems to end. The whip-poor-will shuns the presence of man; the night-hawk treats it with indif-ference. The clearing of the dense bush drives the whip-poor-will to reforests; it makes no difference to the night-hawk, which adapts itself to the circumstances, and lays its eggs on the flat roofs of city stores. As a matter of fact the nighthawk is not a hawk at all. He is in no sense of the word predaceous, living exclusively on night flying in-sects, and the sharp "chee, chee," that residents of city and country alike hear during the twilight hours of the summer months is note of the night-hawk as he purnote of the night-hawk as he pur-sues his tiny prey through the upper air. Occasionally this coursing flight changes and he drops like lead from the upper sky, in pursuit, presumably, of some low-flying insect, emit-ting as he does a loud buzzing sound, which is rather startling if the bird happens to be near you. As before noted, the night-hawk remains tolerably common in Ontario, while the whip-poor-will grows rarer every year. I can remember places in the Province where, a few years ago, whip-poor-wills were tolerably numerous, but where now only a pair or two of the birds may be heard emitting their peculiar cries. Doubtless in a year or so they will have com-pletely deserted these localities. Old settlers tell me that when what is known as the London road was cut, from London to Sarnia, through the bush, every stump on each side of the road would be crowned at night with its yelping whip-poor-will, the chorus being deafening. birds are few and far between in that locality. They have not been killed off, for they are invisible at night and doubly hard to locate teuse of the ventriloquial character their song. They have simply vanished, and are doubtless numerous enough in the backwoods. The name whip-poor-will describes this bird's note with tolerable accuracy, the acent being placed on the first syllable, and the whole three being repeat-

because they sound differently to different pairs of ears, which is doubtless why I fail to agree with the sen-timents of a poem which runs in part Winds were softly sighing, sighing, Through the scented evening air; lame a bird's song crying, crying, Like a sad soul in despair. Rang the measure from the meadows

On the night so cool and still,

ed with rapidity and vehemence. As

matter of fact the song notes of

birds are hard to describe on paper

l'loating down across the meadows From the singer on the hill: Whip-poor-will, whip-poor-will.' It depends on the point of view. cannot imagine a "sad soul in de spair" emitting cries like the whip-poor-will. His tone is too emphatic o be sad. The whip-poor-will strikes me as an implacable creature wants William flogged, and won't be

satisfied even when he is. The Ground Hog.

In many parts of Ontario the woodchuck or groundhog still survives. He loves the rolling land bet ter than the flats, because he likes to delve out his home in the hillhave spent many hours watching the groundhog on his tive heath, writes Revenspur in Toronto Star, and have found much about him of interest. His flesh is not dainty, and his fur is coarse, and that is perhaps why he still survives. The farmer often finds him a nuisance, because of the holes he digs and of the unsightly piles of gravel he throws up, but the farmer generally too busy snatching out living for himself to bother much his agricultural fellow-laborer. It is not so, however, with the farmer's boy. He gets much sport out of the groundhog, and he finds him wary game. The groundhog seldom ventures far from home, and at the first sight of danger vanishes. Then the farmer's boy sits down to wait and watch, training his trusty musket on the spot where the groundhog vanished. In a few minutes a black nose appears, and after a cautious survey a lump of brown fur climbs out on top of the little mound of earth to take an observation. Then the old musket talks, and the little ball of fur lies still forever. When I was a boy I had plenty of sport trapping groundhogs. They are powerful little creatures, and I have lost several good steel traps owing to the trapped animal carrying off trap and stake into the depths of his burrow. Were I to visit the haunts of the groundhog now I would probably leave him in peace, for he is a harm-less creature, but while the lust for blood remains in human nature I suppose the life of the groundhog will continue to be one of peril and anxiety, and the chances of his ultimate survival are the reverse of

A Leaf That Is a Leaf. Ex-Warden Slater of Markham has got a maple leaf which he thinks has all other maple leaves beaten out by od margin when it comes to
It is 15 inches long, 17 inches
and 48 inches around, measured with a straight rule. If all the indentations of the leaf could be added in the measurement, it would rich returns. The cost of transportlikely go 5 feet. The leaf was pick-ed from a tree on Mr. Slater's farm ncession of Markham.

A CANADIAN INVENTION. Something About the Lee-Enfield Rifle

Which Beat the Yankees Critics have lately been telling us that the Lee-Enfield rifle is scarcely

good enough for the Canadian militiamen, yet with that same weapon a team of Canadian riflemen defeated a picked eight of Yankee shots in New Jersey last week, says the Galt Reporter.

Mr. James P. Lee, who is now residing in Galt, does not claim that the British national arm-his inven-

tion - is the best one in existence. Since the British Government accepted his model he has improved the magazine arrangement, but when conferred with, the War Office refused to adopt the improvement. latest Lee gun is the arm of the American navy; not, however, of the army, which uses the American Krag. People who do not under-stand the ways of Yankee politicians will doubtless be puzzled over the rejection of the Lee gun by the War Department at Washington. The manufacturers of the Krag rifle have displayed a vast amount of finess in securing recognition for their gun, but it must rather stagger them to find that in a duel between the national arms of the two nations Canadian shots were able to prove conclusively the superiority of the Lee-Enfield. At the longest range, especially, was the British weapon in the hands of our riflemen most effec-

Had justice been done Mr. Lee the United States army would to-day be using his gun—the weapon now in the hands of the United States navy. As things stand, experiments show that the weapon bearing Mr. Lee's name, and which the inventor claims as just a little inferior to the latest product of his mechanical skill, has outpointed the American Krag in a test that must be regarded as a fair one, though the conditions favored the Americans, shooting as they were on home ranges don't think Canada is yet ready to discard the Lee-Enfield-or look with contempt on the Lee-Metfordfor the Krag-Jorgessen or the Maugun now in our hands ser. seems to be just as good as any of

them. A Canadian Labor Federation. Following is the reference made to national organization in the Presidential address of Mr. Ralph Smith M.P., the other day at the and Labor Congress at Brantford: "I think it is of vast importance that this congress should accept some method of increasing its own usefulness. There ought to be a Canadian federation, for, whilst I believe that unionism ought to be international in its methods, to meet the necessity of combating common foes, this usefulness is only assured by the strength of national—unions. A federation of American unions, represented by a national union, and a federation of Canadian unions, represented by a national union, each working with the other in special would be a great advantage over having local unions in Canada connected with the national unions of America. I think greater success would be accomplished in the ment of disputes in each country if the leaders of each were the repre sentatives of their own nation grievances. I do not reflect on American officials who have hand our labor troubles in Canada, but am certain of this, that there are such

distinctive differences in the condition of each that a presentment of Canadian matters by Canadian leaders, and vice versa by American leaders, would lead to a greater success, and would not in any way prevent a federation of the national bodies."

Sheep in a Glacier.

The Dawson News prints a remarkable story about the prospecting tour, just completed, of H. W. Brack en. who has returned to Dawson af ter six months in Northern Alaska. Bracken says that about 1,000 miles from Dawson he and his servants ascended a glacier 8,000 feet high. There they found a herd of mountain sheep frozen in the ice. The theory is that some extreme midwinter blizzard caught them .while stampeding over the dome, the sheep huddled together and perished, the snow gradually forming an icy coat-

Whatever parts of the bodies were above the ice had been devoured by Arctic bears and wolves. Bracken is said to be a scientific niner, of 25 years' experience, hav-

That is the kind we handle,

ng lived three years in the Yukon. How Kindness Breeds Kindness Like breeds like. Canada's recent expressions of good will and sympathy towards the American people are, it is satisfactory to learn, being reciprocated in kind. The Buffalo Engineer replies in this wise to our royal visitors: "In this great hour of sorrow the citizens of the United States will unite with their neighbors, the Canadians, to greet America the Duke and Duchess with enthusiasm, and will only hope that their experience in Canada be as pleasant to them as it is to the people whom they come to see. good feelings thus exchanged may have no marketable value, but they are bound to prove beneficial

Yukon Placers' Long Life. The Manitoba Free Press publishes an interesting interview with Sir Mackenzie Bowell, who stopped off at Winnipeg on his way back from the Yukon. The ex-Premier, who is remarkably energetic for his years, seems to have formed a favorable view as to the long life of the Yukon placers. The chief ground for regarding the placers as virtually permanent was the many new situations in which gold was being discovered. In one mine a tunnel penation and the high wages garded by him as the chief draw-

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