

## PLUPY, "THE REAL BOY"

the driver could not stop them for a long time.

When the "Piscataqua" got to the fire the "Fountain" had been pried up and had got a stream on. So had the "Torrent." The men were pumping for their lives. Bucket lines had been formed, and the thud and tunk of leather buckets on heads made apparently of the same material was heard above the roar of the fire. So were the indignant remarks of the victims.

The bells were still ringing. They were determined everyone should know there was a fire. Some of the people may not have known it. Some of them acted as if they did not. Most of them worked hard to put out the fire and save things. Plupy's father was very active in saving things. The last thing he saved was Plupy's boat. It was in the cellar. The cellar was rapidly filling with water and the boat might have got wet. So Plupy's father saved it. It was the last thing saved. Everything else had been saved and smashed but the tacks in the carpets. They had been left in the floor with little bunches of carpet under them.