WELL SIR, I DON'T

BELIEVE I CAN DO

IT AFTER ALL. I'LL

HAVE TO GIVE YOU

SOMETHING ELSE

YES SIR

CAN YOU GIVE

ME A DOLLAR

RATEZ

AND A HALF

Thomas Hardy's Queer Ways Novelist's Fads and Fancies

Great Writer Prefers Life in the Country-Refuses to Revise His Books-The Prince of Pessimists in His Books.

Hardy has been brought before the pub- in the world, that is to say in literature, him only through his books. First, he to write plays when he might have been declared to a correspondent that he had better employed in compiling some great astounding declaration was followed a production. I have never yet met any short time afterward by the announce- body who had read it. ment that he had refused a handsome offer from Pierpont Morgan for his manuscripts, and had preferred to give Irving's secretary and friend, that he them to the libraries of his native coun- often wished he had never written a try. The second statement turned out line, and all because that morning he to be unfounded, but even if it had been had read some paragraphs in a news-

Thomas Hardy is not a money grubber in any sense of the word. He lives in her prosaic poetry than in her magwith the utmost simplicity, his health nificent prose, and once shocked all her compels him to be an ascetic and to admirers by giving to the public, under live in the country, far from the tumult the title, "Theophrastus Such," a book and the temptations of towns.

Prefers Life in the Country. Once a year he comes to London dur- greater commonplaceness. ing the season for a few weeks, to keep himself, doubtless, in touch with his ist, forgot her earlier works so comfriends and with London's great world, pletely that she used to reread them and

are so rare in London. copyright in all his works, and though everybody's veins, is, however, part of none of his novels ever brought in the his general temperament. immediate and gigantic return of writers like Marie Corelli, they are classics, and classics have a steady sale for years scornfully the idea that he was a pessialways in this old world country. Every mist, and yet he has given greater width man who sets up a library or who has and popularity than any living writer maintained a library always puts these classics upon his shelves. And thus a classic is like a good bit of property; it Zola after he has dragged you through brings in its steady income.

not require any large income. He has up with some word of hope-a brillian no family to support, he is now left alone vision of the great future of humanity with his wife-there are no children. Alded by His Mother.

The relative whom he most loved died man soul. several years ago. I mean his wonderful mother, who lived, if I remember rightly, that does not suggest that the world is those legends which form the raw ma- or of a series of the smallest and petti tions, as long as English literature lives.

It was once said, half in jest, half in happy to a tragic situation earnest, that it was she who wrote Climax in "Jude, the Hardy's work, a proposition as well plays of Shakespeare.

a large fortune. It would then have been magoria of horrors. surprise that any temptation, however This novel was the end of Hardy's even to a country Hardy was so akin as the United States.

Refuses to Revise His Books through his books is a far more surprising piece of self-denial. And the reason perience, and then it was that he three one of the strange and incredible puzzles up that of the poet. The poet is great have always valued their own works, or prose writer. that they have been able to appraise

them as well as others. to the judgment of all posterity, for the and the proportions suggest the tenacity two comedies still maintain their hold of life. It is in the face that you se upon audiences everywhere, while "Pi- the revelation of that high nervousness zarro" is dismissed as a piece of empty which accounts for the tone of his writand exaggerated fustian.

The way in which the name of Thomas | Justin McCarthy, the best read man has a quaint theory that Shakespeare lic during the last few weeks may be nas a quaint theory that snakespeare may have all the time regretted the miserable necessity that compelled him now so little interest in his novels on work of philosophy. I remember that the Wessex that he did not feel inclined to late Mr. Froude thought that a novel of subject them to any revision. This frish life which he wrote was a great

Tennyson Sorry He Wrote. Tennysen once said to Bram Stoker true it would not have been as surprising paper which he thought an unfair intrusion into his private life.

And George Eliot was more intereste of essays only distinguishable from the work of much inferior writers by their

George Sand, the great French novelbut a few weeks are quite sufficient for think they must have been written by him; he flies back to the country, to somebody else. And so one might go on. peace and to the simple habits which In the case of Hardy this astounding lack of interest in work that still sends Besides, he has, I believe, kept the the blood rushing more quickly through

Pessimism in His Books. Doubtless he himself would reject

every dunghill in which human beings Besides, a man of such simple life does move and have their being, always winds the cry of a baby that renews the ever renewed life and possibilities of the hu

There is scarcely a word of Hardy to 90 years of age. As I have mentioned anarchic, with evil always winning the her, I may insert the observation that to final victory. Everything, everybody her Hardy owes a great deal. She was, goes wrong, and goes wrong either as I believe, a perfect treasure house of the result of the clash of temperament terial which the alchemy of his genius est incidents. A woman taking one pati transformed into the wondrous stories of to a house instead of another, saying one Wessex life that have entranced two thing instead of another, and sometimes generations of novel readers already and saying not what she thought but some will doubtless entrance future genera- thing that rises irresistibly to her lips, transforms what might have been a

Climax in "Jude, the Obscure." And this pessimism has grown as hi founded as that Hollinshed wrote the years have advanced until it reaches its Deriving a steady income for many the Obscure." He threw that at the years, Hardy has always been able to shocked and horrified world as his last live upon half of it, the rest has gone word, for, so far as novels are coninto the bank, and by this time he must cerned, it has been his last word. As have a handsome, though, of course, not your readers will know, it is a phantas-

glittering, had failed to induce him to career as a novel writer largely because allow the transfer of his manuscripts of the flerce resentment which it excited He used to say to his friends that instead of "Jude, the Obscure," being But the refusal to go once more solitary and unique individual, he knew at least three or four "Judes" in his ex that they had ceased to interest him is aside the pen of the novelist and too of literary history. Not that authors in him, but it is not as great as the

He is a little man with indications of the robust health of the man of the Sheridan thought "The Rivals" and country, and the son of a woman wh "The School for Scandal" Inferior to lived to be a nonagenarian. But the "Pizarro," which is in direct opposition body is slight, though the complexion ings.

to Wellington's Heirs

Belgium's Annual Payment

TO LIVE LONG KEEP BUSY SAYS ELBERT HUBBARD

THIS WAY

SIR

Notable Examples of Longevity -Men and Women in Their Eighties and Nineties Who Are Still Doing Things.

I'LL HAVE TO GIVE

YOU A FOUR DOLLAR

ROOM -- HERE BOY TAKE

THIS GENTLEMAN TO 308

Elbert Hubbard writes in the Nev York American as follows: The death of John Bigelow in his 94th year closes the life of an extraordinary man. And his soul goes marching on.

Up to the week of his death Bigelow took a hearty interest in all political and social happenings that were o mport to the world. He was a hu

Bigelow was just eight years young than Abraham Lincoln, When Lin-In died, Bigelow was 48. Herbert Spencer once said that

the majority of Englishmen who live to be over 70 have softening of the brain. And then he explained that the reason they had softening of the brain was because they did not use their

The brain is an organ, and the only way to exercise it is by thinkingpleasurable thinking-and an interest in what the world is saying and doing, with the proper expression of your own thoughts, is eminently hy

Litizia. Rothschild, the mother of ten great Rothschilds, lived to be 100, and to express her disapprobation of 100 were due to shuffle off the mortal dison won immortality by writing for some of the policies followed out in a coil. political way by Nathan, her brilliant

Lord Strathcona, otherwise Donald G. Smith, is 91, and the other day he replied, "Michael Faraday." Continumark for himself.

on are both in their 91st year. Alfred Russell Wallace is in his 89th that he wanted a colt so he could creeds.

wants to live to see another financial Dozens of men can be named between 80 and 90 who are taking a very sympathy, while it is checked by a countries, for the cheap leather shoes

report an average of 57 deaths where habits of women readers. Since Ad- It has been revised this winter and evi-

tronomer, student, school teacher, also man affairs.

ODESSA'S DETECTIVE DOG

Cross-Bred Terrier That Has | the open door of a small cottage, but Tracked Down Murderers.

A highly-prized member of the Odessa (Russia) detective force, and, deservedly so, is Spit, a prick-eared. brindle-haired, cross-bred terrier, of 3 years. He is marvellously intelligent, and perfectly trained, and possesses the born instinct of an alert and un-

erring detective. Recently Spitz traced the three perpetrators of a double murder committed near Shestakova, a small township about 25 miles distant from Odessa He was put upon the trail some thirty hours after the murder was committed He tracked two of the murderers to

the third to another village six miles distant. He also led the police to a spot on a river bank where the murderers had dropped a bloodstained bill-

When Spitz runs down his prey he

fastens his teeth in the person's leg or

ears the culprit's clothes. In the Shes.

takova crime the three men brought to bay by Spitz confessed to the crime. The other day the manager of a works in the Peressyp suburb and his assistant were waylaid in their droschky, robbed, and most brutally beaten. There was no trace of the robbers, and and again with his nose to the ground nik, five verts away. Here he entered

came out again, and for a minute or so stood irresolute. Three young men were coming down the village street. Spitz made a rush at them, seizing one second. He was again torm away, but did not attack the third youth. The two young men were arrested.

Spitz then went off on another trail. eading the police to a lonely hut, in which was found another man in hiding, whom the dog immediately attacked. The three men were then taken to the hospital, where the victim of the outrage identified them as his assailants, as did also the izvostchik who drove the victims. The men were also recognized by the manager's

When Spitz's special detective missions are accomplished he relapses into a perfectly indifferent mood, and anxious only to get home to dine.



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LITTLE IRRITATIONS OF LIFE THIS "NOBLEMAN" IS SORE ON ENGLAND

Marquis of Queensbury Says He of that sort." When he speaks of "fighting for centuries," the marquis, of course, includes in the nobility's claims to respect its patronage of the for "Blue Blood" Now.

Edinburgh Evening News: These are indeed great days for the emigration their fists, or at least, bestowed an agent. We read this morning that the anxious care on the rules of fisticuffs. Marquis of Queensberry has gone into To think of such a nobility being oustthe business. He is just home by the ed by "brewers, distillers, and people Lusitania from a visit to the United of that sort" is indeed distressing. States, and he tells the reporters his return is merely to "pull" his friends out to the United States at the earliest possible date. That eminent Imperialist, Mr. Rudyard Kipling, fled out of the kingdom when the Liberal Government came in some years ago, and now the marquis cannot stand it. "I am giving up England," he says, because I am sick of its Radical Government. It has ruined the country, and I object to the nation being dominated by the modern plutocracy." We rather thought the plutocracy had reasons of its own to dislike Liberal finance. However, according to the marquis, England seems quite a tolerable place for wealthy men even yet, and "impossible" only for blue ! Says the marquis: "We who have fought for centuries to make Britain

what she is are to all intents and purposes being driven out, and the chants, brewer distillers, and people take some of them in?

prize ring. It is a great thing for a country to have a class of men whose ancestors fought in chain armor, and, when that went out of fashion, with Surely it was not the wicked Liberals that ennobled all the brewers! Did not Lord Salisbury do his share of that? But it is too late now for tears. If the Marquis of Queensberry achieves success, we shall never see our peerage any more. Soon in the marble halls of our old aristocracy the chant will be raised, "I'm off to Philadelphia in the morning." It will be observed that a fellow-traveller with the marquis was Col. Lamb, of the Salvation Army's emigration department Cel. Lamb expects to take out 12,000 people next season. Will they all be drawn from the British aristocracy Some who figure in Debrett are indeed cases for the Salvation Army. have a vision of the marquis, in a red jersey, dragging reluctant backwoodsmen to the penitent bench, and then escorting them to the steerage of an emigrant ship, to begin a new life in men who are replacing us are mer- another land. But would the colonies

Reading Habits of the British People [From the Nation, London, Eng.]

title of "The Rosary." No cultivated army of revolt is most largely recruitment could enjoy it, or even read it ed, and we suspect that further inquiry unless it were from the motives which would show that she reads Olive influence the explorer who investigates Schreiner and Cicely Hamilton, not to the mental life of a backward tribe. mention the minor prophets of femin But the fortunate publisher has con- ism, at least as eagerly as she reads trived to sell over 400,000 copies of it. Sidney and Beatrice Webb. The advent of the sixpenny novel Like our friend, the scholar, we want means, one suspects, that the com- to feel that we "know" the various nercial production of fiction will be- sections of our countrymen and counome the business exclusively of pens trywomen whose tastes the librarians which will write consciously for this have studied for us. They have connewly-discovered public. It seems to firmed some conclusions which we e indifferent to reputations. It will might have reached by other methods. welcome an unknown writer whom no There remains some valuable evidence ritic praises, and it cannot be intimi- concerning the reading artisan. A dated into reading a book which the generation past he certainly was largeeducated world has agreed to praise. ly busied in the poor little "Mechanics It seems to lag a whole generation be- Institutes" of his day with the larger aind the cultivated taste of the day, questions of human destiny. He was and what is really desolating in its fiercly atheistic or militantly orthodox. thoice is that it positively prefers the He read the more popular controversial nferior workman, the crude colorist, literature that raged round the great the unrestrained sentimentalist whose figures of Darwin and Spencer and work is not merely out of date, but Huxley. Hugh Miller, who roughly actually inferior in its own kind and advised him to leave politics alone and vein. This illiterate literature, firmly based in the new conditions of large the proper study of laboring mankind, production, seems to threaten the crea- was an early and extreme forerunner

Some interesting conclusions may be based on the evidence which Mr. Blath-party politics. It could call for "rewayt has collected from book-sellers form" without reading books, and con Bishop Bowman, of England, is 92. and librarians regarding the taste of duct a trade union without exhaustive John Tenniel, famous cartoonist, is various classes of readers. Some of study. Today, the experts tell us, So his deductions we imagine indicate no clalism has changed its habits of readnew development. The reading of ing. The experience of the memoirs and biographies was always librarian of Battersea is that Socialism popular in "society" and on its fringes, has "arrested the spirit of curiosity quoted Sir Humphry Davy, who, when while to the homely reader beyond its and love of speculation which distin asked what was his greatest discovery, pale, the doings and sayings of its un- guished the last generation of artisans familiar personages cannot ever have and has concentrated attention on sobeen a subject of keen curiosity. Me- cial questions as the only things that ing, he said that his own greatest moirs are printed gossip, and it is matter." The serious artisan, like the chievement was the discovery of commonly about one's neighbors and James J. Hill, "who would yet make a intimates that one chooses to chatter. But the decay of theology is a new world rather than on understanding it and apparently a general symptom. or if he labors to understand, it is only The fashionable book-seller and the that he may be the better able to act, popular librarian tell the same tale Theology is read no longer, and soyear, and not long ago refused to buy ciety turns in its place to the elegant a horse that was 12 years old, stating mystic, or the interpreter of strange that he wanted a colt so he could creeds. The attack and the defence that he wanted a colt so he could have alike ceased to interest it. Ou break it and it would last him the rest generation has produced no Huxley and the literature of the Higher Criti-Dr. Robert Collier, ex-Senator Davis cism has become, we are told, a speand John Buckner are each 87, and clalist's study. The more serious reading public, on the other hand, has developed an intense interest in books which deal with the problem of immortality. It seems to show the will to believe qualified by the demand for evidence, and it turns eagerly to writers

> much to tell us that is curious and interesting regarding the tastes and demand something in literature as of the cumbersome footgear. slight and frivolous and ineffectual as the ideal character which the old world is that leather shoes are beyond the man imposed on the old world maid, means of the average English workhas lurked in Grub street It is hope- ingman of family, while clogs are cheap lessly out of date today. The unani- and never wear out, generally speakmous evidence of the experts seems to ing. Many school children than the man of the same class. In let in water and lay the foundation for the upper strata of society, men, we are told, prefer the novel of action; Several years ago when Sir women ask for introspection and psychology, or for the novel with a socio-'Hibbert Journal" and the Webbs. Beow this level of intelligence, however. Miss Annie Swan. The real fact is. re imagine, that the active-minded and elatively well-educated young woman has not yet conquered her due place in the labor market. She turns to typewriting, not because that compara-

like Sir Oliver Lodge, whose research

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as the cinematograph threatens the creating the cinematograph threatens the constant and it found a much more popular drama. intellectual proletarian among women is bent on changing an uncongenia

WOODEN SHOES

Than a Poor Quality of Leather.

An effort to substitute waterproof and practically indestructible wooden shoes, the sort worn by peasants in into these mysteries is conducted with Holland, France and other continental worn by the school children of very poor parents was made in England some time ago, but was not a success. dence is accumulating that in parts of he tea table, a tradition that women the country there is an increasing use

The argument in favor of the clogs be that the educated woman of today poorer classes wear mere apologies for s rather more serious in her reading shoes, soleless affairs, with holes that

Several years ago when Sir John Kirk, director of the Ragged School Union and Shaftesbury Society, joined by the belt. When he was pulled off, logical purpose. We are assured on he fastened his teeth in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the London to he fastened his teeth in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the London typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women typists are supply poor children in the leg of a good authority that "women erious," and even that they read the schools with footwear on the part payment system the suggestion was made that clogs be supplied these chilhere still welters the old unleavened dren as more durable and serviceable than leather shoes. According to Percy Gray, of Orlehar, Bude, North Cornwall, who wrote to Sir John Kirk on the subject, he was met with the objection that Cockneydom would not wear wooden clogs.

That objection seemed to have been well taken, for the effort to have poor school children in London adopt the wooden substitutes for leather shoes did not get very far. The renewed effort is finding encouragement in tesimony of persons who have made the log experiment with some degree of

Richard B. Martin, of Tewkesbury, is ne of those who have reasons to be pleased with charitable work of this

"Last winter," he says, "I gave a few pairs of wooden clogs to some children who have to come a good three miles to school through a wet and dirty lane. The clogs 'caught on' and this year I gave away nine more pairs and my wife over fifty pairs to one village chool. They seem to keep the chil dren's feet warmer than old and well-worn leather shoes. I had the close from Warrington, and they cost 2s 8d 2s 10d, 2s a pair; men's size, 3s 6d.

NO PITY NEEDED.

[Fliegende Blaetter.] Pastor-I was so sorry for your wife during the sermon this morning doctor. She had such a dreadful fit

THIRTY YEAKS OF DISFIGURING

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from head to foot. I was born in Leamington, which is famous for its sulphur baths and pump waters, and ene would think that after taking the treatment there regularly as I did, the disease would long ago have been cured, but it was not. I attended the and years, so you will see I gave it a fair trial. Everyone in hie town knew of my case. My face was disfigured very badly. A doctor told me that I should never get rid of it. I spent pounds in doctors' bills, and I attended several hospitals but nothing did any good. "Then one day an uncle of mine recommended the Cuticura Remedies. I took his advice, and commenced to use the Cuticura Soap. To my actonishment an improvement at once set in, and my hair, which had been a complete mass of scales and scurf, soon began to look in splendid condition. Then I bought a box of Cuticura Confinent, and this cleared my skin wonderfully. In a few weeks' time all traces of the scaly eruptions had completely disappeared. Now my skin is clear and healthy, and thanks to the Cuticura Remedies I am completely cured of eczema. All my neighbours were astounded. The Cuticura Remedies are worth their weight in gold, and one tablet of Cuticura Soap goes further than four cakes of cheaper soaps. It has brought happiness into my home." (Signed) Mrs. Butler, 17, Francis Rd., The Cotterride, King's Norton, Birmingham, Eng., July 26, 1910.

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of coughing that the eyes of the whole congregation were fixed upon her. Doctor-Don't be unduly alarmed, she was wearing her new hat for the first time.

SHERMAN'S INSPIRATION. [Brooklyn Eagle.]

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"Those who interrupt commerce are to be beheaded. "Those who attempt to close the markets are to be beheaded.

"Those who maintain the prosperity of commerce are to be rewarded."

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"The Dotation of his Greatness the in the neighborhood of the battlefield. The present duke enjoys a revenue Duke of Wellington, Prince of Waterloo," is a subject which the Belgian of £3,400 from this source, and, not Chamber is about to discuss, the mat-unnaturally, the Belgian people are inter of debate being the pension paid clined to be annoyed at this annual to the Duke and his heirs in recogni- charge upon their resources; for whattion of the first duke's services to ever they may owe to the first Duke Europe at Waterloo on June 18, 1815. of Wellington the present duke is to After the battle King William of the them an object of indifference. It is Netherlands created him Prince of fact, and it is not inconsistent with Waterloo, and made the title heritable, what we know of poor human na-

together with a charge on some lands "Dr. Miles' Nervine initiated in 1887 the parliamentary inquiry into the subject of British perpetual pensions. In that year 339 pen-Completely Cured sions and allowances of an annual value of £18,957 were commuted for the sum of £527,933. Most notable are Our Little Boy of the pensions of £4,000 a year to the Duke of Marlborough and £5,000 to Lord Nelson for services, rendered by heir glorious ancestors.

Whatever view we take of the pro-A family can suffer no greater oriety of pensions in perpetuity for affliction than to have a child subsuch deeds, there would be no tolerlect to fits or epilepsy. Many a ance today for what was once a cusfather or mother would give their tomary practice: the giving of such a pension as a solatium for the loss of all to restore such a child to health. fees of abolished offices. The first Duke of Grafton, son of Charles II., was "Officer of the Pipe," or "Remembrancer of First Fruits and Tenths of Clergy in the Court of the Exchequer, a post which the worthy man sold for ready money. On the office being abolished, the holder received a perpetual pension of £62 9s. 8d. The Duke of St. Albans and his heirs, from the time of James II. up to 1891, received neary £1,400 a year for holding the titlethere was no office-of Master of the Hawks. It was commuted for £18,335. Other ducal pensioners till recent years their hiding-place in one village, and were the Duke of Richmond and Duke of Hamilton. But peers were not the only sinners in this respect. Even the excellent William Penn and his heirs profited by a pension of \$4,000 a year up till 1884. This was commuted for ten yearly payments of £12,796.

SOLOMONISTIC.

[Cleveland Plain-Dealer.] The Complainant-You see, judge was a little too happy, as you might say, when I went home, and me wife was ironin'. We'd had a word or two in the mornin', an' so I steps up prepared to make peace. I said: 'Let's forget th' quarrel-we were both the invaluable Spitz was brought on wrong, when what does she do but the scene. After circling round again shove the hot iron against me head. The Judge-Trying to smooth it over Spitz was unleashed, and immediately of course. You can't blame her for started for the village of Mali Kulvalthat. Go home, both of you

Sir Charles Tupper and Clara Bar-

of his life.

still stirring up the animals. Levi P. Morton is 86, and is out with an article in favor of the National Reserve Association, saying that he never

practical interest in the world of politics, business and literature.

The five great insurance companies

Undoubtedly the greatest factor in son, Caroline Herschel, musician, as- longevity is an active interest in hu-