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The young man's book of amusement

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[Illustration]

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To make a shilling turn upon its edge on the point of a needle.



Take a wine or porter bottle, and insert in the mouth a cork, with a needle in a perpendicular position. Then cut a nick in the face of another cork, in which fix a shilling; and into the same cork stick two common table-forks, opposite to each other, with the handles inclining downwards, as will be perfectly understood by consulting the annexed engraving.

If the rim of the shilling be then placed upon the point of the needle, it may be turned round, without any risk of falling off, as the centre of gravity is below the centre of suspension.

Easy method of making a Rain Gauge.

A very simple rain gauge, and one which will answer all practical purposes, consists of a copper funnel, the area of whose opening is exactly ten square inches: