THE ORPHANS DEFEATED

Washington Wins Through Better All-Round Work.

McFarland Pitches a Good Game and Is Given Excellent Support—Freeman Makes Another Home Run. Fine Fielding at Third Base by Atherton—Other Sunday Battles.

HOW THE CLUBS STAND.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Brooklyn	60	27	.690
Boston	53	33	.615
Philadelphia	51	35	.593
St. Louis	51	35	.593
Baltimore	50	35	.588
Chicago	46	39	.541
Cincinnati	44	42	.512
Pittsburg	44	43	.505
Louisville	37	48	.435
New York	35	49	.417
Washington	33	56	.371
Cleveland	15	74	.169

GAMES YESTERDAY.

Washington, 7; Chicago, 3.
Cincinnati, 5; New York, 4.
Louisville, 9; Cleveland, 2.
Louisville, 16; Cleveland, 13.
Brooklyn, 9; St. Louis, 5.

GAMES TODAY.

Washington at Chicago.
Boston at St. Louis.
Baltimore at Pittsburg.
Philadelphia at Cleveland.
Brooklyn at Cincinnati.
New York at Louisville.

Washington won the game from the Orphans at Chicago yesterday through superior all-round play.

McFarland, who was on the rubber for the Senators, held his opponents safe at all times, and only once did they look at all dangerous. The Washington twirler was given excellent support by his associates, the only misplay behind him being made by Bonner, which, however, did not prove very costly.

Freeman and Padden batted like fiends, each making three safe drives, the former a single, a double, and a home run, and the latter two singles and a double.

Chicago had young Garvin in the box and he did fairly well, but Washington managed to connect with his delivery in bunches, in the first, sixth, and eighth innings, piling up seven runs in the three innings.

The youngster's support was enough to cause any twirler to give up in despair, the Orphans making as many errors as they did hits.

Charley Atherton's work at third was gilt-edged, nine chances without an error being his record. The score:

CHICAGO.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Ryan, lf	1	1	3	0	0
Green, rf	1	1	2	0	0
Mertes, cf	1	0	1	0	0
Everitt, 1b	0	2	11	0	0
McCormick, 2b	0	0	2	2	2
DeMontreville, ss	0	2	3	3	1
Conner, 3b	0	0	1	4	0
Donohue, c	0	0	4	0	1
Garvin, p	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	3	6	27	12	6

WASHINGTON.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Slagle, cf	1	1	3	0	0
O'Brien, lf	0	1	2	0	0
McGann, 1b	0	0	13	0	0
Bonner, 2b	1	1	2	3	1
Freeman, rf	2	3	1	0	0
Padden, ss	2	3	0	4	0
Atherton, 3b	0	0	4	5	0
Kittridge, c	1	0	2	2	0
McFarland, p	0	0	0	2	0
Totals	7	9	27	16	1

Chicago	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1—3
Washington	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0—7

First base by errors—Chicago 1, Washington 3. Left on bases—Chicago 2, Washington 4. First base on balls—Off McFarlan 2. Struck out—By Garvin 2, by McFarlan 2. Home run—Freeman. Two-base hits—Freeman, O'Brien, Padden, DeMontreville. Sacrifice hits—Mertes, O'Brien. Stolen bases—Kittridge 2, DeMontreville. Double play—DeMontreville and Everitt. Wild pitch—McFarlan. Passed ball—Kittridge. Umpires—Emslie and McDonald. Time of game—1 hours and 50 minutes.

Two for the Colonels.

Louisville entertained the "good thing" yesterday and proved to be very discourteous hosts by defeating the Exiles twice. The first game was not much of a test, the Colonels having almost a walkover, while the second was a howling farce. The score:

LOUISVILLE.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Clarke, lf	0	2	3	0	0
Hoy, cf	1	1	2	0	0
Leech, 3b	2	1	2	1	0
Wagner, rf	2	2	2	0	0
Kelley, 1b	1	0	8	1	0
Ritchey, 2b	0	1	3	0	0
Zimmer, c	1	0	3	1	0
Clingman, ss	2	2	1	4	1
Cunningham, p	0	1	3	2	0
Totals	9	11	27	9	1

CLEVELAND.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Dowd, cf	1	2	1	0	0
Harley, lf	1	1	3	0	0
Quinn, 2b	0	2	1	2	1
Sullivan, 3b	0	0	3	3	0
McAllister, rf	0	1	0	0	0
Tucker, 1b	0	0	10	0	1
Lockhead, ss	0	0	2	6	1
Schrecongost, c	0	0	4	1	0
Knepper, p	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	2	7	24	12	3

Louisville	2	0	0	1	1	2	1	2	x—9
Cleveland	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0—2

Two-base hits—Clarke, Dowd. Home runs—Wagner 2, Hoy. Wild pitch—Knepper. First base on balls—Off Knepper 2, off Cunningham 1. Struck out—By Knepper 3. Hit by pitcher—By Knepper 1. Stolen bases—Leech, Clarke. Double plays—Cunningham and Kelley; Sullivan and Tucker; Lockhead, Quinn, and Tucker. Umpires—Manassau and Smith. Time of game—1 hour and 55 minutes.

THE SECOND GAME.

LOUISVILLE.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Clarke, lf	2	2	4	1	0
Hoy, cf	2	3	1	0	0
Leech, 3b	2	1	2	2	0
Wagner, rf	1	0	1	1	0
Kelley, 1b	2	2	10	0	1
Ritchey, 2b	2	2	2	2	1
Powers, c	2	2	4	0	0
Clingman, ss	2	2	1	4	2
Dowling, p	1	0	2	2	0
Brashear, p	0	0	0	1	0
Philippi, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	14	27	13	4

CLEVELAND.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Dowd, cf	1	0	1	0	0
Harley, lf	2	3	2	0	1
Quinn, 2b	3	2	6	6	0
Sullivan, 3b	2	2	1	1	0
McAllister, rf and p	0	4	1	0	0
Tucker, 1b	2	4	9	0	1
Lockhead, ss	1	1	1	5	1
Sugden, c	1	0	3	1	1
Colliflower, p and rf	1	3	0	2	0
Totals	13	19	24	15	4

Louisville	2	0	1	0	7	0	8	0	x—16
Cleveland	0	0	0	2	0	0	10	0	1—13

Two-base hits—Sullivan, Quinn. Home runs—Clarke, Hoy. Stolen bases—Ritchey, Wagner, Clingman. First base on balls—Off Dowling 5, off Brashear 1, off Colliflower 4, off McAllister 1. Struck out—By Dowling 2, by Colliflower 1, by Philippi 1. Double plays—Clingman, Ritchey, and Kelley; Quinn and Lockhead. Hit by pitcher—By Dowling 1, by Colliflower 1, by McAllister 1. Time of game—3 hours and 3 minutes.

Brooklyn Wins From St. Louis.

The Superbas made it three out of four from St. Louis by defeating the Indians yesterday. Brooklyn scored almost at will, while former Senator Donovon, who pitched for the Hanlonites, kept the Tebeaulites' hits well scattered. The score:

ST. LOUIS.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Burkett, lf	1	2	2	0	1
Childs, 2b	0	2	6	2	0
Heidrick, rf	0	0	1	0	1
Wallace, 3b	0	0	1	4	0
Donlin, ss and 1b	0	1	5	0	4
Tebeau, 1b and ss	1	1	5	3	1
Blake, cf and c	2	1	3	2	0
O'Connor, c	0	0	1	1	0
Hemphill, cf	0	1	3	0	1
Young, p	1	2	0	2	0
Totals	5	10	27	14	8

BROOKLYN.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Jones, cf	3	2	0	0	0
Keeler, rf	2	2	1	0	0
Kelley, lf	0	3	3	1	0
Daly, 2b	1	2	1	3	0
Anderson, 1b	0	0	9	0	0
Dahlen, ss	1	0	2	0	1
Casey, 3b	0	2	3	5	0
Farrell, c	1	2	8	2	0
Donovan, p	1	1	0	1	0
Totals	9	15	27	12	1

St. Louis	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0—5
Brooklyn	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	2	1—9

Home run—Daly. Two-base hits—Donlin, Jones. Three-base hits—Young, Keeler. Sacrifice hit—Heidrick. First base on balls—Off Young 1, off Donovan 3. Double play—Childs and Wallace. Struck out—By Young 2, by Donovan 3. Stolen bases—Kelley, Jones, Keeler. Wild pitch—Young. Umpires—O'Day and McGarr. Time of game—2 hours and 30 minutes.

Another for the Reds.

Cincinnati won another game from the Giants yesterday after the latter had it apparently won. Seymour went to pieces in the ninth inning and allowed Buck's Braves to score three runs, which gave them a victory. The score:

CINCINNATI.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
McBride, cf	0	0	5	1	1
Irwin, ss	0	2	0	1	0
Miller, rf	0	0	2	0	0
Beckley, 1b	1	1	5	0	0
Seibach, lf	0	0	5	0	0
McPhee, 2b	1	1	1	1	0
Steinfeldt, 3b	2	1	0	1	0
Peitz, c	0	0	9	0	0
Hahn, p	0	0	0	1	0
*Wood	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	5	27	5	1

*Batted for Hahn in the ninth.

NEW YORK.	R.	1B.	PO.	A.	E.
Van Haltren, cf	1	1	4	0	0
Gleason, 2b	1	1	3	5	0
Grady, 3b	0	1	1	3	1
Davis, ss	0	0	1	3	0
O'Brien, lf	1	1	3	1	0
Doyle, 1b	1	2	9	2	0
Tiernan, rf	0	0	1	0	0
Warner, c	0	2	3	0	0
Seymour, p	0	2	0	2	1
Totals	4	10	*25	16	2

*One out when winning run scored.

Cincinnati	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3—5
New York	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0—4

Two-base hits—Beckley, Warner. Three-base hits—Doyle, Gleason. Sacrifice hits—Irwin, Peitz, Seymour. Stolen bases—Miller, Grady. Struck out—By Hahn 5, by Seymour 2. First base on balls—Off Hahn 1, off Seymour 7. Hit by pitcher—Wood. Wild pitch—Seymour. Passed ball—Warner. Left on bases—Cincinnati 6, New York 7. First base on errors—Cincinnati 2, New York 1. Time of game—1 hour and 50 minutes. Umpires—Connolly and Latham.

JAPAN DEFERS THE DAY.

Her New Treaties Not Effective Until August 4.

Seattle, July 31.—The new treaties between Japan and other foreign nations, which were to have gone into effect on July 17, have been delayed until August 4. The reason given is that out of deference to the treaty with Italy, which goes into effect August 4, the treaties with all the other countries have been set back until that date. Japanese citizens in general are very much wrought up over the postponement of the day which sets Japan on a level with all other countries and abolishes such things as treaty limits and consular jurisdiction.

Minister Buck, the United States representative in Japan, has written several articles to Japanese newspapers addressed to American citizens commenting favorably upon the laws and exhorting American citizens to conform to the new laws. He is the only Minister who has done any such thing. The going into force of the treaty will be celebrated by all the Japanese men-of-war in the different ports. They will fire a national salute. The Emperor will give a special reception to foreign diplomats, and will decorate them with Japanese insignia.

This news was brought by the steamship Rio Jane Maru, fourteen days from Japan.

THE KEARSARGE'S GUNS.

The Last of Them Received at Norfolk on Saturday.

Newport News, Va., July 31.—The last of the big guns for the battleship Kearsarge reached the shipyard from the Washington gun foundry Saturday, and now the main battery of the ship is complete.

The fourth 13-inch and the other two 8-inch guns arrived with the last piece of 18-inch armor for one of the turrets. The ship now has aboard the two forward 13-inch rifles and one after 13-inch rifle and two after 8-inch rifles. Those that have arrived will be put aboard today. No other guns will have to be put in position until after the ship's trial trip, which will take place in a few weeks. The guns of the secondary battery will probably be put on at the New York or Norfolk navy yard.

ZOLA WILL NOT GO TO RENNES.

Esterhazy Undecided About Attending the Court-Martial.

Paris, July 31.—M. Emile Zola has made the statement that he will not go to Rennes at the time of the court-martial of Dreyfus.

Former Major Esterhazy denies the report that he has refused to attend the Dreyfus court-martial. He is still undecided as to whether or not he will obey the Government's summons and accept the safe conduct offered to him.

Fatal Christian Science.

Chicago, July 31.—Mrs. Annetia Flanders died of blood poisoning at St. Luke's Hospital Friday night, after having been attended during a critical illness with "divine healing" by Mrs. Menrikka Bratz, an official of Dr. John Alexander Dowie's Zion Church of Divine Healing on Michigan Avenue. Dr. T. J. Watkins and Dr. Thomas Currie, of St. Luke's Hospital and Dr. H. D. Peterson, who was called to attend Mrs. Flanders when she was thought to be dying, asserted that the woman could have lived if she had been given proper medical attention. The State Board of Health has instructed its attorney to investigate the case. Mrs. Bratz says that her patient's death is due to the fact that Mrs. Flanders did not believe in divine healing. The regulations of the law, she says, are not in accord with the faith of divine healing, and for that reason she has not obtained a license to practice medicine.

Three Persons Drowned.

Evansville, Ind., July 31.—While six young persons were skiff-riding Friday they were caught between a wharfboat and an incoming steamboat. Three young women of the party became frightened and, moving to one side of the skiff, caused it to capsize. All six were thrown into the water, and three of them, Pearl Chaney, Marion Onan, of Henderson, Ky., and Gus Mattingly, were drowned. The other three were rescued by the wharfboat. The bodies of the drowned persons have not been recovered.

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WOMEN FAVOR CURFEW LAW.

A Move in Bridgeport, Conn., to Restrain Children.

Bridgeport, Conn., July 31.—If the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of this city succeeds in its purpose curfew will ring here at 8 o'clock every night, and after that hour all children less than fifteen years old found in the streets without an adult guardian will be subject to detention by the police and their parents to a warning or fine. The women propose to convert into a peremptory house call for all youngsters the fire alarm bells, which, according to an ancient Connecticut custom, sound at 8 o'clock every night.

Agitation among the women over nightly occurrences in the streets has led to the proposed ordinance. The presence of girls in their teens mingling with men and loitering about dark corners has attracted the attention of the women, who think it is a growing evil. The police records indicate an increase in the number of arrests of young girls and small boys for petty thefts, burglary, and lesser crimes. The following petition, addressed to the mayor and common council, was left with City Clerk A. E. Lavery yesterday afternoon:

"We, the Bridgeport Women's Christian Temperance Union, do hereby most earnestly petition your honorable body to frame and enact a provision termed the curfew law, whereby children under the age of fifteen years may be restrained from the habit of being on the public streets or alleys after the ringing of the 8 o'clock bell, unless accompanied by a proper escort."

This document is signed by Mrs. J. A. Hammond, as scribe, and more than 100 officers and members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, including Mrs. H. O. Lund, president; Mrs. C. E. Sanford, vice president; Mrs. W. E. Wilis, secretary, and Miss Elizabeth Porter, treasurer.

Mrs. Hammond is deeply interested in the establishment of a curfew law, and fails to see any funny side to it. She says the women proposed to exert their efforts for the passage of an ordinance to keep young girls and boys off the street at night, and that they have long seen the need of something to restrain children from frequenting the streets unattended until unseemly hours, as it leads girls into bad habits and company, and gradually to evil practices, and eventually to the care of the police.

According to Mrs. Hammond the idea of the union is to have a curfew law which will provide that parents who are neglectful in this matter shall be warned first. Then, if their children are found in the streets after 8 o'clock, the police shall pick them up and they shall be detained in some suitable place until the authorities ascertain whether or not the parents will take care of them. Some of the women favor imposing a fine upon parents who repeatedly permit their children to frequent streets late at night.

Members of the board of aldermen that constitute the common council, are inclined to view the matter lightly. They jest upon the subject, and all sorts of amendments are being suggested by them, from raising the age to twenty-one years to building a place in which to impound the detained children, with wards for the boys and girls.

Mayor Sterling is inclined to view the matter seriously, and said:

"I don't believe in going back to the puritanical ways of our forefathers, nor do I want to see our children drift into evil ways. Whether we can remedy this by legislation is a moot question. The last legislature had a curfew law before it, but passed one giving municipal and town authorities the power to make such regulations as they deemed proper to keep young children off the streets at night. Bridgeport is no worse than any other live city in this respect. It is a condition that perhaps may be remedied by law. Parents will have to take the individual responsibility."

Petitioning women will attend the meeting of the board of aldermen on August 8, prepared to back up their request with strong arguments for the passage and enforcement of a curfew law.

Siberian Commerce.

St. Petersburg, July 31.—M. Lazareff, Chief of the Commercial Section of the Siberian Railways, has arrived here for the purpose of conferring with the British and Dutch steamship representatives regarding Siberian exports and imports in transit in the trade via Perm and Archangel ports, which is contemplated.

CAT AND EAGLE FIGHT.

Fierce Encounter in Space Between Bird and Animal.

North Wolcott, N. Y., July 31.—Three young men, Carl Reupert and Andrew J. Eggleston, of Syracuse, and H. G. Raymond, of Elmira, have recently been camping in a tent on the shore of Lake Ontario, near what is known as Lake Side, northwest of this hamlet.

Soon after they established themselves in camp they were joined by Topsy, a gaunt black cat. She came alone at first, but after she had won their confidence she brought her progeny, three tiny kittens.

Last Wednesday afternoon Raymond lay asleep in a hammock before the tent, while his companions were still fishing for lake perch in a skiff just beyond the line of breakers.

"Topsy" after a hearty fish dinner was basking in the sun on the edge of the shingly beach.

Over in East Bay, 100 rods distant, in the top of a tall, scraggly hemlock tree is an eagle's nest which this summer has been the home of the father and mother birds and three eaglets.

Wednesday afternoon the proud bird of freedom was out hunting provisions for his promising young family. Reupert and Eggleston from their boat saw him float motionless, but watchful across the sky parallel with the lake shore and at an altitude of perhaps 100 feet. When over the camp he espied the sleeping cat and instantly slanted downward.

The two young men saw his object, dropped their poles and started instantly for the shore, shouting, till brought to a standstill by their ground anchor.

Raymond awoke, puzzled at the racket, and sprang to the ground just in time to see the eagle soar heavenward with Topsy, caught by the scruff of the neck, writhing in his talons. It is an unlawful and wicked thing to shoot an American eagle, but Raymond, thinking chiefly of the cat, seized his light fowling-piece from the tent and started on a run for East Bay, whither the eagle was now aiming after circling about aloft.

At the same time Raymond's friends, having shipped their anchor, were rowing swiftly in the same direction.

Meantime the eagle was having a hot time with Topsy. She had twisted herself about and, bringing four fet into play, was leaving a train of floating feathers in their wake. The huge bird's flight was slow and erratic, and as he neared the home tree he whirled blindly about in eccentric circles.

The men, eagerly watching, saw the two suddenly crash into the big nest, which threatened to give way under the commotion that ensued. Various objects were seen to fall, and next the cat shot out into the air, alighting on the end of a limb thirty feet down, from which she slid to others till she reached the underbrush covered ground apparently uninjured.

The boat was drawn over the bar, and the three young men pulled across the narrow bay. The eagle was still aloft in his nest making a great outcry, his mate responding from a distance.

At the foot of the tree the young men called the cat, which soon appeared limping, but dragging in her mouth one of the young eaglets stone dead. She had plainly left the nest without incumbrance, but the unfledged bird must have been flung out during the struggle, and had probably been killed by its fall of seventy-five feet. The cat's skin was punctured in a number of places, but none of her hurts was serious.

OTIS WANTS NAVY GUNS.

The Philippine Army to Have Twelve Automatic Colts.

A requisition for twelve Colt's automatic machine guns, of six millimeters calibre, and 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition for the same, has just been made by General Otis. The requisition will be supplied from the 100 guns of this character on hand in the Navy, as they are not in use by the Army. Only 300,000 rounds of ammunition, however, could be spared, and that amount, together with the guns, will be shipped immediately.

Irving Knows Us Well.

London, July 31.—A scene of great enthusiasm occurred in the Lyceum Theatre Saturday upon the occasion of the closing performance of "Robespierre." Responding to a call before the curtain, Sir Henry Irving said regarding his coming American tour of twenty weeks with Miss Terry: "I know from past experience the hospitable welcome which awaits us." The audience rose, cheering and crying: "Good-by; God bless you."

ITALY'S HUNTER KING

Tales Told of Victor Emanuel Among His Peasantry.

The Late Monarch Once Killed a Faina Poacher Upon an Old Woman's Chickens—His Present to a Man Who Ferried Him Over a Mountain Stream at Great Risk.

(From the London News.)

The sporting districts of Italy still teem with stories of Victor Emanuel which have not yet become current outside the peninsula. He hunted down his game with the perseverance and sagacity of a good hound, and often left, far behind him invited guests, equerries, beaters, and keepers. On one occasion of the kind he found himself on entirely unknown ground, and he climbed down the mountain side to a hut to ask the names of the surrounding peaks and to have a drink of goat's milk. To the old dame who made him welcome and gave him both drink and information he said:

"Cannot I do anything for you, good woman?"

She answered: "Yes, indeed; you have a gun. Maybe you could rid me of the polecat that eats my chickens, and even killed my cat."

"And nothing else?" asked the King. "I see no one about the house. Are you quite alone here?"

She replied sadly: "There was the grandson—the only one of all of them left with me—and the King took even him away. All the young fellows are taken for soldiers now. Some tell me 'tis not all the fault of the King, and that he's forced to do it. But it is sorely hard on lone folk, like me."

The King asked: "Well, what's his regiment?"

"Oh, that I can't tell you," she said, "but I have a letter from him in my pocket. The schoolmaster'll read it for me next Sunday when I go to mass. Perhaps, now, you could even make out the regiment from it."

The old woman produced the letter and fumbled till she tore open the envelope with her toil-blunted fingers, and she stared hard at the sheet of paper, which His Majesty conned to some purpose, for he gave all requisite particulars to one of his officers, with orders that, when found, the recruit should be sent back with his discharge to the old grandmother and the mountain farm. Moreover, he shot the faina that had killed cat and poultry, and the good woman gave him threepence-halfpenny for his trouble, besides many thanks and blessings.

A year later the King passed that way, and was again alone. The youth and the grandmother were at work in their potato patch, and the ex-soldier, in great astonishment, saluted. Being agitated, he struck his temple with his earthy hand again and again, saying: "It's the King, Grannie, it's the King."

"You fool!" cried his grandam, laughing heartily, "it's only the vagabond I gave my halfpence to for killing the polecat. It's il cacciatore (sportsman or poacher), that I was telling you about. Are you crazy, lad?"—for the conscript continued his frantic saluting.

Laughing, the King looked across the fence of loose stones till the crone began roughly shake her boy by the shoulder and to call him hard names. Then, in mercy, le rof chasseur (as he is called on his monument in Aosta) volunteered some explanations. The grandmother was a trifle abashed for a moment, but when she brought out a jug of milk the trio made merry together.

Another day, near the Val de Cogne, accompanied by one of his generals (who was as enthusiastic a sportsman as himself), Victor Emanuel, tired and thirsty, begged for "a bowl of milk" at a cottage door. The housewife thought they were two professional chamois hunters, and having a weight on her mind, took the opportunity of unburdening herself of it.

"Tell me, kind gentlemen," she began, "is it true what I hear? The neighbors are saying that the King is coming. Now, I must find out when he'll be near, for my girl is very pretty. I'll put her under lock and key. You may have heard of her, for she's the finest girl in the valley. They tell me that the King's a terribly ill-conducted man, that tries to turn the head of every nice girl he sees. Could you not give me a hint of his coming, that I might shut up the child in time?"

(This ought to have been a capital sermon to the Re galantuomo.)

A third story shows him in a better light. He chose once to start before the rest of the shooting party, and was stopped short by a brawling mountain torrent. Victor Emanuel was not tall; but even if he were able to wade across and not be drowned, he would have been what in Ireland is called "drownded," and it is no help to a day's shooting to begin it soaked to the skin. A tall man happened to pass him:

"You've got to carry me over," remarked the King.

"Well, comrade, it would take a good deal to make me do that," said the big man. "You may not be very long, but you're broad and you're heavy."

"Oh, come; what will you do the job for?" asked the King, slightly ruffled by the allusion to his sore point—his bulk.

"Not one sou under a hundred (five francs)," he replied; "and I warn you if you fidget I'll drop you, even if it should be in the middle of the stream."

"Done!" cried the King. But in midchannel a fear seized him that his pointer was not following, and he twisted around to have a look.

"Bourreau! You shall pay for this!" growled the porter; but he did not drop the burden!

"Now," said he, depositing his King on the bank, "you must pay me, not 100 sous, but 200. Don't you know you risked both our lives with your fidgeting?"

The King humbly pleaded that he wanted to see if his dog was safe over the water, and he recognized the right to a double fee, paying his ten francs cheerfully, adding, "Is there nothing else I can do for you?" The big man pondered, and scratched his head to aid reflection. At last he said: "The thing I am long wishing for is a donkey. If I had a donkey I'd be as happy as a king. I'd sell my little crops in Turin then. They tell me that there's a splendid market there for cabbages and every sort of garden stuff."

"But it's a long way to Turin," the King objected. "Would not a horse better serve your turn?"

"What! a horse and no stable! A donkey fits in the cowshed, or anywhere; but it would cost me many a lira before I should have a stable built," the man said mournfully. And so they parted.

But the King provided one of his own farm horses—and one of the best, too—and sent the animal, with twenty gold pieces, to his bearer's cabin. The wife was at home, and scouted the idea that beast and money were for her husband. The messenger, however, was firm. He explained that the gift came "from the King." This excited the woman's mirth. She shouted down the hillside, derisively, "Come home! Here's a horse for you, man!"

"What's this nonsense?" came back from the breeze.

"And a purseful of gold!" she screamed.

"Folly!"

"From the King, man! For yourself!" And she laughed wildly.

And it took the big fellow a long time to understand that "all these miracles happened because he had helped a stranger over the torrent, but when he had been at home a great while he did believe it. That, however is not quite the end of the story. One day, when the peasant and the cart and horse were in Turin, he saw a crowd gather, and the people said the King was coming. Then he bethought him of his manners. He flung the reins to a boy, straightened himself up to his full height, and went into the middle of the wide street, holding up an imperious hand to the coachman on the box seat of the royal carriage. The coachman reined up sharply, the mountaineer bounded to the carriage door and shook the King's hand heartily.

"I'm proud to see, you, Majesty, for I wanted to thank you for sending me the horse and that money. Look over at him, there, with the cartload of cabbages. He's bale and hearty. And I always had a wish to tell you I'm glad I was of service to you at that stream; and I'm very sorry I called you 'Bourreau'" (executioner, a common term of abuse at Piedmont.)

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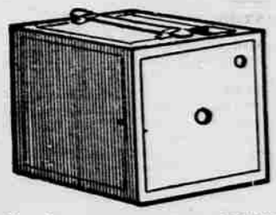

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