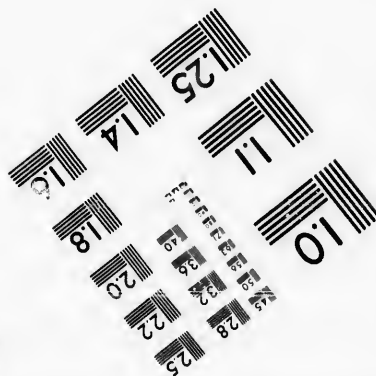
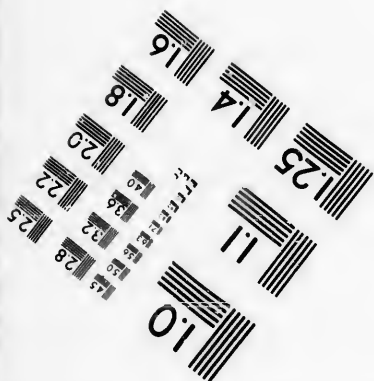
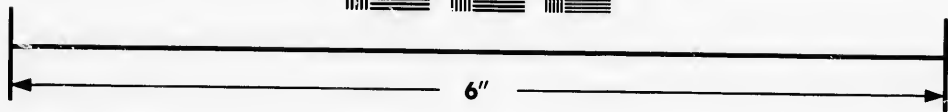
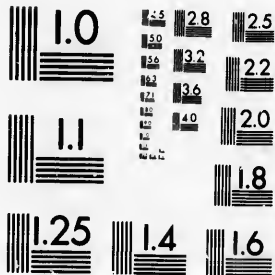


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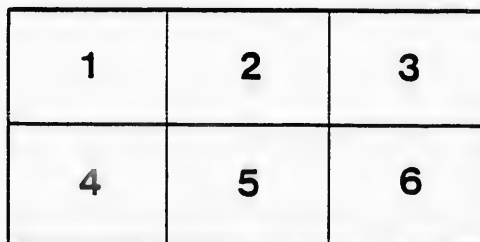
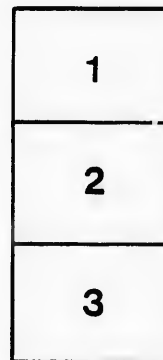
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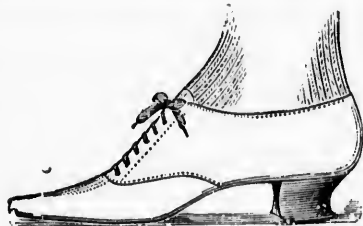
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His little stomach lie.

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Those goodly things have sped
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"HIS FIRST AND LAST OPERA."

SYNOPSIS.

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"OUTWARD BOUND."

SYNOPSIS.

My unexpected legacy, its two conditions. Preparations for my voyage, embarkation. A misunderstanding between myself and the steward. My first meeting with Mr. Howard. I bid farewell to my mother in accents broken by the ship's band and the Fog Horn. My stateroom companion and her distress about her missing luggage. An idea of some of the people at my table, Mr. Dremley, Mr. Gibbs, his wife and daughter. Mrs. Gibbs' "Lullaby" to her husband, with an obligato by him. After getting through the Bay of Biscay I venture on deck. How I am assisted in my endeavor to get a little nap. The proposed Concert for the Orphan Fund. Beating up recruits, Mr Jones sings "Good old Steward." Miss Southdown proposes to give an imitation, and sings "Di, Di." A disjointed but interesting conversation with Mr. Howard Mr. sings a "plantation Song" with banjo accompaniment. Mr. Howard's proposal. I am prepared to carry out the last condition of the legacy.

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"IN SEARCH OF AN ENGAGEMENT."

SYNOPSIS.

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TIM, THE WHARF-RAT.

You see, gents, my pal Tim an me
Was a takin' a quiet swim,
When a cop comes a sneakin' along the wharf,
An he nabs poor little Tim.

You bet it was rough on us partners that,
Fur while Tim in ther cooler stayed,
His corner'd he tuk by s'mother boy
As ud cabbage his reg'lar trade.

So Tim went a, snivelin' up ther street,
With me snivelin' on behine
Wen a big man under resterrink cum,
As I guess ud been drinkin' wine;

An he axes, "What's this here crim'nal done?"
So ther cop says, "Ver see its agin
Ther law fur ter swim on the city front,
So I'm running' this Wharf-Rat in."

An ther big man laughs as he looks at Tim,
An he sez, "How much is ther fine?—
Five dollars!—They charge ther same for a bath
They does fur a bottle er wine.

"Wall, I guess I'll pay it," an then he winks
At me an ther cop kinder quiet,
"But mind yer, Rat, this is onne a loan,—
Von must pay it back in a year."

An he laughs agin' wen Tim braced up
An looks him square in ther eye,
An sez, with his fist a clinched this way,—
"Ef I don't, sir, I hope ter die!"

Well, most on a year had gone; one day
Me an Tim was stealin' a dip
By ther ferry wharf, wen ther boat kem in
An run too hard'gin ther slip;

An a little gal, that a big man held
A settin' upon ther rail,
Wos knocked clean over ther steamer's side
In ther shake uv a sheepses tail.

We seed 'twas ther same rich man, an knowed
Ther babby belonged ter him;
So Tim dived arter it like a duck,—
Fur I tell yer he saveyed ter swim.

Ther passengers yelled, ther bells ther banged,
Till ther boat backed off from ther;
Then we seed my pal cotched onto a pile,
A grippen' ther gal's long hair.

So they hauled em both out onto ther dock;
The gal *she* was safe an sound,
But Tim had been hit by ther iron wheel,—
His side wos jest one big wound.

Ther daddy he kissed his kid, then kneeled
Where Tim lay so white an sick:
"God bless yer!" he sez, "my little man,—
Someone fetch a doctor, quick!"

"No use," sez Tim: "I'm agoin', sir,
I can't pay yer now, yer see,
And he takes from his neck a little bag,—
"I'm four bits short," sez he.

"Don't yer savey ther boy what wos tooked up,
What yer lent ther money that day?
I'd most got it all made up, but now—
But now I never kin pay."

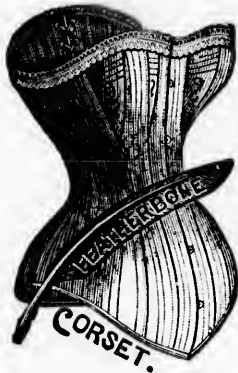
Don't talk uv that," sez ther father chap,
His big tears a runnin' free;
"You've saved my babby's life, an she's
Wuth all ther world ter me!"

"Is she wuth four bits?" sez Tim, so weak;
"Oh! yes," sez ther man,— "Give him air!"
"Then," sez Tim, just like he wos going' ter sleep,
"Then, mister, you and me's square."

An that woz ther last word Timmie sez,
An all them big men tall
Tuk off ther hats as my pal let go,—
Ves they did,—plug hats and all!

An a gospel sharp as wos in ther crowd,
He knelt right down by Tim,
An he told uv a Bible feller as sed
Fur dead kids ter cum ter him.

I tell yer it's hard ter lose ther pal
Ver've fit fur, starv'd with, an love;
But I'm bettin' as them as is squar down here
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It's almost too good to be true, but the Philadelphia Record notes the marriages of a Mr. Tarr and Miss Feather; also of Mr. Downs and Miss Ups.

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Mabel—It ought to be. She paid for it.

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"I think," said the professor to the father of the late graduate, "that your son will now need a wider field."

"All right," said the old man, "come along, John; I've got ten acres!"

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"How is it that your boss' sweet wines cost so much more than the sour ones?" asked a gentleman of the liquor dealer's boy.

"Do you suppose the boss gets his sugar for nothing?" was the incautious reply.

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Van Ishe—So she refused you?

Ten Brok (sadly)—Yes; in fact, she told me to go to—(whispers).

Van Ishe—Dear me! Why, I—

Ten Brok—That is, she told me to ask her father, and, as he's dead, I suppose that's what she meant.

One of the curious things about the gulf stream is that no whales are found in it.

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It was a Cambridge car, and it had stopped just in front of Beck Hall. Mrs. Casey, who sat near the front door, tackled her bundle of washing and started to leave by the front platform. The bundle was rather large and decidedly awkward to handle, and when she reached the street it slipped from her grasp and fell upon one of the tracks.

She started quickly to recover it, but a sudden apprehension seized her and she stopped. Looking at the motorman, she said, doubtfully: "If Oi put me fut on the track will Oi hov a shock?"

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A BURGLARY.

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Lieutenant—But, Your Greenjacketness, they are still so far off that the ball will only go half way.

His Greenjacketness—Then fire two cannons at the dogs.



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