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THOSE BOYS AND GUSSIE.

following every stroke of the pen, with in making as strong as possible the re- about the weather: (wist for the tails of the g's and p's.

not quite, as well as Miss March's writ- pretty, and very good natured, who wore say when they make remarks. ing, stopping to look at the prim letters bright ribbons, high beels to her boots, critically, with her head on one side; but very tong trains, and a great many ratits like her's, anyhow. Cheerfully, And thing and ringing things on her bracelets. this is how she began:

solve not to get out of patience with game, parior till ten o'clock.

Wednesday, January 2d .- It was very da. I couldn't tell you all about her, world, I can't bear to tech elbows with cold to-day, but the sun shone. I went possibly, for the young person in quest folks, nohow. And so he died with his grow dark), but not uncommonly dark, out to slide with the boys in the morning tion is a good deal older than I am; but nearest neighbor two miles away and Jamie pushed me down; he is a in spite of age, as Dick says, Maria Ma- But I was going to tell you of his son's there that day. I heard of the darkness mean, rough boy. Went out to walk tilda's bumps are no fun. She is a large scrape with a bear. They built their first as far as Danbury, in Connection; it

candy to-day, and Dick took bites out of through, she is aimost as good as new, around the spot, and a fine view of the the candy when we were pulling it, and with only one leg and one arm and a cn- country. He took off the two front wheels I locked him up in the pantry, and he riously wiped out expression on her of the old emigrant wagon that they had got out of the window and chased me up wooden face. Now-a-days she is used as crossed the great plains in and made him stairs to rub my face with a wet towel. I wonder if every girl's brothers are horrid like mine. Then we went to bed.

Friday, January 4th.-It raised and Russians, Dick, who was l'asha of the for the fire, over a rough road that he the wind blew all day. The boys had to Turkish troops, and obliged to stand in had cut through the woods. stay in the house. They played circus the arm chair to direct his troops and He used to take a little nap after his me to come and be Minnehaha, but I wanted to stay with Miss March and learn to crochet. I shall be real glad when vacation is over and the boys have rightful owners for use again. to study, they make so much noise. Then we went to bed .

played Duck on a rock, and I played where he is making first-class Photographs and with them, till Harold said I tried to walk errotypes and guarantees satisfaction. A large like Miss March, but I couldn't because asortment of Picture Frames, Passspartouts, like Miss March, but I couldn't because derescopes and Stereoscopic Views constantly my dress was too short; and then I was mad, and went in, though Jamie tried to cesx me to come back. Boys are awful teazes, anyhow. In the evening we had

Sunday, January 6th .- We all went to church. I wore my lovely new striped at the old stand, and propose to make it for the brown stockings, and Bob called me a giraffe right coming out of church. I I missed it, and I almost cried. We went to church in the afternoon, and in the evening papa talked about our being genof course he meant the boys. Then we door they would come. went to bed.

Monday, January 7th,-It rains hard to-day, and the wind blows-

Gussie stopped to stretch her cramped

Writing up your diary, little girl? That's nice. I'm sorry papa forgot all about it till Saturday, and you have had so much to write up; but don't let it get behind now, even a day, through any fault of yours. I can remember my first diary, and how hard it was to find anything to write about, because I hadn't tunately. Let me see what you have fully written pages. So sober that Gussie said :

What is the matter, mamma; haven't I

written it neatly? Very neatly indeed, Gussie; but tell me, dear. You wrote down how Bob called you a giraffe. Don't you think it would have been fair to have remember ed that he came and begged your pardon after you had gone to bed? Or that Harold played dominoes with you for an hour before tes, to make amends for your lost game Saturday morning; and that Dick is always surious his one sister should have the best of everything, from the largest bite of a cookie up? How about the good resolution of the new year? Has it been very well kept so

No, it hadn't been. Gussle was very certain of that, and a whole week of the new year gone already.

Begin all over again, right straight off, said her mother, stopping to smooth the Tin Ware, Plain and Stamped, Sheet Iron and thopper Ware, Coal Hods, Store Pipe, Corrogut of Elbows. room. Begin all over again; this stormy day is an excellent time. Hark! there is fore beginning to be patient and obligextisfactory manner. Prices as low as any party fore beginning to be patient and oblig-can afford for the same quality and style of ing. For a chorus of voices was rising goods. Orders by mail will receive immediate from the lower hall. from the lower hall.

Gussie! Gus! Miss Davenport!

Au-gusta! Where are you? Come down stairs! We are going to play Torks and Russians but Harold shouted: and there aren't enough Turks to hold

she felt better, and made up her mind to of a brown curl to cover up her caress, ear severed from a human head.

as he passed her . I'll come in a minute, she called over But Gussie didn't care, even in spite Address B. P SMITH. I'll come in a minute, she called over But Gussie didn't care, even in spite Drawer 19, Baloit, Wis. the banister, and then ran to Miss of immbled ruffles; and the evening,

zes for them in the twilight.

was overpowered.

March's door to tell her the morning les- though she had a good many little opporson in crocheting must be given up. toolties to practice among so many boys, Augusta Cashrook Davenport, January While the combined forces were gather- was a very happy one. So happy that

PLAYING HORSE WITH A BEAR. The Pawist, Jamaics and Londonderry stages with such a number of lines reserved for stop at this boase. Livery and sais stable with such a number of lines reserved for sirs, tried to hold her hands, and say Oh, before the farm was all cleared other set-half mile track connected with the house. Free could ever fill them all. But there is really more than the boys—her five broth. Don't want to be crowded, the old man wards there was a larger glim at the horse. each day. Gussie wondered bow she my! as Miss March did; and that was there came, and the family moved ou. est from about 12 to 1 o'clock. After fortable, could ever fill them all. But there is really more than the boys—her five broth. Don't want to be crowded, the old man wards there was a larger glim at the hornothing like making a beginning, and ers and three cousins—could stand. For said, I heard a rifle and an ax that wasn't izen, which made it somewhat lighter. Gassle, when she was Gassle, and not mine yesterday. And he went further It was, however, at the lightest, darker, Tuesday, January 1st.-This is the trying to do some one else, was capital west every year, till by the time the boy I think, than a moonlight night; the sky first day of the new year, and it's vaca- company; the best shot in a pillow fight, I'm telling you of was a grown up man had a strange yellowish and somewhat tion. New Year's day is a day to make the surest catch in a game of ball, and a they had got clear to the west part of good resolutions on. I am going to re- splendid hand at making believe in any Oregon, on the Pacific coast. And as was the darkest fremember to have seen the old man couldn't move west any far- fill about midnight, when a breeze aprung those boys so often. Mamma thinks this And now, while the boys are collecting ther without getting lots the ocean, and up from the north or north-west, upon is a good resolution to make. It was their pillows, and Gussie is getting down pelgbbors had moved within two miles of which it soon began to grow lighter. At very cold to-day. Paps took us all to stairs, I ought, in justice to the Russians him, he gave it up, went to bed sick, and Falmouth, Casco Bay, it was not dark at wiped upon the same towel; the fare was ride after church, and I staid up in the encamped in the Davenport half that day died. Tain't no use, he said, they're all; Piscataqua River, Berwick, Dover, tough aleak and tougher biscuit; the beda

> with mamma and Miss March this after- doll, who used to belong in the very be- log house at the foot of a hill, but it was ginning to Mrs. Davenport's mother; a so low and damp that James-for that Thursday, January 3d .- It rained and doll with a cloth bony, so well made that was his name-started to build a bigger the wind blew to-day, and the boys had in spite of the three generations of chil- one higher up, half a mile off, near a to stay in the house. We made molasses dren and many battles she had lived mountain brook, with grand old trees a cannon bail, and very hard thumps she a good strong-wheeled cart with a box on can give, as the boys well know; so that it and in this he drew back and forth his when she was won in the drawing by the carpenter tools, and his dinner, and chips

> and Indians in the schoolroom. They watch the enemy, made a fez of an old noonday meal; and one day when he was red comforter to protect his head. It was sleeping on a splendid bed of evergreen the rules of the game that when Maria boughs that he had fixed near the timbers fell inside the enemy's lines she was to be was at work on, he was awakened by be handed-not thrown-back to her a loud rattle of the tin dishes in his cart, He looked around quickly, and what do side of any house, and so deep and hard All ready? shouted Dick. There was you suppose he saw? A big, black bear a sound of scrambling about ou the other pawing over the luncheon he had left, and over walls and fences in any and every Saturday, January 5th.-It was pleas- side of the closed door, as the Russians smacking his chops over a piece of wild direction. [Communicated.-Boston Cutaut to-day, and the sun shone. The boys gathered in the hall, and Dick hastily de- honey and some corn cakes that James tivator. hadn't eaten up.

Got all your ammunition? looking This is a pretty fix, said James to himover the piles of pillows and hassocks self, quick as a flash. My rifle and ax are gathered behind the redoubt's walls. Ar- both in the cart, and that ugly beast chie, you aim for Bob with the big sofa would claw me to pieces before I could pillow; and Gus, you take Harold in the get 'em out. He was afraid the bear legs if you can with a hassock, when be would chase him if he ran, and corner magical music, and darling Miss March isn't looking; and I'll aim for the colors. him if he stayed, and so he set his wits and various contrivances adapted for regat work to get him out of the scrape. ulating the draught and reducing the size For there had come a cry of Ready! Good bright wits are too much for a bear, of the flue. One method proposed was to from the hall, and after a deep silence; or a hard lesson or a tough job of any light the fire on the top, and, after the tone, as follows: Gentlemen, a British not even the sound of a footstep could be sort, if they are only kept at work, with heard. There were two doors, through no I can't, I don't want to, or Ob wouldn't sit with the boys this afternoon, either of which the enemy might fall up- dearf to hinder them. It dido't take en the besieged-the door that opened James' wits so long as I've been telling it

from the hall into the schoolroom, or the to you to make a plan for him. one by way of the dining room-so to- He jumped to his feet quick as a fissh, day, as usual, there was the anxiety of grabbed the tongue of the cart before the tle, polite, and unselfish to one another; watching and wondering through which bear could say Jack Robinson,-if he had known how and started on a keen the bottom of the grate of an iron plate and the price is only twenty-five cents. Oh, thought Gussie to herself, as she run down the hill, drawing the cart and

took her place behind the wall and pret the bear after him. pared a hassock for action, how stupid | Well, I suppose there never was a bear and rough this is. I wish I was Miss so astonished since the pair saved from hand and wiggle her fingers. Mamma March, then I wouldn't have to play with the flood stepped out of Nosh's ark and the boys; but I did think I'd try, and I found the whole world drowned. He will. And Gussie bobbed up to take a bad never had a ride before and he didn't good aim at the enemy's legs, and then want one now; but the cart was going so bobbed out of sight again. For the Rus- fast that he dare not jump out, and so he ty, is diffused into the room, and coal is sians, with a rush, a scamble, and a short just clung on, and looked from one side economized. The perfection of combusthat did credit to four pairs of strong to the other, and fairly howled as the cart tion is achieved when, instead of feeding lungs, had made a rush through the din-bumped over the roots and stones. James ing room door, and ran toward the re- had been to the city once and seen the foubt. Maria Matilda flew thick and street care, and when he found he had the any brothers or sisters; but you have fast. It took one Turk nearly the whole bear caught, the fun of the thing made time to pick her up and hand her back him laugh. When the bear roared once disinfectant is hung on the cylinder, the Wall, it seems to me that you ought to written. Mamma's sweet face grew a a burden to him, while Archie extint the next car! And when the bear gave apartment. So that a room may be per- where! slowly replied the agriculturist, Gussie threw her selfish thoughts and re- front, please-and don't grumble. This pinings with the hassocks at the enemy. Is a through car. Git up, there!—and be It was a hard struggie. Again and buckled down to it and just the way car again there was a truce, while the breath- drivers make the horses do, when they less soldiers gathered up ammunition and are late, and pretend they don't see a litrepaired damages, before the Russians the boy crooking his finger for 'em to stop by the Detroit Free Press, libustrates two were victorions. Twice a well-directed on the crossing. The tin dishes in the old sayings, viz. Appearances are deblow from Maria Matilda sent Dick from bottom of the cart rattled like a peddler's celtful, and Haste makes waste. his chair to the floor; but each time be wagon on the pavement; the ax and gun was up sgain, winking very hard, to be bounded on the bear's toes, and be looked

sure, to keep back the tears, but keeping as if he didn't know which was the worst them back and defending his fort to the -his mad or his scare. last, even when one Turkish soldier after down the steep hill James ran, straight another was dragged over the ramparts for the corner of his log house. He had as a prisoner, and Gussie and the Pasha his plans all made, and as he turned the were the last men left. Then how brave- corner he ran the cart against a log, and Maria, warded off pillows, and generally rife bung over the door, in the house, and be put in the safe. behaved as a brave man should, until he be grabbed that down in a hurry, and as the bear stuck his head out from under Somehow, in the battle, Gussle had the cart he shot him right between the fought off her enemy -the enemy in her eyes, saying,-There, that settles the breast I mean-that wanted her to turn question.

sians, all owing, no doubt, to their have meant.

ing so superior a weapon. And then Why, the question whether I had came a war dance by the whole military caught the bear or be had caught me. force of both armies, in the hall; till even Mercy sakes! she said, as she saw the mamma, who was used to noises if any dead bear. Then he told her the story one was, looked over the banister to see and she kissed him, and laughed and what sees going on. And Miss March and cried at the same time. And he had came down to play quadrilles and walt. an overcost made of the skin, to remem-At tea, Bob proposed Come, still come, ride.

He who by his big would rise, Must either bust or advertise.

DARK DAY ON MAY 19TH, 1188.

to tell you something about Maria Matii- bound to crowd an old man outer the etc., it was very rainy, (very little of which fell here, a little before it began to as I am told by a person who traveled mentioned darkness was, no doubt, occasioned by an unusual concurrence of several natural causes. But to pretend fully and clearly to account for it argues perhaps too great confidence. [Bishop] Edward Bass's Manuscript.

Bishop Bass was bishop (Episcopal), of Mass., and R. I., was educated at Cambridge, was rector of St. Paul's church 51 years, in Newbury and Newburyport. The above, Mr. Editor, is the most complete and sensible account of the Dark Day that I have ever seen; it is taken from the history of Newbury, by Joshua Coffin; there was one other remarkable occurrence, viz., the winter was uncommonly severe; forty days, thirty-one of which were in the month of March, there was no preceptible thaw on the southerly was the snow that loaded teams passed

ECONOMIZING FUEL.

fireplaces is that too much of the heat prairies. goes up the chimney, and innumerable have been the attempts to obviate that loss. Register stoves have been invented instead of bars. An improvement on Who takes the pext? that plan is a patent coal economizer, which has a hollow pierced cylinder riscentre of the fire, and the heat, instead of and added: rushing up the chimney in undue quantithe cylinder with vitiated air of the room fumed, disinfected or ventilated by this and he laid it down and walked away.

contrivance when properly managed.

TOO FAST, The following humorous anecdote, told

A favorite game with the hotel dead beat is to hand a large scaled envelope, stuffed with paper, to the clerk, and ask him to take care of those \$300 for a few days. The game has been played at one hotel in this city, and the clerks are on their guard. A seedy looking individual ly he fought for her when the Russians tiped it right over, bottom side up, with after dinner he handed the day clerk an vance? were trying to capture Gussie, dodged Mister Bear on the under side. His other envelope marked \$180, and asked that it

You can't play that game on me, mister! replied the clerk, and he tore the package in two. As he held up the ends his eyes began to bulge out. He had up her nose at the boys and their fun. So What question? asked his wife, who he had insulted the owner. One reason the battle ended in a victory for the Rus- came running out to see what the noise why he wasn't at his post the rest of the afternoon was because he was pasting those bills together.

> *** THE YEAR WITHOUT A SURRER.

We don't distinctly remember the incident ourselves, but we are assured that the year of 1816 was known as the year ber the time when he gave a bear a free without a summer. January was mild, as was also February, with the exception The very latest Turkish atrocity is to be of a few days. The greater part of Marca No! Gus would like to play Magical seen in Cheapside, in London, where a was cold and hoisterous. April opened towns, the fort, because the Russians have got music, I know. She was a brick to be a peripatetic vender of penny wares is chion. Maria Matiida. Come on down!

Turk when she wanted to stay with Miss. Those everlasting boys! Gussle could March; so we'll play that. With a rough made of flesh colored fadla rubber, and thick, buds and flowers were frozen and thick the first thick the not help it, it would come out; and then hug for his pretty sister and a sly tweak limitating, with frightful fidelity, a human thick, buds and flowers were frozen and corn was ailled. Frost, ice and snow were common in June. Almost every nearly all destroyed. Snow fell to the wae.

depth of several inches in New England This day was the most remarkable in On the 5th ice was formed of the thick-1878. Gussie wrote the words slowly, log up raw material in the shape of has when bed time came and Gussie was fin- the memory of man for darkness; for a ness of window glass in New York, New in her very best and roundest band, on socks and sofa pillows, to be used as ishing up the record of her day in the week or ten days the sir had been very England, and parts of l'enusylvania, and the fly leaf of her new diary, her month battering-rams and cannon balls, united new diary, she added, after her remarks thick and heavy, which made the sun corn was nearly all destroyed in certain look uncommonly red. On the morning sections. In August ice formed half as an up twist for the l'e and t'e, and a down doubt built of arm chairs and schoolroom Patience is a very good thing to have if of the 19th the sun was visible for a luch thick. Corn was so frozen that a benches, that the Russians were to take- there are boys in the house. You can short time, very early, but was soon over- great deal was cut down and dried for There! she said, with a long sigh of re- if they could. Miss March was Gussle's have a good time with the boys if you are cast, and very black clouds were seen to fodder. Very little ripered in New Englief when the page had been carefully last love with some other girl; but this patient, I mean to try to be patient, and rise suddenly and very fast from the land and Middle States. Parmers were dried, that looks beautiful; almost, no, time it was a real young lady, bright, not mind more than half what those boys west; the wind, what there was, (hardly obliged to pay \$1 and \$5 a bushel for corn enough to move the leaves on the trees,) of 1815 for seed for the next spring's came from the south-west; the foremen- planting. The first two weeks of Septioned clouds mixing with the vast quan- tember were mild; the balance of the Once there was a man whose life had tities of smoke occasioned by a general month was cold, and frost and ice formed now I ought to begin writing in it right Gussie was twelve, and twelve was quite been spent in going west. His father and burning of woods caused, in the opinion a quarter of an luch thick. October away, or I shall forget what happened. old enough, she was sure, to give up mother had moved from New England to of many, this unusual darkness, which was more than usually cold, with trost Every day in the week was carefully playing with boys, and be almost a young Michigan when he was a baby, and set. began about 20 minutes before 11 o'clock and ice. November was cold and blusmarked and dated in the new journal, lady. So she gave herself a good many tied six miles from any neighbor. But A. M., and lasted all day, though not teering, with snow enough for good sleigh-

A MINNESOTA HOTEL.

A Farmington correspondent of the Eastport Sentinel writes as follows rela-

live to a country botel in Minnesota: I rode to the first class botel; it was a covered frame on stifts, and barely partitioned off inside with inthe. Every one washed from the same tin dish, and were mere boxes on legs, and filled with course meadow hay. No doors to the coms, nor nails to hang a coat, no stand or even chair to put a tamp on, but mine bost just dropped some grease from his dip upon the floor, into which be inserted his candle, and bade me make myself comfortable.

Now I had hired the private room at an extra price, with an understanding that it was to be all my own for the night, and, of course, the only eafety for the money was to put it to bed. So you may magine my serenity when at twelve, midulght, in bonneed a straggler in long boots; the landford had sent him up to me he said, as mine was the only bed with but one mas in it. In the morning I found that about forty persons has been ying right across the long entry between the rooms, with only here and there a blanket smopg them, and they snored on

as I walked over them. After breakfast the landlord told us all to come out and square the house into place-it had been moved on its bed in the night by the wind. Leaning on a long rail as a lever, we all bore our weight upon it, and the first class hotel came into place again. But now, mark me, that place is a county seat, has a court house and other fine buildings, with churches, two newspapers, and really more than one first class hotel. And this One of the great objections to ordinary is a sample of hundreds of places on the

A TRIFLING DEFECT.

There's a wandering genius around the Central Market who has for sale an article described by him to the public in a loud first few minutes, as the heat spread nobleman invented this article, and he downwards, all the smoke passing spent eighteen years thinking and experithrough the upper incandescent layer was menting over it. You will observe that consumed, and so much the more heat it is a glass-cutter, a can-opener, a knifesaved, but the moment the fire had to be sharpener, putty-kulfe, a sciesors-sharpmade up again, all the advantages were ener, a jack-knife, a nail-cleaner, and a lost. One of the latest suggestions to bread-knife, combined. It is light, duraprevent the waste of heat was to form ble, compact, beautiful, and convenient,

He was talking a way yesterday forenoon, when a hard-handed son of toll aping from the middle of the plate. The proached and asked to inspect one of the air entering the cylinder from below the articles. The man explained its merits grate is thus conveyed at once into the and uses, commented on its different uses,

> You want one, of course? I guess not, said the farmer. Oh, it doesn't seem to be of much use.

Great spoons! but baven't I explained it is supplied by a pipe communicating to you that it can be used for eight difwith the external air. And further, we ferent purposes! What more can you

IMPROUNIOSITY PROVES,

A few days ago a lawyer of this city filed a petition in the District Court in which the plaintiff is an old Mexican woman. The District Clerk, as is usual,

wanted security for costs. Said the lawyer: She is not required to give a cost bond. She is a pauper, and will make an affidavit to that effect,

Why, she used to own real estate, observed the clerk. I know, but she has got nothing now, retorted the lawyer.

Have you collected your fees in ad-You bet I did.

It's all right then. I am satisfied she

is a pauper now, sighed the clerk.

The little brown cottage in Springfield, lit., in which Mr. Lincoln fived before he went to Washington, still remains nearly as he left it, furniture and aft. It is related that it had at first but one story, and that Mrs. Lincoln for many years unavailingly coaxed her husband to raise the roof. At length she seized an opportunily when he was attending court in an adjoining town, to employ workmen and have the half-story added, windows put in, paint put on, all completed-save payment of bills-before his return. Coming up the street he comprehended the situation at a glance, but feiguing bewilderment, and pretending not to notice the old place, he walked past as if searching for home, till his wife-who was

Possible epitaph of this great republic: green thing was killed, and fruit was Died of too much Congress .- N. Y. Trib-