for anything else. I intend to get some business by which I can earn money to buy a farm in the west some day. [Pennsylvania Farmer Boy.

NOT IDLE

*So they all say that I'm 16'o.
And they all despise my looks;
They are always reading novels,
But I love to read my books.
I am growing strong in wisdom,
I am learning very fast;
Oh, I love my books and verses,
I will study to the last.

I can now write famous pieces, Famous poetry and books. Now they do not call me lazy. And they don't despise my hooks.

Now I am making thousands.
Fortune seems to me to fall.
Though I used to sl' and study.
I was not idle, n.' all.
M. C. M. (Tween), New York.

Anything Good-I am 5 ft 3 in in hight, and weigh 124 lbs. I don't go to school now, but expect to go this wanter. My brother and sister go to high school. I haven't any favorite author. I like to read anything that is good.—[Sunflower from Scott.

Young Alligators—I live ridge one mile west of Indian river and 221 miles south of Jacksonville. I have 221 miles south of Jacksonville. I have got a gun and go hunting sometimes, and I also trap a great deal, as there is plenty of game here. I have caught wildcats, coons, skunks and foxes. How many of the Young Americans have seen you. g alligators? I have one dozen just five inches long. I sold six in Jacksonville for 15 cents apiece. If I see this letter in print I will write again.—[Ole Helseth (Fifteen), Florida.

"Wild by Nature" -Old Maid Teacher, must we take your advice? Must we at home, love and be loved? Love cur beys and rear them up in attractive homes, to be lured away by the more attractive places, the grand hell holes called saloons? Then will all the "rights" we earn be crushed, our hearts so full of it e be broken by the careless short-ghtedness of the stronger sex on w' am we must rely, we being so weak and timid! I am a happy, jolly, fun-lov' g girl of 18 and live on a Nebraska canch or farm. As I have no brothe I am the "cowboy," but do not mind hat, as I like horsepack riding and an a little wild by nature.—[Bell-jim. cur beys and rear them up in attractive

P-ima Donna-Winfred Mocdy:please tell us are you related to D. L. Moody. the beloved evangelist? O Ecarg, how the beloved evangelist? O Ecarg. how proud your mother must be of such an excellent daughter. Coddle's Sister, thee and thy brother seem almost ideal. Young people all, both great and small, whom have we here in our Council hall? A prima donna? But, seriously, I do not think that the atmosphere of the stage and novel reading are the least bit healthful for the body and mind heart and soul. Mr Bishon and mind, heart and soul. Mr Bishop, do you mean it all for a practical joke, or is your surname Bishop? My age? Bashful, bitter seventeen—[Nemo.

Girls All Bight-In all my experience I have never had such luck as Cowboy, Webfoot, and the rest, but have always been on good terms with the girls. Girls are all right if you treat them all right. Have a bicycle and go out riding with them once-in-a-while. I am working in a telegraph office at present, having just graduated from the state university at Berkley last December, finishing the commercial course. Took up a few other points, but du not wait to finish them. Have worked at a great many trades, but like farming the best. Have worked in draughting offices, in a bank (filled a vacancy for two weeks), and now as an assistant telegraph operator, also worked in a roundhouse, etc. but, best-of all, I like to work on a farm and be an "independent farmer."—[Twenty-Year-Old Boy. boy, Webfoot, and the rest, but have

City People-I wish Jack Silster would write something about his home Texas, as I am interested in the south and never tire of hearing about it. I am a city bred girl, but I now live in the country. I find that a great many of the country people imagine that I pride myself on being from the city, but I cannot understand why, as I think the country people are as good as the city people. I think Webfoot

belongs to the above class. The best thing for him to do is to get acquainted with some city girls. If the young lady does not equal her city "cousin" she must either be uneducated or else live in an uncivilized part of the country. try.-[Evergreen.

Wireless Telegraphy - Somebouy spoke of chronic disenses. We have a spoke of chronic diseases. We have a complication of them in our school and also a system of "wireless telegraphy Schools that have not already adopted that system should never do so. It is the root of all school mischief. [15] M. Swan, Minner etc.

Bo Peep Costume—When a new house is completed which is being crected in this i.e ghborhood, there will be a mask party. Who will son i many suggestions what to represent? I attended one last winter in which I cuprised mys. If in "fooling" so many as to who I was. I represent ell little Beilee. My costume was of white and red,—red girdle and overskirts red bows on white hat and slippers. It won the prize.—[Maud W. M. Bo Peep Costume-When a new

Mauch Chunk-Fraulein Githel, ich spreche Deu sch, aber nicht viel. lese es besser. Kitty May, do you live in Mauch Chunk, or how far out? in Mauch Chunk, or how far out?
Lengfellow is my favorite poet, and of prose writers I like E. P. Roe, Cooper, Mary J. Holmes, Walter Scott and Jane Porter. Roe's best books are From Jest to Earnest and A Face Illumined: Cooper's, all but his Sea Tales, Holmes, almost all; Scott's is Ivanhoe and Porter's The Scottish Chiefs.—[Paul J. Dally (Wyona) Dally (Wyona).

I like to read the Young Americans' letters, but think some of them write foolish ones. They had better raise chickens a while instead of thinking about their beaux. We raised over 200 chickens. I go to school in the winter. I have three sisters at home and three brothers. I help mamma work in the garden. We have one dog, which belongs to us all; his name is Shep, and one cat.—[Clarissa Woodin (Eleven), Missouri.

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For this issue we shall give but one psizzle, but there are 10 words to be found.

Square

From 1 to 2 clustered like grapes, from 3 to 4 to fold, from 1 to 3 very wicked; from 1 to 4 a great influx of snything; from 4 to 2 a light produced by some animals, from 3 to 2 a liquid condition, from 5 to 6 a personal pronoun and a rest; from 5 to 7 a country in Asia, from 7 to 5 a grefix meaning a recept 1 te; from 6 to 8 ancient.

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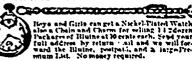
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