

nation of the why of anything unless one knows all the facts or at least the principal ones.

In the present case don't you know all the facts ? No, in the present case, I know very little.

What do you know ? I suppose that sometime during the morning they both went afishing, the small boy with fishing tackle of the simplest and cheapest kind, made by himself ; the man dressed in sporting garments of the latest and most fashionable cut, provided with a complete and costly fishing outfit ; I know that now, after sometime spent in fishing, the boy is the proud owner of two fine trout, while the man has nothing to show for his trouble. Why the boy was successful and the man unsuccessful is more than I can say. Was it superior skill on the part of the boy ; did he have a better knowledge of where to fish and how to fish ? was it luck ? who can tell ? I cannot.

What is luck ? I suppose it is what is regarded as happening by chance ; what chance or fortune sends ; good fortune, I may add that if the boy was lucky, the trout were unlucky.

Describe the man's outfit. It consists of a very fine fishing rod, line, reel, net, and fish-basket.

Give a description of the man's pose ? He is facing the boy ; from the waist upward, he is bending forward and slightly to the left ; his right-hand is in the right pocket of his trousers while his left-hand, which is pressing on the lower part of the pocket from the outside, appears to be pushing the contents upwards towards his right-hand.

What is he searching for in his pocket ? I suppose he is searching for money.

What does he want money for ? I imagine he has bought the trout from the boy and that he is getting the money to pay for them.

Why is he buying the trout ? I suppose he does not want to return home empty-handed after a day's outing.

Do you think he will tell his folks that he caught the fishes himself ? I am pretty sure that he will.

But it will be a lie, will it not ? No it will be no lie.

What ! it will be no lie ? Don't you understand that it will be an absolute untruth ? Nothing of the kind, sir, he did catch them himself, with his own hands, when the boy passed them over to him.

Well at least he will deceive those to whom he tells his story, will he not ? I don't think so, sir ; they will think he caught them with bait, and so he did, the bait was money. They will deceive themselves.

My friend, I think that you are not very frank ? I, sir, I have nothing to do with it.