In Lighter Vein

Rewards Not Post Mortem.—Willie
—"Paw, what is the difference between genius and talent?"
Paw—"Talent gets paid every Saturday, my son."—Cincinnati En-

Sense and Sensibility.—Dinah, when asked why she had not put on mourning for a recently deceased admirer, replied, "Law, miss, I just thought dis way. What's the use? He's there and I'm here."—Harper's.

A Fish Story.

Fish.

Bait, Wait.

Flight.

Roam, Home.

Buy,

-New York Sun.

The Praise That Damns.—"Do you like Strauss' 'Elektra?" Blanc once asked a friend.
"Ye-ess—in a way," his friend re-

"Shake on it!" cried Blanc heartily.
"Neither do I."—The Argonaut.

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A Race in Two Heats.—Staff Photographer—"I've caught a snapshot of the fleeing gambler."

City Editor—"Good! Now take a time exposure of the police in pursuit."—Winnipeg Saturday Post.

A Practised Analyst.—Mistress—
"Would you like to come on trial for a week?"

Prospective Cook—"Sure, Oi can tell whether Oi will loike yez in twenty-four hours."—Life.

The Modern Lover.—Her father (sternly)—"Young man, can you support my daughter in the style she's been accustomed to?"

Lover (briskly)—"I can, but I'd be

ashamed to."-Life.

Hide-an——?—It was Marjorie's birthday, and she had another little girl in to spend the afternoon with

At half-past five Marjorie's mamma went up to the nursery to see how they were getting on. She found Mar-jorie steadily plodding through tea alone.
"Why, where's your little guest?"

why, where s your little guest? asked mamma.
"Dono," said Marjorie, going on eating. "We were playing hide-and-seek, and I gave up looking for her a long time ago."—The Bystander.

Drawing the Line.—"My dear, I see you are having some clothes made for your poodle." "Yes; it is the latest fad." "Well, I serve notice right here that I don't button any dogs down the back."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Somnambulistic.—"These shoes you sold me last week squeak so that they keep me awake nights," said the customer, entering the shoe store. "My dear sir," replied the shoe dealer, reassuringly, "you shouldn't sleep in them."—Yonkers Statesman.

A Matter to Mince.—With reference to the gentleman who recently hoaxed the London Hospital in the matter of a big donation to its funds, we understand that the medical staff trust that, if he should ever have to appropriate the will place. undergo an operation he will himself in their hands.—Punch.

Virtue's Sparse Reward.—Tom—
"Papa, what makes you so bald?"
Papa—"Oh, that's because my mother used to pat me so much on the head for being a good boy."



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Splendid Progress in Canadian Courier Contest MANY CHANGES ARE NOTICEABLE

Several large gains and numerous smaller ones are to be seen in the standing of the "Canadian Courier" Educational Contest this week. Miss Blanche F. Bourque, of Sydney, N.S., who has been leader for the past few weeks, still holds the enviable position, although Miss Olive Isaacs, the Cobalt, Ont., candidate, is steadily gaining as the holder of second place, and promises to be in the lead soon.

The largest gain for the week was made by Miss Katherine Macdonald, of Truro, N.S. The second largest by Miss Olive Isaacs, of Cobalt, Ont, while Miss Esther Downey, of Comox. B.C.; Miss Julia H. Leger, of Leger Corner, N.B., and Miss Blanche F. Bourque show substantial gains.

THE STANDING FOLLOWS:

Blanche F. Bourque, Sydney, N.S. 282,000
Olive Isaacs, Cobalt, Ont. 233,350
M. Augusta McLeod, Goderich
Ont. 226,900
Esther Downey, Comox, B.C. 191,400
Annie Huestis, Sussex, N.B. 140,400
Margaret Campbell, New Waterford, N.S. 104,950
Minnie Wentzel, Denholm, Sask. 100,150
Katherine Macdonald, Truro, N.S. 84,700
Edna Fraser, Canso, N.S. 72,300
Beatrice Booth, Lardo, B.C. 68,800
Rhona Wright, Montague, P.E.I. 66,100
Violet McKnight, New Liskeard, Ont. 64,000
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Doris Sneyd, Welland, Ont. 12,000

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