

stantinople-They Find the Turks Sensitive on the Dog Question-A College Yell for the Sultan Sends Him Into a Fit.

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Constantinople, Turkey.—My Dear
Old "Shriner"—We got out of Russia just in time to keep from being arrested or blown up with a bomb. Dad wanted to go to Moscow, because he saw a picture once of Moscow being destroyed by fire by Napoleon, or somebody, and he wanted to see if they had ever built the town up again, but I felt as though something serious was going to happen in that country if we didn't look out, and so I persuaded dad to go to Turkey, and the day we started for Constantino ple we got the news that the Nihilists had thrown a bomb under the carriage of the Grand Duke Sergius, and blew him and the carriage into small pieces not bigger than a slice of summer sausage, and they had to sweep his remains up in a dustpan and bury them in a twoquart fruit jar. Wouldn't that jar you?

When dad heard about that you couldn't have kept him in Russia on a bet, and so we let the authorities have all the money we had, giving some to each man who held us up, until we got out of the country, and then we took the first long breath we had taken since we struck the God-forsaken country of the czar. If the bombs hold out I do not think there will be a quorum left in Russia in a year, either czars, dukes or anything except peasants on the verge of starvation and workingmen who have not the heart to work. I wouldn't take the whole of Russia as a gift, and have to dodge bombs night and day.

Say, old man, you never dreamed that I knew all about you and dad joining the Masons that time, but I watched you and dad giving each other signs and grips, and whispering passwords into each other's ears, in the grocery, nights, the time, that you and dad were plan-



WHEN DAD PUT HIS HAND ON HER

ning a burglary, but when you both went to the lodge one night, and stayed again before we had gone a block. with a red Turkish fez, and told mathat you and he had joined the shrine, which was the highest degree in Masonry, and you and he were nobles, and all that rot, I was on to you bigger than a house, and you couldn't fool me when you and dad winked at each otner, and talked about crossing the hot sands of the desert.

Well, dad brought his red fez along, 'cause I think he expected he would could borrow money of. When we struck Constantinople, and dad saw that every last one of the Turks wore a red fez he felt as though he had got among shriners, and he got his fez out of his trunk, and he wears it all the time.

Dad acts as familiar with the Turks here as though he owned a harem. We go to the low streets, about as wide as street car, where Turks are selling things, with dad wearing his fez, and he begins to make motions and give grand hailing signs of distress, and the Turks look at him as though he had robbed a bank, and they charge enormous prices for everything, and dad pays with a smile, thinking his brother Masons are fairly giving things away. He looks upon all men who wear the fez as his brothers, and they look at him as though he was crazy in the head.

on talking to the women here without said we could go, but to be careful about an introduction, and a woman in Turkey had rather die than have a Christian ticularly a dog, as the Turks were very dog look at her. Dad was buying some wormy figs of a merchant, who was seated on the floor of his shop, and giving him signs, when a curtain behind the that dad didn't look at any more wom-Turk was pulled one side, and a woman with beautiful eyes, and her face covered with a veil, came out with a cup of but their eyes could be seen. coffee for the Turk. Dad shook hands belong to the same lodge," and he was big and black, and they go right through street, the crowd scattered, the sultan's going to go inside and visit the family, gou, and clinch on the other side. Dad when the woman drew a small dagger says the facilities for getting into trouout of the folds of her dress, and the ble are better in Constantinople than Turkey having a fit, and about a hun-Turk drew one of these scimeters, and it any place we have been, as the men look dred soldiers came up on the veranda, looked for a moment as though I was like bandits and the women look like exgoing to be a half orphan, particularly ecutioners. Dad thanked me for helpwhen dad put his hand on her shoulder and petted it, and smiled one of those masher smiles which he uses at home, and said: "My good woman, you must not get in the habit of jabbing your husband's friends with this crooked cutlery, though to be killed by so handsome a woman would indeed be a sweet death." but the bluff did not go, and the woman disappeared behind the curtain, and dad

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had the frantic husband to deal with. I have never seen a human being look as murderous as that Turk did as he drew his thumb across the blade of his tan, so we got a place on a balcony, and knife, drew up his lip and snarled like a at the appointed time the procession dog that has been bereaved of a promis- came in sight. It was imposing, but ing bone by a brother dog that was larger. The Turk looked through his teeth, and his eyes seemed to act like when the funeral of a great man is passsmall arc lights, that were to show him ing. No man spoke, and all looked as where to cut dad, and dad began to turn | though they expected, if they moved, to pale, and looked scared.

a barrel of dried prunes. Dad said he had tan's wives when she firts with a stranforgotten the sign, and then I told him | ger.

## Present Status of the Nearn Race

By BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

who are laving the foundations of living in a new territory relate mainly to the securing of land, the building of homes, the production of food and the securing of education. It is because of these conditions which confront the masses of our people in the south that I advocate the great importance of education, not only of the head and heart, but of the hand as well; so that the foundation can be properly laid in the material directions to which I have referred,

In this connection I am glad to add that the old prejudice which existed against industrial education or hand training some years ago among fall. They are the Challenger, owned our people has almost completely disappeared. The present is the time by W. Gould Brokaw, and the Dixie, for the negro to lay his foundations in the south. Land can be bought for the negro to lay his foundations in the south. Land can be bought Thomas. at cheap rates on easy terms. The agricultural labor and the skilled labor are very largely in the hands of members of my race. And we will continue to be a potent factor in the life of the south in this respect in proportion as we prepare ourselves for usefulness in agriculture, in the to the present time, and for this reason mechanics, in domestic work, as well as in teaching and the other pro- the chances are against the Yankee fessions. What we most need, however, just now, is a proper and thorough economic foundation, coupled with moral and religious training.

In many respects, the next 20 years are going to be the most serious in the history of the race. Within this period it will be largely decided whether the negro is going to be able to retain the hold which he now has upon the industries of the south, or whether his place will be filled by white people from a distance. The only way that we can prevent the industries from slipping from the negro in all parts of the south is for all French boat Trefle a Quatre, which the educators, ministers and friends of the negro to unite to push forward, in a whole-souled manner, the industrial or business development of the negro, either in school or out of school, or both. There should be a more vital and practical connection between the negro's educated September 11, and will be held in the brain and his opportunity of earning his daily living.

I repeat the industrial training will help cement the friendship of the two races. The history of the world proves that trade-commerceis the forerunner of peace and civilization as between races and nations.

Say or think what we will, it is the tangible or visible element that is going to tell largely during the next 20 years in the solution of the race problem. Every white man will respect the negro who owns a trials will be necessary to select repretwo-story brick business block in the center of town and has \$5,000 in the bank. When a black man is the largest taxpayer and owns and cultivates the most successful farm in his county, his white neighbors will not object very long to his voting and to having his vote honestly counted. The black man who is the largest contractor in his town and lives after you had locked up. I thought, at | in a two-story brick house is not likely to be lynched.

I know that what I have said is likely to suggest the idea that I have put stress upon the lower things of life, the material; that I have overlooked the higher side, the ethical and religious. I do not overlook the higher or undervalue its worth. All that I advocate is not as an end, but as a means. I know as a race we have got to be patient in the laying of a firm foundation, that our tendency is too often to get the shadow instead of the substance, the apearance rather than the reality.

Further, I know that it is not an easy thing to make a good Christion out of a hungry man. I mean that just in proportion as the race gets a proper industrial foundation, gets habits of industry, thrift, economy, land, homes, profitable work, in the same proportion will its moral and religious life be improved.

the only way out of it, alive, would be to buy something, so dad picked up a little jim-crack, worth about ten cents, it was a dried up man, with liver comand gave the Turk a five-dollar gold | plaint, with a nose like an eagle, and hind the curtain to get the change I told though death would be a relief, and yet of steel. dad now was the time to skip, and you he seemed afraid of it, and there was no ought to have seen dad make a sprint sound of welcome, such as there would out the door and around a corner, and up | be if Roosevelt was riding down Michiand we got away from the danger of be- the stockyards to pray to Armour, ining stabbed, but dad got his foot into it stead of to Allah.

ries, or goes off a walk, so when the peo- a sultan. Let's give him the university ple saw an old man, with a fez on his head, running amuck, as they say here, followed by a beautiful boy, they began to crawl into their holes, thinking dad was crazy, but when we were passing a sausage store, where about 20 dogs were asleep in the street, and dad kicked half a dozen dogs and yelled "get out, you hounds," that settled it, and they knew meet shriners all over the world, that he he was wrong in the head, and they yelled for the police, and we were pulled for fast driving, and taken before a Turkish fustice of the peace, followed by the whole crowd.

> The justice did not wear a fez, but had on a turban, so dad did not give him. any signs, but after jabbering a while they sent for an interpreter, who could talk pigeon English, and then dad had a trial, and I acted as his lawyer. I told about how dad had tried to be kind and genial to another man's wife, and how, in his hurry to get away from the murderous husband he fell over a mess of dogs, and that he was a distinguished American, who was in Turkey to negotiate a loan to the sultap.

Say, that fixed them, and they all made salams to dad and bowed all over themselves, and the justice of the peace The only trouble is that dad insists prayed to Allah, and the interpreter touching a Turkish woman or a dog, par- Ah!" and then we started to sing, sensitive on the dog question. So we went out of the courtroom, and wandered around the town, and you can bet en, though they were everywhere with veils that covered their faces so nothing

Gee, but you never saw such eyes a with her, and said: "Your husband and I these Turkish women have. They are ing him out of that scrape by claiming he was the agent of a financial syndicate that wanted to lend money to the sultan. our baggage. If I had said dad was a collecting agency, to make the sultan pay up, they would hung out of his mouth, and another took have sentenced him to be boiled in oil.

Well, we thought we had been in trouble before, but we are in it now worse than ever. We heard at the hotel that at 11 o'clock in the morning the sultan us like a mess of kittens in a bag, and all would pass by in a carriage, with an es- | because we woke them up with a footcort, on the way to a mosque, to pray to ball yell, in the wrong place. Allah, and everybody could see the solemn, and the people on both sides of the street acted like they do in America be arrested, and have a stone tied to "Give him the grand haling sign of their feet, and thrown into the Bosdistress," said ? as dad leaned against | phorus, the way they kill one of the sul-

the carriage of the sultan came, and in piece, and while the Turk went in be- eyes like shoe buttons. He looked as through it. This boat is built entirely another street, while I followed him, gan avenue at Chicago, on the way to

You could have heard a pin drop. I Nobody in Constantinople ever hur- | said: "Dad, this is too solemn, even for



GET OUT, YOU HOUNDS." yell, and show that mummy that he has

got two friends in Constantinople, anyway." "Here she goes," says dad, and we leaned over the railing, just as the us, and not ten feet away, and in that oppressive silence dad and I opened up, "U - Rah - Rah-Wis-Con-Sin, zip-boom-"There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town To-Night."

Well, if any man in the crowd had couched off a bomb, there could have been no greater consternation. The sultan turned pale, as pale as so yellow a man could, and became faint, and fell beside him, the Bazi Bazeuks on horseback tegan to ride up and down the carriage was turned around and rushed back to the palace, with the ruler of where dad and I had broke up the procession, and they lit on dad like buzzards on a dead horse, and took possession of the hotel, and began to search

One Turk choked dad until his tongue me by the ear and stretched it out so it was long as a mule's ear, and they took us to a bastile, and dad says it is all up with us now, because they will drown

Well, we might as well wind up our career here as anywhere. Good-by, old man. You will see our obituary in the

> Your repentant HENNERY.

"Yes, the doctor has put me on the trictest kind of diet." "Indeed. What is it?"

want of what I do."-Tit-Bits.

The masses of colored

people at the south are

very much in the posi-

tion of a race who are

entering upon life in a

new country. The prob-

lems confronting a race

PAST CRAFT WHICH WILL TRY FOR FOREIGN TROPHY.

Will Meet in the Contests to Be Held in September-British and French Boats of Tremendous Power.

America can build sailing yachts which can beat the world, but whether she will prove as successful when it comes to motor boats remains to be

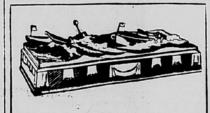
Motor boat racing is of comparatively recent date, and the development of this type of boat has received more atboats lifting the handsome prize. Just as in automobile racing, it has been found that French machines are speedier, and French motorists more skilled and daring, so it may be found in regard to the motor boats.

The famous British international trophy, which is to be raced for by the motor boats, was given by Sir Alfred Harmsworth, and is an open challenge was given the race, though beaten by the Napier Minor, because the latter had not been properly entered.

The first race this year is fixed for Bay of Arcachon, France, about 35 miles south of Bordeaux.

The conditions of this race permit three boats from each country to try for the trophy. So much interest is centered in the contest abroad that this vicinity, and the federal authori-England and France have each entered more than their quota, and elimination sentatives.

The race is limited to boats that do not exceed 40 feet on the water line. but there is no limit to the amount of



THE HARMSWORTH CHALLENGE

power that may be used, and the foreigners have resorted to enormous engines. The Dubonnet, which won the Prince of Monaco cup, has engines of 300-horse power, and the Brooke I., built in England, has the same power.

England is going to make a supreme fort to regain the trophy. The Napier II., one of the British representatives has two huge engines of 80-horse power each, and she is perfectly flat bottomed, so that she is driven over the surface of the water instead of

Both the Challenger and the Dixie have shown near the mile-in-two-minutes' mark, and from their time rec ords seem to have a chance to bring the cup over here.

The start will be a flying one and the distance will be from 30 to 35 turns and every boat will be put on its merits of straight running. The distance is suitable to both American boats. But the question is whether their 150-horse power engines can drive their smooth bodies as fast as their rivals, which have twice their power.

These two Yankee motor boats have been called "freaks" over here, but they are models compared to the queer foreign craft. The Challenger has proved her worth in both northern and outhern waters, and to-day is queen of Yankee high-speed boats.

The Dixie met with an accident in the Indian Harbor races at Greenwich, where she made her first appearance, but her trials have shown her-to be a wonder. One of the conditions upon which her owner agreed to accept her speed to beat the Challenger, and Clin- gates \$2.149,349. There are 890,172 ton H. Crane, who had designed the latter, presumably was sure of what he was about when he agreed to that condition for the Dixie.

The big powerful foreign boats are sure to show remarkable speed in the sultan's carriage was right in front of coming race, but as big as their enlittle Yankee flyers.

> Terms of Executive Service. The Portland Oregonian speaks thus

to a growing tendency: "There is a about his barn, Anton Anderson, ran growing tendency in American politics over his 4-year-old boy, cutting off toward lengthening the term of service of executive officers, both in state and The boy and his 6-year-old sister were municipal affairs. The doctrine or over into the arms of a general who sat principle of rotation in office was once when the sister heard the mower apsupposed to be the bulwark of representative government. That idea has in a great measure been dispelled. The public office is more of a public trust than it was in the days when the victor captured the spoils without restriction of civil service rules. Gonditions have changed. The complex problems of state and municipal life call for expert assistance of a high class. Hence it is that the terms of executive service are being lengthened and well-proven ability is protected in subordinate places in government."

Not Darkest Before Dawn.

The idea that the darkest hour is just before the dawn is poetical but incorrect. The darkest hour is midway between sunset and dawn, and the legend is of a piece with the statement often made that the hour preceding dawn is the coldest. In many countries there is a fixed berref that just before the break of day there comes an ebb when nature grows cold president, R. W. Main, Cando; secand pulseless and life fluttering in the breast of the dying man finally expires. According to science, such dissolution should occur between three and four o'clock, investigation extend-"Well, he says I mustn't eat anything ing over a period of several years hav-I don't like, and not any more than I jug proved that the temperature is lowest then.

## FLICKERTAIL NUGGETS.

Munich-The blind pigs were given en days to c ose up.

Albert-The Lutheran church has received a 1,900 pound bell. La Moure-The Catholics are to have

a larger church which will cost \$5,000, Walcott-While engaged in a friendly scuffl: John G. Johnson broke his

Aneta-Some tough characters were arrested on a charge of breaking into a beer car.

Sheldon-A petition has been sent to Washington asking for a rural route southwest of here.

Bismarck-So far there have been no prosecutions for violation of the pool room law in this state.

Washburn-Some fine stock been purchased around here for early shipment to the market. Minot-A bather dived into the

murmuring Mouse river and cut his head badly on a sharp rock. Grand Harbor-Will Richter shot himself through the right breast and there is little hope for his recovery.

clerk between here and Sherwood and the pouch service has been continued. Kensal-The National bank has been authorized to do business and it makes the fourth national in Stuteman

Glencoe-George Day sold his farm and left the state last fall. He is back now and save he intends to remain in North Dakota.

Churches Ferry-The farmers' elevator company here declared a dividend of 35 per cent. It handled 130,000 bushels of grain last season.

Dickinson-Ranch cattle are said to be in nice condition but not as fat and solid as in some years when the grass is more matured at this date.

Aneta-Some miscreants have been destroying rural route mail boxes in ties will likely take a hand in settling with them.

Churches Ferry-A sum sufficient to guarantee the erection of a creamery has been subscribed, but the share holders are still circulating the list, being desirous of securing a surplus fund with which to commence business.

La Moure-The ladies of this place got tired of waiting on the men to beautify the park and band stand. The other day they painted the stand and pushed lawn mowers like hired

men, until they transformed the place. Washburn-Very few counties in the state will show so large a percentage of increase in population as McLean county. The population, which was

Fargo-Too many checks caused trouble for Fred Schell, a young man, ple?" who has been around the city some time. He is alleged to have drawn them on a bank in which he had no funds. His arrest was made at Detroit. Minn.

Jamestown-The development of the creamery interests of the state has soon?" been one of the most striking features

Jamestown-Upon recommendation ple, "You will proceed to Key West, of Col. Peake, Company H, is to be where you will find further instrucmustered out of the state guard. This tions awaiting you." will make the First regiment short | Shall, is rarely, if ever, used for cancies.

Fargo-Efforts are being made to populate McKenzie county, midway between Williston and Dickinson. It was created at the last lagislative session. The county was named after the republican boss of the state and the county seat. Alexander, after his

Minot-Neil Harkins, about thirty years of age, a resident of Waukon, lowa, committed suicide in a barn located upon the farm of F. W. Finks. about-two miles southeast of Berthold. -Deaus Rhue, an Austrian by birth. aged 45 years, was found dead in bed by several of his neighbors. From all appearaces death was caused by heart

Grand Forks-The personal property valuation of Grand Forks county, as was that she should develop sufficient equalized by the county board, aggreacres of land in the county equalized at \$5,130,783, and the structures and improvements thereon aggregate \$386,-449, making a total valuation in the county, as equalized, of \$7,666,671. Hunter-Gale's store was burglar-

ized and among the things stolen were gines are they will know they have eleven razors, some revolvers and been in a race when they meet the two pocket knives. It was the third burglary within a month and the business men are preparing to take some method of protecting themselves.

Fort Ransom-While moving weeds both the boy's legs above the knees. hunting for eggs in the tall weeds proaching and endeavored to save her brother, but was to late. The boy is not expected to live.

Starkweather-At Munich, a new extension town on the Great Northern, H. E. Dollanan was arrested for assault and battery on complaint of Marie Wood, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 130 days in the county jail. -As a starter toward cleaning upthe town nearly every business man signed a petition, which was presented to the "piggers" asking them to close

up within ten days and remain closed. Churches Ferry-Ex-commissioner of forestry Barrett had a strawberry on his farm near here, that, the Sun reports, measured four and seveneighths inches in circumference.

Grand Forks-At the annual tournament of the North Dakota State Sportman's association, the following fficers were elected, after Fargo had been selected for the 1906 tournament: President, C. E Robbins, Fargo; vice oud vice president, George Backer Fargo; secretary, Dr. F. H. Bailey, Fargo.

Lucca-The two-year-old baby of W. S. Briss, met with an accident that near the stock a vicious horse kicked the child in the face, nearly tearing the nose off.

## **DONT'S** For Speaker and Writer

the Use of Common Words, Arranged Alphabetically

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How to Care for It." Etc.) (Copyright, 1905, by Joseph B. Bowles.) Author's Note.—It is one thing to record errors, quite another to avoid them. He who waits for the faultless one to cast who waits for the faultiess one to cast the first critical stone waits in vain; therefore, as one of many working for the betterment of the English language, I shall be pleased to receive kindly criticism, if, perchance, I, too, have erred.

One's theory often is better than one's practice. This was exemplified by the teacher of language when he said to his class: "Never use a preposition to end a sentence with."

Many years ago I began to be watchful of errors. I noted them in a little book;

Grand Harbor—Will Richter shot simself through the right breast and there is little hope for his recovery.

Granville—There is a regular mail well as myself. Many of them are recorded for the first time

Other authorities on "will" and

Rule: "'Shall,' in an affirmative entence in the first person and 'will' in the second and third person mere ly announce future action.'

Example: "I shall go to town to-"I shall wait for better morrow." weather." "We shall be glad to see you." "I shall soon be 20." "You will be pleased." "He will go with us."

Rule: "Shall in an affirmative sen tence, in the second and third person, announces the speaker's intention to control."

Example: "You shall hear me out. 'He shall be my heir," "They shall go, whether they want to or not."

"Will, in the first person, ex-Rule: presses a promise, announces the speaker's intention to control, pro-

claims a determination." Example: "I will (I promise to) assist you," "I will (I am determined to) have my right." "We will (we promise to) come to you in the morning.' Rule: "Shall, in an interrogative

sentence, in the first and third person, consults the will or judgment of another: in the second person, it inquires concerning the intention or future action of another.' "Example: "Shall I go with you?

"When shall we see you again?" "When shall I get well?" "When shall we get there?" Rule: "Will, in an interrogative

sentence, in the second person, asks only 960 in 1890, and 4,791 in 1900, is concerning the wish, and, in the third 15,372, according to the census just person, concerning the purpose or future action of others." Example: "Will you have an ap-"Will they be willing to re-

ceive us?" "When will he be here?" Caution: Will cannot be used interrogatively in the first person, singular or plural. We cannot say "Will I go?" "Will

I be late?" "Will we see you again Official courtesy, in order to avoid of North Dakota's progress for the the semblance of compulsion, conveys past six years. There were 10 in 1839 its commands in the "you will" form and now there are 82. More than instead of the strictly grammatical 6,000 separators are in use in the state. "you shall" form. It says, for exam-

two companies of infantry and give will; it is will that is used for shall. ambitious towns an opportunity to Expressions like the following are tles to how to make over the solar sys-

Where will you be next week? I will be at home.

We will have dinner at six o'clock. How will you go about it? When will you begin? What will you do with it:

In all such expressions, when it is a question of mere future action on the part of the person speaking or anoken to, the auxiliary must be shall be blamed for the errors which they did and not will. . .

"Should" and "would" follow the regimen of shall and will. Would is often used for should: should, rarely for would. Correct speakers say:

I should go to town to-morrow, if had a horse. I should not; I should wait for bet

ter weather. We should be glad to see you. I should like to go to town, and would go if I could.

I would assist you if I could. I should have been ill if I had gone. I would I were home again. I should go fishing to-day if I were

I should so like to go to Europe. I should be delighted: I knew that I should be ill.

I hoped that I should see you. I was afraid that we should have bad weather. I knew I should dislike the country.

I should not like to do it, and will not (determination) unless compelled to. The Verbalist. . . .

How to use shall and will. (From the New York Times.) "There is probably no more confusing part of the English language than that which regulates the proper use of shall and will. The reply of

James Russell Lowell (to the woman who wrote, saying: 'I would be ver much obliged for your autograph') has been often in print, and has undoubtedly been clipped for scrap and pocket book reference by many per "The poet essayist granted her re-

quest in the following fashion: 'Pray do not say hereafter "I would be obliged." If you would be obliged. be obliged and be done with it. Say "I should be obliged," and oblige, yours truly, James Russell Lowell.' "An additional hint to go with this

'cut me out' is that of the old verse: In the first person, simply shall foretells: in will, a threat or else a promise dwells:

Shall, in the second or third, doth threat; Will, simply then foretells the future feat.'

"Shall, in the first, and will in the second and third persons, are to be nearly cost its life. While playing regarded as simple declarations, and both shall and will in all other cases

senver a threat."

Note-The tendency to the misuse

The old, old story of the

ing in the Thames furn good illustration of the these troublesome words: "I will be drowned, ro

help me." Don't say "wipe off" for "wipe Example: "Wipe off your feet," "Wipe off your pen," "Wipe off your nose," should be "Wipe your feet,"
"Wipe your pen," "Wipe your nose."

Don't say "with" for "of." Example: "He died with consumption," should be "He died of consump-

Don't say "without" for "upless." Example: "I'll not go without it is necessary," should be "I'll not go unless it is necessary."

Don't say "wore" for "worn." Example: "I have wore it Lany years," "It has wore off," should be "I have worn it many years," "It has worn off."

Don't say "wove" for "woven." Example: "When was it wove?" should be "When was it woven?"

Don't say "wrench off" for "rinse." Example: "The teeth should be wrenched off every morning," should be "The teeth should be rinsed every

morning. Note.—The foregoing sentence (concerning the teeth) appeared in the examination papers of a teacher attending a county Normal.

CONFESSION IS SHAMELESS

Maine Editor Tells About Furnishing Graduation Essays for Pupils.

The time draws near when the very good papers of Maine will begin to give the teachers advice as to how schools should be conducted so as to bestow the most good upon the pupils, says the Bangor News. It is then in season to find fault with the average graduation essay and the graduation oratory, and tell of the horrible English and worse sense that are employed by the undergraduates. No editor who attends to his duty can let pass the opportunity to insist upon a closer study of the English branches, particularly to the departs ment of English which gives instruction in how to write essays and letters.

Let us see about this matter. During a more or less close newspaper connection of some 25 years the writer has received on an average fully 30 applications for help a year from undergraduates who did not or would not or could not know or learn how to compose such productions as pass muster at high schools and academies and seminaries. Of these requests-and all have been most emphatic-perhaps the writer has complied with as many as ten a year. He has never received a cent in compensation for any one, though financial reward has been offered in nearly every case. In other words, the writer has turned out more than 250,000 words of copy for the relief of those who stood in need of help. The topics have ranged all the way from how to tame mud turthe efforts have been read or delivered extempore, it is hoped to the satisfaction of the hearers. It is our belief that nearly every other man who is connected with newspapers has performed similar tasks, and done so for the sake of helping a fellow sufferer out of a hole.

If the foregoing presumption is correct, can the pupils and undergraduates not commit? If the samples of English which we hear at commencements and public exercises at schools are disgustingly poor, are not the helpful but misguided editors to blame for the fault? Let us not jump upon the undergraduates as a class until we learn the facts in the case. In all fairness as representatives of the human race, the persons who compose the menstrosities, and not those who deliver them, should bear the brunt of condemnation. For an editor to condemn the offspring of his own pen or his own typewriter is very mean.

Devoted Japanese Nurse. A pathetic story of the war is told

by a Japanese correspondent at Kobe. Feodor Chesnetzky, a young Russian soldier, was taken to the Red Cross hospital at Matsuyama riddled with shrapnel. All of his limbs were amputated and after the operation, to the amazement of the doctors. Chesnetzky lived for eight months, lying quite helpless. He was attended by Nurse Kawaguchi and he became so much attached to her that he would cry like a child when he could not see her. Her devotion and tenderness were such that she scarcely left him for eight months and she was with him when he died.

Buman Marvel. Hicks-Bjenks has a wonderful intellect, hasn't he?

Wicks-Yes. Whenever he has a cold he can always figure out just where and when he got it.-Somerville Journal.

KNEW THE GAME.



Brown (who has lent his dog to another sportsman)-Well, how did he work for you? Sperisman-Wonderfully. He led

the way straight to the poulterer's.