Little Schoolgirl Fought a Wildcat. patch say: Bertha Mounds, a pretty little 8-year-old daughter of Samuel stretch of woods on her way home from ool last Wednesday, when a wildcat sprang from behind the bole of a tree and confronted her.

The girl drew back with a cry of right. The wildcat eyed her with the ming eyeballs, all the while angrily lashing its sides with its bristling tail. It was a situation to frighten the boldest. The child felt that nothing short of a miraele could save her from an

awful death.
She turned and ran down the road, screaming at the top of her voice. The wildcat bounded after her, and when near enough clawed savagely at her dress. The terror-stricken child beat the cat in the face with her slate until the animal drew back, snorting with

For a moment the animal crouched on its stomach. Then, panther-like, it leaped at the girl. Fortunately for the child the cat had miscalculated the distance and fell just short of the quaking child. Pluckily Bertha brought her school slate again down on the cat's head. The blow was a hard one, and it smashed the slate. The fragments fell about the cat's neck, while the frame entirely circled it.

For a moment the cat seemed to be disconcerted. Then it leaped upon Bertha and bore her to the ground. The infuriated animal tore at the child's throat, but a heavy muffler and a thick coat collar saved her from serious in-

The attack would have been fatal for the child if a dog owned by a woodman had not at that moment rushed into view. The dog attacked the wildcat, and in less than two minutes drove it into the woods. Little Bertha scrambled to her feet and ran home. Now when she goes to school she is always accompanied by a dog.

A Mountain Lion Sprang Upon & Horseman.

A telegram from Phoenix, Ariz., says: Mountain lions are more numerous this year than ever before in Central Arizona, and are descending to the valleys to avoid the intense cold of the mountain tops. Scores of lion skins have been brought by hunters before the county officials to get the \$20 bounty. The lions are rarely to be feared by though often as large as the

The most determined efforts are being made to exterminate them, because they kill horses and colts. Cattle are seldom molested by them.

As a rule the lions are treed and slaughtered with the aid of bloodhounds. John Skelly, a Verde Valley cowboy, who brought a superb skin, says that as he was riding along a trail fifteen miles north of the mouth of the Verde late last Friday night, a lion sprang upon him from a large rock that jutted at the trail side, and bore horse and rider to the ground. The beast paid no attention to the man, but tore at the horse's neck.

Skelly, uninjured by the fall, pressed the muzzle of his revolver to the very ear of the beast and shot him dead. Then he shot the horse, which had been fatally clawed. R 25

Goat Saved the Life of His Puppy

Friend. A Susquehanna, Pa., dispatch says: Farmer Wainwright, of the Cascade, has a pet goat and a pet puppy which are bosom friends. Together they ramble through the neighborhood during the goat's spare moments when there are no oyster cans, door scrapers or other edibles for it to nibble.

The singular behavior of the goat on Friday afternoon attracted the attention of the family. It ran to and fro, bleating piteously, and seemed half distracted. Some one suggested that the animal should be followed. The goat seemed to appreciate the fact that it was understood, and led the way to the rear of the yard, where the puppy was found in a pit ten feet deep, almost in its last struggles.

The puppy was rescued and restored to the goat, who greeted it with the Condest caresses.

80 B Wolf Set a Trap for the Farmer's Chicks. Jim Wakely, of Great Bend town-snip, Susquehanna, N. Y., walked into

the county commisssioner's office recently with a wolf's skull, claimed the usual bounty and told this remarkable The wolf, captured when a cub, had



ered the most reckless of men who risks his life by putting his head into the mouth of a savage lion. The men who perform this foolhardy act are few and far between. There are tens of thousands of men who daily do a much more rash and dangerous deed. They are the men who overwork and neglect their health. No man can do this with impunity. The inevitable result is serious illness and premature death. One of the most common results of care-lessness in regard to health is consumption. There is one, and only one, unfailing remedy for this dread disease. It is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It has a record of thirty years, during which time it has cured 98 per cent. of all cases of bronchial, throat and lung affections. It acts directly on the digestive and nutritive organism. It creates a healthy appetite for food, facili-tates the flow of digestive juices and pro-motes the assimilation of the life-giving elements of the food. It is the great blood-maker, flesh-builder and nerve-tonic. In cases of nervous prostration it builds up the nerve

abres and gives sound, refreshing sleep.

Little Schoolgirl Fought a Wildcat.

A Blue Mountain Lake, N. Y., distance as a dog. But he had one evil habit of which it was impossible to break him-he was fond of chickens Mounds, was passing through a lonely | and would devour the farmer's poultry. When the wolf's food was brought to him, he would scatter it about him and then lie down with his head in his forepaws, feigning sleep. Soon the hens would surround him to eat his food, and woe to the one that came within reach of his paw. She was devoured in a minute

For this crime the wolf was condemned to death. Wakely fired a charge of shot at the wolf, but only wounded him, and the beast ran to the woods. The farmer and his two men followed the wolf two miles and shot him in the hind leg. He crawled into a thicket, and the hunters, thinking he was dead, went home.

The next morning the wolf came to the kitchen door of the farm-house when the family were at breakfast, and scratched for admission. The farmer's son was delighted. He and the wolf were great friends, and to-gether they had a happy time all day. Wakely resolved to spare the wolf for the boy's sake, but the very next morning the beast set his trap for the chickens and devoured two. Then he was filled with lead. He had grown nearly to the size of a Newfoundland.

2. M Milly Loved Her Goat; He Ate Her Curly Hair.

A New Brunswick, N. J., letter says: Milly Williams, whose father lives on the outskirts of the city, is mourning that city. the loss of her pet goat and all of the hair from one side of her head. The goat was the pride of Milly's heart. She raised him on a bottle until

he developed an appetite that proved his undoing. Milly spent all of her time with her could jump like a hunter. Not a fence municipal work. in the neighborhood that he could not clear at a bound. He was quick to obey the slightest command of his mis- Trades Council are hostile to the antress. Peddlers were the object of his nexation of Hawaii. special animosity, but he would never attack one unless ordered to do so by his mischievous mistress. The moment she said, "Butt him, Willy," the goat would charge with a vigor that filled the second ward with lamentations and

a miscellaneous aggregation of dry goods or brass jewelry. The goat would answer her whistle like a well-trained dog. He would trot to heel, would charge, beg, say his prayers and go through all the tricks of a French poodle. He would fetch and carry in obedience to Milly's or-

But the rest of the family did not for her pet. Milly's chanics. mother hated him from the day he all the celery from the table. Her father hated him after the goat had in petitioning the executive council for of her dolls, and her big brother hated eration of Labor. him because he ate his tennis racket and tennis balls.

The goat put the finishing touches to against striking union men that "inhis career of reckless gluttony the other timidation" as used in the statutes day. It was warm, springlike weather, the back porch. Milly sat out there refuse to work with others." reading a book. Her curly head was just about on a level with the floor of the porch, for she was sitting a few steps down. The goat was trotting back and forth on the piazza floor, sunning himself and now and then rubbing at the meeting. A large amount of imhis nose against his mistress' curly poll in a spontaneous and innocent caress, as she thought. When she became drewsy and nodded she was conscious that the goat was caressing her. Ten minutes later, she was greeted with a shriek of horror from her mother.

"Great heavens, child, what has happened to your hair?" She ran to the mirror. One side of

her head was as bald as "before tak-"It's that goat" sobbed her mother. To make assurance doubly sure she ran to the goat From between the teeth she picked a dozen or more golden hairs. The evidence was complete and conclusive. Sentence was prompt despite the appeals of Milly for a stay of proceedings. That very night the goat went to a butcher, who promised to make "goat mutton" of him.

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when the family goat disappeared. pet from Harlem six years ago, when he got a job working on the track for the Erie Railroad Company. It became the pet of the neighborhood. At ton mill operatives against an average night it slept in the house, and at meal times it was always under the table. Few children ways under the table. Few children were caressed as much as that goat.

When the goat disappeared Tony drowned his sorrow, and Mrs. Tony denied herself to visitors. Little Italy went into mourning. Two days following the goat's disappearance, men cutting ice from the Starracco Creek, near Jefferson Junction, found its frozen body in the ice. The news was carried to Tony and he came to the spot lamenting. Mrs. Tony and the boarders filed to the creek in rregular order and wailed The section of the ice containing the

body of the goat was thawed out, carried to Tony's cabin and placed behind the stove. The neighbors dropped in at night and over cups of tea commented dolorously on the virtues of the late lamented. Mrs. Tony said she would curred at any point. make a rug out of the goatskin, for a reminder of her dear pet. When the guests had departed, and Mr. and Mrs. Tony were left alone with their dead, the chunk of ice was moved nearer to the stove, and the household went to

At daybreak there was a clash and a clatter. Tony ran downstairs to inves-His glad eyes fell upon the animate form of the beloved goat making a meal of a hair cushion. He was a little stiff and bedraggled, but a day's careful nursing brought him around all right.

TOMMY'S TUG OF WAR.

At a recent missionary gathering in of nervous prostration to construct the many first state of the property of the color of the property of the color of the property of the color of the property of the propert London, Canon Scott-Holland pointed out that in the early stages of religious work in the colonies "the bishops came

what he had come all the way from England to see, namely Tommy Atkins. "What to him," added the canon, "are the Pharaohs and the pyra-mids? After all, ancient history has mids? After all, ancient history has gone to the wall. Tommy is making history, and does not know it. That is the real tug of war. It is to settle the fate of all Central Africa. It is part of the great world struggle between Christianity and Mohammedanbrave words show Canon Scott-Holland broad vision. After all, we live in the his greet?" was the inquiry. present, and so far as any one generation is concerned, its greatest interest should lie in the settling of the moral

issues that concern its own historic roadmaking, nation-building, or evan-gelical enterprise.—New York Ob-

According to latest statistics, London has 103,400 paupers.

The slaters and tile roofers of Detroit have organized a union. The lowest wage paid a common laborer in Toledo is \$1 25 per day. Electricians of Detroit generally fa-

vor the licensing of members of their trade, the same as plumbers. The annual meeting of the International Woodworkers' Union of America the gospels. As he did not stop at the will be held in Detroit on Feb. 14. The molders employed by Jones &

Detroit Trades Council has 61 unions affiliated at the present time, the largest in the history of trades unionism in

Eighty-eight per cent of the union age: men of Minnesota are said to be em- ed the Arabian Knights, without waitployed, an increase of 48 per cent over ing for the other three corpses to come

Th Racine, Wis., common council has instructed its attorney to draft an He was apt at learning. He eight-hour ordinance, applicable to all 'All the labor bodies of California ex-

> Superior, have been notified that a gen- every indication on his face and pereral advance in their wages will soon son of having been in some recent be made, but to what extent is not catastrophe which the lawyer hoped

Joseph T. Marks, of this city, is on a visit to Hamilton and Toronto. He addressed an open meeting of the Trades and Labor Council in Hamilton last night. All the window glass factories con-

trolled by the American Window Glass

ing calling upon other unions to join eaten up his razor strop. Milly's little a referendum vote on the question of Judge Sheldon, of the superior crim-

and the western sun shone brightly on "threats to leave work" or "threats to means "threats to use force" and not Isaac Clark, the delegate from the local union to the international convention of bricklayers and masons, recently held at Peoria, Ill., has returned home. He reports a large attendance

portant business was transacted, which

will be made known to the local union at the next meeting. As is invariably the case, murmurs of discontent over the result of the business done at the recent convention of the American Federation of Labor have been numerous since the adjournment, and several international officers have been free in their criticisms during the past week. All concede that the federation itself is an excellent institution, but that its value and effectiveness as a force in labor's advancement is abridged and practically destroyed by the extra-conservative character

of its officials. Eight hours will constitute a day's work in all the bituminous coal fields of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia on and after June 1, 1398. This important provision They Waked the Goat, and the Goat | coal miners and mine owners held in Chicago. The action affects the wel-A Susquehanna, Pa., correspondent fare of 400,000 organized coal miners, writes: There was weeping and wail- the reduced hours of labor giving oping in Tony Trecco's household, at portunity for work to 8,000 more men, When the family goat disapes estimated on the reduced output of 1896 and 1897, and to a much greater number, with the anticipated output

in 1898. The strike of the New England cotmore general than had been anticipated, and practically involves the entire industry. The labor unions furnish the following figures as the average weekly pay in the several departments before and after the cut down:

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Dr. Pitcairn being in a church in Edinburgh where the preacher was not ism. Let us never forget that we hold only emphatic, but shed tears copious-dominion as God's instrument." These brave words show Canon Scott-Holland tryman, who sat by him, what it was to be a man of keen insight and all about. "What in the world makes "Faith," said the man, slowly turning round, "ye had may be greet yoursel', if ye was up there and had as little to say.'

> It was a negligence case, and a goodhumored Irishman was a witness. The lawyers and everybody else were trying their best to extract from him something about the speed of a

train 'Was it going fast?" asked the 'Aw, yis, it were," answered the witness.

"How fast?" "Aw, purty fast, yer honor." Well, how fast?" "Aw, purty fast."

'Was it as fast as a man can run?" "Aw, yis," said the Irishman, glad that the basis for an analogy was supplied; "as fast as two min kin

"Isis," of Oxford, tells two good examination stories. The first is a candidate who, in the divinity viva voce, was asked to translate a portion of end of that portion, the examiner said The molders employed by Jones & Loughlin, Pittsburg, have been granted an advance of ten per cent in wages.

Will do. We are quite satisfied with your paper." "Oh, please," was the answer, "do let me go on. I should " to him: "Thank you, Mr. so like to find out how the story ends." Modern history furnishes the other. One candidate's paper in the Oxford local examination contained the following luminous and surprising pass-"General Wolfe boldly attack-

True friendship has a breadening influence, and takes small account of things which might serve to weaken the charms of mere acquaintance. cept the San Francisco Building limp caused by some temporary trouble?" inquired the lawyer in a case of assault and battery, addressing a wit-The miners of the Norrie group, Lake ness for the defendant. The man bore to prove was the particular affray then before the court.

"Oh, O'll be all right in a day or two," said the witness, cheerfully. "It was jist a friend of mine kicked me the other evening, and O'm a bit stiff in the j'ints, that's all!"

Company were put in operation Jan. 8, giving employment to upwards of 10,000 burgh professor who is both methodi-Prof. W. is accustomed to take a daily Cleveland Typographical Union No. walk with another old professor, when sneaked into the dining-room and ate 53 passed a resolution at its last meetcomprehension of ordinary mortals. sister hated him when he ate up two of her dolls, and her big brother hated eration of Labor.

in petitioning the executive council for one day, when the walking was exceedingly bad, Prof. W. was on his way to the corner at which he and his find the corner at which he and his friend always met, when he encountered a young student whose face he recognized dimly, having seen it every day for several weeks in the classroom. He accordingly hailed his pupil, who was wading through the mud to get across the street. 'Have you seen Prof. S?" he asked.

"Yes, sir," replied the student, pausing respectfully in the midst of a mud puddle to remove his cap. "He is at the corner below, waiting for you.' "Good, very good!" responded the professor, looking over his spectacles with his class-room air when well pleased with a student. "I thank you. You may be seated."

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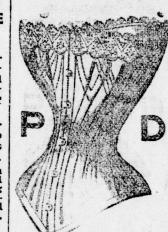
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