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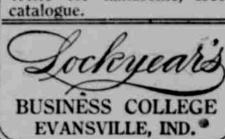
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pers. After the service he made known his less and said that who- some afternoon and find her dancing ever found the pocketbook and re- all around the dooryard and kicking as stored it to him would be well re-

An old man immediately rose up at the back of the church and cried

"It's found, sir!" man!" said the clergyman. "Have within a fortnight of the date when a you got it with you?"

"No, sir," answered the man, "but I comed that way myself after you did, and it wasn't there then." -London Answers.

#### Rossini's Resting Place.

of Florence asked that it might be two principals, had made up their transferred to the Church of the minds that there would be no marriage Holy Cross in that city, where the bedier of Calilai Michalangele duty. Farmer Smith and his daughter bodies of Galilei, Michelangelo, were in the village one day buying Machiavelli, Alfieri and other great calico and brown sugar when Zabed Italians are entombed. Consent Winters appeared. He had eggs to sellwas received from the municipality, for blekory shirting. The lovers were but the master's widow, Dona brought face to face, but they didn't Olympia, would consent to the speak. They thought of frogs and St translation only on condition that Vitus' dance and six tood feet and when her time came her body smith reached out one hand for his might be placed next to that of her daughter and the other for Zabed and husband. This request was bluntly said: denied, for the reason that only Italians "who had achieved greatness" could rest there. In 1878 the widow died and before her death consented in writing to the removal with me to the preacher and git marof her husband's body to Florence, fled to once and fur good and all. provided her body be placed in the grave from which his would be taken in Pere Lachaise, and after a long time for consideration this er each other, and as how later they

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Districted and the Land McClare. Problem South of Enfed Winters met at training relies and were hispressed with such offers liabed would have Taureted her if the Widow Penrose kndu't relyed to the wanted the young man box to read, and in away some who your she imported the informatter that Protence Smith was ki ockliverd as if would never be able. to stand all a was talk or run up and da un thread or tielra. The young manwas at one purpose d. He ceased to over live them in her sake, and of Death Latine, and so relations were tribled for hilly tong months. Then

I armer Smill reached out his horny

"Zibed, gel duen your battons, you're gittin' the real thing, and you orter be the happlest man in Woodchuck.

Zabed was for about two weeks. Then Deacon Gray, who was a widower and wanted Frudence for his second wife, gave up some information about Zabed. When he had sworm her to the mest awful secrecy he confessed that the young man had a live frog in his stemach and would probably go mad within two years and cut the throat of his wife if he had one. The frog had jumped down Zabed's throat one day when he was drinking from the horse pend, and, though thousands of inducements had been held out to him, nothing could prevail upon him to jump out.

Well, where is the young girl, no matter how her heart tunks with love, who is going to marry a young man with a live and growing frog in his stomach? She can't be found. She wasn't found in this case. Prudence Smith cooled off on Zabed Winters, and he went about with his chin in the air and was too proud to ask for an explanation. It was a year before one came. Then a lightning red man stayed overnight at Smith's, and after supper he got to talking about frogs. Seeing he was posted on the subje : On account of bad health I of- Prudence made bold to ask him if he such a thing was absolutely impossible and beyond belter. Zabed Winters had probably swallowed a small fish and the fish might be growing, but if left alone he could in time be fished for and caught. That settled the frog question, and Zabed was invited to come around and make up. He got hustle on him, and the turtledores sang soft and low, a new date was ap-Warranty Deeds, Quit Claim pointed, and Farmer Smith stopped chopping wood long enough to extend a hand and say:

"Zabed, you gol durned idlot, don't you know when you're got a good thing? Don't fool around any more." Zabed didn't want to, but before it had been decided which minister Story-and-half seven room should marry them old Mrs. Snyder house. Good lot, 50x100 it., al- struck his trail. She was too old to ey in rear; graded street, good marry, but not too old to utter a warnpavements, good well and cellar. Ing for the benefit of a young man

who had put in a day beeing her garsonable offer refused Apply the told him right straight out that Prudence Smith snored like a steam engine, that she had six toes on her right foot and only four on her left. that she had had St. Vitus' dance when a baby and that it was sure to come back on her some day. It might not be pocketbook containing valuable par a year after marriage that Zabed would come up from the cornfield high as a fence That settled Zabed. He wanted Prudence, but he didn't want a dancing dervish. More coldness, more strained relations. It was a full year before old Mrs. Snyder was proved a liar, and it took three months longer to make up and set another "Oh, thank you, thank you, my date. Things had run smoothly to tin peddler came along and bought a sheepskin of Zabed and then told him that Prudence Smith was deaf in the right car, nearsighted in both eyes and would be tongue tied before she was two years older. Zabed hadn't noticed the deafness or blindness, but he believed in tin peddlers and at once grew frigid. Result, another year lost.

For years Rossini's body rested Fate was still in the game, however, in Pere Lachaise, and then city and when everybody, including the

"Say, are you two gol durned idiots?" "Um!" replied Prudence.

"I'm" replied Zabed. "If you wasn't' you'd come along ried and her this turnashun thing set-Prudence looked at Zabed. Zubed looked at Prudence.

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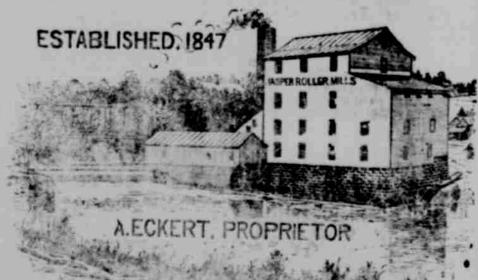
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