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The young man's book of amusement

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The Confederate Shilling

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you have before you to draw, and you will plainly see to trace the outlines with black lead pencil : after which, fill up the shades in the manner it appears *without the desk.*

The Confederate Shilling.

Having previously marked a shilling with a cross, conceal it under some object in the room ; then request one of the company to lend you a shilling, and say, " Now I am going to perform a trick with this, and that you may know it again, I will mark it." Take a penknife, and cross it on the same side as the concealed shilling. Ask him if he will know it again, and then knock under the table and say, " Presto, be gone." Convey it secretly up your sleeve, and tell the company it has vanished ; but you have an idea where they will find it. Name the place where you concealed the first shilling, which will be immediately discovered, and from the similarity of the mark, will be taken for that which was lent you.

Effect of Heat on the Ruby.

In subjecting rubies to a high degree of heat, Dr. Brewster observed a very singular effect produced by their cooling. At a high temperature, the red ruby becomes green ; as the cooling advances, this green