

INSURED AFFECTION.

BY BAYARD TAYLOR. In the hands of youth we miss the best of things...

HIGHKINS ON SKATES.

Everywhere, in all sorts of newspapers, I had read of glorious skating...

Women could skate—so the papers said. So did everybody else when I inquired of em'...

I brought up in front of a big window on the starboard side of Chestnut street, going toward Schuylkill...

"What kind do you prefer, sir?" "O, I have no preference. Give me the best article you've got."

"These are the best, are they?" "Yes, Sir—decidedly! Just get on to them, sir, and you'll get every where and anywhere, like patent lightning!

"O, you understand it, huh?" "Ah, ha! Do, eh! Must have a jolly time of it!"

"Whiz!—like a rocket, went by a great strapping, long-legged chap, with a cigar flying jibboom, and swinging his arms like a frigate's headyards in a hurricane...

"Yes, sir—you can set there till I get somebody else to strap!" "So I sat there studying ice navigation by dead reckoning, till directly a little peevish crew of twelve or fifteen...

"But I couldn't think, whatever anybody else could do, I accepted Dimity's challenge, however, and her practice on ice. So I hopped up from that blacking-box, lifted left foot a little, bent right knee, and stuck my arms akimbo...

stays, and went about of Crinoline.—The top of my port skirt hooked Miss Honeybody's skirt, which gave me broad shoes to starboard, and I rumbled big convoy, butting him square...

"Be patient, sir. I couldn't help it!" I replied meekly, sitting still on the ice.

"O, ho! green on skates, eh?" "Yes, greener'n a cabbage!" That mollified the big chap, and setting on my pins again, he volunteered to educate me in checking up.

"Turn your toes up and dig the heels of your skates into the ice—this way." And he illustrated.

"O, yes, I can do that." And I did, directly. Off I shot again on one leg, steering this time for the shore—for I'd skated enough.

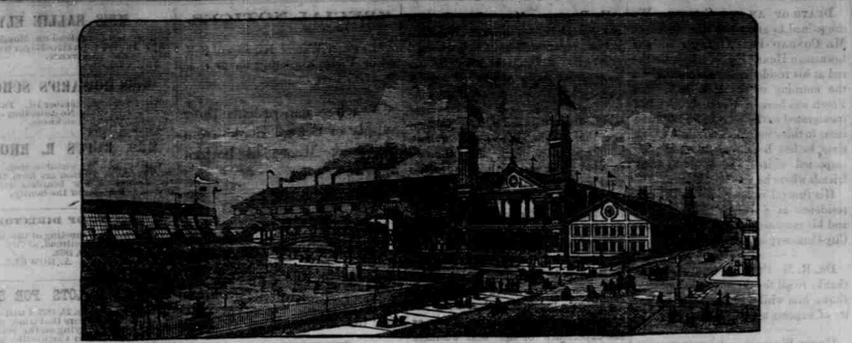
"I tried 'down brakes,' according to instruction, and broke too much. Up toes, and digging my heels into the ice, I sagged back like, and doubled amidship, as if I was going to make a hat—was it!

"I had my ideas just then stern foremost, with a schong, that broke the ice like a pane of window-glass shivered by a pebble hurled through it."

"I sold those infernal skates, just as I sat for four dollars, under a strong conviction that there's no fun in skating. I can't skate—I don't want to skate.—Phil. Dispatch.

UNSHED tears are never wiped away. To make a joke go the rounds—Send it to a circus clown.

OUR enemies are our outward consciences. How can a man see the point of a joke when he is the butt?



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