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(A) Picture.:- From now on fencers need not disagree any more than is necessary for the fight. A gadget has been invented which electrically records each hit.

The foils are connected by loose wires to the apparatus and as the

point of the foil touches any part

of the opponent, a bell

rings, registering which fencer

hits which and where. Of course, if

fencing guards

are pierced, and a man is properly pinked and laid out, the bell isn't necessary, and the invention is wasted. All that is required in that case is a doctor and ambulance.

(B) Picture. :- The School-Boys' Exhibition is just full of

gadgets. Youngsters can even see a periodical

printed, but the most popular

attractions are ships and trains. An old galleon

contrasts strangely with His Majesty's ship

'Ajax', in model. Miniature aeroplanes run trains closely in popularity,

but even yet, watching the

trains go by still holds its own until the lads grow up and get other ideas.

(C) Picture.:- In the Lyons district

of France this suspension bridge

was blown down right on top of a barge which collapsed while the barge-owner's family were at dinner, and what

the bargee said shocked even his wife, who thought she had