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## For the Boys.

The publishers of The American Boy have filed a formal request with the management of the St. Louis Exposition that a boy's building be made one of the features of the World's Exposition for 1903. In general, the plan is to have a building that shall accommodate exhiblts of boy invention and enterprise, and shall have an assembly hall in which there may be a boys' congress, conventions of men and women workers in behalf of boys, and meetings of associations of amateurs, state and national.

## Had a Sensible Wife.

There is a certain Church of England Bishop in Canada, whose acquaintances will easily recognize him by the following incident. The good man is very absentminded, and so bad is his memory that he is accustomed to leave nearly all his business affairs with his capable wife, One Saturday afternoon, in the absence of his better half, he undertook to pack his own valise and started off for his Sunday work. About ten o'clock that night he arrived at his destination, but found that he had made a serious mistake. He had come to the wrong place, and was more than a hundred miles from the church where he was expected for Sunday services. In despair he telegraphed to his wife, " What shall I do ?" She was equal to the occasion, and immediately wired back, "Go to bed."

## Wanted One, Too.

James Russell Lowell was a great student of dialect. One day, while in England, he entered a South Shields restaurant, and sat down opposite a barefooted Shields yokel, who had been walking, and whose feet were tired. "Waiter," he said, " bring me a steak and frled potatoes."

The yokel leaned his elbows upon the table.
"Bring me yan tee," he said.
Bring me a cup of coffee and rolls," continued Lowell.

Bring me yan tee," said the yokel.
"And, John, you may bring me a bootjack," said Mr. Lowell.
"Bring me yan tee," added the yokel.
"Why, what on earth can you want with a bootjack?" asked Lowell. The retort nearly took away his breath.
"Gan oway, ye fule," said the yokel, " d'ye thing I canna eat a bootjack as well as ye?"

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