

HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY.—On Wednesday week a boy, of humble parentage, who is connected with a mercantile office in Exchange-alley West, found a purse, containing four sovereigns, in the throng of the passengers in Church-street. A carter, who was passing, and who saw him lift it, remarked that he should advertise it. The boy reached the office, and immediately, with the assistance of another lad, wrote out an advertisement for one of the newspapers. In the meantime the lady of one of the gentlemen connected with the office was making inquiry for a lost purse, which, by a singular coincidence, was the one found; and the employees of the boy knew nothing either of his good fortune or his integrity till they read the advertisement, and made inquiry in the usual way. There was evidently no wish or intention on the part of the boy to recommend himself by the act: but it was of such a nature that we can say to every one in similar circumstances, "Go thou and do likewise."—*Liverpool Mercury*.

CURIOUS EXPERIMENT.—The *Courier Francais* states, that "an experiment calculated to excite the greatest interest was made in Paris, in that part of the river opposite to the Quai d'Orsai. Towards five o'clock in the evening recently, Dr. Payerne, placed in an enormous metal bell, weighing several hundred kilogrammes, descended under this apparatus, to the bottom of the river. The Doctor remained more than half an hour under water. He had under his bell a chemical apparatus, with the assistance of which he absorbed the carbonic acid gas, and produced oxygen and azote to render the air fit for respiration. The experiment succeeded completely, and we are assured that with this bell, of a new construction, a person may remain under water for an indefinite period at a depth of 50 yards. An instrument of a similar construction placed in the hand of our pearl and coral fishers would be of vast importance."

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" Salt "	0	5	0	6
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Beef	25	9	30	0
Flour, per cwt.	12	0	14	0
Beef, per lb. (1d. to 2d. per qr.)	0	2	1	5
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Veal, per qr.	2	6	10	0
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Lard, per lb.	0	5	0	6
Potatoes, per bushel	1	3	1	6
" new "	2	0	2	6
Corn	2	0	2	9
Rye	2	6	3	0
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