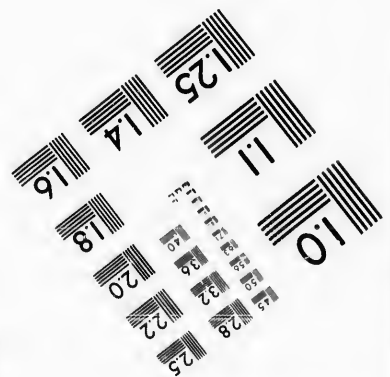
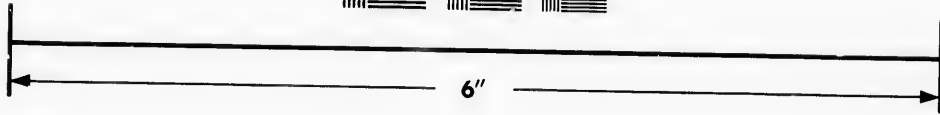
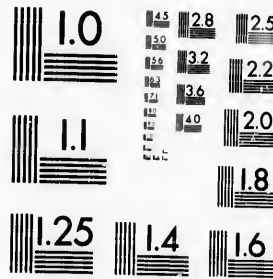


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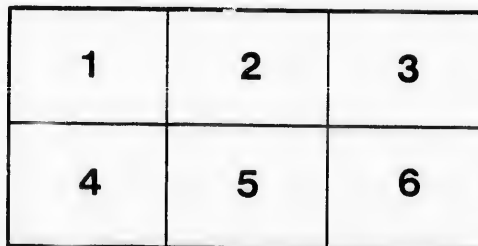
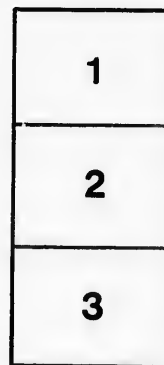
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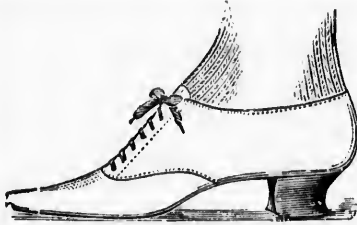
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And at the pawnshops, hidden and unseen,
Jewels galore—in soak—are lying, too!

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 be 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 outer 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 hottle 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,—
You 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, sh, 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 s'aved ter swim.

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

So they hauled em both out onter ther dock;
The gal *she* was safe an sound,
But Tim had been hit by ther iron wheel,—
His side was 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 saveny 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
V'er ve fit fur, starved wuth an love;
But I'm bettin' as them as is squar down here
Is square uv ther above!



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Willie—I heard pa say that the kittie had \$20 in her last night. I was only trying to shake some of it out.

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

Buckwheat cakes that taste good for breakfast and make a man feel like committing murder the rest of the day have made their appearance.—*Atchison Globe*.

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Maud—Is that her own complexion?
Mabel—It ought to be. She paid for it.

NO TROUBLE ABOUT FIELDS.

"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!"

A MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

"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.

HIS WAY OF PUTTING IT.

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.

White huckleberries are reported to be found in abundance at Gardner's Lake, Conn.

Winkers—Why do bicyclists ride with their noses so close to the ground? Jinkers—Looking for tacks.

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"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?"

"No, madam" replied the motorman, gravely, "not unless you put your other foot on the trolley wire."

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END OF THE WAR.

The war was over. The victorious Japanese troops marched proudly through the streets of Peking. Li Hung Chang, "the Bismarck of the East," sat alone in his palace, wrapped in thought.

Just simply wrapped in thought. That was all.

A BURGLARY.

Tom—Pills, the druggist, tells me that burglars entered his store the other night and stole \$15 worth of perfume. Too bad, wasn't it? Jerry—I should say so. Have they put the detectives on the scent?

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