

When a man's single. he lives at his ease.

THE Maine point of the following of-fishial lines is to prove to our piscatorial American cousins that they are the (h)erring ones:

Yankee Doodle -(Cranky— "Boodle"), Bought bait On sly. Not "straight"-Mr. Frye, Bait bought On sly; Got caught On fly. Uncle Sam, Phelan mad, Swore "damn" Like mad.

Blue Nose " Truigez vous?" Soon shows Knows you. Blaze 'way, Who'll care? We play Fair, square. Stripes, stars, Can't fool Our tars And John Bull. Our fish Your Frye. Our dish Your lie.

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DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IT.

Citizen: See here, you sold me a fish last night and warranted it to be boneless. Now, sir, that fish was so full of bones I couldn't eat it.

Fish-dealer: Oh, you wanted it to eat, hey? thought you wanted to keep it.

EXPLAINED.

The following is told of a well-known diner-out whose love of oysters is notorious. At a dinner-party one even-struck by the remarks being made to the foreman by the ing oysters were duly served to him; but, when he got not particularly striking-looking visitor. Entering into the fourth, he sent his plate away. The hostess, by conversation himself with the young man, he was so whom he sat, observing this, expressed her concern, impressed by the intimate knowledge displayed of the adding, "I assure you they are natives!" "I don't mechanical details of the business, that he exclaimed, doubt it," he replied; "but that last one I ate was a "You are just the man I want! If you are out of a job,

to commit suicide. But as he did not wish it to be at liberty on some future occasion." "Thank you er; known, lest it should leave a stain on his family, he left I am er the Earl of Rosse, and I am not-er seeking a note on the table to the following effect: "I hope you employment-er just at present," was the characteristic will not think that I committed suicide. My death is reply, in Lord Rosse's usual dry, hesitating manner. the result of an accident. The pistol went off as I was cleaning it."

TWO LOVE STORIES.

No. 1.

A dashing young, slashing young soldier of fame (As it's no business of yours, I'll not tell his name) Was engaged to a maiden; but ere they were wed He was called to the wars, where he fought hard, and bled For the good of his country, and left there for dead.

When the dreadful event was disclosed to the maid, She fainted away, then recovering, said:
"I shall never—no never—have heart for another; I'll live all my life with my father and mother, And grandma, and uncle and aunty, and brother." She didn't, though.

No. 2.

A fashionable, dashing young lady of seven, Was beloved by a rather fast youth of eleven, Who smoked bits of cane, chewed gum now and then, Swore "by gosh" and "by jingo," and sat up till ten.

He muster d up courage one day to propose, But the lady was haughty and turned up her nose, Which disgusted our hero so much, that he said He'd continue a bachelor till he was wed. Which he did.

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A TRIOLET.

Departed is the glory of John O'Donohoe, If one believes his story, The Tries all are gory-Departed is the glory, And John is full of woe;
Departed is the glory of John O'Donohoe.

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HOW AN OLD DOMESTICATED HAND ACTS.

Scene-Smoking room of club. Time-Any time

Jawkings, newly-married man: "No; I've really nothing to complain of about my wife, except her memory. But that is awful; she never seems to remember even the most necessary things."

Pawkins, married some years: "Ah, well, mine was just the same till I found out a perfect cure for it! Whenever there is anything very particular I want Mrs. Pawkins to remember, I write it down on a slip of paper, and gum it on the looking-glass! See?"

It is said that there are few better amateur mechanical engineers in the country than Lord Rosse. There is a good story told of his visiting a large factory in the north of England some years ago, when one of the partners in the concern, passing through the works, was I will give you a first-rate billet here; and, at all events, An Irishman, owing to dreadful misfortunes, resolved leave me your name and address, in case of your being

> Why is a quack like a locomotive? Because he cannot go on without puffing.