

ONE AND ONE.
The last rod of the sun
Shines through the open door,
And lies in a tracing line upon
The wall where the light has been,
Before the crane yokes master's chair
A sweeping ladder stands,
As with a nervous, puzzled air
The electrical page is seen.
"It's no use," she said, "I try
I cannot get it right."
"See here," the master said, and held
The beam to her right.
"This problem that has kept you here
Has long ago been done
And you will find it in the door,
That one and one make one."
"That's that," she stopped confused,
Her eyes sought the door,
A look was on the master's face
She had not seen before.
"Not quite, my dear," he gently said,
"That is, it is not the door,
But you, I think, there are times when
"One and one make one."
And then, out, behind her undertone
To see what was said,
Fall often has the tale been told
Since Eve and Adam were,
The tale that the master used
To make the matter plain
Was used to make the earth began,
And when used in vain.
The swaying trees a tale of love
Seemed whispering to the breeze,
As in and out, below the glaze
Their innocent faces look,
Now, hand in hand, they pass life's
"Sweet."
Their kindest problem done,
They solved it by the good old rule
Of "one and one make one."
—Yankee Blade.

FANCIES.
Fair, bright thoughts and fancies golden
Hunt the windows where my soul
Sits alone, in prison holden,
Yet no voice my control.
I can hear their tones of sweetness,
And sometimes catch a word,
But the sense in its completeness
Never mortal ear has heard.
Through the eaves, with glow and shimmer,
Faces peep as fair as day;
But only see the shimmer,
As the white wings fly away.
Once I thought to cage and bind them
With the fetters of my rhyme,
But, alas! I cannot find them—
I shall never make them mine.
—Stimie M. Loeferer in Arkansas Traveler.

The Horsehoe Superstition.
The custom of nailing a horsehoe
over the door of a house or other building
as a protection against evil spirits
and as an assurance of good luck is
widely spread over the United States
and England. It also flourishes among
the Teutonic and Scandinavian races,
and has been recognized as far east as
Hindustan. The horsehoe nails
within itself three lucky elements: it is
in crescent shape, it has been, or is to
be, in contact with a horse, and is made
of iron.
Popular superstition has, for ages
endowed iron with protecting powers.
The Romans are known to have driven
nails into the doors and the walls of
their houses as an amulet or as a pre-
ventive of the plague. The Arab who
is overtaken by a shower in the desert
seeks to propitiate the Jinn by striking
his "iron" iron.
Since time out of memory the Scandi-
navians have sought to exercise the
river spirit, Neckar, by striking an
open knife in the bottom of the boat,
or driving a nail in the mast or in the
in the mythology of England the horse
shoe has always been considered a
"luck bringer." — St. Louis Republic.

Told by a Georgia Editor.
He walked in and put down a dollar,
a silver dollar, that clanked like a car-
riage wheel in the stiffness of the same
ton. Said he
"There, take it and credit my sub-
scription, quick."
"What's the matter?" we said.
"Well," said he, "last week I was
fishing out on Spring creek, a thunder
storm came up, and it rained and thun-
dered, and lightning flashed all around
me. I crawled into a hollow log to es-
cape it. The rain made the log swell
up until I was fastened in and nearly
squeezed to death. I began to think
of all my sins and to repent. Sud-
denly I remembered that my subscrip-
tion was not settled up, and I felt so
small about it that I was able to back
right out of the log at once!"—Bain
bridge (the) Globe.

On Short Natives.
A painter in this city, who used to
devote himself largely to moonlighting,
received an order for one from a firm of
local dealers. They said, "You can let
us have it in the morning, can't you?"
"In the morning?" gasped the painter.
"Why, it's afternoon already."
"True, but you can paint it tonight,
you know."
"I can't paint by gaslight."
"Well, excuse me, but I thought you
had got those moonlights by this time
so you could do them with your eyes
shut."—Brooklyn Eagle.

Steel Manufacture in 1740.
In 1740 the Connecticut legislature
granted to Messrs. Fitch, Walker &
Wyllis "the sole privilege of making
steel for the term of fifteen years upon
this condition, that they should in the
space of two years make half a ton of
steel." This condition not having been
complied with, the privilege was extend-
ed to 1744, before which time Aaron
Eliot and Ichabod Miller certified that
more than half a ton of steel had been
made at the furnace in Simsbury.—W
F. Durfee in Popular Science Monthly.

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—New York Weekly.

New Stable Apparatus.
The stables at the chief fire station,
Jackson's row, Manchester, have been
fitted with a new apparatus that is cal-
culated to add to the comfort of the
horses and at the same time to facili-
tate the "turning out" of the brigade.
The apparatus consists, roughly speak-
ing, of a movable shutter at the en-
trance to the stall, and to it is attached
by moving a pin and can be fitted to an
ordinary stable.
The advantages claimed for the sys-
tem are the prevention of horses from
kicking one another or any one who
may happen to be passing by them. It
avoids turning horses in their stalls,
and thereby the risk of spinal injury.
It allows them to front the stable door
instead of standing with their heads to
the wall, thereby broadening the good
air that enters the stable without
draft, and in every way it renders
the horse's condition as cheerful as pos-
sible when fastened up within the stall,
the stall being always available as a
loose box without alteration or addi-
tion.
When rapid harnessing is a consid-
eration one-half the usual time will be
gained by not having to run to the
manger or to turn the horse when har-
nessed.—New York Telegram.

The Oyster's Start in Life.
When the shell begins to form the
baby oyster must cease his fantastic
wriggling about in the water and give
careful attention to his own support.
The care of life now upon him early,
but as his burdens increase he grows in
strength and ability to carry them. All
he asks is a good start. He is not par-
ticularly as to whose hand he holds dur-
ing his incipency, provided it is clean.
To him an old boat, or a dead starfish,
or the shell of a crab is as good as any
thing to cling to until he has sufficient
courage to let go and paddle his own
canoe.
If they are right in his way at the
moment he wants them, an old bottle,
a lost anchor, an escaped dredge, or a
pair of oyster tongs will serve. In
about two weeks after the spat is de-
posited, as one may see with the naked
eye, these become barnacled all over
with the enterprising young oysters.—
Edward L. Wilson in Scribner's.

Heavy Rainfalls.
In England the discharge of water in
sheets from the clouds is not unknown,
though much more seldom seen than
on the Continent. During a storm at
Odessa one June some twenty-two
years ago three inches of rain fell in
less than an hour. Many of the sew-
ers were burst, the streets converted
into glens, and in the suburbs eighty
seven houses totally destroyed. This
was mild, however, compared with the
deluge which fell in Genoa with the
force of a waterfall, or the twenty
nine inches which flooded Joyeuse, in
France, within twenty-four hours. On
the other hand, we hear of Amukod,
in Nubia, where rain fell only five
times in the years 1823 and 1824, and
of Talta, on the Indus, which had not
a drop for three years.—London Tit-
Bits.

Egyptian Water Elevators.
In Egypt and other countries where
irrigation is practiced to a greater ex-
tent than elsewhere the inventive mind
has been alert for centuries, contriving
devices of various kinds for elevating
water. Some of these are so simple
that they must have been obvious,
while others show an amount of inven-
tive genius worthy of our own country.
In fact, as is well known, the funda-
mental principles of hydraulics were
discovered ages since, and some of the
early machines have never been mate-
rially changed or improved upon.
The Egyptian shadoof is a form of wa-
ter elevator that has been in use for
time immemorial, not only in
Egypt, but almost all over the world.
A device fully as simple as this, but not
so old, is a gutter, which was made
both single and double. It consisted
of a trough pivoted at one end above
the level of the water, the free end be-
ing alternately dipped in the water and
raised, so as to cause it to discharge
into a sluice leading away from the
machine.
The pendulum water elevator is a
curious modification of the swinging
gutter. A number of gutters arranged
in two series are secured to opposite
sides of a swinging frame, each series
of gutters being arranged on a zigzag
line, and the two series of gutters are op-
positely arranged with respect to each
other, so that while one end of the
lower gutter dips in the water, the low-
er gutter of the other series discharges
into the next gutter above, and a flap
valve retains the water while the de-
vice is issuing in the opposite direc-
tion. In this manner the water is ad-
vanced step by step at each oscillation, until
it is finally discharged into the sluice,
which carries it away for use. Each
of the gutters, except the first of each
series, is provided with a valve, which
retains the water as it moves forward
and upward.—Exchange.

Paraffin Oil Lamps the Most Saving.
At the meeting of scientists at Leeds,
England, one of the papers read was
on unburned gases in flames and lamps,
in which the writer stated that the
only burner in which he found perfect
combustion was that of a paraffin oil
lamp when the flame was not turned
out; when it is turned out the extent of
burned gas is liberated to the extent of
twelve parts of carbon and three
hydrogen for every one-thousandth
part of carbon in the oil completely
burned.
The next nearest approach to com-
plete combustion he found to be in an
argand gas burner; that is, when the
gas was not allowed to burn full, no
carbon and one-quarter of a part of
hydrogen was left unburned per one
thousand parts of carbon burned com-
pletely—but when the gas was turned
out full one-half part of carbon and
two and a half parts of hydrogen es-
caped unburned per one thousand parts
of carbon completely burned.
Next in point of producing perfect
combustion was the Bray ordinary flat
flamed burner, burning in the open air,
when twelve parts of carbon and one
thousand parts of hydrogen were per-
fectly burned per one thousand parts
of carbon completely burned with three
hundred parts of oxygen.
Again, ninety-seven parts of carbon
and twelve of hydrogen escaped unburned
in a stove where eight Bunsen burners
played on fancy iron work in front.
But all the conditions were best met in
the lamp first named.—New York Sun.

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The patient joke of the doctors who
never, never go out of use.
A young Detroit physician who
opened an office a year or so ago, was
up in the northern part of the state on
a fishing trip. One day a young lady,
who had watched him for an hour or
more waiting for a bite, laid down her
hook and softly crept up near him.
"What lots of patience you have,"
she said to him in a little whisper that
the fish couldn't catch.
"Yes," he answered promptly and
with a tinge of sadness, "up here."
She didn't understand for a minute,
and when she did she flinched slowly
back to her hook.—Detroit Free Press.

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posed to be well under control. One night
I was startled by the child's hard breathing,
and on going to it found it

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that the child's alarming condition had
become possible in spite of the medicine it
had taken, I reasoned that such remedies
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anxiously waited results. From the moment
the Pectoral was given the child's breathing
grew easier, and in a short time it was sleep-
ing quietly and breathing naturally. The
child is alive and well to-day, and I do not
hesitate to say that **Ayer's Cherry Pectoral**
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