

not open to the investigation of the reader.

In endeavoring during his aerial pilgrimage to cast the sweetest and most winning smiles at Miss Moon, the adventurer's high-blown pride was humbled, for the air-ship struck a high-stone steeple, and the captain and his crew sunk to the Earth. But I, being neither heavy nor dense, repelled all the attractive charms of Mother Earth and sped on through the sky-blue realms until my senses were crushed. How long I thus remained in the ethereal regions is a mystery to me. When I recovered from the shock, I was receiving the charitable attention of a young lad who had seen me fall from an enormous height into a neighboring hay-stack. Wishing to give substantial expression to the sympathy that he felt for me, he filled my pockets with delicious sweets. By his extreme kindness my pains were greatly relieved. But I was just raising a few choice candies to my watery mouth, when I was roused from the land of ghosts by a boisterous crowd of babbling knickerbockers. In the midst of this pandemonium of youthful voices stood their leader

who demanded my attention and read the following verdict:—

"We, the Junior Endeavor Society (hereafter designated the J. E. S.) knowing the literary ability of N. . . . ., and his wonderful acumen, to say nothing of his marvellous sense of the fitness of things, do hereby proclaim and confirm the selection of said person N. . . . . as junior chronicler of the small yard. (Here I heaved a despondent sigh.)

"Again, we, the United Trust ordain, maintain and regulate in as far as we are capable, (and we think we are) that all his work, literary or critical, be done during class and study hours, at which times his vast deal of correspondence must be attended."

Signed, The J. E. S. United Trust.

Boys, the present unworthy scribe was chosen by acclamation and he submitted desperately to the unanimous voice of the assembly. Fearing, however, that reckless Lilliput may be harboring unwittingly a few of those wild anarchists, who seek daily the scalps of eminent public men, we withhold the publication of our name.