PUCK.

"Den't you know how to spell?" asked the exasperated teacher of the extremely phonetic boy. "Oh, yes," said the boy, "I know how to spell well enough, but the men who made the dictionaries don't seem to."

The negro is a great philosopher. Old John Spradler had just paid up the last dollar on the mule he bought last spring, when suddenly the animal died, leaving him a financial wreck. On being sympathized with, he said: "Well, his time come tergo, sah, an I radder him dan me."—[Smith-yille (Ga.) News.

Why he carried a watch.—Bjons—What time have you, Cadley? Cadley—Fourthirty. Bjones—Four-thirty! Why, it isn't more than 1 o'clock? What's the use of a watch like that? Cadley—Use! Why, I always know what time it isn't when I sook at that watch. That's the use of it.

Tom Tucker—Why is a kiss like a sermon? Jack Horner—Because it requires two heads and an application.—[Boston Herald.

"Well, Misther McPhelim, how'd ye chlape last night?" "Ah, bhad, Denny, had! Unconscious a good dale av the oline."—[Harper's Bazar.

A small boy, required to write a sentence containing the word "hominy," produced the following: "Hominy marbles have you!"—[Boston Transcript.

A little girl, in order to prove that it is brong to cut off the tails of horses and flogs, quoted the scriptural injunction, twhat God has joined together let not man put asunder."

"It's pretty damp for a person with the seumatism to go prowling around, Uncle

sh."
"Mebbe, boss, but it's de doctor's ad-

vice."
"Do you mean to tell me the doctor advised you to be out night's?"
"Not 'zackly dat away—but he said I must have chicken brof."—[Harper's Bazar. ttt

"My dorg kin lick your dorg, Tommy

"My dorg kin lick your off."

Bodkins."
"He can't do no seeh thing, Patsy MacMityre: I ain't got no dorg."
"Well, my pa kin lick yourn."
"Can't, neither; ain't got no pa."
"Well, my ma kin lick yourn."
"Bet she can't; 'ain't got no ma."
"What hev yer got, anyhow?"
"Nothin"."

"Well, jes yer come over here, an' I'll take that out o' yer."—[Harper's Bazar. :::

Attorney—You say you wouldn't believe
the defendant under eath?"
Witness—Excuse me; I said nothing of
the kind. I believe him to be a remarkably
truthful and high-minded gentleman.
Attorney—On what do you base your belief?"

Witness—He has been up in Wisconsin or two months; and he told me, personally, hat he had hard luck fishing.—[Christian & Work."

"Mamma," asked little Arthur Road-ouse, Monmouth, Ill., "who made the od did."

"Did he paint it blue." "Well, what did he stand on while he painted it?"

A POINTED QUESTION.

This comes from Le Roy, N. Y.;
Baby Allen (2 years old)—Mamma, when
will the cookies be cold enough for me to

Mamma—In a little while if you are a good boy.

Renny Haskell (3½ years old)—Mamma.

will the cookies keep hot if baby is
haughty

Annie—What's de matter, Jimmy; what are yer cryin' for?

Jimmy—Me brudder's dead. Boo-hoo! Boo-hoo!
Annie—Why, he died suddent, didn't he?
Jimmy—Yes; he went onto a picnic an sat too much hie an' samwiches, an' is kilt him. Boo-hoo! Boo-hoo!
Annie—Well, don't cry, Jimmy; jus' hink wot a lovely death he died; pie, an' samwiches, Oh!—[Life

'Rastus-Wish I cud get a drink 'round I'm powerful thirsty. Jasper—Well, dar's sum fine wattan-million up de road. 'Rastus—What ob dat? Dar's no chance

Fer get one ob dem.

Jasper-No, dat's so; but if yo jes look

MAN NE'ER WAS MADE TO MOURN. [Written by J. H. Mills, of the Theater Royal Manchester, 1806, and now published by re-

quest.]
When lovely spring with smiling train
Fresh clothed each plain and tree,
One heavenly morn I wandered forth
Along the banks of Dee.
I met a maid upon whose brow
Sat love with mirth and glee,
Before whose lovely beauteous form
All sadness seemed to flee.

She said: Young stranger whither stray'stl Or dost thou wander out with me To court fair pleasure's smile?

If thou for happiness dost seek, And bliss on blis s would'st pile, Ne'er quit the substance for the shade, But catch each joy the while. The sun that now with luster decks The dew drops on the spray.
Two seen her many a time return
Fresh gracing and more gay.
The peasants catch the genial glow,
New joys within them burn,
And every child of nature owns
Man no'er was made to mourn.

O. man, why waste thy youthful days O, man, why waste thy youthful days
In sorrow, sadness, grief i
For every thought of ill thou know'st
Sweet mirth will find relief,
To every misery thou feel'st
Let pleasure give a turn,
For nature shows a thousand ways
Man ne'er was made to mourn.

Think on thy spring of life, when joy By nature's law should reign, Nor suffer dull phlegmatic power To change that joy to pain. de sweetly, hand in hand with bliss Till drawn near death's dark bourne E'en then thy happy end will prove

A few by cruel fate sore driven In grief's hard fetters lay. Yet think not all who sigh and moan Would not be sometimes gay, For, oh, see all the world around

Man neer was made to mourn.

What bliss, what happiness, kind heaven
Within our reach does place,
Nor need we wade through guilt or shame
Those bounties to embrace.
Each to his fellow creatures kind
When wrelched or forlorn,
Man's liberality to man
Makes thousands cease to mourn.

Note yonder open-hearted man, With smiling face, relieve

With smiling face, relieve
You wretch, who fall'n in fortune's shade,
Was only left to grieve. "Here fellow-creature cure thy wants, Thy breast's with sorrow torn," They smile, then both with rapture own, Man ne'er was made to mourn. For me, whate'er my station be,

Whether a lord or slave,
An independent heart I'll own;
That blessing heaven gave;
And while its vital stream shall flow,
I e'er shall treat with soorn
The wretch who strives with lawless power
To make his fellows mourn.

But haste, young man, for pleasures seek, There happiness you'll find, For hand in hand they willing try To glad all human kind.

The mountain, forest, palace, cot, They visit in their turn.
And prove to all who will have proof, Man ne'er was made to mourn.

BOYS AND CIRLS.

FRUDENCE, ADVERTISER Office, London of the get one ob dem.

Jasper—No, dat's so; but if yo jes look at dem dey'll make your moni wattah.

Boston Herald.

Old friends are truthful friends. A middle-aged woman, returning to the home of her girlhood, was met by the mother of former school companion.

"Wasl, waal," said the latter; "so this la Jennie Brown! It's nigh on to fifteen wears since I seed you last." was the regions. "Yee kept my looks pretty well, haven't It"

"Yes, fifteen long years," was the regions. "I've kept my looks pretty well, haven't It"

"Yes," answered the old lady—"yes, Jennie, I'm sorry to say ye have."

Jennie, I'm sorry to say ye have."

It was told some years ago of a Southern youth that one morning after completing a somewhat protracted toilet he turned to his servant and inquired, "How do I look, Cassar?"

"Plendid, massa, 'plendid," was the yeady answer.

"Do you think I'll do, Cassar?" he asked, surveying himself and giving Cassar a quarter.

"Guy! massa, neber see you look so fierce in all my life. You look jis as bold as a lion?"

"A lion! What do you know about a look, beached." I have two sweet in able to years ago. I have two sisters. None for them at home know I am writing to you so they will be surprised, very. You see if I told them they would all want to write too. They are the greatest children for copying one you could imagine. Every time Igo anywers one of them anyway is g. I want to go too!" And they were six of us, and we met every day after seven the captain, of course, Al Jenny Husted's It is bread and syrup. I think I could skip up to 1,000, but when I tried once and got to the handles, and then would give a coffin if she would skip up to 1,000, but when I tried once and got to the handles, and we may be a some offine the went to complete the went into one of the girls house to great a direct the handles and we well and giving the morning after completing a somewhat protracted tollet he turned to his owned to his owned and year a could in magine the prevention of the

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"A lion! What do you know about a tion? You never saw one, Cæsar."

"Neber see a lion, massa! Guy! I see "Neber see a lion, massa! Guy! I see "Massa Peyton's Jim ride one ober de mill bery day."

"Why, you fool, that's a donkey!"

"Can't help dat, massa," said Cæsar, ""you look jis like him."

"The late Doctor Ward of Yankton, Dather of the late of the same of the number of good kota, was famous for the publication lever the saying that "she played beautifully." If she was a conceited, the should have said, "Oh, I don't play well at ali," or some the saying that "she played beautifully." If an in the Sixth Reader at school. In the publication of the pub

up one of his neighbor's boys and gave him hurried directions about his study and the probable location of the sermon, and sent him post-haste to get it and return as fast as possible.

The service proceeded and still the boy did not appear. The young preacher was in agony. He had never preached without notes, and the perspiration stood in great beads on his forehead as he wondered what he would do if the sermon did not come.

Finally, just as the last stanza of the hymn which preceded the sermon was being sung, the boy appeared, rushed up the size gang to the caches a mouse he will not eat it until he cample conspicuously and handed the minister his manuscript. The clergymen took the pack, age nervously, opened it and during profound stiliness, announced the text. Not so get if flash over him. It was this:

"Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost!"

This was too much for the audience. The people laughed outright. But the lesson was a good one for the minister, who are forgot his sermon again while in that parish.

WITH THE POETS.

mato twitte this, as she does not believe in sending children to school or teaching them terming children to school was abore and thought from the audient the boy of the term to origin

And you rub as hard as ever you can, And your hands are hard to my sorrow: No woman shall wash me when I'm a man, And I wish I were one to-morrow.

THE NORTH POLAR STAR.

To know "just where you are" on a starry night when away from home may at some time be a matter of importance to the thousands of young readers of the ADVERTISER who are interested in this department. To discover your whereabouts the north polar star must be located, which may very easily be done. This wonderful and reliable northern beacon is always to be found in the same position, hence the name "fixed star." Look for the "big dipper," known as Ursa Major, which is always visible in the northern sky on any bright night. It consists of seven stars and resembles a dipper, which swings around the north polar star every twenty-four hours. Sometimes it is above the north star, sometimes below it; at other times it is to the light, again to the left, according to the hour and season. Although constantly revolving around the north polar star, and consequently at time being upside down, the seven stars composing this remarkable constellation are never separated. No matter what its position the two outside stars of the dipper—not those of the handle—always point in a straight line to the north polar star, which is the first bright star beyond the two referred to. The following diagram will be fully understood: THE NORTH POLAR STAR.

When upside down of course the position of the "dipper" would be as as follows, while that of the north polar star remains

North being thus found, the other points of the compass are at once known.

PUZZLE BUREAU.

Whole, I am a river of England; curtail, and I signify to pert; transpose, and I am a division of poetry; take away one letter, and transpose and I am without end; transpose and I am thur transpose and I am before.

n round; behead, and I am before.

55.—CHARADE.

Behold my first! If I should claim
For beauty of our tongue,
I'd say, so softly sweet a name
Before was never sung!
Yet have I often seen my next
Beside it, so arrayed.
Another beauty seemed to share
The one it proudly made.
My whole, when gave I lucy last
A first to grace her hair,
I added to enshrine its form,
And lend a beauty more.

55.—METAGRAMS.

And lend a beauty more.

57.—METAGRAMS.

1. Complete I am useful in the bakehouse; change my head and I become to entertain; an animal; and the smallest.

2. Complete, I am one of the sexs; change my head, and I become a country in Europe packages; auctions; stories; and storms.

3. My whole is what we have every day; but change my head, and I become a town in England; to cure; a bird; not a sham; a fish; and a kind of meat.

58.—ENIGMA.

Sooner, later, ever, You can kill me never; Master of life-don't doubt me— No man exists without me. 59.-LITTLE CHARADES.

No man exists without me.

5.1. My first is order, my second a friend, and my whole according to rule

2. My first is a river, my second a friend, and my whole according to rule

2. My first is a fixt, my second a coin, and my whole a country in northern Europe.

4. My first is a lite, my second an officer, and my whole an officer of state.

4. My first is a lite, my second an officer, and my whole a fixth of apple.

6. My first is open, my second a castle, and my whole a German city.

60.—TRIPLE ACROSTIC.

We each are one of brothers two, And often come within your view, At all times near each other found.

Yet, though the fact may much astound, But one of us can touch his brother, Although so close to one another.

1. "Save the Forest" is the cry:

Do not this to lands of State:

Resist encroachments which deept.

What'er our circumstance in life, we all should keep from foolish str'd
United friendship should prevail, And discord neier our peace assail.

3. "Neath India's bright and sunny sky I widely circulate:

In short, I'm current, and can buy Position, power, and state

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44.-Harrass, Sarah.

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