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And remarkably easy to rule.
I'd have her learn painting and music,
Gymnastics and dancing, pray do,
Philosophy, grammar, and logic
You'll teach her to read, of course, too.

I wish her to learn every study,
Mathematics are down on my plan,
But of figures she scarce has an inkling,
Pray instruct her in those if you can.
I'd have her taught Spanish and Latin,
Including the language of France;
Never mind her very bad English
Teach her that when you have a good chance

On the harp she must be a proficient,
And play the guitar pretty soon,
And sing the last opera music,
Even though she can't turn a right tune.

You must see that her manners are finished,
That she moves with a Hebe-like grace;
For though she is lame and one-sided,
That's nothing to do with the case.

Now to you I resign this young jewel,
And my words I would have you obey:
In six months you return her, dear madam,
Shining bright as an unclouded day.

She's no aptness, I grant you, for learning,
And her memory oft seems to halt;
But remember, if she's not accomplished,
It will certainly all be your fault.

THE REJECTED BANK NOTE.

"What is the price of this dressing gown, sir?" asked a sweet-faced girl, entering the elegant store of Huntley & Warner, in a city which shall be nameless.

It was a cloudy day. The clerks lounged over the counter and yawned. The man to whom Alice Locke addressed herself was jauntly and middle-aged. He was head clerk of the extensive establishment of Huntley & Warner, and extremely consequential—in manner.

"This dressing gown we value at six dollars—you shall have it at five, as trade is dull to-day."

"Five dollars!" Alice looked at the dressing gown longingly and the clerk looked at her. He saw that her clothes, though made and worn genteely, were common enough in texture, and that her face was very much out of the common line. How it changed! now shaded, now lighted, by the varied play of her emotions. The clerk could almost have sworn that she had no more than that sum, five dollars, in her possession.

The gown was a very good one for the price. It was of common shade, a tolerable merino, and lined with the same material.

"I think"—she hesitated a moment, "I think I'll take it," she said; then seeing in the face before her an expression she did not like, she blushed as she handed out the bill the clerk had made up his mind to take.

"Jennis," cried Torrent, the head clerk, in a quick, pompous tone, "pass up the bank note detector."

Up ran the tow headed boy with the detector, and down ran the clerk's eye from column to column. Then he looked over with a sharp glace and exclaimed.

"That's a counterfeit bill, Miss."

"Counterfeit! Oh, no—it cannot be; the man who sent it could not have been so careless; you must be mistaken, sir."

"I am not mistaken; I'm never mistaken, Miss. This bill is a counterfeit. I must presume, of course, that you did not know it, although so much bad money has been offered us of late that we intend to secure such persons as pass it. Who did you say sent it?"

"Mr. C——, sir, of New York. He could not send me bad money," said the trembling, frightened girl.

"Humph!" said the clerk. "Well, there's no doubt about this; you can look for yourself. Now don't let me set you here again until you can bring good money, for we always suspect such persons as you that come on dark days with a well made story."

"But, sir——"

"You need make no explanations, Miss," said the man insultingly.—"Take your bill, and next time you want to buy a dressing gown, don't try to pass your counterfeit money," and he hurled it, the bill, from his hands.

Alice caught it from the floor and hurried into the street.

Such a shock the girl had never received. She hurried to a banking establishment, found her way in, and presented the note to a noble looking man with gray hair, faltering out, "is this bill a bad one, sir?"

The cashier and his son happened to be the only persons present. Both noticed her extreme youth, beauty and agitation.

The cashier looked closely and handed it back, as with a polite bow and somewhat prolonged looked, he said:

"It's a good bill, young lady."

"I knew it was," cried Alice, with a quivering lip—"and he dared—"

She could go no farther, but entirely overcome, she bent her head, and the hot tears had their way.

"I beg pardon, have you any trouble with it?" asked the cashier.

"Oh, sir, you will excuse me for giving way to my feelings—but you spoke so kindly, and I felt so sure that it was good. And I think, sir, such men as one of the clerks in Huntley & Warner's should be removed. He told me it was counterfeit, and added something that I am glad my father did not hear. I knew the publisher would not send me bad money."

"Who is your father, young lady?" asked the cashier, becoming interested.

"Mr. Benjamin Locke, sir."

"Benjamin—Ben. Locke—was he ever a clerk in the Navy Department at Washington?"

"Yes sir; we removed from there," replied Alice. "Since then"—she hesitated—"he has not been well—and we are somewhat reduced. Oh why do I tell these things, sir?"

"Ben. Locke reduced!" murmured the cashier; "the man who was the making of me! Give me his number and street, my child. Your father was one of the best, perhaps the only friend, I had. I have not forgotten him. No. 4 Liberty street. I will call this evening Meantime let me have the bill—let me see—I'll give you another. Since I come to look, I haven't got a five—here's a ten; we'll make it all right."

That evening the inmates of a shabby genteel house received the cashier of the M——— Bank. Mr. Locke, a man of gray hair, though numbering but fifty years, rose from his arm chair, and much affected greeted the familiar face. The son of the cashier accompanied him, and while the elders talked together, Alice and the young man grew quite chatty.

"Yes, sir, I have been unfortunate," said Mr Locke in a low tone. "I have just recovered, as you see, from rheumatic fever, caused by undue exertion—and had it not been for that sweet girl of mine, I know not what I should have done. She, by giving lessons in music and French, and by writing for periodicals, has kept me, so far, above want."

"You shall not want, my old friend," said the cashier. "It was a kind Providence that sent your daughter to me. There's a place in the bank just made vacant by death, of a valuable clerk, and is at your disposal. It is in my gift and valued at twelve hundred a year."

Pen cannot describe the joy with which this kind offer was accepted.

The day of deliverance had come.

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On the following morning the cashier entered the handsome store of Huntley & Warner, and inquired for the head clerk. He came obsequiously.

"Sir," said the cashier, sternly, "is this a bad note?"

"I—I think not, sir," staumeringly replied the clerk.

The cashier went to the door. From his carriage stepped a young girl in company with his daughter.

"Did you not tell this young lady, my ward, that this note was counterfeit? And did you not so forget self-respect and the interest of your employers, as to offer an insult?"

The man stood confounded—he dared not deny—he could say nothing for himself.

"If your employers keep you, sir, they will no longer have my custom," said the cashier, sternly. "You deserve to be horsewhipped, sir."

The firm parted with their unworthy clerk that very day, and he left the store disgraced but punished justly.

Alice Locke became the daughter in law of the good cashier. All of which grew out of calling a genuine bill counterfeit.

Fishing for the Lost Cable.

But our work was not over. After landing the cable safely at Newfoundland we had another task—to return to mid-ocean and recover that lost in the expedition of last year. This achievement has, perhaps, excited more surprise than the other. Many even now "don't understand it," and every day I am asked "how it was done." Well, it does seem rather difficult to fish for a jewel at the bottom of the ocean two and a half miles deep. But it is not so very difficult—when you know how. You may be sure we did not go a fishing at random, nor was our success mere "luck." It was the triumph of the highest nautical and engineering skill. We had four ships, and on board of them some of the best seamen in England, men who knew the ocean as a hunter knows every trail in the forest. There was Captain Moriarty, who was in the Agamemnon in 1857-'8. He was in the Great Eastern last year, and saw the cable when it broke; and he and Captain Anderson at once took their observations so exact that they could go right to the spot. After finding it they marked the line of the cable by a row of buoys, for fogs could come down and shut out sun and stars so that no man could take an observation. These buoys were anchored a few miles apart. They were numbered, and each had a flagstaff on it so that it could be seen by day, and a lantern by night. Thus having taken our bearings we stood off three or four miles so as to come broadside on, and then casting over the grapnel, drifted slowly down upon it, dragging the bottom of the ocean as we went. At first it was a little awkward to fish in such deep water, but our men got used to it, and soon could cast a grapnel almost as straight as an old whaler throws a harpoon. Our fishing line was of formidable size. It was made of rope, twisted with wires of steel, so as to bear a strain of thirty tons. It took about two hours for the grapnel to reach bottom, but we could tell when it struck. I often went to the bow and sat on the rope, and could feel by the quiver that the grapnel was dragging on the bottom two miles under us. But it was a very slow business. We had storms and calms, and fogs and squalls. Still we worked on day after day. Once, on the 17th of August, we got the cable up, and had it in full sight for five minutes, a long, slimy monster, fresh from the ooze of the ocean's bed; but our men began to cheer so wildly that it seemed to be frightened and suddenly broke away and went down into the sea. This accident kept us at work two weeks longer; but finally, on the last night of August, we caught it. We had cast the grapnel thirty times. It was a little before midnight on Friday night that we hooked the cable, and it was a little after midnight Sunday morning when we got it on board. What was the anxiety of those twenty-six hours! The strain on every man's life was like the strain on the cable itself. When finally it appeared it was midnight; the lights of the ship, and in the boats around our bows, as they flashed in the faces of the men, showed them eagerly watching for the cable to appear on the water. At length it was brought to the surface.—All who were allowed to approach crowded forward to see it. Yet not a word was spoken, only the voices of the officers in command were heard giving orders. All felt as if life and death hung on the issue. It was only when it was brought over the bow and on to the deck that men dared to breathe. Even then they hardly believed their eyes. Some crept towards it to feel it, to be sure it was there. Then we carried it along to the electricians' room to see if our long-sought for treasure was alive or dead. A few minutes of suspense, and a flash told of the lightning current again set free. Then did the feeling long pent up burst forth. Some turned away their heads and wept. Others broke into cheers, and the cry ran from man to man, and was heard down in the engine-rooms, deck below deck, and from the boats on the water and the other ships, while rockets lighted up the darkness of the sea. Then, with thankful hearts, we turned our faces again to the West. But soon the wind rose, and for thirty-six hours we were exposed to all the dangers of a storm on the Atlantic. Yet in the very height and fury of the gale, as I sat in the electricians' room, a flash of light came up from the deep, which, having crossed to Ireland, came back to me in mid ocean, telling that those so dear to me, whom I had left on the banks of the Hudson, were well, and following us with their wishes and their prayers. This was like a whisper of God from the sea, bidding me keep heart and hope. The Great Eastern bore herself proudly through the storm, as if she knew that the vital chord, which was to join two hemispheres, hung at her stern; and so, on Saturday, the 7th of September, we brought our second cable safely to the shore.—[*Cyrus W. Field.*]

Meerschaum Pipes.

A correspondent, who is a manufacturer of meerschaum pipes, says the *Scientific American*, gives us the following information relative to these goods:

Meerschaum (English—foam of the sea,) is so called on account of its remarkable lightness and pure white color in the raw state. It is a superior species of white clay, chiefly consisting of silicate of magnesia, and is dug mostly in the peninsula of Natoli, Asia Minor. It is sent to market in irregular blocks of different sizes, the latter fixing the price, which is much higher in proportion for large lumps than for small ones. The Turkish Government owns the mines and stipulates the quotations according to the demand, which generally exceeds the supply. The last reports from Constantinople, the principal market for crude meerschaum, say that prices advanced 35 per cent. lately.

The method of manufacturing pipes is very simple: the lumps are cut into shape with a knife, after having been lightly wetted, then the bowls must be very carefully rubbed to obtain a clear, smooth surface, and afterward boiled either in pure wax, or wax, oil and fats the latter effecting a yellow hue and facilitating the coloring.

Imitation meerschaum is invariably made of the parings of the genuine, and nothing else. Numerous other experiments, such as the application of magnesia, etc., have proved total failures, and, consequently, there is no probability of meerschaum being manufactured on a large scale of magnesia in New York, as your article states. I am the only manufacturer, to some extent, of meerschaum pipes, made of the imported raw material, in the United States.

The Frightful White Man.

There must be something, says Dr. Livingstone, in the apearance of white men frightfully repulsive to the unsophisticated natives of Africa; for, on entering villages previously unvisited by Europeans, if we met a child coming quietly and unsuspectingly towards us, the moment he raised his eyes and saw the men in "bags," he would take to his heels in an agony of terror, such as we might feel if we met a live Egyptian mummy at the door of the British museum. Alarmed at the child's wild outcries, the mother rushes out of her hut, but darts back again at the first glimpse of the same fearful apparition. Dogs turn tail, and scour off in dismay; and hens, abandoning their chickens, fly screaming to the tops of the houses. The so lately peaceful village becomes a scene of confusion and hubbub, until calmed by the laughing assurance of our men that white people do not eat black folks; a joke having oftentimes greater influence in Africa than solemn assertions. Some of our young swells, on entering an African village, might experience a collapse of self-inflation at the sight of all the pretty girls fleeing ing from them as from hideous cannibals, or by witnessing, as we have done, the conversion of themselves into public hobgoblins, the mammas holding naughty children away from them, and saying, "Be good, or I shall call the white man to bite you."

"Pa, what is meant by raw recruits?" "It means soldiers who have not stood fire, my son."