

THE ELOPEMENT.

BY LARRY LINNETT.

It was such an undertaking that the lover felt to quaking, like a leaf in autumn shaking. "It is now no time to be afraid," said he, round the mansion entrance, looking to the watch-dog speaking; but his boots would keep a-squeaking, and each shadow held a fright.

THE TRAMP DETECTIVE.

BY HENRY DALE.

"I say, Miss, can't ye give a pore feller a bite to eat? I'm e'en starved." It was a ragged, dust-covered tramp who stood with arms folded by the kitchen table. The f-l-l-o-w had entered the door and stood in the middle of the room before she perceived him.

"Mr. Long is to pay off his mortgage to-day." "Is that so?" asked Harry, fixing his large, dark gray eyes on the pretty girl's face. After a few moments more Harry mounted his horse and started up the road toward his father's farm, and his betrothed went into the house.

who had come all the way from Chicago to work up the case, came to Cedar Crest and closely interrogated Olivia in regard to the tramp. She told him over and over again every word that had been said by either himself or her. There had not been a single word uttered by either of them in regard to her father.

Olivia was amazed, confused, and bewildered. Then she heard the magistrate say that Harry was acquitted, and the three men sentenced to jail to await the action of the grand jury. They all confessed the crime, and hanged themselves on the same night, a few days before their trial.

The New York Police Force. New-Yorkers religiously believe that they have the best police system and the finest force in existence. What is the number of the metropolitan police force? what are its duties? how is it organized? and in what manner are its duties performed?

HUMOR. The beer drinker would seem to be his own worst enemy in that he maltreats himself so persistently. Why is x the most unfortunate of letters? Because it is always in a fix, and never out of perplexity.