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**The young man's book of amusement**

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The Glass of Wine under the Hat

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*The Glass of Wine under the Hat.*

Place a glass of wine upon a table, and, having put a hat over it, offer to lay any of the company a wager, that you will drink the wine without raising up the hat. When your wager is accepted, particularly request that no person will touch the hat; then get underneath the table, and commence sucking and smacking your lips as though you were swallowing the wine with considerable gusto. After a minute or two has elapsed, come from under the table, and say to the person who accepted your wager, "Now, sir." His credulity will immediately induce him to raise up the hat, in order to ascertain if the wine be drunk. Immediately he does so, take up the glass, and having swallowed its contents, say, "You have lost, sir, I have drunk the wine without lifting up the hat." This trick generally excites much laughter against the simpleton who thus dupes himself.

*Beautiful Golden Yellow Dye, for Silks,  
Cotton, &c.*

This fine lively and durable yellow dye, has recently been discovered by M. Lasteurie, who thus describes the process by which it is obtained from the shaggy spunk, or boletus hirsutus of Linnæus, a species of mushroom or fungus, growing chiefly on apple or walnut trees. This vegetable substance is