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As this Mixture is pleasant to the taste, and warranted free from anything injurious to the most delicate constitution of either sex, from infancy to old age, the Proprietors solicit sufferers to give it a trial to test its value.

Thousands of wonderful cures have been

Thousands of wonderful cures have been affected by it, such as the following:

Mr James Balcombe writes:

'I suffered when in the Army from a severe case of Abscess of the Liver, and was sent home from India to the bearing. of the Liver, and was sent home from India to the hospital. It was one of the worst cases known in the hespital, where I remained for eight months. I was then told nothing more could be done for me, and was discharged and sent home. I tried other doctors, but they could not stop the discharge, which was very great. I was on my back for two years altogether. At last, having seen Clarke's Blood Mixture advertised, I tried some, and after the first large bottle found myself very much better. I continued with it, and it made a perfect cure of me. I can truly say Clarke's Blood Mixture is a wonderful medicine.

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"39 Falmouth-chambers, Falmouth-road,

"New Kent-road, S.E., July 8, 1899.

"P.S.—I should like to mention that when sending a relation for the second bottle from the sending a relation for the second bottle from the neighbouring drug stores they persuaded her to take a preparation of their own, which they declared was 'just as good.' I found this did me no good at all. It was, therefore, sent back, and the genuine article procured, with above result."

Mr W Pauley, Broad Lane. Cottenham, Cambridge, writes:—"Three years ago I had a slight skin disease, and was obliged to see a doctor, who told me it was Eczema. I was under his treatment some time, but got no better. I tried, I may say, scores of other medicines, but all to no purpose, and I was, therefore, persuaded to go to the Infirmary. There I was under special treatment, but got no better, and came special treatment, but got no natter, a can buy a ring here with confidence, and test assured that it has passed through test assured that it has passed through the whose converse large made rings. was so tormented that I almost wished myself end; one medical man told me I never should get better. I think I may truly say that my case was one o' the worst it was possile to have, and everyone said they had never seen anyone like me. Woll, at last I road about 'Clarke's Blood Mixture,' and decided to give it a trial. I purchased some from Boots, the Chemists, and took it according to rules for three months, mine being a dreadful case, and I am thankful to say I am now perfectly well, with my skin as clear as possible. It was 'Clarke's Blood Mixture' which effected this wonderful cure, and I cannot recommend it too highly. January 20, 1900." Colour-Sergeant Instructor Joo. Howarth, Cheshire Regiment, Chester, writes:—I suffered from Rheumatism in my arms and legs for over

Colour-Sergeant Instructor Jno. Howarth, Cheshire Regiment, Chester, writes;—Is uffered from Rheumatism in my arms and legs for over five years. I also had a bruised shin bone, through which I could rest only for a few minutes at a time. All sorts of remedies were applied, but none did me any good for more than a few days. After a while I was recommended to try 'Clarke's Blood Mixture,' which I did, and on taking the first bottle I felt relief. I therefore continued with this excellent medicine, and it effected a perfect cure. This was more than a year ago, and I am pleased to say I have not felt the least pain since—in fact, I am in as good health as ever I was in my life.

"Moreover, I told two friends of mine who were laid up with Rheumatism of my case, and they tried 'Clarke's Blood Mixture. They are tailors by trade, and in seven days they were at work again. They say this medicine cannot be two highly praised. May 18, 1899."

Mr George Price, St. Margaret's-on-Thames, writes:—"I feel that I should write you a few lines in praise of Clarke's Blood Mixture. I have been suffering these last few years with Eczens and Blotches, which prevented me following my eccupation, and I can safely say I have spent scores of pounds in all sorts of other medicines. A little while ago, however, I was a lvised by a friend of mine who has taken Clarke's Blood Mixture to try a bottle, and to my great relief I am a new man and able at the present time to go

friend of mine who has taken Clarke's Blood Mixture to try a bottle, and to my great relief I am a new man and able at the present time to go on with my business, being now quite well. In fact, I cannot give it too much praise. You are at liberty to make what use you like of this testinouial for the benefit of others who may be suffering from the same complaint." December 29, 1899.

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By local line or ad. displayed Carea more for rest than worldly gain Aud patronage but gives him pan; fread lightly, iriends, let no rude sound Disturb his solitude profund. Here let him live in calm repose Unsought except by men he owes.

And when he dies, go plant him deep That naught may break his dreamless sleep, Wuere no rude cannor may dispet

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that applicants for Mining Leases are required, within seven days previous to "KEATING'S POWDER" destroys Bugs, lodging the application, to insert in a newspaper published in the district where the land is situated, or if no such newspaper, then in one published nearest the district, an advertisement or notice in the form marked "A" in the schedule relating to Mining Leases.

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on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, So. The riest Boas will dive below in twenty minutes. This is no fiction. Every sufferer is carneally invited to try one Box of these Pills, and they will be acknowledged to be "WORTH A GUINEA A BOX."

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Trawalla.—12.20 p.m. daily and 8.40 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thurs-From Materico, Waterico South, Main the columns of "The Riponshire Advocate," which is the columns of the Riponshire Advocate," which is the only newspaper that is printed and published within the boundaries of the

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The Man Who Doesn't Advertise Breathes there a man with soul so dead That to himself he hath not said, "My trade of late is getting bad, I'll try another ten-inch ad."

If such there be, go mark him well,

For him no bank account shall swell—

MEDICINE VENDORS throughout the world.
Proprietors, THE LINCOLN AND MIDLANDS
COUNTIES DRUG COMPANY, Lincoln, England.
Trade Mark—"BLOOD MIXTURE."

For bargain hunters by the score
Shall pass nor heed his dingy door;
For the his sign is on the wall
And on some barnyard gate a scrawl.
No people who have casa and sense,
Go prancing around to read the fence.

The man who never asks for trade

The quiet that he loved so well, And that the world may know its loss Place on his grave a wreath of moss And on the stone above, " Here lies It is notified for general information A chump who wouldn't advertise."

—Mortimer Crane Brown.

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Of you dry to do peesnis mitowt advertising, you will find yourself already like a boy drying to shlide a hill down mitowt shnow. Pesides dere ish shnow you gant make 'em; but you be a subscriber. can somedimes shenerally always make der advertising come right avay quick HINTS TO FRIENDLY READERS off, allder year rount, mitsome moneys.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS!--Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist of cutting testif to at once to a chemist and get a notife of Alas. Winslow's Southing o'Rur. It will relieve the poor suncrer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep by remeving the child from pain, and the little charub awakes. "as bright as a button." It is souther incoming its oftens the gums, affay: all once the cult, its oftens the gums, affay: all once the cult, its oftens the gums, affay: all once the cult. pain, reneves winu, regentates the nowers, am is the nest known remove for dysentery, and durrines, whether arising from teething or ther causes. Airs Winsion's Southing S. 744 but is too mean to support local enter is sold by atcolerae panters everywhere.

Business man-"You remember that ad."I had in your paper, and took out "Why, I thought you said no one thimbleful of soapsuds as attempt to de noticed it while it was in." Business business and ignore advertising." man (humbly)—"They didn't seem to ghosiness at a few drops of the liquid "Floridie" your advertising lets people know you are still in business; also that your business is sufficiently important to stand advertising. If you are in business. If you are in business. If you are in business. ness you cannot afford to do without artunpleasant edour arising from decay at teach advertising, as it is too much of an admission to the world at large.—Expension to the world at large.—Expension and interview with a man who has profited by newspaper advertising, on Roed, London, England.

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of the country ones, though some people appear to think they do. The city papers are all right in their way, but they do not give you that in which you are most interested-your country news. You cannot learn from them when and where your country meetings are to be held, who are dying or who are marry ing, who are moving in or who are moving out, court proceedings, who wants to buy or sell farm or land produce, in fact hundreds of things of scription to "The Riponshike which it might be of particular import PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MODSING, ted reading matter) to 3s per quarter, and trust that this concession will be largely in the country or district where you

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continue their subscriptions.

are held responsible until they settle their bills, and ordered the newspapers 4. If subscribers move to other place without informing the publishers, and the papers are sent to the former direction, the subscribers are responsible 5. The court has decided that

is refusing to take periodicals from the

post-office or leaving them uncalled for is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud." 6. Any person who receives a newpaper and makes use of it, whether he dese tifferences: ven you don't got some has ordered it or not, is held in law to

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induce them to do so.

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To our Readers and Patrons.

THE PROSPERITY OF A DISTRICT EPENDS chiefly upon the support and EPENDS chiefly upon the support and couragement that is given by the population to local enterprise and industry. By Venture is to a more or less extent speculative ut, each, whilst aiming at the success of Promoter, must offer certain fetures to the whose support is necessary to achieve certain ventures to the whose support is necessary to achieve certain ventures to the whole support is necessary to achieve certain ventures to the support is necessary to achieve certain and vantageous results on both sides.

Apprefore,
Support Local Industry and Local
Enterprise.

The law of exchange was never satisfactor The law of exchange was never satisfactor in its working; thus it was that the custom buying and selling, using a standard currenc was introduced. One form of that currency known as paper meney," and of paper money there is more than one kind. All kinds useful, but not every kind retains its original value. The "paper" money most valuable a newspaper proprietor is that which is sent him by

him by "Subscribers and Advertisers

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Steadily Increasing, And the Proprietar, recognising the increased support in this direction, will use his atmost endeavors to merit and sustain the patronage accorded him by giving the Latest possible Local and General News, and the me teresting and instructive information.

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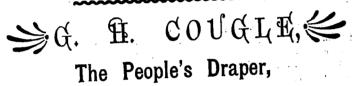
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BALLARAT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Fat Cattle.—A light yarding, numbering only 147 head came to hand for today's sale, the quality generally comprising useful to good descriptions, a small proportion being prime. There was an average attendance of the trade, and as the supply was meagre best sorts accordingly met with active competition, at prices showing an improvement on last week's values, closing firm. Quotations: Mr. W. A. J. BRANSTON, -Prime pens bullocks, £12 to £13 17s cowato £8 17 6d. Calves-Only 9 penned, selling well. Best to 70s. Sheep-7909 was the number penned for to-day's sale, consisting principally of middling and useful descriptions, a fair proportion good, with a few pens prime. There was the usual attendance of the trade, whilst graziers were strongly represented. In the opening sales competition was keener than the previous week, suitable trade n demand at slightly improved which were ... wellthroughout, whilst other descriptions with the assistance of the graziers were readily disposed of at very satisfactory Quotations :- Prime crossbred wethers, 18s to 20s; odd sheep, to 23s; good, 16s to 17s; useful, 14s to 15s; prime of the St crossbred ewes, 15s 6d to 16s IId; odd Affidavits. sheep, 20s; good, 13s 6d to 14s 6d; prime merino wethers, 15s to 16s; good, 13s to 14s; merino ewes, to 15s. Fat Lambs .-1944 to hand, the bulk of which comprised useful to good descriptions, a smal proportion prime. Best trade lots met with an improved demand, at somewhat higher rates, whilst other sorts fully maintained last week's improvement.

tions—Prime, 12s 6d to 14s; good, 11s to 12s; useful, 10s to 10s 6d. WOOL SALES.

Messrs Dalgety and Company Limited report the following district wool sales :-We established two new records for merino fleece and merino lambs. For Mr James Russell's clip, R over Carugham (a beautifully bright, shafty wool, of excellent quality), we obtained 15d for 6 cellent quality), we obtained 15d for 6 bales of super. combing hoggets', 143d for 24 bales of super. combing, 14d for 109 rail, coach, &c., and alletters receive prompt bales 1st combing, 12½d for 6 bales broken and careful attention.

HARRIS'S ANÆMIA MIXTURE, an for 1st lambs'. The best sale we made was for Langi over Kal Kal, grown near Ballarat, belonging to Messrs Campbell and Felton, a well-grown wool of excellent quality, and in lighter condition than the average clip of Western district wools We obtained the record price for this season for the super lambs', 153d; this wool was of good length, very bright and better got up than any we have seen this year. The super. combing A, 17 bales, brought 141d, an excellent pr super. combing 141d for 66 bales, broken fleece 12d for 25 bales, 1st pcs 103d for 50 bales, and 36 bales of bellies 9d. Another clip of importance was Mawallok owned by Mr Philip Russell, from near Beaufort. It was very well grown, and of good quality, but rather burry, 29 bales of extra super. combing realised 123d, extra super. combing 123d for 32 bales, 58 bales of super. combing 12d, super. lambs' 13 d. HD over Middle over Creek (Mr H. Dunn, near Beaufort) brought 122d for merino fleece hoggets, 4 bales, and 12d for 8 bales merino flee The leading lines of Langi over Kal Kal fleece and super. lambs' were bought for a mill in Alloa, Scotland, and the same onyer took the super. combing of R over Carngham. Messrs Dennys, Lascelles, Austin and Co. also report:—The show of merinoss was exceptionally good, our top prices for this description being 132d for 52 bales Challicum (trustees late G. W. Thomson), a very showy, well-bred wool the same price being realised for the lambs' of this clip. Meera T. Oddie and Sons' JO over Pretty Tower top lot latest, kept at the studio. realised 131d. George Hague & Co. report :- M over Star (Beaufert), comeback at 112d, 1st crossbred at 11d, and lambs at 91d; half-circle over JB conjoined over Raglan (Beaufert), merino at 1114d, and lamba' at 91d; JB over B (Buangor), 1st merino at 11d, and comeback at 101d;

CB over Raglan (Beaufort), merino at 11d;

TL over Shirley (Beaufort), comeback 103d; NXL (Beaufort), merino at 103d JBC over BT (Beaufort), merino at 10d Mc over Middle Creek (Beaufort), come-back at 10d, MM over Chute (Beaufort), merino at 10d, and comeback at 93d; GI

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Items on Syllabus, -Prize Essay. All meetings open to the public. W. T. HILL, Secretary.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES. SUNDAY, OTE DECEMBER, 1908. Presbyterian Church.—Beaufort, 11 s.m.,
Trawalla, 8 p.m.; Waterloo, 7 p.m.—Mr J. B.
Patterson, B.A. Waterloo, 8 p.m.; Chute,
p.m.—Mr S. Collins. Lexton, 11 a.m.;
Raglan, 3 p.m.; Beaufort, 7 p.m. (solo, "Odry
hose tears," Miss Jean Rorke).—Rev. J. A.

DREW.—On Decr. 2nd, 1903, Mrs. Mary Drew, Baglan, aged 76.
"Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least

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SATURDAY, DEC. 5, 1903.

A committee meeting of the Beaufort Athletic Club will be held in the Mechanics nstitute, Beaufort, on Monday evening. The booths in connection with the Beaufort Athletic Club's Boxing Day sports will be sold by Mr W. Edward Nickols, auctioneer, at 6 taken by the captain in the brigade, and repum (to-day) Saturday, in front of this

by Mr W. Edward Nickols, auctioneer, at 6 taken by the captain in the brigade, and report to the control office.

An old-age pensioner named John Bishop, a resident of Main Lead, near Beaufort, was found in his hut on Tuesday in a very bad state. The police sent him on to Ballarat by train, in charge of the guard, and he was met at the Ballarat Haken by the captain in the brigade, and responded to by Captain in the brigade, and responded to the captain in the brigade, and responded to by Captain i guard, and he was met at the Ballarat Driver, and Brigadier W. Johnston, of the old volunteer fire brigade, proposed by Captain Sinclair, and responded to by Mesers West station by Senior-constable Selwood and Constable M. Crimmins, who took him to the hospital in the ambulance van. He was examined by the doctors, understanding that steps would be taken

by messrs J. B. Humphreys and H. Farket. Harmony was contributed by Brigadier W. Baker Lieut. Glenister, Brigs. A. White and J. Lilley, and Capt. Sinclair. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" terminated a very enadmission to the Benevolent Mr W. H. Halpin having ceased to be agent for Lorimer & Baird, notifies hat monthly sales will be conducted by him in connection with Dixon Bros., at their Beaufort yards, commencing next month. Sales of land, stock, Neill-street, headrort, on ard inst. Con-stable Deeley deposed to the arrest, and said Bennett had come very quietly, and having been very good and quiet during the past 12 months, he hoped the Bench would disfurniture, etc., will be conducted at

charge him. Mr Wotherspoon, in discharging the defendant, advised him to keep off the drink, and mentioned that there was an Great regret will be felt at the news of the death of the Rev. Colin Campbell, application for a prohibition order against defendant, but two justices were required which occurred at Hawthorn on Saturday. lord in 1888. He left for Australia with loff the drink, and was willing that the order not the leasing of the roads, but their lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of the roads and the lorder not the leasing of t Mr Campbell was born in Scotland He took up a station at Mount Cole in been in a hospital he could not have been March, 1840, and for some years devoted treated better. Desire to notify the residents of Beaufort and surrounding districts that Mr. BRANSTON In 1854 he became a member of the old may be consulted at BEAUFORT on the first Thursday of each month.

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McDonald. The following are the offi- that the explanation was satisfactory Preparations, the Purest Chemicals and cers :- Arch-Druid, Bro. T. Sands; and cleared up the matter. - Argus. Vice-Arch, Bro. R. Dickson; secretary, At the Hamilton Caledonian Society's Prices, sent to all parts of the State by post,

Bro. L. Jaensch; treasurer, Bro. W. B. sports on Wednesday, Mr J. Smith, of Cochran; Inner Guard, Bro. J. Lilley; Beaufort (says the Spectator), won all Outer Guard, Bro. L. Bravo; Arch-Druid's Bards, Bros. W. Hall and W. stone, 16lbs. weight, he has established Baker; Vice-Arch Bards, Bros. M. a fresh record for Australia, 41ft. 83in. Tyrrell and G. Whitehead; auditors, The previous record, 40ft. 11in., was Bros. H. Skewes and T. Schlicht. The also held by him, he having performed attendance numbered about 35. The this feat at the last Maryborough Druids have made rapid strides, their sports. The prizes secured by Mesers membership having increased to 100 in J. Smith and G. Horn (of Beaufort) 18 months. The installation was cele- were as follow:-Throwing the hammer, brated by a "smoke night," over which 16lbs. -J. Smith, 82ft. 9in.; G. Horn, the newly-installed Arch-Druid, Bro. T. 74ft. 6in., 2. Patting light stone, 16lbs. Sands, presided. The total list com- J. Smith, 40ft. 10in. (scr.), 1; G. nainlessly with cocaine ether, chloride of hyl, laughing gas, & Rro. J. E. Loft." proposed by the Arch. Bro, J. E. Loft," proposed by the Archatone, 21lbs.—J. Smith, 31ft. Sin., 1. C. J. Druid, and responded to by Bro. Loft; Tossing the caber.—J. Smith, 33ft. 7in., E. L. "The Newly-elected Arch Druid, Bro. 1; G. Horn, 31ft., 2. Vaulting with T. Sands," proposed by Bro. Senior Past- pole-J. Smith, 9ft. 9in., 1; G. Horn, Arch D. McDonald, and responded to 9ft. 6in., 2. Wrestling (Cumberland by the Arch-Druid; "The Officers, style)-J. Smith, 1; G. Horn, 2. Past and Present," proposed by Bro. A. We regret to record the death, on balls, 24 runs, 1 Welsh, and responded to by the Senior 30th ult., of Mr. William H. Ead, balls, 5 runs. Past-Arch, Bro. D. McDonald; "The fruiterer, of Waterloo, and an old and P.ess," proposed by Bro. R. Dickson, respected resident of the district. The and responded to by Messrs Parker and cause of death was hemorrhage on the Humphreys); "The Visitors" (proposed brain. Deceased, who was 67 years of and district players. by the Arch-Druid, and responded to by Messrs Sinclair and H. M. Stuart. The funeral took place on Wednesday,

The rainfall at Beaufort for the week ending yesterday at 9 s.m. amounted to 86 points. The absaring in the Carogham district is about finished, and the wool clip at Mr A meeting is convened for Wednesday even-ing next, at 8 o'clock, in the Beaufort Mechanics Institute, for the purpose of forming a gun club Jas. Russell's Carngham station is a record one; 25,000 sheep and lambs were shorn, more than the previous year.

A man named Cadley, a stranger to this

We regret having to record the death, or Wednesday, at Raglan, of Mrs Mary Drew, the relict of the late Mr Wm. Drew, and an old and esteemed resident of the district, Poora, and drinking heavily at Buangor, cut his throat with a razor on Wednesday, and at the age of 76 years, the cause of death chopped his head with a hay knife, inflicting several deep wounds. He was brought to the Ararat hospital, but died on Thursday morning.
The half-yearly meeting of the Beaufort
Fire Brigade was held on Thursday; Captain Sinclair in the chair, and 11 members
tain Sinclair in the chair, and 12 members.

present. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Correspondence.—From Ballarat City Fire Brigade, forwarding two complimentary tickets for picnic on 11th inst.—Received with thanks, We have much pleasure in announcing that the Beaufort Brass Band intend and captain and secretary appointed to represent brigade. Accounts amounting to represent brigade. Accounts amounting to 22s 3d were passed for payment. The following office-bearers were re-elected without composition:—Captain, Mr E. A. D. Sinclair; lieutenant, Mr F. Glenister; foreman, Mr L. Hains; treasurer, Mr Sinclair. The secretary submitted a statement of receipts and expenditure for the year, showing a credit balance of £12 9s 3d.—Received and adopted. Mr H. M. Sturet, was appointed honorary turncook; support they have always received from the giving a series of concerts from the giving a series practical appreciation of the generous support they have always received from Stuart was appointed honorary turncock; the board to be informed of the appoint-

the board to be informed of the appointment, and a uniform to be provided. Captain Sinclair said he had been appointed by the chief officer to act as judge at the demonstration at Geelong, which he thought was a compliment to the brigade. At the invitation of Captain Sinclair, the members partook of a glass of wine, and enthusiastically honored the following toasts:—"The King"; "Captain Sinclair and Officers of the Beaufort Brigade," proposed by Mr H.

M. Stuart (who spoke of the lively interest taken by the captain in the brigade, and rethe public. THE EFFICACY of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the relief of rheumatism is being demonstrated daily. If troubled with this painful disease procure a bottle at once.
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Federal Election. THE GRAMPIANS ELECTORATE

The following nominations have been received for the Grampians constituency by the returning officer, Mr J. A. Barry Thomas Skene, grazier, Marnoo. Lodged 26th November.

Archibald Ritchie, draper, odged 26th November. Albert Andrews, chemist and dentist Beaufort. Lodged 26th November. Patrick Wm. McGrath, secretary, Collingwood. Lodged 26th November.

Unused Roads Bill.

During the discussion on the Unused joyable gathering:

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(Mr J. R. Wotherspoon) members of
history of their country. They could not
conceive the pleasure it was to him to Roads Bill in the Legislative Assembly Mr Bent.—I know the squatters do the committee, and Cr. D. Stewart, conceive the pleasure it was to him to not want this bill.

Mr Oman.-They are just the men Mr Bent.-Well, we will see

many of them will vote for it. These municipalities were advocating,

The entries for the principal events joking? (Laughter.)

order in making foolish remarks?

allowed their say. Mr Oman.—This bill should not be passed on the eve of a general election.—

> Cricket. BEAUFORT v. CHUTE.

and since then had devoted himself to the promotion of religious instruction in State electorate he charged Mr Skene with day last on the Chute ground, resulting in schools. Mr Campbell leaves a widow and eight sons and one daughter.

Robinson, c McDonald, b Young W. Trengove, c and b Tyrrell ... H. Trengove, run out C. Callister, c Davey, b Young ... J. McCarthy, c McDonald, b Davey Loft, b Young Crick, b Young McCracken, b Young ...

Total

Bowling analysis.—McDonald, 30 balls, 2 mdns., 9 runs; M. Tyrrell, 39 balls, 17 runs, 4 wkt.; N. Davey, 42 balls, 10 runs, 1 wkt.; S. Young, 42 balls, 16 runs, 6 wkts.

Brauser. Horn, 37ft. 4in., 3. Putting heavy Hardy, b Callister C. J. C. Baker, b Trengove E. Lilley, not out...
E. Trompf, b Trengove ...

Bowling analysis.—W. Trengove, 36 balls, wide, 23 runs, 2 wkts.; C. Callister, 24 halls, 24 runs, 1 wkt.; J. McCracken,

A match will be played in the Beaufort Park this afternoon between the Ballarat Rovers and a team represented by Beaufort

by Messrs Sinclair and H. M. Stuart.

The speeches were of a congentulatory the remains being interred in the nature, Bro. Loft being highly eulogised to friends attending and showing for the energy displayed by him in of friends attending and showing decreased the last token of regreet.

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Cr. Sinclair intimated that it was the proper authorities to His Major Decreased the last token of regreet. BEST TREATMENT FOR DIARRHOEA,nature, Bro. Lott being nightly enlogised of friends attending and showing advancing the interests of the order, and the wish being expressed that his successor would have a pleasant and Harris, T. D. Martin, and J. Robinson, and the wash being expressed that his successor would have a pleasant and report the progressive nature posterior of districts of diarrhos, and feit myself appreciation of the large assemblage. Setting very weak through my appetite appreciation of the large assemblage. Cr. Sinclair intimated that it was the proper authorities to His having become scapty and distanteful. I have RICHARDS & CO'S. STUDIO successor would have a pleasant and Harris, T. D. Martin, and J. Robinson, Chamberlain's Colic, Cholers and Diarrocas in and gardens, similar to those thing to do, seeing it was the first members of the Mechanics' Institute did no for it has proved most effective; has in Start atreat. Rallarst planted the members of the members of the Mechanics' Institute did no for it has proved most effective; has in Start atreat. Rallarst planted the members of the member Bridal Veils, Bouquets, and Wreaths, the latest, kept at the studio.

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Buices ful term of office, and that the members of the Mechanics' Institute did so, for it has proved most effective; has one otherword, and surface that I fenced in and gardens, similar to those thing todo, seeing it was the first members of the Mechanics' Institute of did so, for it has proved most effective; has in Sturt street, Ballara', planted, in Sturt st

Queen Victoria Memorial. OPENING OF BEAUFORT BAND ROTUNDA AND STARTING OF TOWN CLOCK.

The suggestion of the band rotunda committee to build a bandstand with by the committee and the Shire Presiveighbridge beneath same was further aborated upon by Messra Clegg & Miller the successful competing architects, by the addition of a clock tower, and the edifice y She leaves four sons and four daughters to addition of a clock tower, and the edifice mourn her loss. The funeral took place ty yesterday, and was largely attended; the place of interment being the Beaufort Cemeplace of intermediate of the Beaufort Cemeplace of the Beaufort Cemeplace of intermediate of the Beaufort Cemeplace of the Beaufo structure, generally speaking, is con-structed of wood and iron. The whole of the ornamental friezes, balustrading, and panels are executed to special designs of giving a series of concerts from the the architects. The clock faces are constructed entirely in cast iron. The total height of the structure to the top of the domed roof of the clock fleche is 50ft.

Beneath the window of the weighbridge room, in an ornamental corbel table, is placed the foundation stone, the wording on which is as follows :- "A.D. [1903. rected by the residents of Beaufort and district, in commemoration of the glorious reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria." This stone was laid, by the President of the Shire on the 23rd day of September. Immediately above the window is placed a St. Anne's marble tablet, with the following inscription :- "The clock that surmounts this memorial was presented by Rear-Admiral Bridges, of Trawalla." To Messrs Stevenson Bros., of Beanfort, not a little redit is due for the faithful interpretation of the design, and the skilful and sound manner in which the work has been carried

of Ballarat, are to be congratulated on the uccessful termination of the work. Beaufort was en fete on Wednesday afternoon, when fully 600 residents of Melbourne. They knew of the immense the town and district assembled in the main street to witness the opening and while he was doing that he was doing ceremony in connection with the Queen good for the people in the country. The Victoria memorial. The Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Sir Malcolm McEacharn, and Lady McEacharn, accompanied by responding, thanked Cr. Sinclair for his Rear-Admiral and Mrs Bridges, and kindly references. Somehow when he got Master J. and Miss Bridges, drove among councillors, who were such a jovial from Trawalla, and as the carriages set of fellow, he got jovial himself. But came within view, Mounted-constable the function they were celebrating was

came within view, Mounted-constable rather a solemn occasion, and one could Deeley rode forward and acted as an escort. The visitors were received by he considered that they had been cele-President of Riponshire, and having come here, not only for the kindly

mounted the rotunda, Cr. Sinclair (who reception given him, but also for the break duced the Lord Mayor, who had kindly consented to open the rotunda at the advice to those about to marry, and say Mr Oman supported the amendment. invitation of Rear-Admiral Bridges. Sir Malcolm McEncharn, who was cordially received, remarked that it the commercial prosperity of Melbourne as

Mr Bent.—Did you think I was only was it creditable to Beaufort as a they knew of the personal house to house township, but it was also creditable to canvass that had to be done, they would Mr Oman.—The bill was one in the them for erecting such a splendid know that without it the repres When victoria was separated from New at the Deautort Doxing Day sports of the late Queen Victoria. Was likely to be entirely in the hands of the Chief Secretary's office and for a significant sports of the late Queen Victoria. Was likely to be entirely in the hands of the Chief Secretary's office and for a significant sports. South Wales in 1851 he was attached to total 218, and are made up as follow: interests of big landholders, and should memorial to the late gueen victoria. When they looked back to her glorious the labor party. It was with great the Chief Secretary's office, and for a time Half-mile Bicycle Race, 44; One-mile be stonewalled by every liberal clause when they looked back to her glorious indeed that he came here, pleasure indeed that he came here, the Chief Secretary's office, and for a time bicycle Race, 44; One-mile be stonewalled by every liberal clause was the glorious pleasure indeed that following the pleasure indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause was the pleasure indeed that following the pleasure indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause was wine present indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause was wine present indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause reign and considered that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause was wine present indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause was wine pleasure indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause was wine pleasure indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause was wine pleasure indeed that following the pleasure indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause and line by line. This was considered that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause and line by line. This was considered that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause and line by line. This was considered that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause and line by line. This was wine present indeed that following the pleasure indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause and line by line. This was line indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause and line by line. This was line indeed that following the pleasure indeed that following the clause and line by line. This was line indeed that following the specialty stonewalled by every liberal clause and line by line. This was line indeed that following the clause and line by line. The line indeed that following the clause and line by line. The line indeed that following the clause and line by line. The line indeed that following the clause and line by purity of the nation and for the reforma- him, but for his kindness. They tion of the higher classes, they must feel given him an insight into what could be that this was a fitting memorial to such done by energetic men amongst a coma good Queen. He was sure they all paratively small population. In Melbourne bate would be observed.

Mr Prendergast.—Is the Minister in considered her reign the greatest epoch in the history of the British nation. they were giving band entersamments to educate the people, but had no band, while other in this small place they had a good entersamment to the people, but had no band a good entersamment. Mr Keogh.—Certainly not. The Reference was made to the increase of band, and, he believed, at very small cost. trade, the retention of India and That was an object lesson to him which he Canada, and the addition of South would not fail to convey to his friends it Mr Bent.—No doubt Mr Prendergast Africa during her reign from 1836 to Melbourne. To use a sporting phrase, was the most intelligent man in the 1901; as also to the great sorrow at they could knock spots out of M was the most interingent man in the local, and make the whole nation was Then they had erected a rotunds which House, but still everyone should be her death, when the whole nation was was very creditable to them, and not only

in tears. When they considered that useful, but thoroughly ornamental. If the King reigned over 443,700,000 they in Melbourne succeeded in getting a people, they could feel what it meant to band together, as he hoped they would that large number of people the loss of before long, one of his first efforts would one whom everybody revered and loved. be to put up a bandstand similar to He was sure Her Majesty had had sit. He considered that if considered He was sure Her Mejesty had had no more faithful subjects than the people of Victoris. Sir Malcolm alluded to Her Majesty's high appreciation and love for Scotland, and then it would do good. They need not beafraid. spoke of the great pleasure it had given if it were a hot day, of being sent ans him to come here as the guest of Ad- without a drink; if they were testotalled The installation of officers of the electorate Mr Skene denied the charge, took place on Tuesday night, in the lodge-room at the Societies' Hall, the caremony being performed by Bro. Senior Past-Aroh D. McDonald. The following are the offi. endeavouring to wipe out the day of the wickets. Chute batted first, and were all him to come here as the guest of Ad-without of the wickets. Chute batted first, and were all him to come here as the guest of Ad-without of the could have a cup of tea and a cigat grain. In a letter to the press of the wickets. Chute batted first, and were all him to come here as the guest of Ad-without of the could have a cup of tea and a cigat grain. In a letter to the press of the disposed of for 53 runs. Bobinson (20), and miral Bridges. While not wishing to with him. He hoped his invitation would first in the State to put up a memorial landed proprietors who not only improve to their late Queen, and that showed to their late Queen, and that showed the spirit, determination, and progressive the spirit, determination, and progressive in affairs as Admiral Bridges did in affairs as Admiral Bridges did in affairs. He was quite certain that if were men of energy a town would progress. They had associated art and Bridges there would not be one half the music, and had not only erected a agitation there now was regarding the memorial to Her late Majesty, but had of memorial to Her late Majesty, but had given the residents opportunities of the memorial to Her late Majesty, but had that were put on landholders. It was given the residents opportunities of those absentees who while

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Bandmaster Frout, had cannot be to find out from whom it had count afternoon played "The Avenue" quick- Mr Riggall, like a lawyer, was averse to step) now rendered the National telling, and it was only when his wife had communicated with him and Admiral communicated with him and Admiral by Mrs Bridges started the town clock Bridges had helped her movement by

so kindly presented by Rear-Admiral donating a very handsome cheque towards donating a very handsome cheque towards bridges, by pulling a ribbon suspended getting the Melbourne Hospital out of the Admiral from the tower (the hands being set at 3.19 p.m. by a boy concealed in the tower). was the donor. Such actions at the position made the country love those in the position made the country love those made the country love the c Lady McEacharn then hoisted the of large employers of labor. They were of the clock tower, and three cheers that respect, and if this feeling could only the people were given for the "grand old flag."

after which Mr John Jackson's State school choir of about 40 voices sweetly sang the South street competition num-

mittee to try and get the memorial memorial opened that day, which forced in and get the memorial when the memorial opened that day, which the memorial opened that day is the would be only too glad to comply with the receipt of another £10 towards beauther with the wishes of the complete. Stuart, jun., J. Lilley, A. Wright, H. Baker, and Mr H. M. Stuart. A Bleasant convivial gathering terminated pleasant convivial gathering terminated with the singing of "Auld lang synt."

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A FASCINATING

By Charles B

CHAPTER VI.-

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THE SEA

As the Lord Mayor and Admiral Bridges were leaving for the Shire Hall, where they were to be entertained dent, the Band played "Fine Old

English Gentleman About 60 gentlemen met in the Shire Hall in honor of the Lord Mayor of Melbourne's visit, the company, apart from the guests, consisting principally of anhacribers to the memorial and councillor The President of Riponshire (Cr. D. Stewart) presided. The table had been beautifully decorated for the occasion by Miss Sinclair and well provided with light refreshments, and after ample justice had been accorded the creature comforts, the health of "His Majesty the King" was proposed by the Chairman and loyally

Cr. Sinclair, in proposing the health of Sir Malcolm McEscharn, Lord Mayor of Melbourne, said it was the first time in the annals of Beaufort's history that a Lord Mayor of Melbourne had visited this little village, and he could only say that they gave him a hearty welcome, and sincerely trusted he would again be returned to the House of Representatives, for he felt that no gentleman in the State could carry out the duties of the position better than Sir Malcolm McEacharn. His entertaining was known from one end of the world to the other. It was one of the best advertisements the State had, and he hoped the electors of Melbourne would show their appreciation of their Lord Mayor by giving him a bumper majority in his election for the House of Representatives. It was very kind of Admiral Bridges to ask him out. Messrs Clegg & Miller, architects, to come to Beaufort and open the Queen's memorial. They considered it a great honor, and hoped Sir Malcolm McEacharn would long continue to be Lord Mayor of

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OR THE MOANING MEMENTO OF A SECRET SORROW.

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A FASCINATING STORY OF THE SEA.

By Charles Barnard.

CHAPTER VI.--(Continued.)

"Now, marm, excuse me. Mai's not wantin' for anything. If it's a piece of cal-icker you have in that bundle, Mai couldn't

Oh, that bundle is only her dress, Cap-tain Johnson. It's your daughter's frock she loaned me to wear home. What the Judge brought to her is a piece of paper. This last she said with great meaning, but the old man either did not understand or pretended not to understand, for he

or pretented for said—

"Piece o' paper? Oh! mebby you mean a bil. Well, no; Mai ain't wantin' anything just now."

"My dear," said the Judge, "the Captain will, of course, excuse us if we ever thought of such a thing as offering a reward to his daughter. Still, we feel very grateful to her, and you too, Captain, and if there is any way in which we can show our gratitude we shall be glad to know it."

Mr. Royal Yardstickie had been lost in thought for a moment or two, and he now thought for a moment or two, and he now went to his mother and spoke quietly to her. She seemed greatly pleased at what

e said.

"Excellent idea, my son. We'll do it."

"What is it, Maria! What do you wish "Why, it seemed to me that, as we shall return to New York soon, it would be a very pleasant thing if we took Miss John-

back with us for a short visit." "Capital? Don't say a word, captain. We will not take no for an answer. Your daugnter must travel with us for a week o two and then make us a visit in New York. I confess I'm tired of the beach. Suppose we take Miss Johnson to Saratoga with us

to-morrow."

Mai Johnson came slowly back from the village along the shore-path. The night was calm and pleasant, and the tide was low. The level sands left bare by the reight, silent and expectant. The sea hald come back, and the abundant life that dwelt there waited patiently for the waters that would bring them food and shelter. In some vague fashion the night, the bare stretches of sand and piles of rocks, festooned in rock-weed dimly seen under the stars, oppressed her. There seemed to be a shadow spreading, half seen, half felt, ever her young life—a something advancing

A languid breeze stirred the salt grass by her pain, and the air was fragrant with the here the of the sea. A wave broke over the low rocks somewhere on the edge of the shoals. The tide had turned. The waters were again advancing to cover the land. Even-odd connection of ideas she rename red how the young floods crept over the wet sands on the shoals. She had many a time, as a child, stood perhaps with bar legs at the very verge of low tide and seen the hist advancement of the flood, seen the said, gaining a little here and a little there, suomerging a blanched shell and brimming a little pool where the green sealetture waved its beautiful leaves in the limpa water. So it might be in her young life. It had been fair and calm, with youtely pleasures slowly melting into wo-manly poys without a thought of stress or See had grown up with Sam. had been as a brother to her, and now he was to remore than a brother Even now the held in her hand a letter from him. She must hasten home and read it, and forget these dull forebodings born of the night

"None in, Mai. More'n ordinary goin' ons nee you went away. That lady and the dudge, her husband, have been here. and they are going home to New York and vant you to go with them for a visit. The miv some set on it; and as for the sige, he wouldn't hear a word but you

The to New York, father! How can I! What would Sam say should he come home and med I had gone away?"

"I guess you could get back 'most as soon as he does. It would do you good, Mai. They are real nice folks, and were so set on you goin that I said I guessed you'd go; and they seemed real pleased about it? "I've a letter from Sam. Let me read it and see when he is coming back. Why, he sent this ashore at Wood's Holl! They are coing as far east as Mount Desert, and then -yes, then they sail direct for New York."
"I declare, Mai, it's comin' out just right. You go with the Judge's folks, and when Sam gets to New York he can call

and bring you hum."
"Sam says it will be in about three reeks, if the wind is fair and there's not

"Just bout the time you'd be thinkin' of min hac . Never seen things work .. nck. I'm real glad I told the Judge you would go. He says they would like to start to-morrow afternoon.

"I've never been to New York, father." 1)o you good. Mai, to see something of the world. I can get along first-rate till you come home. Mrs. Glass will run over every day and look after the house while you're away."

The young girl sat for some time gazing intently at the little lamp on the table. It seemed as if something new had appeared n her life. A rising tide of curiosity, pleasure, and anticipation had crept into her heart, stirring new though's and new desires, awakening new ambitions. Was this lonely spot of land all in the world to her? Were there not other things besides the homely duties of the light, the simple interests of the little village? Why should she not accept this chance to see the greater world of towns? Why should she not have comething of the experience that other girls she had met had passed through? She had one short glimpse of city life years ago when she visited Providence. She saw and appreciated the advantages that women like Miss Roylston had enjoyed. Why were not such things for her? To her sur-Prise, she found a new awakening in her ove heart and mind, as if in some vague Thy she gressed she herself might be fitted a wider and nobler life than that behind her. Why should she not accept this sudden chance to see and do what other and more fortunate girls saw and did? Why not accept this gracious and well-meant kindness, this delicately offered reward for the saving of this woman's life? Why not

The old man urged her to go. Her young nature prompted her to accept this unexpected pleasure. She would write a long letter to Sam and tell him to meet her in New York and bring her home. It was hearly middle to the the state of the time they behaved more like petter to Sam and tell him to meet her in New York and bring her home. It was hearly middle to the time they were engaged. Well, I suppose I must deposit the letter and trust nearly midnight before she finished the letter, and then she left it unsealed on the something in such an affair." little table in her chamber.

turbed her dreams of her pleasures before

Judge Gearing was very silent on his way back to the cottage. At the door he' bade his wife and her son to go in; he would take a little walk along the shore and do some thinking. He had only had a mo-mentary glauce at the face of this young girl who in some curious shion spoke with his dead wife's voice. What strange repe-tition of nature was it that caused two voices to be so alike? The face suggested nothing. He had only seen the girl in the nothing. The hat only seen the girl in the rescue, and there was nothing in it to suggest the loast relation, except perhaps the color of the hair and eyes, between features and voice—between

the living and the dead.

Would it be treason to his present wife to take this girl, whose every tone was such an echo "of a voice that was still," to his souse, even for a visit? Would not the child continually remind him of the wound in his heart? No. She was a stranger, to whom they were all deeply indebted, and the mere accident of her voice would not draw him from the love and respect of the woman who was his wedded wife.

As for young Mr. Royal Yardstickie, he was entirely contented with the events of the night. The girl was to go home with them for a visit of two or three weeks. In her presence he would every day find amusement, and perhaps an incentive to a

"If I could marry a girl like that I'd be all right. Sorry the old man at the light wouldn't let her stay 1 are than three weeks. It don't matter much. I can do a good deal in that time, if I lay myself out to do it. Curse that Julie! I'm glad she's taken herself off. It was all the little fool could do; and I don't want to see her again

as long as I live."

Then he slept the sleep of the unjust and was content—for the time. About the cot-tage also rose in stealth and silence the tide, hiding the black, blank spaces where crawl low, strange things born among dank weeds and the bones of dead creatures. So in the young man's life rose the tide of selfishness, hiding the past. He was content, forget-ting that planets turn and that there is an ebb to every flood.

And the morrow was fair and calm, beau-

tiful on sea and land. At 2 o'clock there was the usual gather-At 2 o clock there was the usual gathering to see the afternoon boat for New London depart. Breeze Johnson was there with his daughter, surrounded by friends and neighbors offering congratulations on and neighbors offering congratulations on Mai's heroic rescue and loud in praise of the Judge for inviting her to visit his city home. Village rumor had it that Judge Gearing's city house was a palace on Fifth avenue, rivalling in splendor the Stewart mansion. The barge Fairy Queen drove down with nuch wooden thunder over the planks of the wharf, and the Judge and planks of the wharf, and the Judge and

planks of the wharf, and the Judge and wife and soon appeared. There where pleasant greetings, hurried hand-shakings as the bell of the boat rang for departure, and then Mai Johnson found herself alone with her new friends on the boat, with her father on the dock, surrounded by the friends of her youth, slowly moving as it were away from her. There were fluttering handkerchiefs, even a parting cheer, and they were in the grip of a northeast storm. The wind was safe till they begin of a northeast storm. The boat eibow of Cape Cod was a dangerous shore thrust far out into the open Atlantic, and beyond the cape, to the southwest, lay the shoals and intricate passage-ways into the Vineyard. They must either make Provincetown, or find their way to the Vineyard at best they could and make a port at then, it seemed scarcely a moment later, the boat swept by the two-fathom buoy, black and silent on the sea. She saw the light, the olive-green woods, the white sand-hills, fading in the distance.

She saw the water widening between the boat and the shore. If there was a tinge of regret it was dispelled by hope of speedy return. The Judge had found comfortable seats for his wife and visitor on the upper deck, and the trip seemed to open most pleasantly. The Judge was quietly atten-tive to her every wish, and seemed to like eing with her. His manner was respectful and yet cordial; and his wife, in a different way, was even more gracious and pleasant. In a certain way Mai Johnson recognized that the Judge was a gentleman and treated her as a lady, and that she could and did accept the implied compliment. It seemed, and she felt it with a swers. little pang of remorse, as if in some way like her tather. She telt it would not be difficult to be a lady among ladies—that "Oh, twenty-five or thirty she was a lady—quite as much a lady as this Judge's wife—and that she could hold strong from the 'nor'ard to-night." she was a lady-quite as m her own in the society to which she was

An hour passed quickly and pleasantly, and they began to approach Fisher's Island. The Connecticut shore came into plainer view. Her new life of travel and pleasure was about to begin. They would probably go direct to New York, and would reach there late that night or early the next morning. She had even begun to wonder whether they would go by rail or by boat, when she was somewhat startled at the approach of young Mr. Royal Yardstickie. Mrs. Gearing seemed to have quite forgotten what her dutiful son had aid to her only the night before, and at

"Where have you been, my son? You have quite neglected our guest, Miss Johnson. Let me present you to her. Miss Johnson, this is my son Royal. Miss Mai Johnson, Royal. I shall expect you to be very attentive to her, for I owe my life to the

brave girl. Mai hardly knew what to say, but had sufficient selt-possession to greet the young man with formal politeness, very much as if she had seen him before and was pleased to renew the acquaintance.
"Why, you have met before?"

"Yes, mother. Before you came I used to call occasionally at the lighthouse. I am deeply interested in such things, and, naturally enough, I saw Miss Johnson several times, and learned to respect her greatly. "Dear me! How very fortunate that was! You must do everything you can to make

Miss Johnson's visit pleasant for her. Just here the Judge said that, as they were approaching New Lendon, he would go down and look after the baggage. It did not seem to enter the younger man's read that he might have offered to attend to this duty. He seldom did offer any assistance to the man whose bread he ate. His nature was of that kind, for selfishness was its only guide. It would be pleasanter to stay with Mai Johnson; and stay he did.

"Oh," said Miss Johnson, abruptly, "] forgot my letter. I intended to have mailed t before we started.'

"Royal will attend to it when we land." "Certainly, I will. Give it to me now and I will see that it is put in the box before the train starts."
"It's not scaled yet. I want to add your address in New York."

"You can add it now. Here's a pen-

cil. No. 69 West Thirty-Ninth Street. Sixty-Nine—thirty-nine. Easy to remem-Without a thought she added a few pen ciled words to her love-letter, sealed i and gave it to the young man. He took it,

put it in his pocket and assured her it should be deposited in a mail-box the moment they landed. Life turns on trifles. As the boat drew up to the dock at New London the young man went below, to be near the gangway and go ashore with the letter. He show this girl every attention and begin by doing this little duty for her. There were many people crowded about the edge of the boat, waiting for the gang-plank to be put out, and as he stood by the rail, looking at

the men busy preparing for the landing, he

took out the letter.

"Just as I thought. It's for the blond giant. Love letter, I dare say. What areant nonsense? He's her brother. No. Can't be. Cousin, perhaps. The very first

The gang plank was put in place, and "I must ask them to morrow where they with the crowd he pushed over it on his live in New York, and then add it to the way to the station. Just as he stepped upon the bridge a man behind him fixing she fell asleep happy with expectation, and in silence round the lonely house rose the resistless tide, covering again all the bared secrets of the sea. Not a ripple disturbed the water, and, save when a languid turbed the water, and, save when a languid turbed the water, and, save when a languid dark-green water. The people behind turbed to call you Fatty and me wave broke on the rocks, not a sound dis-

forced to move on towards the wharf.

What should he do about it? Go back and tell the girl. That was the proper thing to do. There were many people coming ashore, and he was detained for a

noment on the dock. -He hesitated. Why do anything about it? Letters were sometimes lost in the mails. It was so easy, so easy, and so much more pleasant to do nothing. CHAPTER VII.

R. MANNING'S touched at Provincetown then struck across Massachusetts bay for Portland, Maine. fair and the weather

Portland for Bar

And that Illinois fellow didn't carry it back three feet. Not two feet.

At every port Skipper Johnson had gone sahore to the local postoffice for letters, but had found none.

And that Illinois fellow didn't carry it back three feet. Not two feet.

During this brief moment of costasy the

At last the company on the yacht, becoming tired of the continued stormy weather, took advantage of the first pleasant day and started for New York by the way of Vineyard and Long Island Sounds. The skipper, anxious and troubled at the absence of news from home, decided to steer atraight away for Cape Cod, and the com-pary were more than pleased at the prospect of a run across open water. At night, when about thirty miles from the island, the parometer began to be despondent and low spirited-which, considering its mer-curial temperament, seemed to suggest something ill-natured in the way The wind shifted to the northweather. The wind shifted to the north-east, and there were white caps visible now and then through the darkness. The sun had gone down, hiding its face behind a fan of gray clouds that stretched long staggering under jib and mainsail both pretty closely reefed, and they were in the grip of a northeast storm. The wind was fair astern, and all was safe till they began to haul up to the land. The boat chow of Cape Cod was a dangerous shore throat for any into the onen Atlantic, and yard at best they could and make a port at Hyanuis or Wood's Holl. They decided to adopt the latter course, and on the afternoon of the next day they made out Chatham Light through the driving mist and rain, and then cautiously felt their way round from light to light till Bishop and Clark's gray tower lay just ahead, and the laboring boat was turned to the north and ran in behind the breakwater. at Hyannis Port and came to anchor among a fleet of schooners weather-bound by the

The next morning Mr. Manning and his skipper went ashore, and, landing in the little village, made their way to the telegraph station. Mr. Manning telegraphed to New York, and Skipper Johnson to Wilson's Holl, asking if all were well there. Within an hour both received an-

swers.
"My telegram tells me to come to New How soon "Oh, twenty-five or thirty hours. They

"All right. We'll sail as soon as you think it's safe." "Seems to be lightening up a little. I see some of the colliers are getting up anchor. Guess we can stand it if they can." The young man held his telegram tightly in his hand, He would sail for New York without an instant's delay. If the yacht could sail, she should sail now.

His telegram perplexed him: "Mai gone to New York. Will meet you

there. How and why should she go to New York! She had no friends there. What did it all mean? He would make that boat do her Without stopping to think how he find Mai in New York, he would do might find Mai in New his best to get there at all speed. He was troubled and perplexed, and perhaps desponbrought him nearer to her at every mile. By some mysterious instinct the crew seemed to understand that the skipper had some reason for wishing to urge the boat to her utmost. Usually they felt that there was no special reason for haste, and the best speed of the bost was seldom got out of her. Why take the trouble? They were not bound anywhere in particular, and the longer the voyage the better the net result in wages. The anchor came up quickly, sails ran up with wonderful speed, and, almost before the boat that had brought skipper and owner to the yacht gould be made secure on board, the black break-water was astern was still overcast, but the wind had shifted to northerly, and there was a long streak of clear sky to the westward. In an hour Martha's Vineyard loomed to the southwest and the mainland stretched away towards Wood's Holl, and the wide portal between opened to the west. With a wreath of foam at the bow and a boiling, bubbling wake astern, the yacht flew through the water towards the splendid portal, with love at the helm and hope for a compass.

(To be Continued).

Desperation. "Dead men," said they as they contem plated the swinging form that had a few minutes before been full of animation, 'tell no tales.'

For patience had again done her justly celebrated turn of ceasing to be a virtue They had heard his stories about the weather before the rebellion once, maybe twice, too often.

Getting Through the List. "What does your majesty intend to do next?" inquired the German emperor's

"I don't know," was the answer, with a suppressed yawn. "I'm afraid the field s pretty near exhausted. When you get time, I wish you'd try to think up some thing more for me to excel in."-Was ington-Star.



ristiche Blatter.

THEY SAW THE GAME. in Echo of the Football Season In

It was on the free grand stand at the eig intercollegiate football match. They were young, pretty and vivacious, wearing huge yellow chrysanthemums. They chat-tered incessantly between plays, but left no doubt as to their fealty, for they screamed their applause for the varsity boys of Michigan, no matter which side was gaining a temporary advantage, but just as a particularly brilliant end play was being made there was an unexpected

'Floss,'' exclaimed one of them, "vrhy

anthreak.

didn't you tell me that my hat was on one sar?" and she screamed the inquiry, be-cause her voice was pitched in that key. "Never mind your hat! Who cares for a hat? Tear 'em up! Tear 'em up! Hur-rah! Whee! See 'em go! Michigan, Michi -oh, there, he's down! They had no business to slap him down in the mud like that. They can't play anyhow," and only the broad shoulders of a man in front prevented her toppling over as she tried to pleasant so far, and Mr. Manning was anxious to reach Mount Desert, and blue streamers on the mount Desert, and excited. Now tell me before you do analysis of the manufacture of the ma

other thing, is my hat on straight?" "I'll fix it. Lean on this—rah! rah! rah! W-h-e-e-ee! Wasn't that a beauti-Hartor. Arrived here, fogs began to be rah! W-h-e-e-e! Wasn't that a beautifrequent, and there was decided change in ful kick? And that Illinois fellow didn't

been in the rush line, for the fair enthusiast had been yanking away at it to vent her excitement. It was now over one eye instead of one ear and was woefully disheveled. A laughing matron at hand made the best of the wrecked millinery, but the owner couldn't see any sport in football from that time on .- Detroit Free



Wife-Very well, George, if you will go shooting, mind, if you get blown to bits don't come running to me for sympathy

—Punch An Important Meeting. Mr. De Cash-Very sorry, my dear, but

cannot accompany you today. I must attend a meeting of the board of directors of the Happy Go Lucky National bank. Mrs. De Cash-What have you to do with that institution?
"I am one of the board of directors."

should break up my programme

"But, my dear, this meeting is impor tant. It is to find out how our cashier managed to steal \$500,000 without our knowing it.'

Not Like Others. Eh? "Dear hubby, I'm not like some wives who make a fuss of their husbands just to get a new bonnet out of them, am I?"

"I hope not, dear." "Of course I'm not, darling; I wouldn't. But, hubby, pet, mother says I want a new dress dreadfully, and I said I didn's like to ask you for one because you're such a dear, kind generous old boy, only"— She got it.-Pick Me Up.

Things I've Never Known. A professional politician who would acknowledge having taken up politics as s

business. A man who had ever tried all the reme dies his friends had prescribed for a cold. A woman who could praise another woman without a ''but.''

Any old people who honestly approved of the "improvements" that have been introduced since "their day." A man who has continually used the telephone, and who has not at one time or another lost his temper over it. A debtor who didn't say "you cannot get blood from a stone," forgetting that we can and do get gold from them.

An intelligent man who could not edit a paper, command an army and direct a fleet very much better than the people e engaged in those respective op-

An honest water company—1. e., one that would not demand money for what it had not supplied .- Ally Sloper.

A Jumping Bicycle. The story is familiar of the little girl who, while in charge of an infant brother, saw a cyclist "cropper" heavily from his high bisycle and approached him as he sat on the ground, wondering if he were still in this world, and said: "Please, sir," will you do that again? Billy didn't see you." A parallel to this yarn comes from The Irish Cyolist, which says that an old farmer quietly watched a wheelman less control of his mount and go over a well, machine and all, and then remerked Well, well! And so they can make these leap now!"

Unwonted Glory. The Plimleys entertained their pedra olub a few evenings ago, and after tea Me. Plimley put on his dress suit. Little Percey eyed him ausploiously while he was dressing and anally said: Papa, you thaid you wath going to thtay home thth evening." "So I am, my dear little boy," Percey's

Might Help the Giants. Bacon-I understand the bate in the Philippine islands are as .big as cats, and with their wings spread measure three feet from tip to tip.
Egbert—The New York ball team might be able to hit something if it had a few of

Little Percey clapped his hands, jumped

"Oh! And with that thuit on?"—Cleve

up and down and in great glee cried:

land Leader.

A Choice Seat. Theater Goer (looking over diagram)will take this seat. Boxkeeper—One of the pillars is directly in front of that seat, sir. Theater Goer-So I observed. I preser a pillar to a high hat.

Ambition Realised. pay your rent! Tenant-Ah! A permanent home is

HONEYMOON HOTELS.

SPECIAL SUITES FOR BRIDES AND BRIDEGROOMS.

The latest feature in the equipment

of a first-class hotel is the provision of special honeymoon suites. brides and bridegrooms.

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suites. The colour scheme of the whole suite of rooms is often of one shade

colour is the favourite. The recent vogue-for striped wall with a flat-coloured paper of delicate

Watteau copies, or in some cases providing gloves (gans) for the exe- watch the working of these laws. Sauber originals, all framed with cutioner was, no doubt, that his and provision was to be made for ormolu girandoles of the Louis per- destruction of a brute beast. iods hold the electric lights shaded

Ceilings are treated in a wonderful manner, the background reprequently painted as a border.

For these apartments (says the Express") the carpets are all specially woven to harmonize, and y the hotels.

The china tea services in use are of copied from a Sevres or Drenden

RAPID RISE OF CANADA'S CAPITAL.

At this juncture the following par-

ticulars regarding Canada's capital will be read with interest. On Saturday, August 7, 1858, the present suits against animals was that in city of Ottawa was selected by which Chasseneuz, the Coke of Queen Victoria and her Government France, was the counsel for the board before, and I don't see why you of which the fourteenth Earl of "dirty animals in the form of rats, Derby was then Prime Minister, as of a greyish colour, living in holes." the capital of the British Dominion of the diocese of Autun, about the the capital of the British Dominion year 1510. He pleaded in the first of Canada, and so it became though instance for delay on the ground the decision was unpopular at the that the rats had not been duly time. It was a very small place in summoned. The priest of every parcomparison with Montreal, which; ish in the diocese was then ordered lying only 120 miles to the north- to summon them for a future day. east, had then more than 57,715 This was met with a demand for a inhabitants, and has now with its further extention of time on the suburbs 208,000. Ottawa has but ground that the rats had so many 60,000 even now but its population then numbered fewer than 5,000 so when the date then fixed arrived, that even in that respect its rise has Chassenuez pleaded that his clients been rapid. It was selected, how-were entitled to a safe conduct to ever, partly because of the advantage the court and back to their homes, of its site, and to avoid envy being and that consequently the owners o shown to one of the great rival cites Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, and Toronto. This capital first originated in 1800 by a settler named Philemon Wright, from the manufacturing town of Woburn, ten miles northwest from Boston, in Massachusetts, building himself a residence at this tricities of mediaeval judicial prome of the United States of America spot, near the Chaudiere Falls of cedure are numerous, but this is, the great river St. Lawrence and perhaps, one of the greatest, and close by founding a village that he one can only conclude that our annamed Hull; doubtless because his cestors must have had an abundance forefathers had lived at that town in of time to easte, if they were wil-Yorkshire, in which as well as other ling to spent it on such absurdities. Northern and Midland counties of England his surname is very common, being derived from an ancestor's trade as a wheelwright, ship-

> any other useful article. Next, during 1827 a canal was constructed, for safe traffic at the cost of £500,000; and soon afterwards a town sprung up called Bywith what is called "lumber," own country to furniture or other in the sun to dry. goods that are regarded as useless. In 1860 our present King Edward VII., as then Prince of Wales laid the foundation stone of its Parliament House, whose whole structure cost 8,000,000dol. (£1,600,000); and the first Parliament met there in 1865.

wright or one who wrought to make

HOW HE COT BACK

his revolution round the earth. the west, where he sets, he is seen able of carrying water." to rise in the east, if he did not;

what I have always wanted!—Humo hy night!"

pass underneath the globe?"

STRANCE LAWSUITS AGAINST ANIMALS.

In the midst of the enlightenment which we are inclined to associate ployment of women and children in with the latter half of the nineteenth mines and factories was obtained by century, it is almost difficult to Anthony Ashley-Cooper, so famous imagine that there can have been as a Christain philanthropist while of special honeymoon suites.

Imagine that there can have been at that time representing Dorset-shire in Parliament, under the title Many of the best noters in London and the shire in Parliament, under the title now have sets of rooms specially ally carried on against dumb ani- of Lord Ashley and afterwards as furnished to suit the tastes of young mals with all the solemnity of prose-seventh Earl of Shaftesbury from cution and defence, and all the subt- 1851 until his death in October The rooms are superbly decorated leties of the strictest legal procedure 1885 when eighty-four years of age. and adorned with delicate wall cov- At Lavezurg, in 1457, a sow and On Thursday, June 6, 1844, the Bill erings and rich brocades. The froors her six young ones were indicted for having passed both House of Parliaare laid with faint coloured carpets, having killed and eaten a child, ment became law by receiving the and the furniture is mostly of dainty After a trial conducted with all due Royal assent of Queen Victoria Sheraton, Chippendale, or Louis per- solemnity the sow was found guilty A previous Act of Parliament for a and condemned to death, but the similar purpose had been passed in Antique shapes in chairs, sofas and pigs were acquitted on account of 1833, in the reign of William IV.. secretaires are used, and art col- their youth, the evil example of which this same nobleman had lectors, aesthetic people, and others their mother, and the absence of dir-adopted and advocated in the House who are fastidious about their sur- ect proof that they had actually of Commons. But that earlier law roundings invariably choose these been concerned in the eating of the only prohibited persons under eighchild. In 1403 a sow killed and de- teen years of age from working in voured a child at Meulan. The sow such manufactories between half-past was condemned to be hanged, and eight in the evening and half-past and it is a curious fact that rose- the following is the bill of costs for five in the morning, and children bethe sow's subsistence and execution- tween nine and thirteen years of age "Expenses of the sow within gaol, for more than forty-eight hours a paper has subsided a good deal and six sols; do. the executioner who week, and restricted those between the newest idea is to hang the rooms came from Paris by order of our thirteen and eighteen years of age to master the Bailli and the "procur- sixty-eight hours a week; but still tint at the top of which a deep and eur du roi," fifty sols; do. for car- it admitted children nine to be curelaborately-moulded frieze of white riage of sow to execution, six sols; ployed in silk factories and allowed plaster forms the main wall decora- do. for cord to bind and drag her, those under thirteen to work ten

to harmonise with the other colour against animals in an ecclesiastical such prolonged toil? Lord Ashley nised form. It was initiated by the House of Commons in 1842 by desenting sky with masses of white been annoyed by certain animals. the hospitals in Lancashire, where clouds, while trails of roses are fre- The court then appointed experts to he found many workers crippled and committed. The next step was the appointment of an advocate to defend the animals and to show cause the wall-papers in many cases are why they should not be summoned. expressly designed and copyrighted This was followed by their citation three several times and as they, of course, did not appear, judgment the most exquisite pattern mostly was given against them by default.

Then succeeded a monitoire warnmodel, and the silver is also fit for ing the animals to leave the district within a certain time and it was At a certain West-end caravanseral held to be necessary that certain resplendid electric car with light up- presentatives of the incriminated rolsterings is available for the mil-species should be present in court to lionaire bridegroom who wants to do hear the monitoire pronounced. Thus his honeymoon in a regal way, and in a trial against leeches in Lau- 1895, so that such conditions of it is astonishing how great the desanne in 1451 a number of leeches mand has been this season for this were brought into court to receive their warning which was that they were to leave the district within three days. The leeches did not leave, and the exorcism was consequently pronounced. In this case it is said to have been so successful that the leeches began to die off im-

mediately. A CELEBRATED TRIAL.

One of the most celebrated law-

Again the delay was granted; and the cats in the neighbourhood ought course, impossible, and the result was that the case was adjourned

sine die. Turtle-doves were excommunicated in Canada, in the seventeenth century, and termites in Brazil and Peru in the eighteenth. The eccen--" Science Siftings."

POTTERY AMONG ARIZONA INDIANS.

---- "The potters wheel is usually tons a year out of three and a half cited as the first primitive departure millions sent to the whole of the from the rude moulding of clay by America. town after Captain By of the Royal the hand alone," says an American Engineers, who had surveyed for comtemporary. "It appears from that waterway. In 1854 these places researches among some of the Ariand those adjoining were incorporat- zona Indian tribes that the industry, Queen Victoria when she opened Pared as a city called Ottawa, as among some nations at least, took liament on November 15, 1837. standing on the south bank of the another line of development, which, The speed of transmission was fiftyriver of that name, one of the larg- however, was checked before coming live words a minute. est streams in British North Amerito anything. Among other tribes, ca though a tributary by two basket bowls, which are woven of mouths to the great St. Lawrence. various flexible materials, are lined ner parties invariably consist of ten It is a manufacturing place but with clay, into which a large por-courses, but all have to be served its chief industries are connected tion of sand is kneaded. While in and consumed in one hour, as his the plastic condition this clay is Majesty, like King Edward objects meaning timber ready for use though pressed with the fingers to fit the to wasting time over eating. the term is generally applied in our side of the basket, which is then put A number of cactus seeds, together Sultan's treasure-house of Constan-

> ket. The worker, usually a woman, divans covered with cloth of gold, then moves the basket spirally up embroidered with pearls; suits of and down, making the embers, the mail thickly encrusted with big emseeds, dance a lively dance, keeping eralds and diamonds, and other rethe coals glowing all the time by lics of Ottoman splendour. blowing upon them. One by one the

is on account of his coming back don, and one of them proved to be a Rifle Brigade, and thirteen of the diamond of a very good colour

ENGLAND'S FIRST FACTORY ACTS

On Tuesday, June 7, 1842, leave to introduce a Bill into the House of Commons for restricting the em-

two sols, eight deniers; do. for gans hours a day. Factory inspectors On this are hung old French prints (sic) two deniers." The object of were to be appointed who should gilt mouldings; while old-fashioned hands should not be sullied by the the children's school attendance; but how could the little ones have The ordinary method of procedure retained any energy for study after court was a settled and well-recog- produced a deep impression upon the inhabitants of a district who had scribing the visits paid by him to survey and report upon the damage mutilated by their work, presenting every variety of distorted forms, just like a crooked alphabet."

So the Act of 1844 imposed some further restrictions, allowing not more than six and a half hours a day for those from eight to thirteen or ten hours on alternate days, and required children so employed to attend school "half-time." Still further limitations were obtained by him through another law thus enacted in 1847, and his example was followed and fresh statues of the sort, with improvements, passed from time to time, on till the year labour as required those earlier laws seem now scarcely credible.

CENERAL INFORMATION.

Germany issues a steady average of 23,700 new books yearly.

In Hungary the legal age of an individual dates only from baptism.

The Australian talegalla is only bird which leaves its nest fullfledged.

Capital punishment was abolished Italy in 1875. Since then murders have increased 42 per cent. ----- An ordinary human heart weight 9 1.3oz., yet its power is sufficient

to raise its weight 20,280ft. in an Indian and Ceylon tea increased in quantity from 152 million pounds in

1890 to 300 million pounds in 1900. The Berlin police are about to be provided with bloodhounds, to be

used in the tracking of murderers. The Sutlej, in India, is the fastest flowing river in the world, its descent in one section being 12,000ft in 180 miles.

Forests cover 36 per cent. of Russia's total area, or, in all, 464; million acres. In other words there are 4 acres of forest to every inhabitant of Russia.

Some of the Parisian restaurants serve camel's flesh. The meat tastes similar to beef, though white like veal. The hump is considered a great delicacy by the Arabs.

There are 17,180 Jews in India. but of these only one-third are of European origin. The rest claim to be descended from Jews who emigrated to India in King Solomon's time.

for coal. She takes two million The first Royal speech transmittedby telegraph was that delivered by

Brazil is one of the best customers

The German Emperor's State dia-

Some of the costly things in the with some glowing wood embers are tinople are children's cradles of pure then placed inside the clay-lined bas- gold, inlaid with precious stones;

seeds crack on the outside, and then There are over five hundred heroes with equal dexterity, the workers of all ranks in our regular army, separates them from the coals. When who have attained the distinction of this seed-cooking has been repeated the Victoria Cross, that simple de-An Irishman maintained, in com- several times, the clay hardened by coration "for valour" which is unipany that the sun did not make this constant burning soon separates versally regarded as of incomparable from the basket mould, and the In-value and significance. It is claimed "But how, then," said one to him dian finds ready to her hands, a new for the 24th Regiment, known as the "is it possible that, having reached vessel impervious to heat and cap- South Wales Borderers, that it British Army in the number of winners of the Cross which it has pro-The report of the discovery of dia- duced. It has sixteen names on the let you move out of my house till you brishman; "he retuens the same monds in Liberia is confirmed, glory roll as against, to take the way, and if he be not perceived, it Some stones have been sent to Lon- next highest figures, fourteen of the propose to bring forward in support of thi

propose to bring forward in support or this assertion is this:

"Mrs. Clemmens received the blow which led to her death at some time previously to three minutes past 12 o'clock on Tuesday, September 26th. This the prosecution has already proved. Now, what I

propose to show is, that Mrs. Clemmens

however or whenever assailed, was still living and unhurt up to ten minutes before 12

on that same day. A witness, whom you must believe, saw her at that time and con-

versed with her, proving that the blow by which she came to her death must have oc-

curred after that hour, that is, after ten

minutes before noon. But, your Honor and Gentlemen of the Jury, the prosecution has already shown that the prisoner

stepped on to the train at Monteith Quarry Station at 20 minutes past 1 of that same

day, and has produced witnesses whose tes

other !"
"I don't know. I have no remem

brance of saying any thing. I was utterly dumbfounded at seeing him in

this place, and cannot say into what ex-

lamation I may have been betrayed."
"And he? Don't you remember what he

No, sir. I only know he started back

with a look of great surprise. Alterward he asked if I were on my way to see him."

"And what did you answer?"

"I don't think I made any answer. I was wondering if he was on his way to see him."

was wondering if he was on his way to see

with a look of great surprise. Afterward he asked if I were on my way to see him."

"Did you put the question to him?"

"Perhaps. I cannot tell. It is all like a dream to me."

If she had said horrible dream, every one

there would have believed her.
"You can tell us, however, if you held

"And you can tell us how the interview

"Yes, sir. I turned away and took the

train back home, which I saw standing on the track without."

"Turned away also. Where he went 1

nnot say."
"Miss Dare"—the district attorney's

voice was very earnest—"can you tell us which of you made the first movement to

go?" What does he mean by that?" whis-

pered Hickory to Byrd.

"I do not know," she answered at last.
"It was a simultaneous movement, I think."

"Are you sure?" persisted Mr. Ferris.
"You are on oath; Miss Dare? Is there

no way way in which you can make certain whether he or you took the initiatory step in this sudden parting after an event that so materially changed your mutual pros-

pects?"
"No, sir. I can only say that in recalling the sensations of the hour, I am certain my own movement was not the result of any

saw him take. The instinct to leave the clace had its birth in my own breast."

"I told you so," commented Hickory, in the ear of Byrd. "She is not going to give

"But can you positively say he did not make the first motion to leave?"

Mr. Ferris bowed, turned toward the

Mr. Ferris sat down perfectly satisfied.

ould extract other than the truth, and the

truth was that Imogene believed the prisoner

To the surprise of every one, Mr. Orcutt,

he witness.
"Byrd," whispered Hickory, as Miss

Darc returned somewhat tremulously to her former seat among the witnesses—" Byrd,

you can knock me over with a feather. I thought the defence would have no difficulty

n riddling this woman's testimony, and they have not even made the effort. Can it

be that Orout has such an attachment for her that he is going to let his rival hang?" "No. He believes what she says to be

true, and you do not."
"Then, all I've got to say, 'So much the

worse for Mansell!" was the whispered response. "He was a fool to trust his case

The judge, the jury and all the bystand

ers in court, it must be confessed, shared the opinion of Hickory—Mr. Orcutt was standing on slippery ground.

CHAPTER XXIX.

THE OPENING OF THE DEFENCE.

Late that afternoon the prosecution rested

It had made out a case of great strength and seeming impregnability. To quote a man

who was pretty free with his opinions in the

lobby of the court-room: "Orcutt will have to wake up if he is going to clear his man in face of facts like these."

The moment, therefore, when this famous lawyer and distinguished advocate rose to

open the defence, was one of great interest

rather idled with his case, and curiosity was awake to his future course. Indeed, in the

was on trial as well as his client.

minds of many the counsel for the prisoner

handsome man or even an imposing one

features, or ordinary expression.

To-day he was even cooler, more brilliant

usual. To save his client seemed the

and more confident in his bearing than

predominating impulse of his soul, and, as he drew himself up to speak, Mr. Byrd, who

was watching him with the utmost cager-ness and anticipation, felt that, despite

appearances, despite evidence, despite probability itself, this man was going to win his

case.
"May it please your Honor and Gentlemen of the Jury," he began, and those who looked at him could not but notice how the

prisoner at his side lifted his head at this

from his lips instead of from those of his counsel, "I stand before you to-day not to

argue with my learned opponent in reference to the evidence which he has brought out with so much ingenuity. I have a simpler duty than that to perform. I have to show the man in suite of this evidence in

address, till it seemed as if the words issu

to more than the immediate actors in the scene. It was felt that hitherto he had

after a short consultation with the prisoner, rose and said he had no questions to put to

opposing counsel and said :
"The witness is yours."

be the murderer of his aunt.

any conversation."
"We did not."

RING. HAND AND

CHAPTER XXVIII Continued.

These letters created a great impressio These letters created a great impression.
To those who believed her to be engaged to
Mr. Orcutt the surprise was well night
thrilling. The witness seemed to feel this,
and bestowed a short, quick glance upon
the lawyer, that may have partially recompensed him for the unpleasantness of the
general curiosity. general curiosity.

The Prosecuting Attorney went on with-

out pause:
"Miss Dare," said he, "did you meet the
prisoner as you promised?"
"I did."

"Will you tell me when and where?" "On the afternoon of Monday, September 27th, in the glade back of Mrs. Clemmens'

" Miss Dare, we fully realize the pain it must cost you to refer to these matters, but must request you to tell us what passed between you at this interview?" "If you will ask me questions, sir, I will

enswer them with the truth the subject comands."
The sorrowful dignity with which this was said, called forth a bow from the

Prosecuting Attorney.
"Very well," he rejoined, "did the prisoner have any thing to say about his pros-

pects?"
" He did."

" How did he speak of them?" "Despondingly."
"And what reason did he give for this?"

" He said he had failed to interest any capitalist in his invention."

Any other reason?" What was that?" "That he had just come from his aunt, whom he had tried to persuade to advance him a sum of money to carry out his wishes, but that she had refused."

' He told you that?" " Ves. sir. Did he also tell you what path he had

taken to his aunt's house ? "No, sir."
"Was there any thing said by him to show he did not take the secret path through the woods and across the bog to her back

door?'

"Or that he did not return in the same

way ?"
No, sir." "Miss Dare, did the prisoner express to at the result of his efforts to elicit money

"Yes," was the evidently forced reply.
"Can you remember any words that he used which would tend to show the condi-

tion of his mind?" "I have no memory for words," she began, but flushed as she met the eye of the judge, and perhaps remembered her oath.
"I do recollect, however, one expression he used. He said: "My life is worth nothing to me without success. If only to win you, I must put this matter through: and I will

do it yet."
"Miss Dare, did you express any anger
yourself at the refusal of Mrs. Clemmens to assist the prisoner by lending him such moneys as he required?"
"Yes, sir; I fear I did."

"Miss Dare, did you make use of any ach expression as this: 'I wish I knew such expression as this:

"I believe I did." "And did this mean you had no acquain ance with the murdered woman at that time?" pursued Mr. Ferris.

"It meant that, sir."
"And what did the prisoner say when you gave utterance to this wish?"
"He asked me why I desired to know

"And what did you reply?"
"That if I knew her I might be able to persuade her to listen to this request."

"And what answer had he for this ?" 'None but a quick shake of his head." "Miss Dare, up to the time of this interview had you ever received any gift from the prisoner-jewelry,

"Did he offer you such a gift then?"

" He did." "What was it ?"

"A gold ring set with a diamond."
"Did you receive it?"
"No, sir. I felt that in taking a rin. from him I would be giving an irrevocable promise, and I was not ready to do that." "Did you allow him to put it on you

finger!"
" I did." "And it remained there?" suggested Mr

Forcis, with a smile.

"A minute, maybe." "Which of you, then, took it off?"

"And what did you say when you too

"I do not remember my words."
Again recalling old Sally's account of this interview, Mr. Ferris caked: "Were they these: 'I cannot.

"Yes, I believe they were."
"And when he inquired: 'Why to-morrew?' did you reply: "A night has been known to change the whole current of one's affairs?'"
"I did."

"Miss Dare, what did you mean by thos "I object " cried Mr. Orcutt, rising Unseen by any save himself, the prisone had made him an eloquent gesture, slight, but peremptory.

urged the District Attorney.
But Mr. Orcutt maintained his objection and the court instantly ruled in his favor. Mr. Ferris prepared to modify his ques

tion. But before he could of Miss Dare was heard.

But before he could speak the voice

"(ientlemen," said she, "there was no need of all this talk. I intended to seek an interview with Mrs. Clemmens and try what the effect would be of confiding to her my

the enter would be of containing to her my interest in her nephew."

The dignified simplicity with which she spoke gave to this voluntary explanation an unexpected force that carried it quite home to the hearts of the jury. Even Mr. Orcutt turned "toward the prisoner with a look almost congratulatory in its character. But Mr. Byrd, who for reasons of his own kept his eyes upon that prisoner, observed that it met with no other return than that shadow

of a bitter smile which now and then visited his otherwise unmoved countenance. Mr. Ferris bowed in acknowledgment of the answer she had been pleased to give him in face of the ruling of the court, and calmly

proceeded:
"And what reply did the prisoner make you when you uttered this remark in reference to the change that a single day some-

times makes in one's affairs ?' Something in the way of assent,"

"Cannot you give us his words?"

"Well, then, can you tell us whether of not he looked thoughtful when you said

"Did it strike you at the time that he reflected on what you said?" "I cannot say how it struck me at the

"Did he look at you a few minutes before speaking, or in any way conduct himself as if he had been set thinking?"

"He did not speak for a few minutes. " And looked you?"

'Yes, sir.' The District Attorney paused a moment as if to let the results of his examination sink into the minds of the jury; then he "Miss Dare, you say you returned the

ring to the prisoner?"
"Yes, sir." "You say positively the ring passed from you to him; that you saw it in his hand after it had left yours?"

"No, sir. The ring passed from me to him, but I did not see it in his hand, because I did not return it to him that way. I dropped it into his pocket."
At this acknowledgment, which made both the prisoner and his counsel look up, Mr.

Byrd felt himself nudged by Hickory.
"Did you hear that?" he whispered
"Yes," returned the other.

"And do you believe it?"
"Miss Dare is on oath," was the reply.

"Pooh!" was Hickory's whispered ex-The District Attorney alone showed no

surprise.

"You dropped it into his pocket?" he resumed. "How came you to do that?"

"I was weary of the strife which had followed my refusal to accept this token. He would not take it from me himself, so I result in the wearth have said." stored it to him in the way I have said."
"Miss Dare, will you tell us what pocket

"The outside pocket on the left side of his coat," she returned, with a cold and careful exactness that caused the prisoner to drop his eyes from her face, with that faint but scornful twitch of the muscles about his mouth, which gave to his countenance now and then the proud look of disdain which both the detectives had noted. " Miss Dare," continued the Prosecuting

Attorney, "did you during the interview?"
"No, sir." "did you see this ring again "Did you detect the prisoner making any move to take it out of his pocket, or have you any reason to believe that it was taken out of the pocket on the left-hand side of

his coat while you were with him?" " No, sir." "So that, as far as you know, it was still

in his pocket when you parted? "Yes, sir."
"Miss Dare, have you ever seen that ring

"I have."

"When and where?" "I saw it on the morning of the murder. It was lying on the floor of Mrs. Clemmens' dining room. I had gone to the house, in my surprise at hearing of the murderous assault which had been made upon her, and while surveying the spot where she was struck, perceived this ring lying on the floor

What made you think it was this ring which you had returned to the prisoner the day before?"

Because of its setting, and the character

of the gem, I suppose."
"Could you see all this where it was lying on the floor?"
"It was brought nearer termy eyes, sir.

A gentleman who was standing near picked it up and offered it to me, supposing it was mine. As he held it out in his open palm I saw it plainly."

"Miss Dare, will you ell us what you did when you first saw this ring lying on the

I covered it with my foot." "Was that before you recognized it?"
"I cannot say. I placed my foot upon it

instinctively."
"How long did you keep it there?"

"Some few minutes."
"What caused you to move at last?" "I was surprised "What surprised you?"
"A man came to the door."

"What man." "I don't know. A stranger to me. Some ne who had been sent on an errand con-

nected with this affair.' "What did he say or do to surprise you?" "Nothing. It was what you said yourself after the man had gone."
"And what did I say, Miss Dare?"

She cast him a look of the faintest appeal, but answered quietly:
"Something about its not being the tramp
who had committed this crime."

"That surprised you?"
"That made me start." "Miss Darc, were you present in the house when the dying woman spoke the one or two exclamations which have been testified to in this trial?"

"Yes, sir." "What was the burden of the first speech you heard?"
"The words Hand, sir, and Ring. She

repeated the two half a dozen times. "
Miss Dare, what did you say to the gentleman who showed you the ring and "I told him it was mine, and took it and ed it on my finger.'

"But the ring was not yours?"

"My acceptance of it made it mine. In all but that regard it had been mine ever since Mr. Mansell offered it to me the day

Mr. Ferris surveyed the witness for moment before saying:

"Then you considered it damaging to your lover to have this ring found in that

a handsome man or even an imposing one, he had the advantage of always rising to the occasion, and whether pleading with a jury or arguing with opposing counsel, flashed with that unmistakable glitter of keen and department! Mr. Orcutt instantly rose to object.
"I won't press the question," said the
District Attorney with a wave of his hand ready intellect which, once observed in a man, marks him off from his less gifted fellows and makes him the cynosure of all eyes, however insignificant his height,

and a slight look at the jury. "You ought never to have asked it!" ex claimed Mr. Orcutt, with the first appear ance of heat he lad shown.

"You are right," Mr. Ferris coolly responded. "The Jury could see the point without any assistance from you are me."

"And the jury," retorted Mr. Orcutt, with equal coolness, "is scarcely obliged to you for the suggestion."
"Well, we wont quarrel about it," de clared Mr. Ferris.

"We won't quarrel about anything," re-torted Mr. Orcutt. "We will try the case in a legal manner." "Have you got through " inquired Mr. Ferris, nettled. Mr. Orcutt took his seat with the simple

reply:
"Go on with the case." The District Attorney, after a momentary ause to regain the thread of his examina ion and recover his equanimity, turned to "Miss Dare," he asked, "how long did you keep that ring on your finger after you left the house?"

"A little while-five or ten minutes. "Where were you when you took it off ?"

Her voice sank just a trifle :

"On the bridge at Warren street."
"What did you do with it then?"
Her eyes, which had been on the Attorney's face, fell slowly.
"I dropped it into the water," she

And the character of her thoughts and suspicions at that time stood revealed.

The Prosecuting Attorney allowed him-

self a few more questions. "When you parted with the prisoner in the woods, was it with any arrangement for meeting again before he returned to Buffalo?"

"No. sir." "Give us the final words of your con versation, if you please."

"We were just parting, and I had turned to go, when he said: 'Is it good bye, then, Imogene? and I answered, 'That to-morrow must decide.' 'Shall I stay, then?' he inquired; to which I replied, 'Yes.'"

She shuddered as she realized the deathy quiet the followed its utterages and east a quiet that followed its utterance, and cast

quick look at Mr. Orcutt that was full of uestion, if not doubt. "I was calculating upon the interview I intended to have with Mrs. Clemmens," she explained, turning toward the Judge with

describable dignity.
"We understand that," remarked the Prosecuting Attorney, kindly, and then inquired:
"Was this the last you saw of the pris ner until to-day?"

"When did you see him again?" "On the following Wednesday."
"Where?"

"In the depot at Syracuse."
"How came you to be in Syracuse day after the murder?"
"I had started to go to Buffalo."
"What purpose had you in going

Buffalo? "I wished to see Mr. Mansell." "Did he know you were coming?" "Had no communication passed between

you from the time you parted in the wood till you came upon each other in the depo you have just mentioned?" " Had he no reason to expect to meet you

you how, in spite of this evidence, in face of all this accumulated testimony showing the prisoner to have been in possession of both motive and opportunities for committing this crime, he is guiltless of it; that a physical impossibility stands in the way of his being the assailant of the Widow Clemmens, and that to whomever or whatsoever her death may be due, it neither was nor could have been the result of any blow struck by the prisoner's hand.

In other words, we dispute, not the facts which have led the Prosecuting Attorney of this district, and perhaps others also, to infer guilt on the control of the prisoner. others also, to infer guilt on the part of the prisoner"—here Mr. Orcutt cast a significant glance at the bench where the witnesses sat—"but the inference itself. ething besides proof of motive and opportunity must be urged against this man in order to convict him of guilt. Nor is it sufficient to show he was on the scene of nurder some time during the fatal morning when Mrs. Clemmens was attacked; you must prove he was there at the time the deadly blow was struck; for it is not with

him as with so many against whom circumstantial evidence of guilt is brought This man, gentlemen, has an answer for those who accuse him of crime—an answer, oo, before which all the circumstantial ev dence in the world cannot stand. Do you want to know what it is? Give me but a moment's attention and you shall hear." Expectation, which had been risin through this exordium, now stood at fever point. Byrd and Hickory held their breaths and even Miss Dare showed feeling through the icy restraint which had hitherto gov-erned her secret anguish and suspense. Mr.

Orcutt went on: "First, however, as I have already said the prisoner desires it to be understood that he has no intention of disputing the various facts which have been presented before you at this trial. He does not deny that he was treat her to advance to him certain sums he deemed necessary to the furtherance of his plans; that he came sewetly and in the roundabout way you describe. Neither does he refuse to allow that his errand was also one of love, that he sought and obtained the very hardest, with his surplice floating gaily on the breeze, is said to be unique, imposing, and calculated to strike terror to the soul of the village wrong doer if the dusk of an also one of love, that he sought and obtained private interview with the woman be wished to make his wife, in the place and at the time testified to; that the scrept of conversation which have been sworn

conversation which have been sworn to as having passed between tham at this interview are true in the far as they go, and that he did place the finger of Miss Dare a diamond ring. Also, he admits that she took this ring of immediately upon receiving it, saying she could not account it, at least act these

that she entreated him to take it back, which he declined to do, though he cannot say that she did not restore it in the manner l'd rather drink cold water from the brook, Than quaff excitement from a golden chashe declares, for he remembers nothing of she declares, for he remembers nothing of the ring after the moment he put her hand aside as she was offering it back to him. The prisoner also allows that he slept in the hut and remained in that especial region of the woods until near noon the next day, but, your Honor and Gentlemen of the Jury, what the prisoner does not allow and will

Than lie awake and restless in a palace. I'd rather earn dry bread in lusty health, And eat it with a sense of wholesome plea sure, Than feed without the zest of appetite

I'd rather have one true unfailing friend, Than fifty parasites to crave my bounty; And one poor lass who loved me for myself Than one without a heart who owned the window the quivering rush of a rocket county. tears through the air, and for one brief mo-

Too often grants her favours to confound us. Fresh air and sunshine, flowers, and health, and love---These are endowments if we learn to prize

them; The wise man's treasures better worth than gold, and none but fools and wicked men despise them.

timony positively proves that the road he took there from Mrs. Clemmens' house was the same he had traversed in his secret approach to it the day before, viz, the path through the woods; the only path, I may here state, that connects those two points with any thing like directness.

"But, sirs, what the prosecution has not shown you, and what it now devolves upon me to show, is that this path, which the prisoner is allowed to have taken, is one which no man could traverse without encountering great difficulties and many hindrances to speed. It is not only a nar-row path filled with various encumbrances in the way of brambles and rolling stones, but it is so flanked by an impenetrable under-growth in some places, and by low, swampy ground in others, that no deviation from it course is possible, while to keep within it and follow its many turns and windings till it and follow its many turns and winnings of finally emerges upon the highway that leads to the Quarry Station would require many more minutes than those which elapsed be-tween the time of the murder and the hour the prisoner made his appearance at the Quarry Station. In other words, I propose to introduce before you as witnesses two gentlemen from New York, both of whom are experts in all feats of pedestrianism and who, having been over the road them selves, are in position to testify that the time necessary for a man to pass by means of this path from Mrs. Clemmens' house to the Quarry

greater than that allowed to the prisoner b the evidence laid before you. If, therefore you accept the testimony of the prosecution as true, and believe that the prisoner tool the train for Buffalo, which he has been said to do, it follows, as a physical impossibility for him to have been at Mrs. Clemme cottage, or anywhere else except on the road to the station, at the moment the fatal blov was dealt.

Station is, by a definite number of minutes

Your Honor, this is our answer to th terrible charge which has been made against the prisoner; it is simple, but it is effective, and upon it, as upon a rock, we found ou

And with a bow Mr. Orcutt sat down and, it being late in the day, the court ad

To BE CONCLUDED.

THE EMPEROR'S NIGHT VISIT.

Only a hundred years ago Protestants were cruelly, persecuted in Austria, and were obliged to hold their meetings by night in lonely places.

It happened once that the Emperor Joseph II. was travelling quietly as the Count of Falkenstein. He arrived one day at the little village of Lakenstein, and as it was very stormy, he

that some dreadful plot was being carried aches and pains, and often absented himon outside the village. Numbers of people were seen to pass through the narrow street and make their way with dark lanterns to a lonely house. The Emperor, who found the country inn rather dull, made up his mind to see what was going on at the mysterious cottage.

Having ordered his attendants to surround the house so that no one could escape, he knocked at the door. A man named Senity opened it.

"Who is it come to disturb an hones man at so late an hour?" he asked. The youthful Emperor replied: "If you are an honest man you have nothing to fear; but if not, you may prepare yourself for an uneasy quarter of an hour." Then he stepped into the house. He found twelve peasants sitting round a table on which lay a large open book. The Emperor Joseph sat down, and told Senity to go on with what he was doing. The poor peasant finished the third chapter of St.

John's Gospel. The Emperor was deeply touched, and exclaimed, with tears in his

have met with people who still know how to read their Bible-" Before he left the cottage he told Senity to go to Vienna soon, and ask for Count Falkenstein at the palace, as he was sure

the Count would beg the Emperor to let the people worship as they wished. Senity was indeed surprised when he went to the palace to be led into the presince of the Emperor, and to find it was the course, consented, but with apparent resame man who had listened so gladly to the

humble peasant's reading. The Emperor gave Senity a parchment containing the Edict of Toleration, and 500 florins (about £50) towards the erection of

a chapel. 🕝 All is well that ends well; but if God had not touched the Emperor's heart Senity and his twelve friends might have been thrown

into prison. So we would rather thank God for casting our lot in these times than wish we lived in the "good old days.'

CYCLING IN A SURPLICE.

About as quaint a sight as we, the Bicycling News, ever heard of in connection with cycling was that described to us the other day by one who had seen it. The rector of a certain country church lives a decent distance from it, and is not blessed with anything that can justly be called a vestry. He is an ardent cyclist, and he solves the diffioulty by robing at home, and riding to in great need of money at the time of his church in full canonicals. The effect, as he aunt's death; that he came to Sibley to enhurries along the country road, working his very hardest, with his surplice floating gaily carly winter afternoon is beginning to fall.

Wilv de the call the phonograph she?"

Sked the horse editor of the snake editor.

Because to tall back and always has the

last word."

This word the call the phonograph she?"

Moses, and see! this coat is ruined after two showers of rain." "I gif no guarantee What is the greatest curiosity in

I'd rather sleep on straw in shepherd's hut,

Off gorgeous plate and unavailing treasure.

Nature is kind if our desires are pure, And strews rich blessings everywhere around

us; While fortune, if we pant in her pursuit,

-Chambers's Journal.

TWO TYPICAL CASES OF HYSTERIA. A short time ago, in the out-patient department of a large hospital, two quietly-dressed ladies stood anxiously awaiting their turn to enter the doctor room with a poor woman wrapped in poor creature had suffered for years from a diseased spine, and for the last two years had been entirely supported and nursed by the two ladies, who, not being rich themselves, had at last found the a bed for her for the remainder of her The patient was a respectablelooking person about forty-five, with a placid, well-fed appearance, but emitting the most agonising cries whenever an attempt was made to move her. The ladies were thereupon asked to withdraw and wait, and the back was carefully examined, and, in spite of intense apparent pain, the conclusion arrived at was that there was no disease but hysteria. Strong measures were of course needed to brin the patient to this point of view, and in the first place the spine was carefully galvanised, and she was then induced walk. Further details would be weari-

some. In two hours' time, so effectual were the means used that the two ladies stared at the miraculous appearance of the one on whom they had spent so much care, walking all about the waiting-room with ease, and cured of her spinal complaint once and for all. In this case, again, it was carefully explained that the woman was not deceiving them, but that it was her nerves, not her spine, which were disordered. I think Sir B. Brodie used to tell a story of a young lady of twenty-four, whom he came across lying in a most extraordinary position on her face across a wooden machine made for the purpose, containing also a contri-vance for feeding her in that position. It appeared she, too, had been suffering from severe spinal disease for six years, and had been lying on her face, by mis-taken medical advice, for four years. By the discovery of the nervous nature the malady and the soundness of the

spine, and the use of this judicious means, this young lady was sitting eating at table in five days, and in a fortnight could walk a quarter of a mile. Another case was that of a young mar ried man, about thirty years of age, who had been overworked in an office, and made up his mind to stay at the little inn. had gradually become extremely hys-

As evening drew on the innkeeper was told terical. He was a martyr to various self from the office until the symptoms culminated in a sort of fit. He then took to his bed, where he fully expected to die. Trained nurses were engaged to sit up with him every night, when he apparently became delirious. His principal symptoms were intense weakness and exhaustion, and agonising pains suddenly coming on, causing intense consternation and commotion throughout the house. At last a physician came to see him, who discovered the seat of the disease was in his nerves, and its name hysterics." He divulged it to one or two of the strongest-minded and most nfluential of the family, and advised instant action, for the young man was by this time getting violent and worse every hour. His own home, unfortunately, was over five hundred miles distant, and involved, not only long rail journeys and changes, but steamboats and carriagedriving. Nevertheless a brother was telegraphed for who arrived the next day, and then, according to a pre-arranged plot, at five o'clock the doctor entered the sick man's room. He had just been saying he never would get up off the bed again, and his symptoms were worse. "This is the first time in my life that I He was, however, told to get up, and assisted by two nurses, hurried into his clothes, with the sudden explanation that his brother had just arrived, and wanted to see him downstairs at once. Too be wildered to resist, which he certainly would have done had time been given he was bustled down, and found to his surprise his brother, who told him that he, the invalid, must at once accompany him home at all risks. The doctor, of luctance. A good meal was waiting, of which he was forced to partake, and at six the dying man was driving off to the station as hard as he could go, his brother and the doctor keeping up such an inces-sant jabber that he tried in vain to get in

a word about himself or utter a protest. Far from his devoted nurse and sympathising sister, he felt he had no resource but to make the best of it. The same ousiness-like proceedings were continued at the station. In all respects treated as in perfect health, he was put into his carriage, offered a paper, and at half-past six was gone. At the other end he got into a steamer, which was late for the train on the other side, so he had to wait for hours; and when at last he arrived at the nearest station they had given him up and gone home, so he and his brother had to hire a dogcart and drive over, and arrived all safe. Of course the next two days he was knocked up, but soon the familiar and much-loved scenes asserted their influence, and in a week he was out shooting all over the place.-Leisure

HE OUGHT TO HAVE KNOWN

BETTER. An old gentleman who had provoked the hostility of a fashionable lady whom he had known in boyhood, was asked by his wife what he had done to incur the lady's dis pleasure.
"Nothing at all," replied the innocent old

her to school on a go-cart, nearly half a century ago !" Cats are the poets of the lower animals They alone cultivate the mews.

DRIVEN ASHORE.

It is half-past five in the morning, and the little town lies fast asleep in the dark-

ness. All night long the wind has been rushing dead on shore; the air is full of the sound of it. Through the sweeping and tearing of the blast suddenly beats the heavy boom of a gun. There is only time to rouse yourself and wonder what it means, when--Boom! There it comes again. As you hasten to

ment lights up all the little place lying

widespread below. It is the signal to call

the crew of the rocket apparatus. All over the town lights begin to twinkle. Voices call to each other through the darkness; heavy footsteps tramp past as the men turn out in hot haste. Somewhere out in the thunderous dark of the ocean a ship is in distress and men in danger. Look! As you strain your eyes into the thick gloom a faint blue light shines out-flickers-goes out. It is a cry for help. Already her signals of distress have been answered by lights from the shore, and the rocket apparatus goes thundering down to the breakwater, ready to give what aid is possible. The men work hard to save others from the peril which may be their own any wild night, and the sailors from the coasters, crowd down to help. She is drifting fast. blankets, whom they had brought in an She will strike on the rocks at the back of invalid chair and ambulance, with the the breakwater. It is impossible to stay greatest difficulty, from home. When the dim doctor saw them, he ascertained that the light that shows the coming of the dawn, and to face the wind as well as you can. Wind?-it is a whole atmosphere in motion ! It bears you back-beats you down-thunders in your ears—robs you of breath. The burden more than they could bear, and clouds of blowing sand strike and sting had, as the last resource, brought her to the hospital, in the hope it would provide through the air. Are those shouts and cries from the sea? Or is it only the shrick of the wind? As you gain a more shell tered position and the light grows clearer, you see the dark line of the rugged breakwater, sentinelled by its rocks, the white flash and glimmer of the breakers beyond, and, lifted high against the dull grey of the sky, the black mass and tossing masts of a vessel. All is confusion upon the beach. A hurrying crowd of spectators: women, shawl over head, blown about and, buffeted by the wind, shricking to each other their sympathy for "they poor souls aboard;" old sailors past work, leaning asiant against the wind, and shouting inaudible advice to the men at work below; men and boys on the look-out for whatever can be picked up; visitors, who find a totally new and unexpected excitement prepared for them-all

staggering to the blast, and shouting to make themselves heard above the roar of sea and wind. Further down is the rocket apparatusthe dark figures of the men almost kneedeep in the waves, and above and beyond them the thin black lines that form the only connection between those on board and life. The men roar encouragement as the sling bears its burden nearer and nearer through the clouds of spray and over the jagged black rocks; they rush still further into the furious waves to meet and help the half-drowned sailors. One by one the dripping exhausted men struggle on shore, until a shout of "All safe!" goes up, and a mighty cheer mingles with the thunder of

the breakers. As the cold morning light grows stronger, you see the doomed barque more plainly.
Her topsails are set aback—her jib hanging
in tatters—the remnant of her mainsail

As the man dies, so must he be
All through the days of eternity. beating in the wind. Her useless boats cumber the deck, and nearly the whole of her hull is visible as she rolls and lifts on the outgoing tide. She is not on the rocks, but on the sand close to them, and beyond all aid. There is no hope of saving her,

though she looks strong and sound enough erienced; and there she lies to wait her

late. The sea is in no hurry; he knows well enough that his victim cannot escape It is the turn of the tide. The waves have never left her completely, and now the attack begins. All the sea around her is a seething mass of foam. There are no long rollers rushing landwards now; there is a wind sea," and the furious waves meet. break, rush over each other, and beat at her from every side at once. The wind tears at her masts and sails; yet still she holds together, quivering and shaking like a living creature in distress. Now a tremendous breaker lifts her high, and as she dips again a long-drawn "A—ah !" runs through the crowd as a harsh scrunch tells them that her back is broken. The three masts have been swaying backwards and forwards in unison until now, but now the foremast swings independently of the others. The mainmast is tottering, and every roll lays it almost level with the water. A big sea washes

right over her; and the waves are full of wreckage, spars, and barrels. The boats have gone long before; one of them still floats keel upwards. Crack! There goes the mainmast overboard. The foremast is almost gone, but the barque makes a gallant fight. Every wave lifts her and swings her round, every roll and plunge buries the wreck of her masts in the boiling foam; but still she holds together. It is pitiful to see her left to such destruction; and, as if in mockery, suddenly the sun shines out over the stormy

sea, and the yellow light seems to give the last touch of pathos to her destruction. Down crashes the foremast at last! The sea around her is a mass of cordage, sails, and spars. As her fore-part lifts on a mighty wave, you can see from the shore the jags and splinters and rents; she shudders under the blows of the sea and wind. The wind is rising still-all beyond her is a sea of foam, whirling, breaking, flung into the air, torn by the sharp rocks. caught up in masses by the wind, whirling far inland over the green downs where the sheep are quietly feeding, and past the graves of nameless seamen in the little churchyard on the hill. The forepart is gone. There is only left the after-part of the torn and battered hull and the mizzen with all the standing rigging; but the wreck can hold together no longer. The end is at hand. Down goes the mast-lower-lower. The waves leap at it and tear it down. The sea rushes and roars over the last fragments of the hull. What was a gallant barque last night is nothing but wreckage to day. The fight is over, and the ocean has gained

the victory .- St. James's Gazette. THE MUSIC WAS IN ENGLISH.

A short time ago an old lady was given a ticket for the Royal Italian Opera. She man; "on the contary, I was cordial to her, and spoke of the time when I used to draw went, and on the following day she met a friend who asked her how she enjoyed the performance, to which she replied: "Well, I was rather disappointed."

" How was that?" "Why, I couldn't understand a word. t was all in Italian. But the music was PASSING.

What ship is this comes sailing Across the harbour bar, So strange, yet half familiar, With treasure from afar? O comrades, shout, good bells ring out. Peal loud your merry din ! Oh, joy! At last across the bay My ship comes sailing in !" Men said in low whispers,

"It is the passing bell,
At last his toil is ended."
They prayed, "God rest him
well!"

Ho, captain, my captain ! What store have you on board?" 'A treasure far richer Than gems or golden hoard; The broken promise welder firm, The long-forgotten kiss; The love more worth than all on carth. All joys life seemed to miss."

The watchers sighed softly, " It is the death change. What vision blest has given That rapture deep and strange?" "O captain, dear captain, What forms are those I see On deck there beside you? They smile and beckon me,

And soft voices call me,— Those voices sure I know!" "All friends are here that you held In the sweet long ago,"
"The death smile," they mur

mured; "It is so passing sweet We scarce have heart to hide it Beneath the winding-sheet." "O captain, I know you! Are you not Christ the Lord? With light heart and joyous I hasten now on board. Set sail, set sail before the galc. Our trip will soon be o'er; To-night we'll cast our anchod fact

Beside the heavenly shore." Men sighed, "Lay him gently Beneath the heavy sod." The soul afar beyond the bar Went sailing on to God. Atlantic Monthly

A NEGRO FUNERAL. Just before sundown we were called to the funeral of a young man who had fallen from a mango tree a few days previous, the injuries sustained proving fatal. As may be imagined among a people with so limited an amount of knowledge, a great deal of superstition is exhibited on such occasions. Though doubtless our presence checked to some extent the full demonstration of their feelings, yet what we witnessed, filled us with pity for their ignorance, and led us inwardly to pray, "Lord, send forth Thy light and Thy truth." On reaching the hut we found the body in the uncovered coffin, laid on two chairs outside. And while the carpenter stood with the lid in his hand, ready to screw it down, the relations were saying, "good-bye" to the dead. One by one they came up and shook hands with the lifeless body, begging it to speak a word to "Massa Jesus" for them. The mother was the last to do so. Taking the cold hand in hers, she began, "Joseph, mi dea boay, you gan? Well! Big Massa call you. Me bin ry to bet kind mudder to you. Me ax pardon for all me do to you, an' beg you fe 'peak to Massa Jesus fe me-poo' sinner—ax Him hab mercy 'pon me soul."
Then she broke out into doleful wails and sobs, refusing to be comforted in her sudden bereavement. When the lid was screwed down we read a portion of Scripthre and reminded them that the body before us was only the tabernacle of clay

-that the soul had already gone to its

When we had prayed, and while singing the hymn-Eternity; time soon will end, Its fleeting moments pass away. we moved in procession to the grave, in the coffee walk, about 100 yards from the dwelling. Here the remains of other members of the family were already laid. Great respect as a rule is paid to the graves of departed friends, tombs are generally built over them of stone, which

are whitewashed every year, a custom analogous to that in England of decorating the graves with flowers.-Sunday at

HOW A TRAMP TALKS IN KENTUCKY. A man whose garments appeared to be in the last stages of decomposition, whose hair was unkempt, whose shoes were worn and whose step was weary, shuffled up to the rear of a Kentucky residence, and

greeting the hired girl with a smile that oked like the crack of doom, began : "I have this,day arrived on Kentucky "Bad for Kentucky soil," interrupted

the girl.
"I have, I say," continued the stran ger, "this day arrived on Kentucky "You weren't expected, sir." "To reach here, my good woman, I have travelled a long distance. To this spot from the clime where the Sierras lift up their minarets of snow, like white hands held to Heaven, is no day's jaunt My boots show that. No. This journey like Rome, wasn't made in a day. It required weary marches and countermarches; sides by stealth on cattletrains; hours of suspense from the rear axle of an emigrant waggon, bringing to mind many scenes long gone by, when covetous companions cried to the unsus-

pecting farmer to "whip behind!" But at last I am here" "Much as we can do to scratch for ourselves." "And that I am here, I thank the gods! The privations and misery of my long journey hither! How bitter had been my lot had it not been sweetened by the anticipation that I would one day stand where I now stand-upon the historic

soil of the grand Old Commonwealth, where Clay and Calhoun"----"We haven't a bite of cold victuals in the house." "I dare say I am barely a stone's throw from the famed blue grass region, where the heavens above are mirrored from the meadows beneath, and where, in turn, the meadows catch their blue from the eyes of the fairest women beneath the such Nay, do not go. It is no empty complement. Heaven knows I mean it. Looking into the depths of your liquid orbs I have the proof as strong as Holy Writ-Ah, thanks, fair maiden, thanks. Sitting here on the sunny side of the dog-house, will partake of this rabbir pie, these doughnuts, corn-dodgers, and what-not, and when I get down to that apple-jack I will drink it to the one who gave it, and sweeter will it be than Amontillado

Bills of exchange were first used in the reign of Richard II.

sherry !"-Cincinnati Inquirer.

The greatest ornament of an illustrious life is modesty and humility, which go a great way in the character even of the most exalted princes.

Japan is shaken 500 times a year by earthquakes and has 700 stations erected for

Mr Wotherspoon, in propos Admiral Bridges' health, referre which they had raised £80. The they had done well, but when Bridges had come forward with tion of a town clock, it had give impetus to the movement that been enabled to erect a rotunda none in the colony, at a cost. the clock, of £300. Nothing been erected in Beaufort bei compare with it. Mr Wothers endorsed Sir Malcolm's remarks endorsed Sir Marcolli s remarks tion to the compulsory sale of said Beaufort had nothing to co as regards its large landholders. a very liberal class of men. was most enthusiastically drunk Admiral Bridges, in returnin said he felt he did not des flattering remarks. The little could say from the bottom of was done because he consider

only a duty but a pleasure. He ferred to the Lord Mayor's kil opening the memorial, to the g done by him, and to his regal entertaining, and gave Mr Wo and the committee credit for in the success of the memorial Mt Wotherspoon gave a very rendering of "Bonny Dundee." Other toasts honored were—" tects and Contractors," propose flynn, and responded to by I "Mr Wotherspoon, president memorial committee, and the coproposed by Admiral Bridges, and to by Mr Wotherspoon. "Pha is proposed by Admiral Bridges, and to by Mr Wotherspoon; "The I the Shire of Ripon, Cr. Stewart, by Mr E. W. Hughes, and respo

Cr. Stewart.

The proceedings concluded witing of "Auld Lang Syne."

While this convivial gathering place, the Band played a delignment of music from the ro gramme of music from the r elections comprising-Valse, fantasia, "The Challenge"; fant land"; and the selection, 'Pride A bicycle road race, to Mr on the Lake Goldsmith road, a on the Lake Goldsmith road, a
Beaufort, a distance of 10 miles
There were 18 competitors. Ti
won by W. Cochran (3½min.),
J. Prentice (3½min.) being 2nd
and A. Driver (5min.) 3rd in 34
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motor bicycle.

The bandsmen also spent a ve hour at the Shire Hall. The he president, Mr J. R. Wotherspoo posed by Mr E. W. Hughes in terms, and was drunk with greasm; Mr Wotherspoon respon happy manner, and giving See and Treasurer Hughes credit work done by them. The head Douglas and O'Shaughnessy heartily drunk, Cr. Sinclair bei poser, and the East riding rep named responding. Mr Woth all." The healths of " Secret Treasurer Hughes" (proposed Hill, and responded to by Mes Hughes), of "The Master of Cr. Sinclair" (proposed by Mr I and responded to by Cr. Sinc "The Waiters" (proposed by Hill, and responded to by Mr G.

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Mining News. The Sons of Freedom Central Com

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Admiral Bridges, in returning thanks, admiral Bridges, in returning thanks, said he felt he did not deserve such flatering remarks. The little he did, he could say from the bottom of his heart, was done because he considered it not payable wash. Again continuing reef drive; now in 190ft. South end being brought back with usual good results. Yield, 580z. 7dwt. Grant and party.—Bring-good sinking. Adamthwaite and party.—Bring-good sinking. Adamth

While this convivial gathering was taking place, the Band played a delightful programme of music from the rotunda, the selections comprising—Valse, "Britannia"; fantasia, "The Challenge"; fantasia, "Coonland"; and the selection, 'Pride of England.

A bicycle road race, to Mr A. Fraser's on the Lake Golden.

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The bandsmen also spent a very convivial hour at the Shire Hall. The health of their president, Mr J. R. Wotherspoon, was proposed by Mr E. W. Hughes in eulogistic terms, and was drunk with great enthusiasm; Mr Wotherspoon responding in a happy manner, and giving Secretary Jones and Treasurer Hughes credit for the good work done by them. The healths of Crs. Duuglas and O'Shaughnessy were also heartily drunk, Cr. Sinclair being the proposer, and the East riding representatives named responding. Mr Wotherspoon sang "There's something in the English after all." The healths of "Secretary Jones and Hughes), of "The Master of Ceremonies, Cr. Sinclair" (proposed by Mr H. M. Stuart, and responded to by Mr G. Whitehead), were also honored.

During the afternoon several ladies provided sittlement to make the was paced by a motor bickleffe and Hamilton Roads, Mcwell, Kingower, Kiora, Kirkella, Laen, Laudsborough, Laude Bolac, Lallat, Landsborough, Laude Bolac, Lallat, Landsborough, Lawell, Kingower, Kiora, Kirkella, Laen, Laudesborough, Laude Bolac, Lallat, Landsborough, Laude Bolac, Lallat, Landsborough, Landle Greek, Minyip, Moliagul, Moonambel, Morril Morril Morril Morril, Mount William, Moyreisk, Moyston, Road, Murphy's Flat, Natte Yallock, Navarre, Newbridge, Old Lead (near Dunolly), Opossum Gully, Orville, Parish of Avoca, Penshurst, Percydale, Pomona, Raglan, Redbank, Rheola, Rhymer Reef, Rich Avon West, Sandy Creek, Skipton, Stay Creek, St. Arnaud, St. Arnaud North, Stawell, Stawell West, Stockyard Hill, Stuart Mill, Swanwater West, Tarnagulla, Tatyoon, The Sheepwush (Jalukar), Three-mile Creek, Timor West, Tottington, Traino's Lugoon, Waanyarra, Wallaloo, Warrak, Warranook, Warrenming Hughes' (proposed by Mr W. T. Hill, and responded to by Mr G. Whitehead), Were also honored.

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WANTED, by experienced man, situation as COOK on Station. Good personal fair profit.

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"Button" photographs of the memorial "Button" photographs of the memorial and of the bandsmen were readily purchased. The receipts for the day amounted to about £30, and considerable gratification is felt at the fact of the memorial being open free of debt.

The photograph of the memorial to be sent to King Edward VII. is to be taken by Mr A. L. Wotherspoon.

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BARTON QUARTZ COMPANY, No Liability, seaufort.—Notice.—A Call (6th) of Twopence (2d.) per Share on the capital of the company has been made, due and payable on Wednesday, 9th December, 1903, at the office of the company, 28 Lydiard-street, Baltarat.

J. A. CHALK, Manager.

THE CONCERT.

The Societies' Hall at night was crowded to overflowing by a highly appreciative audience. The stage manager (Cr. Sinpreviously redeen

audience. The stage manager (Cr. Sin-

clair) introduced Jackson's String Band,

for boys under 15 years of age) gave a splendid rendering of "Broken Toys,"

and in answer to a vociferous encore,

prize at the Ballarat competition, was

and her rich voice and talented singing

simply charmed the audience. As an encore Miss Rorke gave the Scotch song, "Chairlie is my darling," with equally striking effect. Mr Chas. Naylor, the well-known tenor, sang "Adelene," and received a must enthusiastic reception.

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A. J. PEACOCK, Manager. who played an overture that was thoroughly enjoyed, and deservedly appreciated. Messrs J. E. Loft and J. R. Wotherspoon effectively sang "Larboard Watch," and were cordially received. Master Ivan Jackson (who won second prize at South street competition for boys under 15 years of age) gave a

No. 7 Lydiard-street, Ballarat. N.B.—Transfer books close on Thursday, 10th Decr., 1908, until after date of payment of dividend.

repeated the last verse. Miss Andrews, of Ballarat, sweetly sang "The Spanish Gipsy," and perforce had to reappear, when she sang, with equal effect, "I couldn't, could I, very well say no."

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H. PARKER, Secretary.

and fairly brought down the house, and the clever youngsters repeated a verse to the immense delight of the audience.

Miss Rorke, of Melbourne, chose "Home of my heart" as her first contribution and has wind. shooting.

SALE BY AUCTION, FREEHOLD LAND, in the parish of LANGI-KAL-KAL, county of Ripon.

well-known tenor, sang "Adelene," and received a must enthusiastic reception.
As an encore he rendered, "Because I love you," the audience fully enjoying the effort. Mr J. R. Wotherspoon treated the audience to some really fine

Public Notice.

America, comprising a clarionet solo; a banjo solo; "Lucky Jim," a quartette, by the Loader Quartette of New York; trombone solo, "Say, au revoir, but not good-bye"; solo, "Rocked in the cradle of the deep," by Mr J. W. Meyer; song, "Violets," by Mr Wm. H. Thompson; a waltz. These selections were cordially received. After a short interval Jackson's MONTHLY SALES in connection with DIAON BROS., at their Yards, BEAUFORT. The FIRST SALE will be held during JANUARY. DIXON BROS. solicit the patronage of the public in their new undertaking. Sales of Land, Stock, Furniture, etc., conducted at lowest

Public Notice.

Andrews' coon song, "Close your dreamy eyes," was splendidly sning and most cordially received. A very hearty recall resulted in another coon song, "Coon, coon," being pleasingly rendered by Miss Andrews. "The soldiers in the park," a character song by the Ballarat

Notice to Advertisers.

and the young soldiers had perforce to reappear, and repeat a verse. Miss Rorke then favored the company with that old Scotch favorite, "Mary of Argyle," and her exquisite singing again charmed the audience. In response to a vociferous encore, she sang another Scotch song "In the morning," receiving a perfect salvo of applause. Mr Naylor sang a comic song (in character), "The penny whistler," which fairly brought down the house. As an encore he gave another comic, and as a further encore a "heart-breaking" recital. The Ballarat "A. PARKER, Proprietor."

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We have much pleasure in notifying the Residents of the Surrounding District of Beaufort that we purpose holding MONTHLY SALES OF STOCK at the above mentioned yards. All who intend forwarding stock will please notify us.

Entries received at Camp Hotel, Beaufort. FURNITURE SALES CONDUCTED.

LORIMER & BAIRD. KELSALL'S BUILDINGS,

TENDERS, addressed to the President of the Shire of Ripon, and enclosing five per cent-cash deposit (minimum deposit £1, in cash or marked cheque), will be received up till 11 a.m. on Monday, 7th DEC., 1908, for the the Shire for a period of twelve months.

Contract 229.—Supply of h.w. timber to the Shire for a period of twelve months.

Contract 229.—Supply of ironmongery, to the Shire for a period of twelve

months.
Contract 230.—Supplying 200 cub. yds. bluestone m. m., near Lake Goldsmith.
Contract 231.—Supplying 300 cub. yds. bluestone m. m. on Beaufort and Streatham road, near McIntosh's.

Contract 232.—Twenty chains forming, gravelling, construction of culvert, invert, &c., parish of Beaufort.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the Mechanics' Institute, Skipton; Greyhound Hotel, Snake Valley; and Shire Hall, Besufort.

E. J. MUNTZ, B.C.E., Shire Engineer. Shire Office, Beaufort, 27th Nov., 1903.

MR. THOMAS SKENE, M.H.R.,

ADDRESS THE ELECTORS 8th, at 8.80 p.m.; STOCKYARD HILL HOTEL, WEDNESDAY; DEC. 9th, at 4 p.m.; BEAUFORT, SUCIETIES' HALL, WRDNES-DAY, DEC. 9th, at 8.80 p.m.

BEWLEY PRIVATE HOSPITAL NURSE GLASS BEGS to intimate that she has OPENED PRIVATE HOSPITAL in McGibbon

BUSINESS as a BUTCHER in premises in NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT (next door to Mr. T. Sands), and hopes by strict attention to business and by keeping the Primest Meat, to merit a fair share of public patronage.

Small Goods a Speciality.

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Grand ATHLETIC SPORTS MEETING To be held in the BEAUFORT PARK, on BOXING DAY, DECEMBER 26th, 1903.

218 ENTRIES RECEIVED. £85 IN PRIZES.

Beaufort Sheffield Handicap run under Vic-torian Athletic League, and a league handi-capper appointed. Bicycle Races run apart from L.V.W. from L.V.W.
Two-mile Bicycle Race, £20.—1st, £15; 2nd, £4; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
One-mile Bicycle Race, £14.—1st, £9; 2nd, £4; stird, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s.
Half-mile Flutter, £10.—1st, £6; 2nd, £3; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s.
One-mile District Bicycle Race (20 miles radius), £6.—1st, £4; 2nd, £1 10s; 3rd, 10s.
Nomination, 1s; acceptance, 1s.
Beaufort Sheffield Handicap, 130yds, £20.—1st, £1; 2nd, £4; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
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Firemen's Alarm and Rush, 130yds., £1 10s.

—lst, £1; 2nd, 10s. Nomination, 1s. Six entries or no race.

Handicap Wood-chopping Contest (18-inch logs), £7.—lst, £5; 2nd, £2. Nomination, 1s;

logs), £7.—lst, £5; 2nd, £2. Nomination, 1s; acceptance, 1s.

ENTRIES for the above events CLOSE on TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1993.

Open Walking Match, £1 10s and 10s; Girls' Handicap Walking Match, £1 and 5s; District Miners' Race, £1 10s and 10s; Siamese Race, 10s. All post entry.

Programmes and Entry Forms on application. Admission to Ground, 1s; children, half-price.

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H. PARKER, Secretary.

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For smaller Growers, suitable for Vineyards, Nursery Growers, Small Orchards Potato and Onion Growers, is built on Reversible and Extension Principle. SEND FOR ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUES.

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Far from the envious eyes of beaux. Far from the envious
A mask upon her pretty nose.
She blushes like a sweet June rose.
—Boston Transcript.

During five or six years Marcel had worked at that famous painting which he affirmed should represent the crossing of the Red sea, and for five or six years this masterpiece of color had been obstinately refused by the jury at the

THAT PICTURE.

annual salon. So, from force of habit in going and coming so often from the studio to the musee and from the musee to the studio, the picture knew the road so well that, if one had set it on wheels, it would have been able to go all alone to the Louvre.

Marcel, who had ten times repainted and rearranged this canvas from top to bottom, attributed to a personal hostility of the members of the jury against himself the ostracism which rejected it annually from the Square salon. and in his idle moments he had composed in honor of the Cerberuses of the institute a little dict, nary of curses with some illustrations of a savage ferocity. This collection, which had become celebrated, had obtained in the studios and at the School of the Fine Arts the popular success which is attached to the immortal complaint of Jean Belin, painter in ordinary to the grand sultan of Turkey. All the daubers of Paris had a copy of it in their

For a long time Marcel was not discouraged by the determined rejections which he received at each annual exhibition. He was comfortably settled in the opinion that his picture was, in its least proportions, the long sought for pendant to the "Marriage Feast at Cana," that gigantic masterpiece whose brilliant splendor the dust of three centuries has not been able to tarnish. So, every year at the epoch of the salon, Marcel sent his picture to be examined by the jury. Only-in order to throw the examiners off the scent and to try to baffle them in their preconceived determination to exclude it, which prejudice they seemed to have against the "Crossing of the Red Sea"-without changing anything in the general composition of the painting, he modified certain details and changed the title of his picture. Thus, one year it came before the jury under the name of "The Crossing of the Rubicon." But Pharach, badly disguised under Cæsar's mantle, was instantly rec gnized and rejected with all the honors due him.

The following year Marcel threw upon the foreground of his canvas a layf white paint to represent now, planted a tree in one corner, and aressing up an Egyptian in the uniform of the imperial guard of France he baptized his picture "The Crossing of the The jury, which had rubbed up its spectacles that day upon the tails of its green palmed coats-on official occasions the members of the institute wear dress coats having green palms embroidered on the lapels and collars-was not duped by this new ruse. It recognized perfectly the obstinate canvas. especially by a big devil of a many colored horse that pranced about on top of a wave of the Red sea. The dressing of this horse served Marcel for all his experiments in coloring, and in his everyday speech he called it "a synoptical tableau of fine tones," because it reproduced all the most varied combinations of color with their plays of light and shade. But once more, unmoved by this fine detail, the jury had not black balls enough to fully express their feelings in rejecting "The Crossing of the Beresina.

"Very well." said Marcel, "I'll wait! Next year I shall send it again under the title of the 'Passage des Panora-

mas. ' A few days later, and when Macrel had already forgotten terrible threats of vengeance he had uttered against his persecutors, he received a visit from Father Medicis. Thus the bohemians had nicknamed a Jew named Solomon, who at that epoch was well known to all members of artistic and literary Bohemia, with whom he was in perpetual relations. Pere Medicis did business in all sorts of bric-a-brac. He sold complete sets of furniture at from 12 francs up to 3,000. He bought everything and knew how to sell it again at a profit.

The exchange bank of M. Proudhon was a very little affair compared to the system applied by Medicis, who possessed the genius of traffic to a degree never before attained by even the most able of his fellow believers. His shop, which was situated in the Place du Carrousel, was a fairyland where one found everything to be desired. All the products of nature, all the creations of art, all that comes forth from the bowels of the earth and of genius, Medicis made of it an object of negotiation. His business touched everythin, ab-

solutely everything that exists; he dealt even in the ideal. Medicis bought ideas in order to exploit them himself or to sell them again. Known to all the litterateurs and all the artists, an intimate of the palette and a familiar friend of the writing deak, he was the Asmodeus of the art. He would sell you some cigars for the plot of a novel, some slippers for a sonnet, some fresh fish for paradoxes; he chatted "by the hour" with writers whose business it was to relate in the newspapers the scandal of society; he would procure you places in the galleries of the house of parliamer t and invitations to private soirces; he ledged by the night, the week or the month the wandering danbers who paid him in copies of the works

of Flavins Josephus. On entering the home of the bohe mians, with that intelligent eir which

PAINS IN THE STOMACH, like toothache are not dangerous, but decidedly unpleasant. Persons who are subject to such attacks will be pleased to know that prompt relief may be had by taking a dose or two of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhosa & Co., Merchants Beaufort.

distinguished him, the Jew divined that he had arrived at a propitious moment. . In fact, the four friends found themselves at that moment met in council and under the presidency of a fero cious appetite they were discussing the grave question of bread and meat. It was on a Sunday, and the end of the month! Fatal day and sinister date! The entrance of Medicis was therefore greeted with a joyous chorus, for they knew that the Jew was too miserly of his time to spend it in visits of mere politence. Therefore his presence al ways announced an affair of business.

"M. Marcel," said Medicis, "I have come here solely to make your fortune. That is to say, I've come to offer you a superb chance to enter the artistic world. Art, as you well know, M. Marcel, is an arid road of which glory "Pere Medicis," said Marcel, on the

hot coals of impatience, "in the name of 50 per cent, you venerated patron saint, be brief!"

"This is the affair," said Medicis. *A wealthy lover of paintings who is. making a collection of pictures destined to make the tour of Europe has ordered me to procure for kim a series of remarkable works. I have come to offer you an entrance into that gallery of art. In a word, I have come to buy your 'Crossing of the Red Sea.' 10

'Cash? ' said Marcel. "Cash," responded the Jew, making the orchestra in his breeches pocket play a lively tune.

Go on, Medicis," said Marcel, displaying his painting. "I wish to leave to yourself the honor of fixing the price of this work, which is beyond all

The Jew placed on the table 50 crowns in beautiful new silver pieces. "Go on," said Marcel; "that is only

the advance guard." "M. Marcel," said Medicis, "you well know I shall add nothing. Reflect! Fifty crowns. That makes 150 france.

That's a sum, that is!" 'A feeble sum," replied the artist. Why, know that my first word is always my last, merely in the robe of my Pharaoh there are 50 crowns' worth of cobalt. Pay me at least the material. Equalize those piles round up the figures, and I will call you Leo X."

"Here's my last word," said the Jew. "I'll not add a sou more, but 1) offer a dinner to all of you, various wines at your own discretion, and at the dessert I'll pay in gold."

"Does any gentleman wish to make any further bid?" yelled Colline, rapping three times with his fist on the table. "Going, going, gone!" "Agreed," said Marcel.

"I will send for the picture tomorrow," said the Jew. "Now let us start, gentlemen; the table is laid." The four friends descended the stairs, singing the chorus from "Les Hugue

"A table, a table!" Eight days after that feast Marcel learned in what gallery his picture had taken its place. While walking through the Faubourg Saint Honore he stopped in the midst of a group that was gazing with curiosity at the hanging of sign over a shop. That sign was none other than Marcel's famous picture, sold by Medicis to a dealer in provi-Only, the "Crossing of the Red Sea" had once more suffered a modification and bore a new title. Some one had added to it a steamboat and had called it, "At the Port of Marseilles." A flattering ovation arose among the loungers when they discovered the painting. So Marcel turned away, delighted by this triumph, and murmured."The voice of the people is the voice of God!"-Boston Transcript.

Y Politeness Pays. "I have often heard my uncle," said the nephew of a noted lawyer who died lately, "dwell upon the fact that he owed much of his success in life to a habit of invariable politeness, without any element of todyism, which had been instilled into his nature by the teachings of a wise mother. His first start in his profession came through an old scrubwoman who was employed about the house where he boarded when a young man. One morning he passed out as she was scrubbing the front steps, and he saluted her politely, as usual. She stopped him. 'They tell me ve are a lawyer, she said. 'Yes.' Well, I know a poor widdy woman that wants a lawyer, and if you will give me your address I'll tell her.' The 'poor widdy' proved to be the chief heir to a large estate in Delaware county. My uncle became her attorney and trustee of her children, recovered her interest in the estate and derived a good income from its management for

many years."-Phil adelphia Record. Roaming Chinese Tribes. In the plains on the western borders of the Chinese empire, in the very heart of Asia, there live roaming tribes who seldom visit towns, except it may be in the way of trade. They dwell in tents which they pitch wherever they may happen for the moment to be wan dering or working. The tent used by some of the roving Mongolian folk is made of felt and is usually low, small and pointed toward the top. The wooden door frame is no higher than half a tent, although not equal to the wants of it has only a weekly, and not a daily a large family, is snug and comfortable enough in summer, but cold in winter. -Western Mail.

Salls Worthless Securities There is an individual in New York who makes a good living by dealing in securities which have a purely speculative value, and which, in many cases, are known to be worthless. He buys these cheap for cash and sells them to men who go into fraudulent bankruptcies and want to make a showing of assets to their creditors. He has been making money in it for years and has had a share in filling out the schedules of a great many bankrupts who have taken advantage of his sagacity in supplying them with collateral.—Rew York Letter.

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A SKIPPER IN A FOG

A Story of a Mariner's Torpid Liver.

up the Yarra, as far as Hawthorn, for the convenience of pleasure-seekers. I am master and part-owner of the Wands, and many a good yarn I have had with passengers about the way I eluded old grim Death a few years ago. He had me fairly in his clutches, and it was only after a desperate struggle that I managed to escape, for I was heavily handleapped with a bad attack of bronchitis. When I was lying on my back my throat seemed to close up, as if a strong hand was pressing my windnipe together, but even when I was fanding up there was a nasty sense of irritation in the breathing tubes, and my cough became much less the headway I made with the aid of Clements Tonic, and when I noticed that the pains in my chest had gone completely I felt fully confident that my new medicine would relieve me of all my complaints."

"Was your confidence well placed?"

"It was indeed, for the sickly taste left my mouth, my bowels were regulated and I could eat like a horse after

irritation in the breathing tubes, and my chest was simply racked with pains. I had an extremely annoying cough, which was sometimes so persistent that after a long bout of coughing I was perfectly exhausted; but the worst part of this affliction was that I could not sleep at all well. After dozing off for a while I used to wake up with a tickling feeling in my throat, and them the cough, cough, kept me awake for hours, and the terrible strain on my constitution was something awful, for I used to shake from head to foot. I did not feel fit for my work in the mornings, and at last I had to drop my anchor and take an enforced holiday. This step did not assist me in any way. I was not ordered to take nothing but the lightest to foods, yet I could not digest even those. A pain as if someone had run a knife into me was under my shoulder blades, whilst at the same time I had a dull, gnawing kind of pain across the loins, which made me as helpless as a cripple. My strength ebbed away with the tide of misfortunes, which swept even hope from my mind, till I became so weak that I could scarcely turn in bed. When I raised my head, which was always aching, I turned giddy, with a strange fancy that the room was spin-

bed. When I raised my head, which was always aching, I turned giddy, with a strange fancy that the room was spinning round, and when I looked up to the ceiling I could see small dark specks floating about quite distinctly. The fresh colour that the sea breezes had given to me was changed to a dirty rellow: my eyes felt, swollen, and I had given to me was changed to a dirty yellow; my eyes felt swollen, and I could scarcely see out of them. I was completely stranded for the want of vitality, being nothing to look at but an emaciated wreck of humanity. My tongue was as dry and coated as if it had been steeped in brine for a month, and the taste in my mouth—well, I cannot find a parallel for its bitterness. I always felt anxious and irritable, like a skipper in a fog with rocks ahead. If a

pills?"

"I believe I had as many different kinds of medicines as I had pills, but they were just as bad as each other they were just as bad as each other in their effects, for I daily grew worse.

"I Chickles Nissers, in the State of Victoria, this first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and one, before me, T. PETERS, J.P.

A Justice of the Peace in and for the Central in their effects, for I daily grew worse.

The Case of Mr. P. C. WISSING.

(By a Local Reporter).

With a retrospect of thirty years' readence in different parts of Australia, dence in different parts of the Melbourne, is entitled to contribute his views on matters concerning the welfare of his fellow-colonists. He recently remarked to the writer:

"I have travelled round nearly the windle of the Australasian coast, and for two years I was mate of the old 'Cleopatra,' trading between Melbourne and Fremantle."

"Are you a sea-faring man now, Mr. Wissing."

"Not exactly—partly because I am getting up in years, but I enjoy a mildor kind of excitement than is provided in mid-ocean by running a steam launch up the Yarra, as far as Hawthorn, for the convenience of pleasure-seekers. I am master and part-owner of the 'Wanda,' and many a good yarn I have had with and many a good yarn I have had with for the irritation in my throat was alleged to come as I was literally dying by inches. One doctor as I had indigestion in its worst form, and as he could not give me relief I was afraid my people would nate me removed to the hospital without me knowing it, for I sank so low that I was afraid my people would nate me removed to the hospital without me knowing it, for I sank so low that I was asily be they done so I am sure I would have dene of I man they done so I am sure I would have dene of I me two yours I was afraid my people would nate when they done so I am sure I would have dene of I me safely back to life. But I had three doctors altogether, each one prescribing a different physic, and they all failed to give me one of any use. It was shrough having a Clements Tonic arrived my

"Tt was indeed, for the sickly taste left my mouth, my bowels were regulated, and I could eat like a horse after taking a dose of Clements Tonic, and, what was more to the purpose still, I did not feel the least uneasiness in the stomach when my meals were concluded. About my greatest trouble had been an inability to keep anything on my stomach—even my former physics would not stay down—but when I had been an under the treatment of Clements Tonic for a while I was able to swallow anything without feeling the least inclination to be sick. The suffocating sensations were washed away, and in the meantime I felt my vigour returning as if an elixir of life had been injected into my veins. My limbs lost the aches that had made them useless so long, and the pains left my loins and shoulders in due course. It was a regular treat to be a leen egain, especially as I felt had made them useless and shoulders in due course. It was a regular treat to be able to sleep again, especially as I felt so soothed after my nightly dose of Clements Tonic that I only had to lay my flead on the pillow end there rest undisturbed till morning, when I awoke, feeling as fresh as a lark. It was in this way that my nervous system was restored to order. Indeed, I had only taken a couple of bottles of Clements Tonic when my nerves were without a tremor, and shortly after that I was well enough to take command of my boat again, being sound in every respect."

"Have you been unwell since?"
"No. I was not patched up, but cured by Clements Tonic, and you may publish the facts in any way you think advisable."

STATUTORY DECLARATION. I. PAUL CHRISTIAN WISSING, of Nelson-road, South Melbourne, in the State of Victoria, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have carefully read the annexed document, consisting of four follos, and cannot find a parameter of the property of the property of the parameter o

Important to Applicants for Police Magistrate's Fixtures. Mining Leases. The following are the police magis

Applicants for leases within the districe covered by The Riponshire Advocate are invited to peruse the following

facts :--The New Mining Regulations require that when a lease is marked out the applicant "shall insert in a newspaper PUBLISHED IN THE DISTRICT WHERE THE LAND IS SITUATED, or if no such newspaper, then in the one published nearest the district, an advertisement or notice in the form marked A in the schedule prescribed."

Ten days are allowed, after marking out the lease, in which to lodge the application with the Warden or his clerk, and forward a duplicate to the

Minister of Mines. The word "district" in the regulations has been defined by the Crown Solicitor to be read as locality, and not as mining district, and the lease should therefore be advertised in the paper nearest the land for which application is to be made. As TEN days (not seven as formerly) are given in which to complete the application, no valid excuse can now be urged for failure to advertise the lease in the district paper, though

This is borne out by the following nemo. from the Mines Department re crived by Mr H. A. Adams, Grenville Standard, Liuton .- "Sir, -Referring to your communication, I have the onor to inform you that the Warden's clerk at Smytheadale has been instructed mining leases, where opportunity offers he regulation relating to advertising their applications should be STRICTLY ADHERED TO. - I have the honor to be, etc., P. Cohen, for Sec. of Mines and Water Supply."

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Ballarat East-10 a.m., 3rd Wednes ay and fourth Thursday. Beaufort-1.30 p.m., 1st Thursday and fourth Tuesday.

Bungaree -9 a.m., 4th Monday.

Buninyong-3.15 p.m., 3rd Friday. Carngham 12 p.m., 2nd Wednesday Gordon-9 a.m., 2nd Monday. Linton—2 p.m., 1st Saturday. Learmonth—12.30 p.m., 1st Tuesday. Kaleno-11 a.m., 2nd Tuesday. Scarsdale-Noon, 3rd Thursday. Sebastopol-3.30 p.m., 2nd Thursday. Skipton-10 a.m., 2nd Wednesday. Smythesdale-Noon, 3rd Tuesday.

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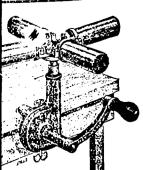
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Unsought except by men he owes. And when he dies, go plant him deep That naught may break his dreamles Where no rude clamor may dispel. The quiet that he loved so well, And that the world may know its loss. Place on his grave a wreath of moss. And on the stone above, " Here lies



(Opposite Golden Age Hotel), beg to inform the public of Beaufort and surrounding districts that they have purchased the UNDERTAKING BUSINESS of the late R. FARLEY, and hope by moderate charges and prompt attention, to merit a continuance of the patronage accorded to their predecessor.

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From Martat, Staweri, Buagor, midels in the columns of "The Riponshire Advocate," From Waterloo, Waterloo South, Main Lead, Raglan, and Chute.—4.30 p.m.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
From Stockyard Hill, Nerring, and Lake for the welfare of this district, it has a claim for a considerable amount of support, and the columns of "The Riponshire Advocate, for a considerable amount of support, and From Eurambeen and Shirley.—4.30 has a greater scope for extended usefulness than any other journal or journals within a given radius of Beaufort.

Job Printing, plain and ornamental, o every description, is executed with neatness, accuracy and despatch, and on the most reasonable terms.

We take this opportunity of thanking our

patrons for past favors, and while respect MONEY ORDER BUSINESS. fully soliciting a renowal of support, desire from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m. Saturdays to state that increased attention will be take their newspapers from the postgiven to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news we will always endeavour to make jour columns as their bills, and ordered the newspapers comprehensive as possible. In all depart to be discontinued. ments, in fact, we will aim at improv and, therefore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support. ARTHUR PARKER.

> Of you dry to do pecenis mitowi advertising, you will find yourself already like a boy drying to shlide a hill down mitowt shnow. Pesides dere ish dese tifferences: ven you don't got some shnow you gant make 'em; but you can somedimes shenerally always make

Proprietor

off, allder year rount, mitsome moneys. successful institution. ADVICE TO MOTHERS! -- Are you broken in your rest by asick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist BUTHLOOK S, MOTSETT, SHITE to efficient a 1881 Sigur. It will relieve the poorsufferer timme. thately. It is particully narmless and pleasant to the produces natural, quiet sleep by the cuild from gain, and the little from what you have read in its advertis relieving the culd from gain, and the little from what you have to the souther the culd from gain, and the little from what you have to the fact to the souther the culd, it softens the gains, allays all tradesman. The best known remous for dysentery, and diarrhoen, whether arising from teetning on other causes. Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup is soid by Medicine Penters everywhere.

Business man-"You semember that 'ad.' I had in your paper, and took out two months ago? Well, I want to beautiful simile:—"You might as well have it put back again.' Editor—try to shumpoo an elephant with a noticed it while it was in." Business business and ignore advertising." And on the stone above, "Here lies.

A chump who wouldn't advertise."

The mere fact of your advertising lets people know you are still in business; also that you business is sufficiently important to the district whilst quite harmless to gomestic animals. In the district whilst district heads to surprise the success of the supplication. See the article you guressee is newspaper, then in one published nearest the district, an advertisement or notice in the form marked "A" in the schedule relating to Mining Leases.

And on the stone above, "Here lies.

A chump who wouldn't advertise."

—Mortimer Crane Brown.

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take their country paper, and it is false economy to try and get along without it. Hardly a week passes that some thing or other does not appear in its columns that will be of financial benefit to the subscriber, and by the end of the year he had made or saved or won twenty times the subscription paid for it. The city papers don't take the place in the country ones, though some people of the country ones, though some people appear to think they do. The city papers are all right in their way, but they do not give you that in which you are most interested-your country news You cannot learn from them when and where your country meetings are to be held, who are dying or who are marry ing, who are moving in or who are moving out, court proceedings, who teresting and instructive information. wants to buy or sell farm or land

keeping the money in the district.

NEWSPAPER LAW. 1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, in

writing, are considered as wishing to continue their subscriptions. Agriculturat Intelligence; 2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their newspapers, the publisher may continue to send them until arrears are paid. 3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to

office to which they are directed, they are held responsible until they settle 4. If subscribers move to other places without informing the publishers, and the papers are sent to the former direction, the subscribers are responsible 5. The court has decided that

is refusing to take periodicals from the post-office or leaving them uncalled for, prima facis evidence of intentional 6. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he

has ordered it or not, is held in law to be a subscriber. der advertising come right away quick HINTS TO FRIENDLY READERS You want to see the local paper a

> Talk about it wherever you go. Mention it to the tradespeople with whom you do business. It they don't advertise in it. try and induce them to do so..

It you are induced to buy anything

To our Readers and Patrons.

THE PROSPERITY OF A DESTRICT DEPENDS chiefly upon the support and coursement that is given by the population to local enterprise and industry. By seture is to a more or less extent spaculation

Support Local Industry

The law of exchange was never satisfacta The law of contains, thus it was that the custom-in its working; thus it was that the custom-buying, and selling, using, a standard currency was introduced. One form of that currency. was introduced. Une form of that currency known as paper money," and of paper money there is more than one kind. All kindsuseful, but not svery kind retains its originativalue. The "gaper" money most valuable a new-paper proprietor is that which is sent

nim by Subscribers and Advertisers and he will do his utmost to entitle him to a

"The Riponshire Advocate"

s the Advertising Medium for all Contracts et; and notifications of the Shire of Ripon and s the ONLY NEWSPAPER

Thatis. Printed and Published within the boundaries of the Shire. And as the advocate of the interests and considerably greater amount of support, has a greater scope for extended usefulness-any other journal or journals within as radius of the Shire Offices.

The Circulation

Steadily Increasing. And the Proprieter, recognising the increased support in this direction, will use his atmost endeavors to merit and sustain the patronage.

accorded him by giving the Latest possible Local and General News, and the mea.

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Recipes,
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Business Men. Bead It was Benjamin Franklin who wrote-"What steam is to machinery, advetising is to business." and another wascershassaid that-"He who in his "biz!" would rise.

Must either 'bust' or advertise.'

And advertisers cannot do better than make to Riponshire Advocate the medium ter-

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DRAPERY, BOOTS AND SHOES. Ready for Xmas.

Having just completed the unpacking of Xmas purchases, are now making

A SPECIAL DISPLAY

Of New Goods, suitable for Birthday, Wedding, Xmas. and New Year Presents. Being cash buyers, we always offer the best value obtainable anywhere.

LADIES, VISIT OUR SHOWROOMS

For Millinery, Crash Costumes, Blouses, &c. Everything that is Newest and Best finds its way here.

Men's Ready Tailored Suits

That are up to the mark in Style, Fit, Quality, and Construction TWEEDS, SERGETTES, WORSTEDS, &c.; all new goods.

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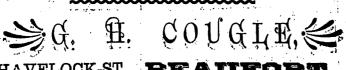
An immense showing of MEN'S PANAMA and ALPINE HATS, TIES, TENNIS and SILK SHIRTS, &c. Styles you need not look for elsewhere they're ours exclusively.

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For Ma's, Pa's, Maidens, Youths, little Boys and Girls, and for the dear little Babies .- Black, Tan, White; latest chapes, serviceable, stylish. The prices are low enough to attract the lightest purse.

IT'S DOWN HILL TO COUGLE'S from all directions for Style and Good Value in Xmas. wants.



will be held in the LUDGE ROOM, SOCIETIES' HALL, on TUESDAY Evening

next, at 8 o'clock sharp.

L. A. JAENSCH, Secy.

SATURDAY, DEC. 12, 1903.

The right to the booths at the Beaufor

£16s. The fruit stall was passed in, but

subsequently disposed of privately to Mr. H. Trompf for £1.

We regret having to record the death

sad event occurring after a long and pain-

ful illness on Wednesday. The cause of death was cancer and dropsy. Deceased, who was 61 years of age, and was a native

of an old and respected resident of Beaufort in the person of Mr Edwin Hill, the

HAVELOCK-ST., BEAUFORT.

DENTISTRY. United Ancient Order of Druids,

Mr. A. L. GIBBS, and Mr. W. A. J. BRANSTON, Surgical and Mechanical Dentists, 73 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE,

Proctor and Conveyancer, BEAUFORT. A Commissioner of the Supreme Court

Athletic Club's Boxing Day sports was submitted to public auction by Mr W. of 'the State of Victoria for taking Affidavita. ' TRUST and other MONIES TO LEND Edward Nickols, the club's honorary auctioneer, on Saturday, with the result that the following prices were realized:—Publican's booth, Mrs M. A. Hellyer, £14; luncheon booth, Mr J. R. Hughes. on freehold and other securities.

Mr J. W. HARRIS. PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST. REGISTERED DENTIST.

> DRUGGIST. HAVELOCK STREET, BEAUFORT.

In this established profession the first attention is devoted to the DISPENSING DEPARTMENT. Every care is ensured in the art and prepara

tion of prescriptions, &c. The latest appliances are used in the Laboratory in Aedical Tinetures and British Pharmacopæa Preparations, the Purest Chemicals and Drugs being used. Medicines at Ballarat Prices, sent to all parts of the State by post, rail, coach, &c.; and all letters receive prompt and careful attention. HARRIS'S ANÆMIA MIXTURE. an excellent and invaluable remedy.

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PAINLESS DENTISTRY.—Teet extracted painlessly with cocalne ether, chloride of thyl, laughing gas, & ...

NOTE THE ADDRESS-HAVELOCK STREET (Next Mechanics' Institute), BEAUFORT

Two men were disturbed at the North Sons of Freedom mine at Bagian by the engine driver, Mr J. Sutcliffe, at about Towards the end of last week, Ida, the less were trying to rob the solder book of Water and daughter of Mr Freedom to the solder of Water and the world be robbers as a few out, and the world be robbers as a few out, and the world be robbers as a few out, and the world.

rict Volunteer Fire Brigade be re-organised, and that the radius be 10 miles, which was seconded by Mr Hollyer, and carried. The secretary, Mr D. D. Cameron; treasurer, Mr Sinclair. It was decided, on the motion of Captain Stevens, seconded by Ineut. Baker, to get 200 circulars printed, appealing for monetary assistance. Resolved that captain, secretary and treasurer attend to Mr D. D. Cameron; treasurer captain, secretary and treasurer attend to the issuing of the circulars. "A boing of £1 are entitled to more country than you le was voted to the secretary for past services. It was resolved that three of the officers should decide as to whether the birgade shall turn out to a fire. Captain Stevens moved that the officers be employed to the the officers and the officers are consumed by a birring desire to have you as their representative." The amendment was made against Keith for the payment of 4s per week towards his wife's support. The powered to put the necessary arrangements in force and enrol members. Seconded by Lieut. Baker, and carried. Besolved that a meeting be called that right fortnight. Mr Coohran moved, and Mr C. Loft seconded, that the chairman be requested to appeal to the shire council for assistance. Resolved

hat the tolling be the same as before—bell to be rung continuously, and then one, two, three dongs. The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the chair. Mesars W. Dickson, G. W. F. Patterson and W. Leader, P.M.s., sat as a Licensing Court at Beaufort on Thursday and granted the following renewals of licenses:—Beauthe following renewals of licenses:—Beau fort Licensing District.—Bernhardt Mar-tinseb, Eifeshire hotel, Waterloo, valua-tion 230; Charles Broadbent, George hotel, Beaufort, v. £30; Ellen Collins, Sallor's Gully hotel, Nerring, v. £25; William Dickman, Main Lead hotel, v. £25 ; Bessie Hancock, Golden Age hotel, Beaufort, v. £118 : Mary Ann Hellyer, Commercial hotel, Beaufort, v. £50; William James Hill, Camp hotel, Beaufort, v. £50; William Hinchliffe, Victoria THE usual FORTNIGHTLY MEETING Catherine Kelly, Eurambeen hotel, Waterloo, v. £30; Catherine Kelly, Eurambeen hotel, Eurambeen, v. £25; James E. Loft, Railway hotel, Reaufort, v. £60; Denis

Ite followed mining and laboring pursuits for many years, and of lare years was employed as a surfaceman of the Shire of Ripon, and could always work. Failing health compelled his retirement from this work some months ago. He had been under traces and some surface and the chair, and even members present. Clear congratulating Sergeant Jones on the Rootsoravian ago. He had been under traces works ago. The sad been under traces are months ago. The sad been under traces are surfaced to reconstructions and the same and the same are surfaced to reconstructions. and the Shrie's Ripops, and could alwäys, and the Shaft, as all even numberal present. Clear for this present of Ripops, and could alwäys, and the Shaft, as all even numberal present. Clear in the Shaft were the Shaf

While shunting operations were going on in the Beaufort railway yard on Saturday junit, of Trawalla, met with a bicycle accidence of the shed road, through the bale while looking down and putting his foot larat on to the shed road, through the brake into the clip, he rode into a gutter and failing to act, burst through the door at fall off twisting his foot and fracturing his each end of the shed. January last, although the warrant was not taken out till March. It was a most heart-

police took charge of four if the children, who were sent to the Negloted Homes in Melbourne, and the other child was taken there on the lith of last month. Then were actually wandering on the streets. Keith, in answer to the Hench, said is was averaging 178 6d a week at, tempoarry contract work on Minja station. When he left here he went to Werribee." He had not been employed ever since, but was looking for work. He had done a bit of clearing at St. Arnaud; it was contract work, and he had cleared 8s a week. He thought he could contribute half a drown a week for the five. seconded by Mr. Hollyer, and carried. The fellowing office-bearers were appointed.—Bill in committee on Wednesday. On Captain, Mr. W. G. Stevens; lieutenants, the Hampden division, Mr. Toutcher Messrs G. Hellyer, H. M. Start, and W. Baker; apparatus officer, Mr. L. Lilley; secretary. Mr. D. D. Cameron, the Lilley; he taken from the division of the line apported the amendment. He said that in the near future he would have contribute half-a-drown a week for the five.
An order was made against Keith for 12s 6d a week, payable to the clerk of petty sessions at Beaufort, and to give his own surety of £10 and find another of £10 for compliance with the order. In a second case of wife desertion against Keith, Mr Young, appearance. the largest constituency in Victoria. "You He wanted only his fair quota.

Mr John Dyer, of Haddon, was re

ontribute half-a-drown a week for the five

PAINS IN THE STOMACH, like toothache

per week towards his wife's support; the amount to be paid monthly to the clerk of petty sessions. Keith was allowed a week to find a bondsman. An application by turning from Canico in the evening when his dog roused an "old man" Rachel Bennett for a prohibition order kangaroo, which quietly hopped along for some distance, and then suddenly stopped and backed itself against a tree. 12 months was granted. Mr Dyer armed himself with a stick and attacked the kangaroo, which are not dangerous, but decidedly unpleasan turning fiercely on him, made severa! attempts to grasp him, finally laying hold of him and pulling him to the ground. Mr Dyer was severely scratched, and his clothing was torn in the encounter. Had it not been for

the assistance rendered by the dog would probably have been seriously injured. The kangaroo eventually

made its escape.

The electoral maps setting out the proposed boundaries of the new provinces of the Legislative Council have been circulated in connection with the testing of the four senators. This (Saturday) afternoon, at circulated in connection with the bill to give effect to the redistribution of seats o'clock, Mr W. E. Nickols will offer for as provided in the Constitution Reform sale, at his auction rooms, Beaufort, Act. That act provides that the state on account of Mr P. McErvale 40 Maher, Farmers'hotel, Beaufort, v. 235; is to be divided into 17 provinces, each acres of land in the parish of Langi-Elizabeth Schlicht, All Nations' hotel, of which will return two members to kal-kal. Destre to notify the residents of Beaufort and surrounding districts that Mr. BRANTON may be consulted at BEAUFORT on the first Thursday of each month.

Thursday of each month.

A very successful children's bezars the below of the Hill.—On 9th inst., at Beaufort, Edwin Hill.—Yead 61 (Sr. Flynn, seconded by Cr. Sinclair, and Artificial Tesh made on latest approved English and American Principles.

All Artificial Tesh made on latest approved Consultation Boom.—GOLDEN AGE HOTEL.

Hours—12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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Riponshire Council

ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING. Present-Crs. Stewart (president), Sin lair, Slater, Flynn, and Douglas. The secretary submitted the yearly balance-sheet, the audit of which, he said,

disallowed the payment of £2 2s to the Western District Association, re Milddra railway extension, and the payment of £1 8s 9d to Cr. Flynn, expenses as delegate to Ballarat, giving evidence re Milddra railway extension, such payments being contrary to the provisions of the statute. The rate and other books have been carefully and accurately kept, and they desired to acknowledge the attention and assistance rendered to them by the shire secretary during their audit.

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Cr. Flynn added that the money had been passed and the cheque paid.

Dender:

(1) I have inspected Fiery Creek, at Lancey's. The water is not confined to any channel worth mentioned in petition (about seventy chains), would not finish the work, as afterwards it would probably be found necessary; to cut the cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain length mentioned in petition (about seventy chains), would not finish the work, as afterwards it would probably be found necessary; to cut the cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain length mentioned in petition (about seventy chains), would not finish the work, as afterwards it would probably be found necessary; to cut the cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain length mentioned in petition (about seventy chains), would not finish the work, as afterwards it would probably be found necessary; to cut the cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain. The cost of work would depend on size of channel cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain. The cost of work would depend on size of channel cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain. The cost of work would accurately be found necessary; to cut the cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain. The cost of work would depend on size of channel cut, and would be at least ten shillings a chain. The cost of work would gened on size of channel cut, and would be at least

sheet be allowed as just and true. Seconded by Cr. Slater, and carried. ORDINARY MEETING.

were read and confirmed. As Cr. Flynn wished to leave early As Cr. Flynn wished to leave early, last year have now been completed; final paythe President said they would deal with ments are recommended to-day. I have invited tenders for several new works, including prevent the publicans from supplying her the President said husband, William Bennett, with drink for the tenders now. The following were received :-

Contract 228.—Supply of h.w. timber to the Shire for a period of twelve months.—

(accepted), £64; J. Carmichael, £65.

The consideration of tenders for timber and ironmongery was postponed till next The following accounts were passed for

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Monday, 7th December, 1903.

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The minutes of the previous meeting

appointed, to carry out the duties satis factorily.—Application granted, on motion of Cre. Flynn and Sinclair. From Secretary Ballarat Benevolent Asylum, intimating that the committee had rescinded the resolution to which the

council took umbrage, and stating he was desired by the president to respectfully solicit the sum that the council has voted for the institution.—Amount (£20) passed for payment and included in pay sheet on motion of Crs. Sinclair and Slater, the latter feeling highly pleased that all feeling had passed away, and that everything was now right between the council and the asylum committee.

From private secretary to Hon. J. Taverner, acknowledging receipt of letter contents of which have been noted.—Re

The engineer (Mr E. J. Muntz, B.C.E.) reported as under :—
(1). I have inspected Fiery Creek, at Lancey's E. Flynn added that the money had been passed and the cheque paid.

Or. Sinclair moved, and Cr. Qouglas seconded, the adoption of the balance-sheet and auditors' report. Carried.

Cr. Flynn then moved that the balance-bridge at Raglan, and also saw Mir Lancey reports. of works referred to me for report by North and West riding members, with a view of deciding on schedule of works. (6). All contracts from

the supply of timber and ironmongery, returnable at this meeting.

Clause 1—Referred to North riding members, on motion of Cr. Sinclair. Clause 2—Law to be enforced, on motion of Crs. Douglas and Slater. Clause 3—Engineer's action endorsed, on motion of Crs. Blater and Lawie Packers. This broads, the shire for a period of twelve months.—
Persons who are subject to such attacks will be pleased to know that prompt relief may be had by taking a dose or two of Chapiberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhess Remedy. For sale by J. R. Worherston & Contract 229.—Supply of ironmongery, a Co., Merchant's Beaufort.

Holiday excursion tickets will be issued to and from all railway stations in Victoria (suburban excepted) from 12th inst. till 2nd prox., available for return for one month.

Attention is directed to an advertisement elsewhere in which the Hon.

Wm. McCulloch solicits votes as one of the four senators.

Linuse 1.—Replacing on motion of Crs. Clause 2.—Law to be enforced, on motion of Crs. Slater and Lewis. Re clause on the enforced on twelve months.—Eyres Bros., 55 312s 4d.

Contract 229.—Supply of ironmongery, the engineer in reply to Cr. Flynn, gave the following estimate as to the cost of the old site and a comparison of the proposed cost of carry-flowing in Victoria (suburban excepted) from 12th inst. till 2nd prox., available for return for one month.

Attention is directed to an advertisement elsewhere in which the Hon.

Wm. McCulloch solicits votes as one of the four senators.

Cause 1.—Replacing bridge at Ball's, £150; new bridge at Lancey's, £10; compensation to Lancey at Lancey's, £10; tensifer fees, &c., £10; total control of the old position after making the road would be £48. (Cr. Lewis here attended). The matter was referred to the North riding members; with power to acf, on motion of Crs. Sinclair. Clause 5.—Replacing bridge at Ball's, £150; new bridge, £178. The difference in favor of the old position after making the road would be £48. (Cr. Lewis here attended). The matter cave for the old position after making the road would be £48. (Cr. Lewis here attended). The matter cave for the old position after making the road would be £48. (Cr. Lewis here attended). The matter cave for the old position after making the road would be £48. (Cr. Lewis here attended). The matter cave for Contract 231.—Supplying 300 cub. yds. bluestone m. m. on Beaufort and Streatham road, near McIntosh's.—W. B. Madden (accepted), £98 14s; H. F. Watkin, £104 7s 6d; D. Madden, £108 15s; J. Carmichael, £135.

Contract 232.—Twenty chains forming, gravelling, construction of culvert, invert, &c., parish of Beaufort.—H. F. Watkin (accepted), £64; J. Carmichael, £65.

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"Why, yes. You see "I thought we were a York?"
"No: we will stay in in a day or two go on t tains, and then to Sara Humon to New York, little of the country, a trip for you. Would the White Mountains."

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"I'm very glad, as it
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how much you will enj
"Then we shall not r several days?"
"No, not for a week
Royal has ordered a Let me arrange the ta Already a shadow pleasure trip. Sam wo vrite that very night change in their plans. One step taken, the night at 11 o'clock you stickie called at his hotel in Boston. "I'm glad you're up

a little trip out to Johnson to-morrow. correct thing to do wishes to visit some and Miss Johnson drive."
"Very good idea, are so thoughtful for a fresh and charming tains me. We will after breakfast. these letters to the ha to Mademoiselle - B come to our house a. The Judge wishes h thoughtful in the Jud

things are just a little The young man took he would go himself to On his way down to over them There son's handwriting—o her lover. He would office; he would put He walked along streets, looking for two without seeing ting again, but with splendid run through and came through with a fair wind moment the yacht had the steamboat landi Skipper Johnson had and the yacht's pas ashore just in time New York. Arrived "You are sure the "Sure. None here branch offices !"

any of them unless i It was too late to His letters were at telegraph, He four and with trembling uncertain message would not let these h how deeply he was h by 8 o clock the back in town from th spent a sleepless night one. For three ho the streets, waiting f To think Mai was in could not find her ! to the yacht, and for

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"Mai is with a letters here from her His pride was g haid to the young office that he wis Gearing's, for a frien

there.
"Directory on table
How stupid in his big book with ner started up town by Never before had any so slow. He seemed ing Forty-second stre ber on Thirty-nint strange, almost hear not put the numbers counting the doors number, and rang seemed dark and de who opened the door

"No, sir; no such The family? No, th Where are they? Won't be home for to Discouraged, and (All Rights Reserved.)

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OR THE MOANING MEMENTO OF

A SECRET SORROW.

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REPORTS. Ger (Mr E. J. Muntz, B.C.E.).

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ned in petition (about seventy not finish the work, as afterwards

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hedges round Snake Valley,

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ave spread, and before doing so ave instructions from the council.' iss of the unauthorized removal: eaps along the roads have come a during the last twelve months.

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e allowed to lapse. I would be the council would endorse my

ent of a prosecution taking place. spected prosposed new site for

spected prosposed new site for n and also saw Mr Lancey re-outsation required by him. All of, twould recommend that old it. (5). I submit estimate

ed to me for report by North and mbers, with a view of deciding on

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tee -Salaries, £3911s8d;

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98 9d; J. Tompkins, £1 188 3d; £5 18 84; A. Parker, £2 4s;

d to engineer), £2 Is 4d; J. s: J. Tait, £9 6s 8d; R. Ward.

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th Gray and Son, L1 4s; T. is id: E. Ellis, 15s; Marks and;

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.-J. Carmichael, L13 4s; W. B.

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n list ult. Crs. Beggs, Flynu,

thas of road, also cost of bridge,

ation of W. H. Halpin for repairs

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et musible date : that relative to

Athletic Club's request the club be ta charge be made of 10 per cent.

to put the track and grounds in

orts gathering under the super

terred to the engineer for report. - adopted on motion of Crs. Douglas

pursuant to notice, moved,

price for day labor for four

or per day, and, if five horses,

1. 353 per day; the picking cams to be left to the engineer.

moved as an amendment

te tenders be called for the

ng the roads in each riding at

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President, he and Crs. Sloter

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m was made to apply for 12,

the suggestion of Cr. Flynn,

las said he would let his motion

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tary informed the council, that

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ith 13s to come in) being £29.

ng a loss of £16 7s 3d. In the

g, for 61 days, the cost was

East riding (51 days)-Cost,

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st riding (4 days)-Cost, £11

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ir moved, and Cr. Lewis

at the January meeting be

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Cr. Lewis.

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PART 10.

A FASCINATING STORY OF THE SEA.

By Charles Barnard.

CHAPTER VII .- (Continued.)

Unaccustomed to travel, and trusting entirely to her new friends, Mai Johnson paid no special attention to the direction they took. It was enough that she went with the party. A train was in waiting, and she was given a seat in a drawing-room car, and soon was upon the way, as the thought, to New York. The country was wholly new to her and it soon grew dark, and she thought no more about it. The and she thought no more about it. The during was attentive and seemed to like to talk with her. He was exceedingly well-read, and it was a new delight to her to have such cordial relations with a mature and cultivated mind that opened to her such new and pleasant realms of thought. Even the younger man made himself agreeande, and she began to regret that she had treated him with such cool indifference when at the light. She had evidently heen greatly mistaken in her first estimate heen greatly mistaken in her first estimate of him, and she would try to make amends by more kindness to him in the future. In a couple of hours the train pulled past brightly-lighted streets and stopped in a low, gloomy, and rather dirty station.

"What place is this!" "Providence, I think." Providence?"

"Why, yes. You seem surprised."
"I thought we were going direct to New

"No: we will stay in Boston to-night, and in a day or two go on to the White Mounn to New York. I want you to see a h to of the country, and so I planned this tractor you. Would you not like to see the White Mountains?" "Why, yes. I never saw a mountain."

"I'm very glad, as it will give me the pleasure of showing you some wonderful scenery and the added pleasure of sessing now much you will enjoy it." "Then we shall not reach New York for gaveral days?"

No, not for a week or ten days. Ah! Il wai has ordered a little supper for us. Le me arrange the table for you." Aready a shadow had come over her pleasure trip. Sam would get her letter and to New York-and miss her. She would write that very night and tell him of the change in their plans. One step taken, the next is easy. That night at 11 o'clock young Mr. Royal Yard-

stickie called at his mother's room at their hatel in Boston. "I'm glad you're up mother. I've planned

In goal yours up mount of painter and a little trip out to Cambridge for Miss Johnson to morrow. They tell me it is the correct thing to do; and, as the Judge wishes to visit some of the courts, you and I and Miss Johnson might tak a little

these letters to the hall-boy. I've written to Mademoiselle Rochet to be ready to come to our house as soon as we return. The Judge wishes her to make a complete set of robes for Miss Johnson. It's very thoughtful in the Judge. hereaves the college way it might give him a hint of Male and the col things are just a little, a very little, out of

The young man took the letters and said he would go himself to the office with them. On his way down the elevator he turned office; he would put them in a street-box. He walked along the brightly-lighted streets, looking for a mail box. He passed two without seeing them. He was hesiteting again, but with weaker will this time. Never before had the vacht ma e such a spended run through the Sound. The wind heid good, and they passed Execution Light and came through East River to the bay with a fair wind and a swift tide. The moment the yacht had come to anchor off the steamboat landing at Bay Ridge, Skipper Johnson had out a boat, and he and the yacht's passengers were rowed a-hore just in time to catch the boat for New York. Arrived there the skipper took a car for the postoffice. "You are sure there is no letter for me?"

he asked of the sleepy clerk. Sure. None here "There are no other places in town-no

branch offices !" "Lots of 'em; but you wouldn't find it at any of them unless it was so directed. All letters directed 'city' would be here." It was too late to do anything now. Mai had not written here. Why, of course not. His letters were at the light. He must telegraph, He found a telegraph office, and with trembling fingers wrote a vague, uncertain message to his father. With rural ignorance and pride of heart, he would not let these heartless operators see how deeply he was hurt.

by 8 o clock the next morning he was back in town from the boat, where he had spent a sleepless night, asking at the telegraph office for a reply, and there was none. For three hours he wandered about the telegraph office are play, and there was none. For three hours he wandered about the atreet was nor never will be. Let the streets, waiting for word that came not. her go. To think Mai was in this very city and he to the yacht, and found this message from

"Don't know what you mean. Mai is in did not think it advisable to telegraph from Bay Ridge, lest further confusion should arise. He telegraphed this time careless of who might read, and tound the paid it, for he begrudged a single word.
He would wait in town for the answer, and
The steamer was already six of

mentary; he thought, on the speed of the letters here from her."

it came in about five hours,-a bitter com-

started up town by the elevated railroad. Never before had any railroad train seemed so slow. He seemed to be hours in reaching Forty-second street, and then precious minutes were lost in finding the right number on Thirty-ninth street. It was so strange, almost heartless, that people did not put the numbers on their doors where they could be seen. At last, by dint of the seen as father. She had been to Long home to Long who had already begun to love—a home filled with all that heart could wish—a home in New York, with this kind, wise, already dear old man who insisted on being her father. Why should he not be her father? they could be seen. At last, by dint of counting the doors, he found the right number, and rang the ball. The house number, and rang the bell. The house the Light, had abandoned her—had seemed dark and deserted, and the maid written to her since she went away.

silence, he returned to the boat, only find ing a mote calling him back to the city. By 3 o'clock he was in his employer's office on Pearl street. .

"Fact is Johnson, business is booming Must lay the yacht off for the present." It was all arranged in a few moments, checks drawn to pay off the crew and wind up the season afloat. Everything was done on a generous scale, wages paid for a month shead, and tickets provided to take the men to their homes. Skipper Johnson was the last to leave, and it took two days to wind up all accounts and turn the boat and her stores over to a keeper. Every hour seemed a day, and only when he was, at last, on the New London boat bound east did he feel at ease. At least he was going home; that was something.

Recognizing that the delay in reaching

New York would not be long, and that is had been kindly meant for her own pleasure, nan neen kindly meant for her own pleasure, Mai Johnson put away all fears and gave herself up to the enjoyment of the hour. It was a new experience to have everything made so smoom and pleasans. All trouble was saved, it seemed to her. She did not have to think what should be maded for was saved, to seemed the have to think what should be prepared for breakfast, or even to look out of the window to see if it would be a good day for the wash to dry. The homely routine of her life seemed far behind her. Then, too, it was a new experience to receive such ti was a new experience to receive such kindly attention at every step from one so much older and wiser than herself. She began to take great pleasure in the Judge's society. His learning and wide experience stimulated her naturally active mind, and she found herself talking with him with a freedom and confidence that surprised her-self. Everywhere they went they met

With new pleasures offered to her every hour, and constant change of scene, the days flew quickly, and a week had passed before she noted it. Still they were among the mountains, and another week passed before they reached Saratogs. Mrs. Gearing was an industrious letter-writer, and frequently, directing all to Wilson's Holl, knowing that, if Sam had not yet returned, her father would send them to him. By the third week she began to be impatient to get to New York. There must be many letters waiting there for her, and yet she did not like to ask to be taken there. The Judge seemed to be enjoying the trip greatly, and she was unwilling to ask him to

horten it on her account. At last the day came for the trip down the Hudson. It was a beautiful day, and the voyage was a wonder and delight, and yet she envied Mr. Yardstickie, who went on in advance in one of the trains that flew along the shore. At last the boat reached town, and in half an hour the family were

Not a letter there. Skipper Johnson was a changed man. Every one in the village had remarked on his silence, his indifference to the ordinary interest of the sea and shore, since he had come home. The old light-keeper was also changed. He sat long in gloomy silence in his big chair by the door, and the clock called in vain to duty. He even forgot to light the lantern till minutes past the appointed time. Far out on the horizon lay a light-ship. On this the light-keeper observed the delay at Hedgefence, and made a note of it in his log-book. Twice every day young Sam Johnson went to the light-keeper about with other men whom she had every day young Sam Johnson went to the little vertically a provided to the light white bar of mist. Should the

acres thoughtful for the dear child. She's a fresh and charming girl and she enter- a fresh and hardly knew what to make of it. set of robes for Miss Johnson. It's very thoughtful in the Judge, because the girl's sence and silence. He began to read it umn on the first page. On the second page he found something.

"Judge Gearing and wife, with Miss son's handwriting—one to her father, one to the lover. He would not leave them at the cheer he would not leave them at the protege of Judga Guaring and wife, with Miss Johnson is a brotege of Judga Guaring and in the cheer he would not leave them at the protege of Judga Guaring and in the cheer he would not be a second to the cheer he would not be a second to the cheer he would not be a second to the cheer her at the protege of Judga Guaring and wife, with Miss Johnson, who is traveling with them, are at the profile House. protege of Judge Gearing, and is very greatly admired. Mr. Royal Yardstickle is also of the party, and rumor has it. there may be congratulations in a certain direction soon."

Unfamiliar with the peculiar English of such journals, he saw nothing in this except the fact that the Miss Johnson must be Mai, and that she was still at this hotel, bay wherever it might be. He read two columns more and then the paper suddenly r off fell from his nerveless grasp. His head bowed upon his breast in the silence of a broken heart. The little clock ticked loud. ly in the darkening room, for the night was drawing near. After a while the elder

"Among the engagements on the tapis is that of Mr. R. Yardstickle to Miss Johnson, late of Wilson's Holl." "What shall you do, Sam?" The young man with an effort roused himself, but did not look up. "I shall do nothing except go to work.

Work's the only cure. I go a-fishing-temorrow.' Unconsciously this young soul in its trial repeated the saint's words, "I go a fishing."
He look to labor and to the sea—he looked

to duty-for the cure that work and nature

Just at that moment the clock struck, and the old man with a start opened the door and ran up the iron stairs to his duty in the lantern.

The captain of the light ship made an

New York."

New York."

How strangely stupid he had been! He should have telegraphed for her New York address. Back again to the city, for he to the Light-House Board at Washington.
Thus it is a trifle is like a pebble thrown in calm water or a sudden note on still air; careless of who might read, and found the it spreads in a ring-like wave, widening and message would cost nearly two dollars. He widening, till, lost to sight or ear, it breaks haid it for he hammed and advantaged of the sight of ear, it breaks

The steamer was already six days from Queenstown. The Grand Banks were far behind, and the southern corner of Cape Cod lay beyond the horizon to the north telegraph:

"Mai is with a Judge Gearing. No west. Four months had passed since Mai

Tabasen had left the shelter of Hedgefence Johnson had left the shelter of Hedgefence His pride was gone, and he boldly said to the young girl at the telegraph office that he wished to find Judge Gearing's, for a friend of his was staying the world considered good had been between the control of the staying the world considered good had been between upon her—all the advantages of the control of the staying the world considered good had been between upon her—all the advantages of the control of the staying t wealth, travel, beautiful apparel, personal How stupid in him! He searched the case and comfort, and, more strange than

big book with nervous haste, and then all, the love of a man who wished to stand to her as a father. She had been to home

The voyage had been delayed by storms chain.

"No, sir; no such person staying here.
The family? No, they are not at home.
Where are they? White Mountains.
Won't be home for two weeks or more."

Discouraged, and alarmed at Mai's



t under the rim of blue where that p of fog lay like a bar of soft silver chorison. It was a perfect Indian in morning in young November.

Justinen the captain of the steamer passed leistely along the deck, howed politely to her, and remarked pleasantly upon the weather. This was indeed an attention, and she sat up and asked him where the ship mint be. He seemed quite willing to talk to this apparently rich and certainly handenne American, and, drawing a steam handsone American, and, drawing a stray stool tearer her chair, sat down by her We are crossing the Georges Banks. It

is the bank that gives this green color to "The Georges. O, I remember. My-

my bother used to go fishing on the Helsemed somewhat surprised, and she "I once lived on this coast. I suppose we sall look for a Samdy Hook pilot to

morpw. "Ye have been on the lookout for one sinc daylight."
"I remember—I've heard my—I mean I'veheard that they are very enterprising in serching for European steamers, and go as fe east as Montauk, or even farther."
"les, miss, I have "picked them up 400 hunged miles east of Sandy Hook. I am

in hoes we shall sight one soon, before we run ato fog, for otherwise we may not find one ill we are close up to the Highlands."
"Is rather unusual to have fogs this timeof year, is it not?"
"Yell, we look for clear and colder weaper now, but still there are fogs at all time. They are the greatest trouble we

"haven approaching this coast."
"huppose so. You have to run slow."
"b; we usually drive right ahead. It's too epensive to run slow, unless we are very hear the coast or are doubtful of our

"I not there great danger of collision?" "ks—for the other boats; I mean the for failing to support his wife. little horns, and are close upon them so quicky it is often to late to save them.

levery day young Sam Johnson went to the little postoffice for letters, and there were none. Day by day his spirit was bent with grief and indignation. At last it broke—broke under four lines in a newspaper.

The newspaper had come by mail directed in a strange hand. He had opened it carelessly. It was one of those journals whose typography is a mosaic of little para-

While no single paragraph was marked to attract attention, he guessed that in some way it might give him a hint of Mai's absence and silence. He began to read it sthrough systematically, reading every parathrough systematically, reading every paragraph, beginning at the top of the first column on the first page. On the second page it couldnot be. He had surrendered her to the friends without a word or a sign.
And the new friends—this new father—were they not already dear to her?

own fajer.
Thining much of these things, she sat there for some time bathed in the salt, familiarin, we med by the old home-like sun of r youth. She recalled the warm yellow one at the stile where, as a child, she hadat on April days in the warm sun-shine, utching the cratless sea. Thinking much othese things, she did not notice that may people were coming up from the stuffy, t smelling saloous to breathe the pure aid deck, till two women passed her who she had not seen before were clely veiled and were talking in French. One, evidently the maid, helped

was drawing near. After a while the elder man came in, listless, sore at heart, and forgetful of all save the one grief that had invaded the house. He paused in surprise at seeing his son, but, observing the newspaper on the floor he picked it up. There were spots upon it as if wet, and near one stain he read these words:

"Among the engagements on the tapis is that of Mr. R. Yardstickle to Miss Johnson, and the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before Mat saw the Judge animonal of the chair before the chair and wrapped the country of the chair and wrapped the chair of the chair of the chair of the chair and wrapped the chair of the chair of the chair of the chair and wrapped the chair of the chair and wrapped the chair of the chair

approachs.

'He'apming to talk with me again.

What ca I say to him? what can I say?'

"It's sovely morning, Mai, and our little please trip is coming to an end. We shall be home soon and can settle down

To be Continued.)

High Lights. The conpest vase on the mantelpiece never ge knocked off.

There room at the top, but there are

ade and est at the bottom. Laught is like playing a cornet-prot tier to list to than to look at. When a woman wants to improve a man's option of her, she flatters him. One form of conceit is to give your own photograp as a Christmas present.

When kople take their own time, they generally ake other people's time too. A pessi ist won't even admit that to pasco sauc comes up to his expectations. People alk until they are old and then liscover that the way to learn is to listen A woma is a genius who can shop ithout sinding more than she said she would

in an Emergency. "Perlithess," said Meandering Mike, 'pays sontimes, but it don't allus do." "I reske it's jes' as well to start in perlite, as a tla," rejoined Plodding Pete.
"It's like to be a waste o' time. Spos's I steps up) a gentleman an says, 'Mister, would yout me under undyin obligations by India me yer watch?' What would he of Jes' laugh an mebbe hit me. But if I skees a stick in his face on says, 'Yer ticker yer life,' he gives up to once. It can't denied. Dere's times when o've gotteralk oress."

The waxoms men loaf is depressin,
They at sort of restless an queer,
Like somble was keepin them guessin
An fillitheir bein's with fear.
It's comin fur men to keep workin. But it senius you've got to reveal When it has to a question of shirkin An double job up genteel.

An so yoll; excuse me fur speakin With a uch of perfessional pride with a such of perfessional pride Of how t success I was seekin By fortis has not By fortle has not been denied. Let other boast on so light hearted Bout 1 work they've performed, as

they fould.

Doin notify the job that I've started,

AMENDE HONORABLE. They Fixed the Item Aft Right, Ac-

"You had an item this morning in your paper, sir," said the rough looking caller, "about Fletcher McGinnis moving to another part of town." 'Yes, sir," replied the man at the city editor's desk. "I presume we had." "Well, I want it straightened."

"What's wrong about it?" "You congratulated him on getting into a better neighborhood." "Are you Mr. McGinnis?"

"No, sir; I live in the house next door to where he lived. We consider that item, sir, a slur on the neighborhood, and we want something done about it." "That item," said the editor, inspecting it, "was brought in by one of

morrow morning." Accordingly the next issue of The Daily Circumstance contained the following:

the reporters. We'll fix it all right to-

"Yesterday morning, in noting the removal of Mr. Fletcher McGinnis from Mulligrubb square to Dicker avenue, we congratulated him on getting into a better neighborhood. We wish now to congratulate him on getting away from Mulligrubb square alive."—Chicago

Old Memories Revived.



Weary-Ah, sir, dat reminds me ob fader wot's dead. Amateur Cornet Player-So he was musician, eh? Weary—Not exactly, sir; he was a fish peddler.

The Mother-in-law In Court. This didn't happen in Georgia, but it "happened," just the same: "My mother-in-law is the cause of

all my troubles," said the prisoner when arraigned before the magistrate "You should have courted you mother-in-law," said the judge, "and then you would not have any trouble.

I courted my mother-in-law," contin-

ned the court. "I thought as much, yer honor, said the prisoner. "Ye look as if ye'd been through the mill!"-Atlanta Constitution.

Sympathetic.

"Remember," said the amiable friend, "you may say something you'll be sorry for." "I've already said it," replied the big fisted man, who was getting red in the face. "I just mentioned the name of Bill Jones, didn't I?"

"Well, I'm sorry for Bill, and if you'll come along and see what's going to happen to him you will understand why.

Nothing New. "Pooh!" remarks Mrs. Knowtall contemptuously. "They are making a great how-de-do about this new autotruck. What is there new about it? Didn't a man named Holmes write a story called the 'Autotruck of the Breakfast Table' years ago? I should like to

know!" Wonder Whyt Yeast-You know Penman, the wri-

Crimsonbeak-Oh. vest "Well, he told me that germs often live in books.' "They wouldn't live very long in any of his books."—Yonkers Statesman.

Rivals. Young Bride-I didn't accept Tom the first time he proposed. Miss Ryval (slightly envious)know you didn't.

Young Bride-How do you know? Miss Ryval-You weren't there. Boston Traveler.

Wise Woman. Yeast-Did you say your wife al-

ways knows how to use her head in an emergency? Crimsonbeak-Yes; she always takes off her hat in the theater.—Yonkers

Statesman. Perhaps Because He Was Lying Down Weary Watkins-This here paper

says prosperity is advancing by leaps and bounds Hungry Higgins—It must have jump

ed clean over me. - Indianapolis Jour In Chicago.

Ella-Fred says he loves the very ground I walk on. Stella-He'd love you enough if he loved simply the ground you stand on. -St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A Call Down. Burglar Bill (to pal)—You're a kid, see! En yer gettin too fresh. Why, before yer were born I served ten years. -New York World.

What to him was love or hope? What to him was joy or care? He stepped on a piece of slippery soap.
The girl had left on the topmost stair.

His feet flew up and out in space; He struck on the stairs a time or two The girl looked up with a grin on her face But that was about the last she know. Oh, he limped away when all was o'er! She had served as a quenton there below. They gathered the girl up from the floor, And she'll be out in a week or so.

All Well Enough In Its Place. "Don't misunderstand me," said Me andering Mike. "I sin't down on

"You don't seem to have much affection for it," replied Plodding Pete. "Yes, I have. Work is a good t'ing. If it wasn't for work, how would all dese people git money to give us?"-Stray Stories.

Carcers Open to an English Lord. Lord Stonybroke-It's time, Clarence, that you were thinking about a career, Dutiful Son-I will be guided by you, father. Shall I go into the church, study for the bar, onter the army or marry an douched with cold water the cold water the bar, onter the army or marry an water should be poured from a jug for pounds of chocolate." heiress!--Odds and Ends

HEALTH NOTES.

By DR. ANDREW WILSON F. R. S. E.

ABOUT SUNSTROKES.

In the extremely hot weather

summer, and particularly at

time of the year which has popularly designated the days," the accident known as anstroke is extremely liable to hapen. Possibly this name "sunstrone" may be regarded as a misnoger. Medical men are given to us the word "heatstroke" in its place and they are more than justified a so doing, because it is not necessary that a person who suffers from this disease should be exposed disctly to the blazing rays of the suil It may be interesting at the outlet of our consideration of this very practical subject, to note some effects regarding the influence of heat on the body at large. We know that the natural heat or temperature of our of extreme depression, and when the vital forces are low, the bodily heat fails. A good example of this is seen in the case of a starving man. When the temperature falls to a certain point death may be expected to occur. On the other hand when our temperature rises, we then get symptoms of fever. It is a case nere of the body stoking its podily fires quickly, and indeed this may be said to be the very essence of fever regarded as a symptom of disease. In fever the temperature may vary from 101 to 102, or even reach 105 degrees. This last should, of course, indicate a very delicate state of the patient.

HEAT EXPERIMENTS.

It is well known that the human body can withstand a very high degree of heat, always provided it is of a dry order. If, on the other hand, the atmosphere be moist, we should succumb at a very much lower temperature than is likely in the case of a dry atmosphere. The reason for this difference is very diffuse. The perspiration which is, of course, perpetually thrown out on the surface of the skin, is much increased if exposed to a high degree of dry heat But the fluid which is perpetually being thrown out on our skin surface in itself forms a protection, part a certain coolness. No doubt boats over the beach. This lagoon up in the daylight she looked like a and by its evaporation serves to imthe evaporation from the lungs also is one of the valuable pearl-shell lahelps to keep the temperature of the goons and is sought every year by body in a high dry heat within sale dwellers on Tahiti and other islands limits. On referring to certain ex- of the south seas to fish for pearls. threepence more, missis! I thought periments I find that a temperature of 210 degrees was withstood for 20 The French Government which owns we would get at things a bit better minutes. During eight minutes an the atoll, has forbidden the use of when she telescoped out." experimenter exposed himself to a diving suits, because it is feared that Chantrey, the sculptor, was accus- structive to the pearl shells; so the tomed to pass into a dry oven, the heat of which was 350 degrees. Long ago a certain man styled himself the "Fire King" suffered tem- artificial help. peratures varying from 400 to 600 legrees. On the other hand, in fishing they set out from their island the skin perspiration is naturally the atoll. Most of the natives bring falls south of the equator is only checked or abolished, much lower degrees of heat are found to be insup with them. Many bring even their portable. An experimenter could not houses. This is not so difficult an stay in a vapour bath, the temperature of which had risen from 106 to

five minutes.

VARIETIES OF THE AILMENT.

The proof that the direct rays of sunstroke or heatstroke is found in shell before he dives. This is perhaps not a dangerous surface. form of the accident, except when it occurs in weakly persons, and especially those who suffer from any ailment of the heart. In a more serious form, which is generally known under the popular name of sunstroke ptoms are present, but in a much more intensified form. Faintness comes on with nausea, or a tendency asked the magistrate. to vomit, and the person becomes unconscious, falls to the ground, the the coasive reply. face being very much flushed. In ments, of the body may be brought about. In a third form certain comhealth appears to be disturbed for turned he laughed derisively. some time before the seizure. It is probable that in this latter variety of the ailment much more serious

THE TREATMENT.

vous system.

conditions are represented in the net-

temperature as possible. The head his eye. and upper part of the body should This time everybody laughed be raised, all tight clothing removed cept the magistrate. from the neck and chest, the tongue pulled forward, and the head and neck bathed with cold water. It will be wise for the patient after recova cool darkened room. In the more one anywhere to-night, and I told young men of Norway are jubliant typical cases of heatstroke the same in I wasn't, the mean thing said: over this victory, but the young wotreatment must be observed—that is where the patient has been suddenly struck down. He should be moved into a cool place, all ctothing removed, and the neck, chest and spine tyewriter supplies?" douched with cold water. The cool k

held high above the body so as to ! give it a certain force when it reaches the body. Placing the patient under a pump may serve equally The duties devolving upon Ambassawell. If the case is a more severe dors have undergone considerable one and recovery does not follow change in course of time. Formerly this treatment, it will be necessary they were expected to fill the office to strip the body, envelope it in of spies where they were stationed, sheets wetted with cold water while obtaining confidential information at a mustard poultice should be applied no matter what cost, and generally to the nape of the neck. It is often speaking, acting the part of enimies a question in cases of sunstroke under the most smiling of exteriors. whether it is needful to give any But in modern times Ambassadors stimulant, Some authorities are have a much simpler task-the proagainst administering stimulants al- tection of their own national intertogether. I think the other rule is ests and the promotion of the most that of holding that, whilst stimu- friendly relations with the Soverlants are not needful in simple cases, eigns to whom they are accredited. yet a little brandy diluted with In other words, Ambassadors while water may be safely given where re- preserving the most staunch loyalty covery is long delayed. It is more towards their own countries, should needful here than in the other and act the part of peacemakers.

some time in a darkened room. SOME OTHER HINTS.

I should like to add a single word here regarding the necessity of treat- concealed his opinion that France grees of Fahrenheit scale. In cases line in medical assistance if water and England, owing to their proximitation of categories of the cases properly, and of calculations of categories of the cases properly, and of calculations of categories of the cases properly, and of calculations of categories of the cases of th sary for the relief of the patient. I mercial bonds, are meant to be daresay my readers have frequently friends, not enemies; he has never heard the expression that a man's ceased in his efforts, since his apcurfous conduct is due to his having pointment as Ambassador to London had a sunstroke in India or else to bring the two countries into more where. That there is some truth in friendly relations.—" Pall Mall Magthis remark I do not think any med- azine. ical man doubts. We can readily understand that the brain must necessarily be affected by this ailment if it is present in a severe character. The necessity for prompt treatment il therefore very obvious, in order that such effects if possible may be averted. When I add that the real cause of sunstroke is the effect of heat upon certain nervous centres, tickets. On coming to a third-class probably situated about the nape of compartment one of them found an the neck, and that from these cen- old Irishwoman, with apparently tres the brain itself may be in turn three children. The woman gave up affected, we can readily understand one full and three half-tickets. how effects of a lasting character way be liable to be produced .- "The the collector looking suspiciously at Weekly Telegraph."

DIVING FOR PEARLS.

Far out in the South Pacific Ocean her to stand up a minute." where white men rarely are seen, there lies a little coral atoll known Molly, an' if the gintleman would as Hikueru atoll. It is different loike to look at your teeth, let 'im. from most atolls for it is a solid ring of coral, and the lagoon inside style on the seat, commenced to unof it can be entered only by dragging limber herself, and as she towered diving is done in the ancient south sea way, by men and boys and women who go down without the aid of

When the time comes for the pearl about four miles. 120. The same man, however, cas- from light cocoanut palms and pan- esting to remember that English ily withstood a temperature of 230 danus leaves. They are built up in railways are three times as costly degrees in a dry air for the space of sections so they are easy to take a- as those of America. part and transport. Most of tha diving is done in water from 60 to 70 feet deep. The sea is so clear in Sweden the artillery was not conthe atoll that the diver can study sidered a part of the Swedish army ; the bottom perfectly with a water- inen serving in it were not soldiers,

the sun are not necessary to produce glass and locate the best clumps of but were regarded as mechanics: the fact that persons are liable to be When the diver is ready to go down Charles XII. gave artillery officers a affected by this accident, if so we he slips into the water over the side rank, and regularly organised the term it, who have not suffered any of the boat, and holding to the gun- artillery into companies. such exposure. For example it may wale with one hand, he looks downoccur in soldiers who march heavily ward through the water-telescope. The moment he sights a good lot of may also occur in the holds of ships shells he begins to breathe deeply, and among workmen who are engag- flated as far as it can be, and then ed in occupations where a high de- exhaling it slowly through the mouth gree of ordinary heat is present. It so that it makes a whistling sound. has been noted that there are two if Having thus cleaned out his lungs, The simplest of these might simply of the gunwale instantly and sinks rival Berlin firm offered a cheaper be termed exhaustion from heat. below the surface, feet foremost. From one cause or another, when ex- Touching bottom, quickly he puts

posed to a high temperature, which the shells into a little net of cocoaagain may not involve direct expos- nut fibre, which he carries over his practically his prison from ten ure to the sun's rays, a person may shoulder. Then he stands erect and o'clock at night till six in the mornbe overcome with faintness, may immediately he shoots towards the ing. The Austrian capital is a city collapse and lose consciousness. In surface as if he were pulled by a of flats and at ten o'clock each night such a case we find the skin pale, rope. So swiftly does he ascend the entrance door of each block is cold and damp. The pulse is usually that he frequently seems to leap out locked. Anyone passing in or out of a quick, but not a fatal nature. of the water when he reaches the lafter that time must pay the con-

"RETALIATION."

An Irish witness was being examwe find that all the foregoing sym- ined as to his knowledge of a shooting affair. "Did you see the shot fired?

"That evidence is not satisfact- is that Vienna is the earliest to bed some other cases convulsive move- ory," replied the magnetrate sternly, capital in Europe. 'stand down."

The witness proceeded to leave the plications ensue, and the general box, and directly his back was providing that in future any woman The magistrate, indignant at this sent to the proper authorities a contempt of court, called him back, certificate showing that she is skil-

laugh in Court. our?" queried the offender. In a simple case of heatstroke all the irate reply.

Cholly again as long as I live." Ingenue: "Why not?"

morning !

THE DUTIES OF AMBASSABORS.

simple case that the patient should Now I think the word peacemaker enjoy absolute rest, and that he is exactly the one which M. Paul should go to bed and remain for Cambon would prize the most if it were applied to sum up his attitude on the English side of the Channel. And certainly no man can desire a greater title to fame. He has never

BIDDY AND THE TICKET COL-LECTOR.

A Great Northern train from Liverpool pulled up at Beeston, and several collectors were taking the

"How old's that girl?" asked a young lady. "Shure, an' she's on the nigh side

of tun years." "Ten years?" repeated the collector, "and another ten too. Tell

"Shure yer 'anner, she's tall," persisted the dame; "but stand up The girl who was sitting tailor

her, and remarked, drily. "I'll trouble you for five and

CENERAL INFORMATION.

The utmost distance from cloud to earth crossed by a lightning flash is

average amount of rain which

Every inch of railway line in Eng-

Until the time of Charles XII. of the officers had no army rank.

During a recent case in the Paris courts between the partners of a corset firm, the defence revealed that one of the branches of their manufacture was men's corsets. It was shown that 18,000 corsets were made yearly for Frenchmen, and 8,000 were shipped to England, principally not three conditions which are de he takes a long breath, filling his for Army officers. German officers scribed under the name of heatstroke chest with air, and then he lets go also created quite a demand till a

article.

In Vienna every man's house is clerge a fine, the amount of which is twopence up to midnight, and fourpence from then till six in the morning. Going out to post a letter aiter ten o'clock entails the payment of two fines, one for being let out, and another for being let in, while prolonging a visit to a friend's house after ten o'clock would also involve two fines, the first that one might quit his house, the second "No, sorr, I only heard it," was that one might enter one's own. The result of this irritating taxing

A Law has been passed in Norway who wishes to get married must preand asked him how he dared to led in the arts of cooking, sewing, knitting and embroidering. There Did you see me laugh, your hon- has been for some time an agitation in Norway, the object of which was "No sir, but I heard you," was to secure the passage of a law prohibiting those persons who were in that is necessary to be done is to "That evidence is not satisfac- any way physically defective from move the patient into as cool a tory," said Pat, with a twinkle in marrying and ordaining that marriage should only be allowed to take place between persons who could show diplomas of sound health. Many objections, however, were Soubrette: "I'll never speak to raised against such a law, and as a substitute the edict requiring women to be skilled in the household "He asked me if I were going to arts has just been passed. The no such certificates are to be required from men which shall prove that gent: "Sir, do you need any they are able to support their wives. For this reason they consider that Terchant: "Yes; send me about the new edict is unfair, and many will agree with them, - 1383.

respectful, if not considerate, and his ques-tions while put with such art as to keep the

"Byrd, you look dazed." Hickory paused till they were well clear

of the crowd that was pouring from the court room; thon he said:
"Well, what do you think of this as a

defence?"
"I am beginning to think it is good,"
was the slow, almost hesitating reply.
"Beginning to think?"
"Yes. At first it seemed puerile. I had
such a steadfast belief in Mansell's guilt, I could not give much credit to any argumen tanding to shake me loose from my convic-tions. But the longer I think of it the more vividly I remember the difficulties of the road he had to take in his flight." Hickory's face assumed a somewhat quiz-

zical expression.
"Byrd," said he, "whom were you looking at during the time Mr. Orcutt was

making his speech?"
"At the speaker, of course." " Rah !

"Whom were you looking at?"
"At the person who would be likely to give me some return for my pains."
"The prisoner?"

"Whom, then?"

" Miss Dare. Byrd shifted uneasily to the other side of his companion.

"And what did you discover from her,

Hickory?" he asked. Hickory?" he asked.
"Two things. First, that she knew no more than the rest of us what the defence was going to be. Secondly, that she regarded it as a piece of great eleverness on the part of Orcutt, but that she didn't better the part of Orcutt, but that she didn't better them. lieve it any more—well, any more than I do. Miss Dare is a smart woman and a resolute one, and could have baffled the penetration of all concerned if she had only remembered to try. But she was too eager herself to hear what he had to say to remember her role, I fancy."

"But. I don't see—" began Byrd.

"Wait," interrupted the other. "You believe Miss Dare loves Craik Mansell?" "Most certainly," was the gloom

response.
"Very well, then. If she had known what the defence was going to be she would have been acutely alive to the effect it was going to have upon the jury, But no; her gaze, like yours, remained fixed upon Mr. Oreutt, and she scarcely breathed or stirred till be had fully revealed what his argumen was going to be. Then—"
"Well, then?"

"Instead of flashing with the joy of relief which any devoted woman would experience who sees in this argument a proof of her lover's innocence, she merely dropped her eyes and resumed her old mask of impassiveness."
"From all of which you gather---"

"That the knowledge she possesses is of a character which laughs to scorn any such subterfuge of defence as Orcutt ad-

"Hickory, what is your secret thought in relation to Miss Dare!'

"My secret thought? Well," drawled the other, looking away, "I think she knows more about this crime than she has not choose to receal." yet chosen to reveal."
"More than she cvinced to-day in her testimony?

"I should like to know why you think so. What special reasons have you for drawing any such conclusions?"
"Well, if her knowledge of the crime was

limited to what she acknowledged in her testimony, why did n't she grasp at the possibility of her lover's innocence, which was held out to her by his counsel? No facts which she had testified to, not even the fact of his ring having been found on the scene of murder, could stand before the proof that he left the region of Mrs. Clemmens' house before the moment of assault; but she gave no tokens of being surprised by it into a reconsideration of h sions, as must have happened if she told the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, when she was on the stand to-day. "I see," remarked Byrd, "that you are presuming to understand Miss Dare after ill."

Hickory smiled. "You call this woman a mystery," proceeded Byrd; "hint at great possibilities of acting on her part, and yet in a moment, as were, profess yourself the reader of he nmost thoughts, and the interpreter cooks and expressions she has manifestly as numed to hide those thoughts."

Hickory's smile broadened into a laugh

"Just so," he cried. "One's imbecility as to stop somewhere I haven't a sing ket at my command that isn't shared by fou. My conclusions are different, that isn't shared by the s "Hickory, what do you propose to

with your conclusions?" "I propose to wait and see if Mr. Orcutt proves his case. If he does, I think I hall call the attention of Mr. Ferris to me question he has omitted to ask Miss

"And what is that?" "Where she was on the morning of Mrs. Clemmens' murder."

"Not that I think anything will come of it, only my conscience will be set at rest."
"Hickory,"—Byrd's face had quite altered now—" where do you think Miss Dare was at that time?"

"Where do I think she was?" repeated Hickory. "Well, I will tell you. I think the was not in Professor Darling's observatory,"
"Do you think she was in the glade back

of Widow Clemmens' house?" 'Now you ask me conundrums." " Hickory!" Byrd spoke almost violently,
" Mr. Orcutt shall not prove his case."

"I will make the run over the ground and show that it can be done in the time

Hickory's eye, which had taken a rapid survey of his companion's form during the atterance of the above, darkened, then he You couldn't." he rejoined laconically.

"Too little staying power; you'd give out before you got clear of the woods. Better lelegate the job to me."
"To you?"
"Yes. I am no novice at athletic sports." of any kind. More than one race has owner ts interest to the efforts of your humble

Hickory, you are chaffing me. "Think so? Do you see that five-barred rate over there? Well, now keep your eye on the top rail and see if I clear it without

a graze or not."
"Stop!" exclaimed Mr. Byrd, "don't make a fool of yourself in the public street.
I'll believe you if you say you understand such thing."
"Well, I do, and what is more, I'm an

adept at them. If I can't make than run in the time requisite to show that Mansell could have committed the murder, and yet arrive at the station the moment he did, I don't know of a chap who can." " Hickory, do you mean to say you will

"With a conscientious effort to prov

that Orcutt's scheme of defence is false? "When ?"

' To-morrow.' " While we are in court?"

" Yes. Byrd turned square around, gave Hickory a look and offered his hand.
"You are a good fellow," he declared. "May luck go with you." Hickory suddenly

Hickory thoughtful. "A little while ago," he reflected, " this fellow's sympathies were all with Mansell; now he would risk my limbs and neck to have the man proved guilty. He does not wish Miss Dare to be questioned again, I

"Hickory," resumed Byrd, a few moments

upon this one point without being very sure led its being unassailable."
"I know that." "He has had more than one expert make that run during the weeks that have elapsed since the murder. It has been tested to the

uttermost."
"I know that." "If you succeed then in doing what none of these others have, it must be by dint of a better understanding of the route you have to take and the difficulties you will have to overcome. Now, do you understand the

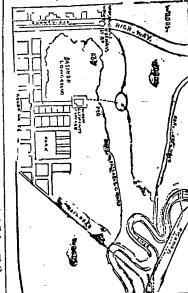
route? "I think so." "You will have to start from the widow's loor, you know?" "Certain."

"Cross the bog, enter the woods, skirt the hut—but I won't go into details. The best way to prove you know exactly what you have to do is to see if you can describe the route yourself. Come into my office, old fellow, and let us come into my office, old fellow, yourself. Come into my other, and let us see if you can give me a suffi-ciently exact account of the ground you will have to pass over, for me to draw up a chart An hour spent with paper and pencil to-night may save you from an uncertainty to-morrow that would lose you a good ten "(food! that's an idea; let's try it," re

joined Hickory.
And being by this time at the hotel, they went in. In another moment they were went in. In another moment they were shut up in Mr. Byrd's room, with a large sheet of foolscap before them.

"Now," cried Horace, taking up a pencil, "begin with your description, and I will

follow with my drawing.'



"Very well," replied Hickory, setting himself forward in a way to watch his colleague's pencil. "I leave the widow's house by the dining-room door—a square for the house, Byrd, well down in the left-hand concern of the pencer was deated line for corner of the paper, and a dotted line for the path I take, -run down the yard to the fence, leap it, cross the bog, and make straight for the woods."

straight for the woods.
"Very good," commented Byrd, sketching rapidly as the other spoke.
"Having taken care to enter where the trees are thinnest, I find a path along which I rush in a bee-line till I come to the glade—an ellipse for the glade, Byrd, with a dot in it for the lut. Merely stopping to dash into the hut and out again—

"Bag?"
"Yes; Mansell carried a bag, didn't he? Don't you remember what the station-master said about the curious station-master said about in his hand station-master portmanteau the fellow had in his hand when he came to the station !"

" Very well, then; I rush into the hut,

pick up the bag, carry it out, and dash im-mediately into the woods at the opening bohind the hut—What are you doing "Just putting in a few landmarks," explained Byrd, who had run his pencil off in an opposite direction. "See, that is the path to West Side which I followed in my first expedition through the woods—the path, too, which Miss Dare took when she came to the hut at the time of the fearful thunderstorm. And wait, let me put in Professor Darling's house, too, and ridge from which you can see Mrs. Clemmens' cottage. It will help us to under-

What?" cried Hickory, with quick suspiciousness, as the other paused.
But Byrd, impatiently shaking his head,

answerea:
"The whole situation, of course." Then, pointing hastily back to the hut, exclaimed: "So you have entered the woods again at this place? Very well; what

Well, then," resumed Hickory, "I make my way along the path I find thererun it at right angles to the one leading up to the glade—till I come to a stony up to the giade—till I come to a stony ledge covered with blackberry bushes. (A very cleverly drawn blackberry patch that, Byrd.) Here I fear I shall have to pause."
"Why?"
"Because, deuce take me if I can remember where

ber where the path runs after that."
"But I can. A big hemlock tree stands "But I can. A big hemiock tree stands just at the point where the woods open again. Make for that and you will be all right,"
"Good enough; but it's mighty rough travelling over that leage, and i shall have

to go at a foot's pace. The stones are slippery as glass, and a fall would scarcely be conducive to the final snecess of my

"I will make the path serpentine." "That will be highly expressive."

'And now, what next? "The Foresters' Road, Byrd, upon which I ought to come about this time. Run it due east and west—not that I have surveyed the ground, but it looks more natural so—and let the dotted line traverse it toward the right, for that is the direction in which I shall go."

"It's done," said Byrd.

"Well, description fails me now. All I

Lcome out on a hillside running straight down to the river bank and that the highway is visible beyond, leading directly to the station ; but the way to get to

"I will show you," interposed Byrd, mapping out the station and the intervening river with a few quick strokes of his dexterous pencil. "You see this point where you issue from the woods? Very good; it is, as you say, on a hillside overlooking the river. Well, it seems unfortunate, but there is no way of crossing that river at this point. The falls above and below-make it no place for boats, and you will have to go back along its banks for some little distance before you come to a bridge But there is no use in hesitating or looking about for a shorter path. The woods just here are encumbered with a mass of tangled undergrowth which make them simply impassable except as you keep in the road, while the river curves so frequently and with so much abruptness—see, I will endeavor to give you some notion of it heredeavor to give you some notion of it heredeavor to give you some notion of it.

that you would only waste time in attempting to make any short cuts. But, once over the bridge "I have only to foot it," burst in Hickory taking up the sketch which the other I now completed, and glancing at it with a

dubious eye, "Do you know, Byrd," he remarked in another moment, "that it strikes me Mansell did not take this roundabout road to the station?" Because it is so roundabout, and he is

Couldn't he such a clear headed fellow. have got there by some shorter cut?" "No. Don't you remember how Mr. Oroutt cross-examined the station-master about the appearance which Mansell prelater. "Orgutt has not rested the defence sented when he came upon the platforn

now that person was forced to acknowthat, although the prisoner looked
deand exhausted, his clothes were
er muddled nor torn? Now, I did
hink of it at the time but this nothink of it at the time, but this was donsby Orcutt to prove that Mansell did takishe road I have jotted down here, sinosany other would have carried him through swamps knee-deep with mud, or amogst stones and briers which would have thim in a state of disorder totally unfulng him for travel.

"that is so," acquiesced Hickory, after a melent's thought. "Mansell must be kepth the path. Well, well, we will see to my form that is a wift foot can make the most form the morning of the murder, and the fact that he saw her and conversed with her and could swear to her being alive and unhurt up to a few minutes before noon. To be sure the pracise min-

murder, and the fact that he saw her and conversed with her and could swear to her being alive and unburt up to a few minutes before noon. To be sure, the precise min-ute of his leaving her in this condition Mr. row if wit and a swift foot can make g out of this problem."

t? Hickory, it will be wit and not Orcutt failed to gather from the witness, of court failed to gather from the witches, the suc-foot. Or luck, maybe I should call but, like the coroner at the inquest, he suc-ther providence. If a waggon should there providence, I fa waggon should the providence of the tramp at the widow's kitchen pearance of the tramp at the wido

it, or 1sther providence. If a waggon should be going along the highway, now "" Id me alone for availing myself of it," laughed Hickory. "Waggon! I would jump on the lack of a mule sooner than loose the chance of gaining a minute on these experts whose estimony we are to hear to-morrow. Don't less confidence in old Hickory yet. He's the boy for this job if he isn't for any sther." I

the matter was settled. CHAPTER XXXI.

HIEF WITNESS FOR THE DEPENCE. The crowd that congregated at the court house the next morning was even greater than at any previous time. The opening speech of Mr. Orcutt had been telegraphed all over the country, and many who had not

than at any previous time. The opening speech of Mr. Orcutt had been telegraphed all over the country, and many who had not been specially interested in the case before felt an anxiety to hear how he would substantiate the defence he had so boldly and confidently put forward.

To the general eye, however, the appearance of the court-room was much the same as on the previous day. Only to the close observer was it evident that the countenances of the several actors in this exciting drama wore a different expression. Mr. Byrd, who by dint of the most energetic effort had succeeded in procuring his old scat, was one of these, and as he noted the significant change, wished that Hickory had been at his side to note it with him.

The first he observed was, naturally, the Judge.

Live of the country, and many who had not afford to let such an opportunity for reaching it is alip by, opened his cross-examination with great vigor.

The result could not but be favorable to the defence and damaging to the prosecution. The position which Mr. Hildreth must occupy if the prisoner was acquitted, was patent to all understandings, making deach and every admission on his part tending to exculpate the latter, of a manifest force and significance.

Mr. Ferris, however, was careful not to exceed his duty or press his inquiries beyond the bounds. The man they were trying was not Gouverneur Hildreth but Craik Mansell, and to press the witness too close, it was to urge him into admissions seemingly so damaging to himself as, in the present so damaging to himself as, in the present so have been but heads.

Judge Evans, who has been but barely introduced to the reader, was a man of great moral force and discretion. He had occupied his present position for many years, and possessed not only the confidence but the affections of those who came within the sphere of his jurisdiction. The reason for this undoubtedly lay in his sympathetic nature. While never accused of weakness, he so unmistakably retained the feeling heart under the official ermine that it was by no means an uncommon thing for him to show more emotion in uttering a sentence than the man he condemned did in listening to it.

state of affairs, to incur the risk of distracting attention entirely from the prisoner.

Mr. Hiddreth's examination being at an end, Mr. Oroutt proceeded with his case, by furnishing proof calculated to fix the most at which Mr. Hildreth had made his call. This was done in much the same way as it was at the inquest. Mrs. Clemmens' he was at the inquest. Mrs. Clemmens' the theter two children, the testimony of the three, taken with Mr. Hildreth's own acknowledgments, making it very evident to all who listened that he could not have gone into Mrs. Clemmens' house before a quarter to twelve.

was written the extent of the effect made upon the unprejudiced mind by the promised

As for Mr. Orcutt himself, no advocate could display a more confident air or pre-pare to introduce his witnesses with more dignity or quiet assurance. His self-possession was so marked, indeed, that Mr. session was so marked, indeed, that Mr.
Byrd, who felt a sympathetic interest in
what he knew to be seething in this man's
breast, was greatly surprised, and surveyed,
with a feeling almost akin to awe, the lawyer who could so sink all personal considerstions in the cause he was trying.

extent of her inner excitement.

The prisoner alone remained unchanged.

Nothing could shake his steady soul from its composure, not the possibility of death or the prospect of release. He was absolutely imposing it. his quiet presence, and Mr. Byrd could not but admire the power of the man even while recoiling from his supposed

bleeding and insensible at the foot of her dining-room clock, fixed at three or four ninutes past noon. The next point to be scertained was when she received the

And here the great surprise of the défence occurred. Mr. Orcutt rose, and in clear, irm tones said: "Gouverneur Hildreth, take the stand."

Instantly, and before the witness could omply, Mr. Ferris was on his feet.
"Who? what?" he cried.
"Gouverneur Hildreth," replied Mr. Or-

cutt.
"Did you know this gentleman has already been in custody from suspicion of having committed the crime for which the prisoner is now being tried?" "I do," returned Mr. Orcutt, with im-

perturable sang froid. "And is it your intention to save your client from the gallows by putting the halter around the neck of the man you now propose to call as a witness?"
"No," retorted Mr. Orcutt; "I do not ropose to put the halter about any man's eck. That is the proud privilege of my

learned and respected opponent."
With an impatient frown Mr. Ferris sat down, while Mr. Hildreth, who had taken advantage of this short passage of arms between the lawyers to retain his the remote corner where he was more or less shielded from the curiosity of the crowd, rose, and, with a slow and painful ovement that a once attracted attention to his carefully bandaged throat and the general air of debility which surrounded iim, came hesitatingly forward and took his

Stand in face of the judge and jury.

Necessarily a low murmur greeted him from the throng of interested spoctators. who saw in this appearance before them of the man who, by no more than a hair's-breadth, had escaped occupying the position of the prisoner, another of those dramatic incidents with which this trial seemed fairly

to bristle.
It was hushed by one look from the judge, but not before it had awakened in Mr. Hildreth's weak and sensitive nature those old emotions of shame and rage whose token was a flush so deep and profuse it unconsciously repelled the gaze of all who beheld it Immediately Mr Byrd, who sat with bated breath, as it were, so intense was his excitement over the unexpected turn of affairs, recognized the full meaning of the situation, and awarded to M of the situation, and awarded to Mr. Orcuit all the admiration which his skill in bringing it about undoubtedly deserved. Indeed, as the detective's quick glance flashed first at the witness, cringing in his old unfortunate way before the gaze of the crowd, and then at the presence sitting unmoved and quietly

prisons sitting unmoved and quietly disdanful in his dignity and pride, he felt that, whether Mr. Orcutt succeeded in getting all he wished from his witness the hiere conjunction of these two men be for the jury, with the opportunity for com parkon between them which it inevitably offeed, was the master-stroke of this emine

lawer's legal career.
Ir. Ferris seemed to feel the significance of the moment also, for his eyes fell and his braw contracted with a sudden doubt that convinced Mr. Byrd that, mentally, he was on the point of giving up his case.

The witness was at once sworp.
"Orcutt believes Hildreth to be the mu drer, or, at least, is willing that others sould be impressed with this belief," was the comment of Byrd to himself at this He had surprised a look which had passed

hetween the lawyer and Miss Dare—a look if such piercing sarcasm and scornful enquiry that it might well arrest the detective's attention and, lead him to question the intentions of the man who scaled "Do you know, Byrd," he tive's attention and lead nun to question moment. "that it intentions of the man who could allow such intentions of the man who could allow such an expression of his feelings to escape him.

But whether the detective was correct in his inferences, or whether Mr. Orcutt's glance at Imogene meant no more than the natural emotion of a man who suddenly sees revealed to the woman he loves the face of him for whose welfare she has expressed the "Did you say that in passing over he highway you ran!" "Yes, sir."
"Why did you do this? Had younot been told that the prisoner was seen to be walking when he came down the root to 'Yes, sir. But I was in for time, you "And you did not make it even with hat

again. It was a prospect from which

"But that's five minutes' gain on the

"And fifteen I cannot make, nor

either, unless a pair of wings should

Here there was some commotion in

advantage of the bustle to lean over

whisper in Byrd's ear:
"Do you know I think I
been watched to-day. There was
low concealed in Mrs. Clemmens'

who saw me leave it, and who, I have

doubt, took express note of the ties started. And there was another chap ling

ing round the station at the quarries, I am almost sure had no business

unless it was to see at what mom arrived. He came back to Sibley w

"The deuce!" he murmured, with

at Byrd to which none but an artist puld

(To be Continued.)

PECK'S BAD BOY

HIS PA TAKES A TRICK.

turned out of prayer meeting Wednehay night?" asked the grocer of the badyoy, as he came over after some cantelpes

for breakfast, and plugged a couple trees

if they were ripe.

"He wasn't turned out of prayer neting at all. The people all went alay and pa and me was the last ones out of

the church. But pa was mad, and ch'

Has your pa become a backslider?
"O, no, his flag is still there.

"Well, what seemed to be the troule?

something seems to go wrong. You're

when we got ready to go to prayer met-ing last night, pa told me to go up sirs

and get him a handkerchief, and to cop

a little perfumery on it, and put it in the

tail-pocket of his black-coat. I did it,

and I thought it was the same as ay

afore I put the handkerchief in ja'

pocket, I noticed a pack of cards out

stand that pa used to play hi lo jack ith

ma evenings when he was so ba he couldn't go down town, and I wraped

the handkerchief around the pad

cards and put them in his pocket

don't know what made me do it, an pa

don't either, I guess, 'cause he toldma

this morning I was possessed of a dvil.

Well, I must go home with these mens,

"But hold on," says the grocery

as he gave the boy some raisins with worms in, that he couldn't sell, to eep

him, "what about the prayer meeng,

to bear. Pa knowed it was him the had

to go to bat, and he got up and sad he felt it was good to be there. He aid he didn't feel that he was a full-sized hrist.

but by a firm resolve he kept hileye set

on the future, and if he was territed to

do wrong he said, "Get thee bend me, Satan." He said he was tha ful to them for all they had done for hn, and

was going to say heaven, but his es be-gan to leak, and he pulled out hi hand-

kerchief, and the cards went flyg into

everybody's lap. Pa didn't see hat he

had done, cause he had the handerchief

over his eyes, but when he Smied the rum he took it away. The minier dis-

missed the prayer meeting and vispered

to pa, and everybody went outsolding

and pa would run his. I don't low how

it is going to turn out, but pa s he is

their noses on account of pa's and when pa came home he what he should do to be saved.

going to stick to the church

Old Lady-" My dear, do you !

you are fit to become a min

Engaged Niece (from the West)

deed. I don't mind being talk

all. I've got the energy of a

and the hide of a rhimoseros."

hoped to meet them in-. I so

avside

feared he should falter by the

or they won't keep."

you know?"

Rum, and I put on a whole lot.

as he came over after

vou forget it."

"What is it I hear about your pa bing

to the witness stand.

vicinity, owing to the withdrawal of the last witness from the stand. Hickory ook

" I know it."

" Sure!"

"Walking." Here Mr. Orcutt interposed.

"No, sir."
The second expert had the same stor to tell, with a few variations. He had hade one of his runs in five minutes less than the other had done, but it was by a great dertion that left him completely exhauted when he arrived at the station. It was during his cross-examination that Hiclery at last came in loor, as it had been begun after the disappearance of the Danton children from the pearance of the Manton thindren from the front of the widow's house.

This fact being established and impressed upon the jury, Mr. Orcutt/with admirable judgment cut short his own examination of the witness, and passed him over to the at last came in.
Horace Byrd, who had been groving District Attorney, with a grim smile, sug-gestive of his late taunt, that to this gentlehappened to be looking at the door whe it opened to admit this late comer. So was Mr. Orcutt. But Byrd did not notice his, or Hickory either. If they had, penaps

man belonged the special privilege of weaving halters for the necks of unhappy Hickory would have been more careful Mr. Ferris, who understood his advisary's hide his feelings. As it was, he no squer met his colleague's eye than he gave a spick, despondent shake of the head in intimition tactics only too well, but who in his anxiety for the truth could not despondent shake of the head in intimotor that he had failed.

Mr. Byrd, who had anticipate a different result, was great disappinted. His countenance fell and he past a glance of compassion at Miss Iure, now flushing with a secret but slowly growing hope. The defence, then, was good, and she ran the risk of being interrogated

Byrd recoiled.

As soon as Hickory got the chang, he made his way to the side of Byrd.

"No go," was his low but expressive salutation. "One hundred and five minutes is the shortest time in which I can get byer the ground, and that by a deuced and scramble of it too." Judge Evans, who has been but barely state of affairs, to incur the risk of distractperts," Byrd whispered.
"Is it? Hope I could gain someting on them, but what's five minutes' gain it as affair like this? Fifteen is what's wanti."

given me to carry me over the river."

ing to it.

His expression, then, upon this momentous morning was of great significance to Mr. Byrd. In its hopefulness and cheer

Mr. Byrd. In its hopefulness and cheer his interview with Mrs. Clemmens, the moment at which the witness swore to hav-ing seen her alive and unburt must have ing seen her alive and unburt must have been as late as ten minutes before noon.

Taking pains to impress this time upon the jury, Mr. Orcutt next proceeded to fix the moment at which the prisoner arrived at Montieth Quarry Station. As the fact of his having arrived in time to take the afternoon train to Buffalo had been already proved by the prosecution, it was manifestly necessary only to determine at what how the train was due, and whether it had

arrived. He came back to Sibley win I did, but he telegraphed first, and it i my opinion that Orcutt—"

Here he was greatly startled by he ing his name spoken in a loud and commaning tone of voice. Stopping short, he glaced up, encountered the eye of Mr. Orcutt yed upon him from the other side of the curtroom, and realized he was being summed to the witness stand. hour the train was due, and whether it had come in on time. The hour was ascertained, by direct consultation with the road's time-table, to be sultation with the road's time-table, to be just twenty minutes past one, and the station master, having been called to the stand, gave it as his best kniowledge and belief that the train had been on time.

This, however, not being deemed explicit enough for the nursuses of the defence

This, however, not being deemed explicit enough for the purposes of the defence, there was submitted to the jury a telegram bearing the date of that same day, and distinctly stating that the train was on time. This was testified to by the conductor of the train was reach by the conductor of the train having been sent by him to the super-"Byrd, if I run that fellow to his death it must be fairly. A man with an awkward bag in his hand cannot run like a man without one. So I handicap myself in the same way he did, do you see?"

"Yes"

"The opening of the defence carried the minds of many back to the inquest. The nice question of time was gone into, and the nice question of time was found the nice question of time defence carried the nice at Monteith; and was received as evidence and was considered as conclusive, fixing the hour at which the prisoner are nice question of time was found the nice at the nice question of time was found the nice question of time was found th

tes past one.

This settled, witnesses were called to testify as to the nature of the path by which he must have travelled from the widow's house to the station. A chart similar to that Mr. Byrd had drawn, but more explicit and nice in its details, was submitted to the jury by an actual surveyor of the ground; after which, and the establishment of other minor details not necessible. sary to enumerate here, a man of known proficiency in running and other athletic sports, was summoned to the stand. Mr. Byrd, who, up to this moment, had shared in the interest every where displayed in the defence, now felt his attention wandering. The fact is, he had heard the whistle of the train on which Hickory had promised to return to Sibley, and interest-

ng as was the testimony given by the witness, he could not prevent his eyes from continually turning toward the door by which he expected Hickory to enter.

Strange to say, Mr. Orcutt seemed to take a like interest in that same door, and was more than once detected by Byrd flashing a hurried glance in its direction, as if

too, were on the look-out for some one. Meantime the expert in running was saying:
"It took me one hundred and twenty minutes to go over the ground the first time, and one hundred and fifteen the next. I gained five minutes the second time, you see," he explained, "by knowing my ground better and by saving my strength where it was of no avail to attempt great speed. The last time I made the effort, however, I lost three minutes former time. The wood road on my former time. The wood road which I had to take for some distance was deep in mud, and my feet sank with every

step. The shortest time, then, which I was able to make in three attempts o make in three attempts was one hundred and fifteen minutes. Now, as the time between the striking of he fatal blow and the hour at which the prisoner arrived at the Quarry Station was only ninety minutes, a general murmur of satisfaction followed this announcement. It was only momentary, however, for Mr. Ferris, rising to cross-examine the witness, curiosity prevailed over the lesser emotions, and an immediate silence followed without the intervention of the Court.
"Did you make these three runs from

mens' house to Monteith Quarry Mrs. Clen Station entirely on foot?" "Was that necessary?" "Yes, air; as far as the highway, at least. The path through the woods is no wide enough for a horse, unless it be for that short distance where the Foresters

ian yet, but he was getting in its work the best he could. He said that t times everything looked dark to him and he Road intervenes." "And you ran there?" "Yes, sir, twice at full speed; the third time I had the experience I have told

"And how long do you think it took you to go over that especial portion of ground?" "Five minutes, maybe."

"And, supposing you had had a horse?"
"And, supposing you had had a horse, and if he had been waiting there, all ready for me to jump on his back, and if he had been good runner and used to the road, I think I could have gone over it in two minutes, if I had not first broken my neck on some of the jagged stones that roughen the road."

"In other words, you could have saved three minutes if you had been furnished

"Yes, if."

The deaking of the door at this particular juncture, ow looked hark at the mitract and the deakin had better run his quarter. ith a horse at that particular spot?" ipon the door at this particular juncture, ow looked back at the witness and hurriedly rose to his feet.

"Has my esteemed friend any testimony on hand to prove that the prisoner had a horse at this place? if he has not, I object

to these questions."

"What testimony I have to produce will come in at its proper time," retorted Mr. Ferris. "Meanwhile, I think I have a right him for whose welfare sha has expressed the greatest concern, and for whose sake, while unknown, she has consented to make the The Judge soquiescing with a nod Mr. heaviest of aggrifices, the wary lawyer was Orgutt mat down

A HORSE-TRADE.

Mr. Ferris went on:
"Did you meet any one on the road diring any of these three runs which you mad?" The following story was told to a cleri ing any of these three runs which you made;
"No, sir. That is, I met no one in the
woods. There were one or two persons of
the highway the last time I ran over it."
"Were they riding or walking?" cal friend by a countryman named Dinny

"Good morning, Dinny; where did you get the horse?"
"Well, I'll tell your reverence. Some time ago I went to the fair of Ross, not with this horse, but another horse. Well, sorra a wan said to me, 'Dinny, do you come from the aist, or do you come from the wesht? and when I left the fair there wasn't one to say, 'Dinny, are you going to the aist, or are you going to the wesht? Well, your reverence, I rode home, and was near Kilnagross, when I met a man riding along the road forninst me.

Good evening, friend,' sez he "' Good evening, friend,' sez I.
"'Were you at the fair of Ross?' sez he "'I was,' sez I.
"'Did you sell?' sez he.

"' Would you sell?" sez he "Would you buy?' sez I. " Would you make a clane swop?" sez he, 'horse, bridle, and saddle, and all?" sez he. Done!' sez I.

"'No,' sez I.

"Well, your reverence, 1 got down oft av me horse, not this horse, but the other horse, and the man got down off av his horse, that's this horse, not the other horse, and we swopped and rode away. But when he had gone about twenty yards, he turned round and called after me. "'There niver was a man from Ross, sez he, 'but could put his finger in the eye av a man from Kilnagross, sez he; and that horse,' sez he, 'that I swopped with you,' sez he, 'is blind av an eye,' sez he.
"Well, then, your reverence,' I turned

upon him, and I called out to him: "'There never was a man from Kilna-gross,' sez I, 'but could put his two fingers in both the eyes av a man from Ross,' sez I, 'and that horse that I swopped with you,' sez I, 'is blind av both his eyes,' sez I."

WHAT IS A GENTLEMAN? What is a gentleman? Is it a thing Decked with a scarf-pin, a chain and a

ring— Dressed in a suit of immaculate style, Sorting an eyeglass, a lisp, and a smile; Talking of races, of concerts, and balls, Evening assemblies, and afternoon calls, Sunning himself at "at homes" and

bazaars, Whistling mazurkas, and smoking cigars. What is a gentleman? Say, is it one Boasting of conquests and deeds he has One who unblushingly glories to speak Things which should call up a flush to his

cheek?
One, who, while railing at actions unjust, Robs some young heart of its pureness and trust—
Scorns to steal money, or jewels, or wealth,
Thinks it no wrong to take honour by
stealth?

What is a gentleman? Is it not one Knowing instinctively what he should shun, Speaking no word that could injure or pain, Spreading no scandal, and deep'ning no One who knows how to put each at his

ease,
Striving, successfully, always to please—
One who can tell by a glance at your cheek
When to be silent and when he should speak? What is a gentleman? Is it not on

Walking in uprightness, fearing his God, Leaving no stain on the path he has trod Caring not whether his coat may be old, Prizing sincerity far above gold, Recking not whether his hand may be Stretching it boldly to grasp its reward? What is a gentleman? Say, is it birth Makes a man noble or adds to his worth?

Is there a family tree to be had

Honestly eating the bread he has won,

shady enough to conceal what is bad? Seek out the man who Nothing to tremble at, nothing to hide, Be he a noble, or be he in trade, He is the gentleman Nature has made.

THE COLONEL'S TARANTULA.

"I'm a telling you," said the colonel, as he removed his broad-brimmed hat to push his fingers through his hair-" I'm a telling you that the tarantula of Texas is no slouch. He's just about the wickedest, ugliest, dog-goned critter that was set up on crooked legs, and the man who says he isn't afraid of 'em is a liar from east to west, and I know it! While their but I guess I got hold of the wrong bitle of fumery. There was a label on he fumery bottle that said "Jamaica Rin," pizen is no worse than a rattlesnake's, the idea of being keeled over by such a horrid-looking critter half kills you to

start with." Were you ever bitten, colonel?" "Never, but I got it worse than being bitten. Dog-gone my buttons, but when I think of it I lose a foot in length and get a mouth as dry as last year's cotton."

"Well, what was it? "Well, one night last summer I camped down after a hard day's ride, and slept the sleep of the just. When I opened my eyes in the morning I was on the broad of my back, head well up on the saddle, and the blanket pulled up to my chin. Right on my breast was one of the biggest, ugliest tarantulas ever produced He was evidently waiting for me to wake up, for as soon as I opened my eyes he

took a walk."
"Walked away, eh?" "O, I like to forget. Well, pa an me went to prayer meeting, and ma ame along afterwards with a deakin. W sat "No, sir! He walked upwards and in a pew at the prayer meeting, not to ma and the deakin, and there was is of pions folked a saunter up my cheek and inspected my hat, stopping every now and then as if he had found a good place to sting. In two singers had got out on first base, p was on deck, and the preacher said they would like to hear from the minutes I was sweating like a horse after a ten mile gallop, and I was even too scared to pray. I know I tried to and minutes I was sweating like a horse after a ten mile gallop, and I was even too scared to pray. I know I tried to and minutes I was sweating like a horse after a ten mile gallop, and I was even too scared to pray. pious folks all round there. After the of the Texas stock law in place of the vert, who was trying to walk in the strait and narrow way, but who found it so hard, owing to the many crosses had

Lord's prayer."
"And the tarantula finally left?" "Yes, sorter finally. It was along about 10 o'clock, I believe. Meanwhile he was promenading up and down and enjoying the sunshine and sizing me up. I kept my eyes shut most of the time, but I could be the control of the time. trace his movements by the sense of feeling. About 9 o'clock a second spider put in an appearance and begged the honour of kniting me, but my old friend objected, and they had a lively set-to on mystomach. The newcomer was knocked out in the third round and went off for repairs."
"And you didn't spring up and dash

the tarantula aside?" Did you ever spring out of the way of a bullet, young man? I couldn't have gathered myself before he'd a popped it to me full figures. No, sir. I jus thar, and waited for him to get tired and go. He finally went, but I couldn't say how far, and I hadn't moved a finger when a couple of cow-boys rode up. jumped clear of the blanket and told my story, but they wouldn't believe it." They wouldn't."

"No, sir; but while I was shooting one of them the other lifted my blanket, and that blamed tarantula, who was hidden away, stung his hand and he died in an hour. Had to have an inquest and bury both of 'em at my own expense, and ost five days' time."

Mollie Corwin, of Shelbyville, Indiana, has just married her ninth husband, called Cu-sack; six of her former ones are still alive. It takes nine tailors to make a man, but now this woman requires nine husbands before talo bull

IN PARIS.

The Café Molineau is where A dainty little minx Serves God and man as best she can By serving meats and drinks. Oh, such an air the creature has,

And such a pretty face! l took delight one autumn night In hanging round the place.

knew but very little French (I have not long been here), But, when she spoke, her meaning broke

Full sweetly on my ear. Then too, she seemed to understand Whatever I'd to sav, Though most I knew was "oony poo," "Bong zhoor,', and " see voo play."

The female wit is always quick, And of all womankind Tis here in France that you, perchance, The keenest wits shall find; And here you'll find that subtle gift-

That rare, instinctive touch-(Combined with grace of form and face) That glads men overmuch. Our girls at home." I mused aloud,

Lack either that or this-They don't combine the arts divine, As does the Gallic miss. Far be it from me to malign Our belles across the sea, And yet I'll swear none can compare With this ideal She!"

And then I praised her dainty foot In very awful French. And parleyvood in guileful mood Until the saucy wench Tossed back her haughty auburn head

And froze me with disdain-'There are no flies on me," said she, "For I come from Bangor, Maine."

MORE THAN THEY BARGAINED FOR.

One day a celebrated naturalist entered the shop of the late Charles Jamrach, the well-known collector of animals and said-" Now, Jamrach, about the muscular powers of the boa-constrictor-I suspect it has been exaggerated."

"Not a bit, sir," said the collector. taking a very fine specimen out of a

"He seems very lazy and sleepy,"

said the professor; "I don't think he could exert himself in this climate if he Jamrach smiled and wound him gently ound the professor's body.

"I thought so, Jamrach," he said; "I feel nothing." But presently he shouted out, "Take him off, Jamrach! Take him off man: he's strangling me!" so Jamrach just caught hold of the boa's tail and unwound him off the professor, ring by

When he had got his breath again the professor admitted there was more "latent muscularity" about the creature

than he had suspected. "Now, sir," said Jamrach afterwards, that boa was half asleep and stupid, for he had just swallowed two rabbits. six guinea-pigs, and 13 pounds of raw If he'd been fasting, it's my belief he'd have swallowed the professor himself bodily, for he was a small gentieman."

Upon another occasion, a quiet family bought a wild beast, warranted to be a quiet and manageable pet-perhaps a sloth or a tapir.

Some days after, Mr. Jamrach, examining his books, perceived that the item tapir or sloth, or whatever the animal may have been, was not entered with proper regularity in the ledger and day bookwas, indeed, mixed up with some other entry. Suspecting something wrong, Mr.

Jamrach called a hansom and drove at once, to the suburban residence of his customer. His ring was not answered; but, at length, the cook, pale and trembling,

appeared behind the area railings. "For Heaven's sake, Mr. Jamrach," she cried, "save us from that awful wild beast. Master and mistress couldn't stand it any longer and have gone to the seaside, and the housemaid and I daren't leave the kitchen, for fear of being

eaten. At that moment a very fine and very hungry puma---the fiercest, perhaps, among all the carnivora-put his head out of the drawing-room window. The mistake was a clerk's-the wrong

beast had been sent home.

THE BABY EARNS THE LIVING.

In most avocations men succeed better than women, but this does not hold true in the profession of begging. Women make more successful beggars than men because they appeal more forceably to the sympathy of the public. What can be more fetching than the sad and hagard face of a supposed-to-be starving woman holding in her arms a weak, helpless, innocent baby.

Yes, the baby is the key that unlocks the hearts and purses, and sends the coins rattling into the tin cup. The beggar-man is handicapped by his sex. He cannot employ the strongest of all drawing cards, a baby. And so, while the beggar-woman woos and wins fortune with only a sorry face and a little bundle of ragged clothes, through which the public may discern the wan face of a baby, the beggar-man must, if he would become a strong competitor for business, go to the expense of purchasing a handorgan, or something equally attractive.

Furthermore he must placard himself in a manner to excite the sympathy of the public. The fact that he is blind or crippled, or deaf and dumb, must be heralded to the world.

A young man, to escape the conscripion, donned female attire, and has been working at Vienna as maid of all work. He gave autiefaction in all the cituations necause he did not encuurage followers. A Russian soldier is more heavily burdened than any other. A foot soldier in the arms of the Casa carries over sixty

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compliments of the season, and

The Federal Electi GRAMPIANS ELECTOR

MR T. SKENE'S CANDIDA Mr Thos. Skene, who is a blection as the representative Grampians constituency in the Representatives, addressed a lectors, including a number of the Societies' Hall, Beaufort, or day night, and met with a ve reception. He was most listened to, and frequently The chair was occupied by Cr. President of Riponshire, who, ducing Mr Skene, said he was v to see so many ladies present. there to hear Mr Skene give a of his stewardship in the House sentatives, and he asked them t a fair and impartial hearing. of his address, to any questions Skene would give them a straigh Mr Skene said it was two since he appeared before them their spffrages for the first Fed ment of Australia, and that the him the honor of returning him representative for the Gran honor, he assured them, which much' appreciated. That I would not have expired under circumstances till may next, imperative under the consti half of the members to go be constituencies, and if the Ho

of extravagance levelled ago Rederal Parliament. Seeing ladies here reminded him that had the right to exercise the fra the first time, and that very pended on the way they exercise was said that candid confession the soul, so he would tell t through no fault of his that received the franchise, as he But he felt sure the ladies w him credit for being hone convictions, and would forget misdeeds, if so they might When he appeared here before were not known to him except public utterances, and he had which he would follow. Sin Barton's Maitland programm him to be very reasonable fitted for the circumstances, and one of the six was a freetrade that the other five more or he under protective policies, it that Sir George Reid's attempt

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quoted a list, showing an average ng narcotics and stimulants, cent., and without them, of 23 Would anyone say he consider noderate duties for protective p Mr H. M. Stuart having answere Mr Skene said well he could not hat, because 15 to 23 was a big st duties being higher than he there was nothing for him to nest man but to cross the flat Heuse. (Cheers.) His oppone Ritchie, a friend of his, acco press reports, had said that he Parliament as a Barton had finished up by sitti leader of the Oppositi Was under no obligation to ti of the Government, and had not s leader of the Opposition, simply shifted his seat to assist in about a moderate tariff, and that done. The present tariff wa moderate. There were a fe which were certainly high and sto acrescences, but these few high d not a sufficient reason to interfere tariff. He had written and told S. Reid when he undertook his can N.S.W. with the object of re-ope fariff that he would be no par When the clause in the constitution the Braddon blot, under w States received one-fourth of the and three-fourths went to de ommonwealth expenditure, came a seven years, there would have te-arrangement, and it was time e consider it then, unless a propo-from Mr. Chamberlain or son nglish statesman for preferent with the Empire. Both parti then be willing to re-open the maist in that scheme. When that

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Cr. Douglas apologised for the absence of his colleagues, Crs. O'Shaughnessy and that the trouble would not have administered in clause preventing them as being accredited unionists, and thought the interpretation of the season, and the council rose.

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The Federal Elections.

GRAMPIANS ELECTORATE.

MY T. SKENES CANDIDATUES.

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VILL hold their THIRD SALE on THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER, AT 2 P.M. We have much pleasure in notifying the Regidents of the Surrounding District of Beaufort that we purpose holding: MONTHLY SALES OF STOOK at the above-mentioned yards. All who intend forwarding stock will please potify us.

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MENDERS WIM DE, received many Energy and including the process of Tuesday, 5th January next, for the supply of Forage at the various Police and other Stations in Victoria from the let March, 1904, to the 28th February, 1905. Tender forms and full details as published in the current issues of the Government Gazette may be obtained at the stations concerned or from the Secretary, Tender

Board, Melbourne,
Tenders, enclosed in an envelope, marked
"Tender for Forage," must be addressed to
the Chairman of the Tender Board, Treasury,

W. H. IRVINE, Treasury, Melhourne, 24th November, 1903.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

Electoral Division of Grampians.

HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that the following gentlemen having been NOMI-NATED to contest the Election for the

ampians Division, namely:—
ALBERT ANDREWS, PATRICK WILLIAM MCRATH, ARCHIBALD RITCHIE, THOMAS SKENE,

THOMAS SKENE.
The said Election will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of December, 1903, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., at the undermentioned Polling Places in the Ripon District of the said Division, namely:—
Shire Hall, Beaufort;
Unused State School, Raglan;
State School, Waterloo;
Unused State School, Stockyard Hill;
Court House, Skinton:

Court House, Skipton;
Mr. A. McCook's premises, Chepstowe,
Dated this 10th day of December, 1903,
JAS, A. BARRY,
Divisional Returning Officer.

VICTORIAN RAILWAYS.

Christmas and New Year Excursions. Holiday excursion tickets will be issued to and from all stations (suburban excepted), from 12th December till 2nd January (both days inclusive, Sundays excepted), available for return for one calendar month from date of issue. The journey must be commenced on the date the ticket is issued, and may be broken. (See posters.) R. G. KENT, Secretary.

B. COCHRAN takes this opportunity of B. COCHRAN takes this opportunity of J. wishing everyone a Merry Xmas, and a lappy New Year; also to thank his numerous customers for past patronage, and wishing for a continuance of same. A large assortment of XMAS, and NEW YEAR CARDS to choose from. TOYS and other Kmas, Novelties too numerous to mention. Note the Address—Next door to Messrs, J. R. Wotherspoon & Co. TMPOUNDED AT BEAUFORT.-Red and I white bull; hay mare, like A21 (conjoined) over figure 9 near shoulder; by filly foal, progeny of above. If not claimed and expenses paid, to be sold 6th January, 1904.—W. G. STEVENS, Poundkeeper.

Beaufort District Volunteer Fire Brigade.

GENERAL MEETING of members an A intending members will be held in the SHIRE HALL, BEAUFORT, on FRIDAY Evening, 18th inst., at 8 o'clock.
D. D. CAMERON, Hon. Secy.

Public Notice.

DARTON QUARTE COMPANY, No Lia-D bility Beaufort.—Notice.—The first GENBRAL MEETING of the Company and of the Shareholders therein is hereby convened to be holden on Wednesday, 23rd December, 1903, at 2 o'clock p.m., at Mechanics Institute, Beaufort

Business:
To receive Reports and Financial Statements.
To elect two Directors for twelve months,
and three for six months.
To elect two Auditors for six months. J. A. CHALK, Manager.

LANGI-KAL-KAL. SALE BY AUCTION, on SATURDAY, the 19th DECEMBER, 1903, at 2 o'clock, at NICKOLS' AUCTION ROOMS, Neill Street, BEAUFORT, FREEHOLD FARM LAND.

W. EDWARD NICKOLS is instructed by M. Mr. Philip McRrvate, to submit to Public Auction, all that piece of Land, being Crown allotments 11 and 12, of section D, in the parish of Langi-kai-kal, county of Ripon, activing 40s.

containing 40s., or thereabouts.

The land is enclosed with post, rail, and wire fence; abundance of grass, and a never-failing supply of water.

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BEAUFORT ATHLETIC CLUB'S Grand ATHLETIC SPORTS MEETING. To be held in the BEAUFORT PARK, on BOXING DAY, DECEMBER 26th, 1903

218 ENTRIES RECEIVED.

£85 IN PRIZES.

Beaufort Sheffield Handicap run under Victorian Athletic League, and a lague handicapper appointed. Bioycle Races run apart from L.V.W.

Two-mile Bicycle Race, £20.—lst, £15; 2nd, £4; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.

One-mile Bicycle Race, £14.—lst, £9; 2nd, £4; third, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s.

Half-mile Flutter, £10.—lst, £6; 2nd, £3; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s.

One-mile District Bicycle Race (20 miles radins), £6.—lst, £4; 2nd, £1 10s; 3rd, 10s.

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Beaufort Sheffield Handicap, 130yds., £20.—1st, £15; 2nd, £4; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.

Firemen's Alarm and Rush, 130yds., £1 10s.—lst, £1; 2nd, 10s. Nomination, 1s. Six entries or no race.

Handicap Weod-chopping Contest (18-inch logs), £7.—lst, £5; 2nd, £2. Nomination, 1s; acceptance, 1s.

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ENTRIES for the above events CLOSE
on TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1993.
Open Walking Match, £1 tos and 10s; Girls'
Handicap Walking Match, £1 and £s; District
Miners' Race, £1 10s and 10s; Siamese Race,
10s. All postentry.
Programmes and Entry Forms on application.
Admission to Ground, 1s; children, Half-price. In the Evening a Grand Dramatic Entertain-ment will be held in the Societies' Hall. The

H. PARKER, Secretary. BEWLEY PRIVATE HOSPITAL

NURSE GLASS BEGS to intimate that she has OPENED a PRIVATE HOSPITAL in McGibbons Street, Ararat.
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"RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE." Notice to Advertisers,

W. H. HALPIN begs to notify the public cased to be Agent for Lorimer & Baird, and also wishes the public to understand that he was not the means of them coming here.

W. H. H. also gives notice that he will hold MONTHLY SALES in connection with DIXON BROS. at their Yards, BEAUFORT. The FIRST SALE will be held during JANUARY. DIXON BROS. solicit the patronage of the public in their new undertaking. Sales of Land, Stock, Furniture, etc., conducted at lowest rates.

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was perfectly astounding. Clements Tonio relieved my headaches very quickly, and I fet so bright and happy under its influence that I ceased fretting

perfectly free from my former com-plaints, and I am pleased to speak in praise of the medicine which rescued me when all other physics had failed. Others may benefit by my experience, so you may publish these statements as you like."

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, FLORBNCE PRICE, of 627 Chapel-street, South farra, in the State of Victoria, do solemnly and sin-erely declare that I have carefully read the annexed locument, consisting of two follos and consecutively

document, consisting of two folios and consecutively numbered from one to two, and that it contains and is a true and faithful account of my illness and cure by Clements Tonle, and also contains my full per mission te publish in any manner my statements—which I give voluntarily, and without receiving any payment; and I make this soleum declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true; and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Parliament of Victoria rendering persons making a false declaration punishable for wilful and corrupt perjury.

Declared at South Yarra, in the State of Victoria this fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundre and one, before me,

and one, before me,

J. H. CLOUGH, J.P.

A Justice of the Peace in and for the Centre

Buillwick of the State of Victoria.

Railway Time-Table.

train will also maye Ballarat and interven

ing stations to Stawell on Tuesday, Thursdays and Saturdays at 5.15 p.m.,

Burrumbeet at 6.9, Trawalla at 6.35,

Creek at 7.30, and Buangor at 7.42. The

morning mixed train from Stawell to Bal-

larat has been put on again, and is timed to leave the district stations

every week day as follows:—Bunn-gor, 7.48; Middle Creek, 8; Beau-fort, 8.37 (arriving here at 8.27); Tra-

walls, 8.50; Burrumbeet, 9.16.

Beaufortat 7 (arriving bere at 6.50), Midne

Kainer Price

The following are the handicaps for the above Club's Boxing Day Sports, to be run in the Beaufort Park. Acceptances positively close with the Secretary (Mr. H. Parker), at 8 p.m. on Monday next, 14th Decr., 1903. Competitors who have not sent colors are requested to do so when notifying acceptance.

Two-MILE, ONE-MILE, AND HALF-MILE BIOTOLE RACES, for prizes of £20, £14, and £10 respectively. Acceptances—Two-mile, 2s.;

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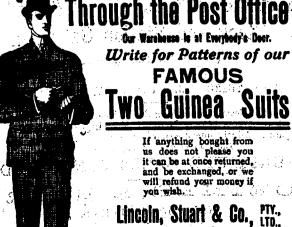
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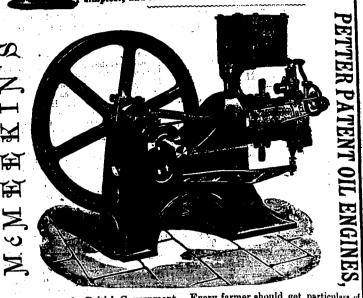
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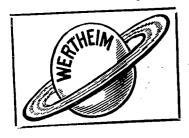
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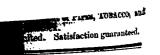
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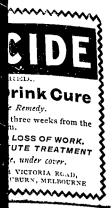


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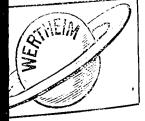
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In April to the Hunt she jogs, Quite gaily going to the dogs. In May she shows her form at golf, To mash the caddy and the toff. In June she thinks it quite a lark To sit and watch the "men of mark. In July on the mimic stage, As Juliet she loves to rage. In August dull to cheer her gloom, She'll watch spring bonnets bul and bloom. In Soft September days she ought To have a racket in the court. October sees her knock them all, Belle beautiful at the Lord Mayor's ball. In swift November at the course, lier fancy turns to thoughts of horse. December brings her sweetest joys— She's Santa Claus to troops of boys!

MOONLIGHT.

We wandered along by the seashore,
And she was queen of the night,
Her eyes were like stars in their splendour,
Love shone in the depths of their light.
The moon rose o'er mountain and valley,
And flooded the midsummer air;
Our love was as deep as the occan,
The world never seemed half so fair.

We whispered again the old story, We whispered again the old story,
Told by peasant and gay cavalier;
The story that never grows older—
The story we all love to hear.
I told her I loved her sincerely,
She vowed to be constant and true,
In my heart rang a wild peal of joybells,
"Twas Heavenly music I knew.

We heard the soft rippling of wavelets,
So tenderly kissing the shore;
The stars were all kissing each other,
Such kissing was ne'er seen before.
The moonlight was kissing the water,
Soft breezes were kissing the tide,
So I followed all nature's example,
And kissed the sweet girl by my side.

I gave her a kiss for her sister,
I gave her a few for her friend,
And for fear her mamma should feel slighted
A dozen to her I did send.
But the maiden objected to take them,
I said, "Darling, now don't look so black,
You may just keep the first kiss I gave you,"
Then I took all the other ones back,
MARTIN WILLIAMS.

"How am I, is it yer attnet said Flannagan. "I'm ez usy purty bad, savin' me health beir dlin', but what's the use o' good health to a man iv he ain't got the luck to injy it?" Flannagan was shored up against the shady side of the pub., where the smell of beer came up from the cellar, and he looked even more than commonly glum. "Me luck's dead agin me this blessed day. Twice is it I've heen axed in for a taste of dthrink, an' both times the superintindent was forninst me at the moment. But that's nothin'; I'm growin' used to ut. Niver since I intered the foorce hev I had annythin' but bad luck, an' dooced little good luck did I have before. A devilish bit o' bad luck happened to me on the very first day o' me life." "Why, what was that, Flannagan?" "That was bein' born!" said Flannagan, sadly. "Look at the luck I had wid the Mowbray case. Cud ye think of a worse chanst iv fortune fer a young conshtable wid his way to make in the world? Yez didn't hear iv it. Well, 'twas like this—I'd bin in the foorce about ten munts widout a chanst iv distinguishin' mesilf, an' I was burnin' anxious to do it, but nothin' iver happened along my way, barrin' a dthrunk woman who scratched me nose or a bit iv a bye cot cribbin' apples. Then one night I was tuck had an' Milrow was nut

convinced the firm that Ledger was responsible for all the irregularities that came to light, and is still a highly-respected commercial gen-

and is still a highly-respected commercial gentleman.

The night was wet, windy and wintry, and naturally Constable Flannagan, being on night "juty," would be found on the sheltered side to it he bakery, leaning up against the bricks where the heat from the ovens came. "Good night, Flannagan! Do you know there's a drunk and disorderly creating no end of a disturbance up the street there?" "I do not," said Flannagan wearily, "an' no man what said Flannagan wearily, "an' no man what won't come here disturbin' me. Ah, 'tis a sorry life, a policeman's, full iv throubles an' thim thribbylations an' things. 'Tis bad luck thim thribbylations an' things. 'Tis bad luck the day an' cold an' hunger an' thirst be night. Mentionin' which may be remindin' you that you have the dthrop iv whisky in the left had breast pocket iv your throusers. No? That shows if it ain't thrue what I'm sayin' about me bad luck. Look, on'y the other night I was sthrolin' along in th' dar-rk mindin round the cor-rner, an' bangs fain into me ar-rms. "Tis all up!" sez he. "Tis that,' I sez, hearin' a crowd how'in' behind. "Here's me gowld watch an' chain,' sez he, "if ye'll let me knock ye down an' make me islicape.'

They had lately secured the services of a new chum Irishman named Glynn on the farm next to Tobin's, and that Irishman did not amuse the Tobins in the least because of a belief they had that he was responsible for a belief they had that he was responsible for a sudden falling off in their poultry supply. They had no proof of Glynn's guilt beyond to the fact that the disappearance of the poultry and the appearance of Glynn were "synony-s and the appearance of Glynn were "synony-s and the appearance of Glynn were "synony-s and the appearance of Glynn tramping across day Tobin came upon Glynn tramping across the paddock carrying a gun on one shoulder and a long string of dead tame ducks over and a long string of dead tame ducks over the other. "Here, you, Irish!" said Tobin, the other. "Here, you, Irish!" said Tobin, welkim," said Glynn. Tobin looked at them. Welkim," said Glynn. Tobin looked at them. Welkim," said Glynn. Tobin looked them. Welkim, are my ducks, every one of them! What the devil do your birds mane be walk in' along right forninst me gun just whin I'm in' along right forninst me gun just whin I'm Tobin, "by the Lord Harry, I'll make you to the to those ducks!" "Tush, I don't want have 'em," replied Glynn. "There was an extraordinary wedding in a small Victorian township one afternoon a few

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tadh't a cent. left to pay the patson, and when he'd lost all his money he played for his boots, and then he played for his hat, and he went on playing for his other things and taking drinks in the intervals, till he hadn't a rag of his wedding suit left, and then he played for the bride, and lost her, too; and then situation, according to the young gentleman who had just arrived with a hectic flush and a touch of the blind staggers, narrowed down to the fact that he had scooped the whole wedding,' bride included, in a fair gamble, and was there willing and ready to take over the property and responsibilities. At first the bride raved a bit, and threatened disaster for the absent man, but she thought better of it presently, and concluding that a bridegroom in the hand was worth two in the bush, agreed to let the ceremony proceed, and in about five minutes was married tight and fast to the valiant young man with the hectic flush, who had won her heart and hand at euchre; and the winner took over the stakes, although all' the kind people in the district predicted disaster as a result of the tadh't a cent. left to pay the patson, and is at present living happily with them, although all the kind people in the district predicted disaster as a result of this maniacal marriage.

marriage.

He looked like a man from Teddywaddy, and he pushed his hairy whiskers into the window and said to the ticket clerk: "How much is the first-class fare to St. Kilda?" "Firepence," replied the clerk. "Does that take rou all the way?" "It does, of course." "Right down to the sea?" "No, not to the sea." "Why did you say it did?" "I didn't. The line does not run down to the sea." "Is it only fivepence for me and the bundle, too." He held up a small parcel. "There is no extra charge for the parcel." "Chan I go ary cheaper if I leave the parcel behind?" "So. The parcel makes no difference." "Then Ica

cheaper if I leave the parcel behind?"

The parcel makes no difference." "Then Ica send the parcel without going mysel?" "No. no, no! You would have in pay for the percel." "But you said the garden no, difference." "No. if you take it with you be if you send it alone you must pay for it." "Oh, if I send it alone Supersel. I send trop parcels, then they wouldn't charge me?" "Of course they wou." Haven't you." Haven't you any they wou. Haven't you are sense?" But you said—
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"What's that?" "Go to to devil!" Certainly: he the devil "Go to the Certainly; how tickets?" Then much are the man from Teddywards winked solvenly at the grinning polic man, and went his way.

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wear a blue ribhon. They don't go well be sotted nose insection.

There was Bink, be had the most be nose imaginable, and yet wore a brighton. sotted nose imaginable, and yet were a light ribbon conspicuously knotted in his butter hole. Somebody said to him the other are "Bink, old fellow, which is the liar, the ribbon or your nose?" "Neither," replied Bink otherfully. "I used to be a heavy drinker, the I swore off twelve months ago, and have been a blue-ribbonite ever since. The trouble is my nose has r't found it out yet."



A SUCCESSFUL CANVASSER.

HE.—" Give me a dance to-night, and I'll give you a vote to-morrow. SHE.—"Agreed! That makes the twentieth vote I've struck to-night."

The manager of the Dot and Carry Company Limited was in low water, very low water indeed. He had gone down over the two Cups, and a few little mining specs had gone back on him, and things were looking blue—in fact, the whole atmosphere was blue. In this extremity whole atmosphere was blue. In this extremity it occurred to Boss that it was about time to shift for himself, but before shifting he resolved to make a midnight visit to the establishment under his control and make a little levy ment under his control and make a little levy on zertain valuables there to help him on his way. He went mysteriously at the dead of may. He went mysteriously at the dead of night, let himself in by the side door in the right-of-way, and prowled down to the office, where the big safe stood. At this point he was amazed to note a glimmer of light burning in the room. Creeping up he discovered a dark figure at the safe. The safe was open, and many papers were scattered about, and the dark figure, and overcame it after a hard struggle, yelling for police all the time at the struggle, yelling for police all the time at the top of his voice. The policeman on the beat the firm's most trusted confidential clerk. Ledger went to quod, and Boss got a rise in his salary, and the papers made much of the as The manager of the Dot and Carry Company the firm's most trusted confidential clerk. Ledger went to quod, and Boss got a rise in his salary, and the papers made much of the astonishing feeling of uneasiness that had induced him to visit the warehouse at such an hour. They said it was an astounding instance of telepathic divination. Boss easily

har-rm.

"Off he sprints, an' round the col-incr whacks the crowd yellin': 'Shtop thief!' an' what-not. 'Have ye got him?' sez thev. 'Do it look like it?' sez I, crackin' mortal injuries. 'Which way did he g.?' sez thev. 'I don' know,' I sez, 'he shtunaed me. What was he afther doin', annyhow?' 'He shtole me gowld watch an' chain,' sez Sina, the gracer. Wid that I knew me tuck was again me enst more. 'I tuk yer watch from the rufyin hefure he downed me,' sez I, 'an' here tis.' Av coorse, I had to part wid it, an' there was I wid nayther me pris'ner ner me watch. Me trustin' nature lid me to think 'twas the rascal's own watch he was forcin' on me, me dirty luck made it be Sims' watch. Tut-tut-tut! 'tis a sorry life, an' full iv crosses. I can't go off me bate fer the dthrink yer goin' to offer me, but iv 'tis left by the gate posht there arcident, an' dthrinkin' it ain't agin anny Losht Property Act, as I'm knowin' iv."

He crammed the thing into me hand, an' down I went, inshtinctiv like, not mauin' anny har-rm.

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LOVE OR A VOTE. THEN.

Within an ivied porch filled with rose seed.

Fair Phyllis sits, and on her brow a from
Her red lips pouted and her eyes down bed.

Her white hands pressed into her leeks to

brown,
All crisped and rippling on her head sun kiss Curling and breaking in a golden mist.

What question troubles her that she is dunh.
And why those twinkling feet subdued w.

Ah! she is wondering which she loves the be-Ant sne is wondering which she loves the The serious-minded Tom or merry Will:

For both want her to be their heart's delit.

And she must give the answer back tould.

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3. THE BLACK SWAN

The scene and girl are taky much the same.

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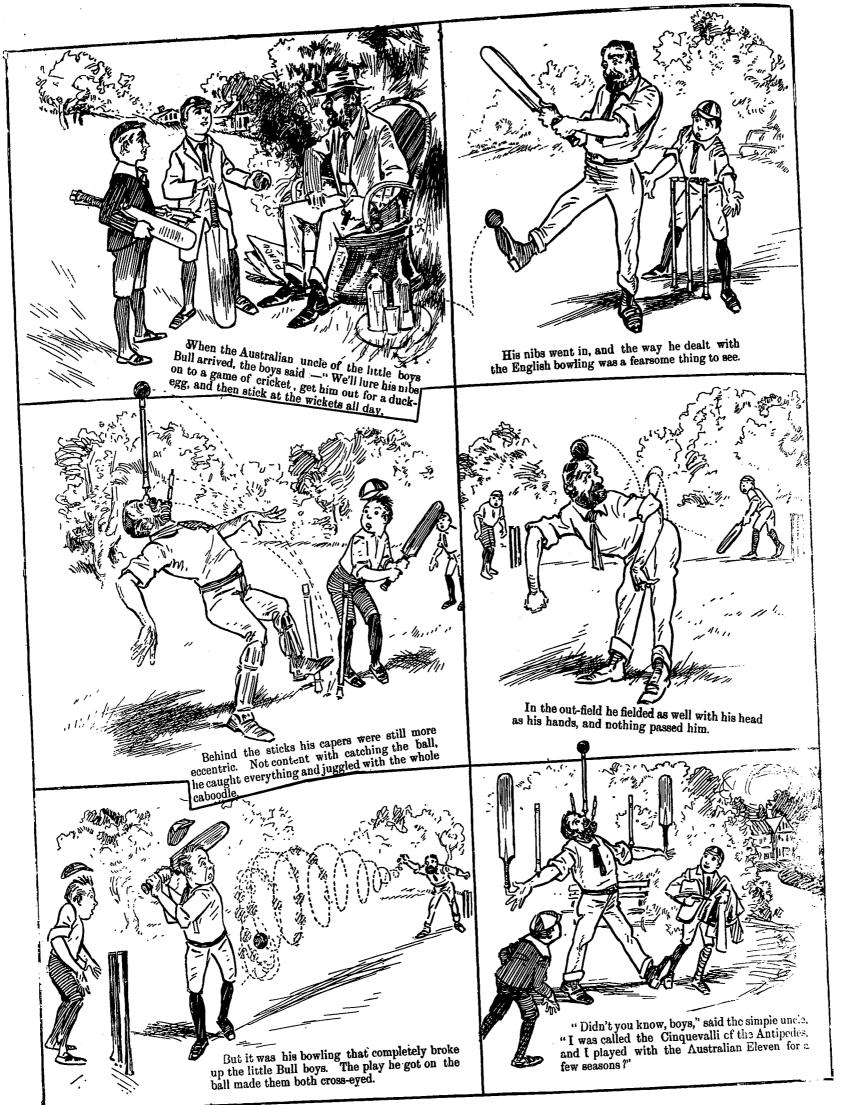


A WHITE AUSTRALIA.

"Fancy meeting you!" The Abordinal.—"My word! not much difference between you white feller Australian and me black feller Australian when we change clothes."

2. "Ya! You're no white Australian." Maggie.—"Pooh! I'm a little bit of both." The Judge.—"Well, fight it out between you. I no longer draw the colour line."

3. The Swan and the Black Snake (to the Chinese dragon and the Indian cobra).—"Out of this; we are the only black things permitted in Australia."



THE WILY AUSTRALIAN.

Smithson, the spruce, trim-figured professional man, was coming smartly through the gardens, when he heard the sound of angry voices, followed by a woman's scream. Just ahead of him a couple were quarrelling, a low-looking man and a neatly-dressed, slin and a neatly-dressed, slin and a neatly-dressed, slin and a neatly-dressed sin should not be a sound of angray voices, for the facts little game. The girl got your hand a neatly-dressed, slin and a neatly-dressed slin and a neatly-dressed, slin and a neatly-dressed, slin and a neatly-dressed slin and

said: "Been rescuing any woman in distress lately?" Smithson described the incident in the gardens. "Yes," said the officer, "that's the latest little game. The girl got your watch." Smithson now carries a Waterbury, and is no longer anything of a knight errant. "Would you marry for money, my dear?"

"Would you marry for money, my dear?" like these, and such habiliments as now over me, but one can do that and still preserve one's independence. It is hunger that humbles us. I am humbled now. Please give me something for bread." The kindly centleman care him a coin and passed on. A few minute later, feeling dry, the kindly one droppel into a city hotel for a drink, and found the Wear Billy from the Treasury Gardens reclining up against the bar ogling a long whisker an against the bar ogling a long whisker an against the bar ogling a long whisker and soda. "Why, you blanky traud," cried the kindly soul, "you have imposed upon me. It's kindly soul, "you have imposed upon me. It's spend in drink," "Sir," said the Weary Bills, with great dignity, "how date you presume to interfere with me. This is none of your bas interfere with me. This is none of your bas freshment was not purchased with your sir pence."

A little scrap of interesting conversation heard in the vicinity of The Rocks. Srdarf. "Yah, he ain't no account as a fighter, he's a court has in micked on the cur, he is. Six or seven of us picked on the the other night, an' the coward used 2 stick?"



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ungratified, and that is curio



OH, RAPTURE!

"A combination and a form indeed,

Where every goddess seems to set her seal, To give the world assurance of A MAN!"_Shakespeare (slightly altered).

THE VOICE OF THE STARS.

1. George Martin.

In the small town of Willowdene, nestling amid a belt of Australian uplands, some sur-prise was felt when Frank Moreton, bank manager, suddenly restaned his post and joined an expedition of scientific exploration bound for

the interior of the continent.

Lately promoted from a clerkship head office, it was thought that, despite his comparative yout, and some small independent means lately come into, he was sacrificing a promising future. Moreover, during his short stay in the town he had managed to fall cap-tive to the stricingly good looks of Vera Har-histon, daughter of a wealthy landowner, and they had become engaged. It is true Frank offered immediate marriage and residence sydney as an alternative to his proposed adcenturing, but Vera's father demanded a year's opportunity on the spot of becoming better acquainted with Frank before giving him his daughter. When, therefore, Frank refused this reasonable condition, and joined the expedition, opinin being that his action was unnatural and seculiar, and that the engagement with Vera was left in an unsatisfactory position.

And when Frank's letters ceased, as the ad-

venturesome band passed beyond the reach of ordinary communication. Vera, being motherless, of and without elder sister, would seek comfort from her unfailing friend, Mrs, Naseby, who contrived a modest living as church organist and teacher of music.

Indeed, between the two there existed a strong bond of affection. To Vera it was not merely that Mrs. Nasely was understood to be wiwith a child sleeping in the cemetery, and that she was scarcely older than herself. There was something more. Sorrow and misfortune, which emiatter the weak and fill the strong with human sympathy, had made her brave to endure her own, and quick to share all other traines brought to her. Unite to this disposition a refinement of manner, a note of breeling and a face of sweetness rather than more than

et breung and a face of sweetness rather than mete technical beauty; in a word, a winning fersonality of sireular attractiveness.

"I wish," persively remarked Vera one day, as she sat in Mrs. Naseby's little sittingroom, we have the sitting to make the sitting the sitting to make the sitting to make the sitting the sitt we have more about Frank. Do you know, I don't think I sould marry a man who had loved another woman."

Mrs. Nasely, went on intently with some sewng, and then quietly: "If your love was stop you. Besides, if he Ical the west loved you, wi.

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"If there was anything to know, I would pre-fer to know it before marriage, when not too

ate," she replied positively.

Mrs. Naseby laid down her work, and, leaning towards Vera, said impressively: "Dear, why know? What concerns a woman is to be the one a man ultimately loves and remains faithful to. Is not that a triumph over any past he may have had?"

A little sigh escaped her, and tears were being held back only by an effort.

But Vera was quite unconvinced by her friend's opinions.

"Well, to change the subject," she exclaimed, with forced gaiety, "whose 'Wedding March' are you going to play if we are married? I prefer Wagner's if your little organ won't break down under it."

"I'll do my best," smiled the other, bravely, "I'll do my best," smiled the other, bravely, "but if there's any breaking-down I'm afraid I shall do that. . . . You're going? Goodbyc. dear. Don't think—only trust."

And necessarily a long wearying period of many months of silence followed for Vera as

regarded Frank.

To happy lovers, hand-within-hand, silence speaks with a voice of such rare music as expands the heart and brims the eyes. To the larted, who trust implicitly, there is neither silence nor sound; the memory of the last embrace, the joy of the next, fill all. To the parted who doubt, silence speaks with tongues that lash and sicken the soul that lash and sicken the soul.

And presently a blow fell so rudely as to lack even the warning grace of an hour. Hamul lack even the warning grace of an hour. Hamul Khan, Afghan camel-man of far-distant parts, had somehow picked up the news, and forth-with communicated it to Willowdene in a narrative of much feeling and dignity. Frank was dead. A fever had stricken him even as the little band was on its homeward march, and the efforts of his comrades had not availed to save his life.

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The first effects of the shock over, and Vera, red-eyed, wandered mechanically towards Mrs.

Naseby's cottage, but there was no response to her summons. Aimlessly she strolled on till the respondent the compactors to the result. she reached the cemetery, about which she moved as one in a dream. The morning was dull, the spring had been cheerless, the summer delayed its coming.
Suddenly she paused. She had come unwit-

siddenly sne paused. Sne nau come unwithingly on a slight figure kneeling at the side of a tiny mound, upon which was placed a posy of fresh flowers. The kneeler was Mrs. Naseby. Her hands were clasped, and her dark-circled eyes closed as slightly swaying she moaned:

"Oh, Frank! my love! my love! my pride and my strength now?"
And as an access of emotion mastered her,

she broke into a sobbing, which painfully shook her frail form.

In a moment she started affrightedly, as she felt a hand on her shoulder. She beheld Vera bending beside her, her eyes expanded, her ex-pression one of tense, breathless enquiry. "You said . . . 'Frank,'" breathed Vera,

Mrs. Naseby lifted her head wearily. "Yes," she choked.

Vera glanced at the little grave, and her white face gradually became hard and set.

"I understand," she said, gently. . . .

"And he had not given you the right to his name? . . . No? And yet you continued to care for him?" pursued Vera, suppressed incredulity in her tone. . . "Yes?"

She reached and touched caressingly the still clasped hands. "And you would have played at my wedding!"

Her tone was tender and wondering. "I understand now what you said about the

randerstand now what you said about the Past. You are brave! How I admire your pride! But my feeling for Frank is dead now, and if he were not in his grave I would say—"

"Oh, hush! do not!" impetuously cried the other, "we were both thoughtless, and I don't think he loved as I did. He was poor then, and spent all that he had to settle me here, and when, by strange chance, he was sent to Willowdene, I thought Fate was bringing him to me again with a new love. But, no; he would not even live here, though I told him in my poor pride, I didn't want to see him, and shouldn't mind if he married somebody else, and ——"

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A rapid, crunching step on the gravel path, and a man, with travel-stained attire, and drawn, bronzed face stood before them. It was Frank Moreton. On seeing the two women he stopped abruptly, the potentiality of their companionship causing his face to flush, so that he hardly noticed their sharp cry, and the strained look with which they gazed at him, though a subtle perception conveyed to him instantly the change in Vera.

When he spoke, his speech was hurried and broken. "I have come as quickly as I could," he said, "and am deeply sorry I was not here before Hamul's meddlesome letter. I was very ill, and they had given me up."

He glanced at the little grave, and his face fell as he met Vera's look. "Do you know?" he asked her, his voice dropping.

"Yes!" she answered frigidly, "and I presume it isn't necessary to add that there can be nothing more between you and me."

Turning to the kneeling woman, who anxiously beheld this change in the scene in which her life was set, she said, encouragingly: "Dear, don't let your pride fail you now, after he has broken the spring-time of your life." And, drawing herself up, she walked leisurely away.

"Constance!" cried Frank, in a new voice, ringing with the hope that now shone in his eyes, "it is to you I have come back with reparation, if it is not too late! The voice of the stars, as I lay under them, came down and spoke to me of you on countless nights, until at last 1—ah!—"

And, reading the look she gave him, he flung himself on his knees beside her, and folded her in his arms.

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But Vera was following her own thoughts. in an awed whisper. "Did you mean . . . the majesty of the sun, waving back with his process to know it before marriage, when not too tet," she replied positively.

Mrs. Naseby laid down her work, and, leaning owards Vera, said impressively: "Dear, why of the sun, waving back with his golden mantle the gloom which had held the season, and with his divine fire filling bodies and souls long starving for warmth.

Spring? It is past!—think no more of it!—for this is Summer, the long-looked-for, come

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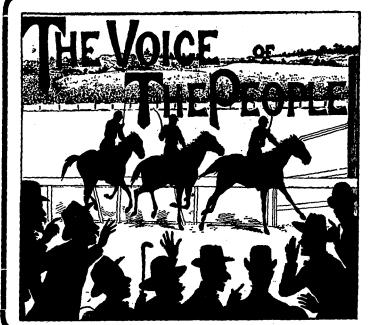
He was a young man of an inquiring turn of mind, and he wandered into the establishment of a Melbourne firm that supplies photographic materials. "Say," he said to the man behind the counter, "er you a futty-grapher?" "I'm a photographer," replied the salesman. "Know all about the business?" "Pretty well." "There's a futtygraph of a flea in your winder what's mighty interesting." "That's an enlargement." "Is it? I thought it was a flea. Looks too big fer a flea, though." "It's a flea alright; but it's a flea magnified." "Oh, that's it, is it? Hows'mever, twasn't that pint of view I cum to arks you about. What puzzles me is how the deuce you got that flea to sit fer his futty-He was a young man of an inquiring turn deuce vou got that flea to sit fer his futty-graph."



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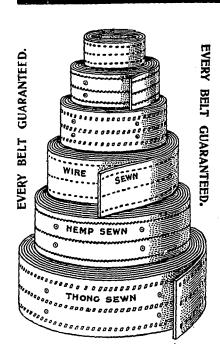
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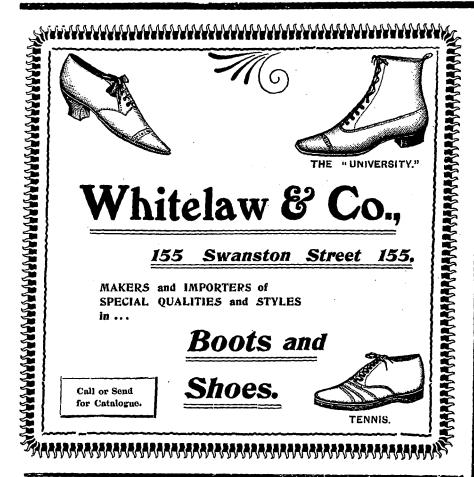
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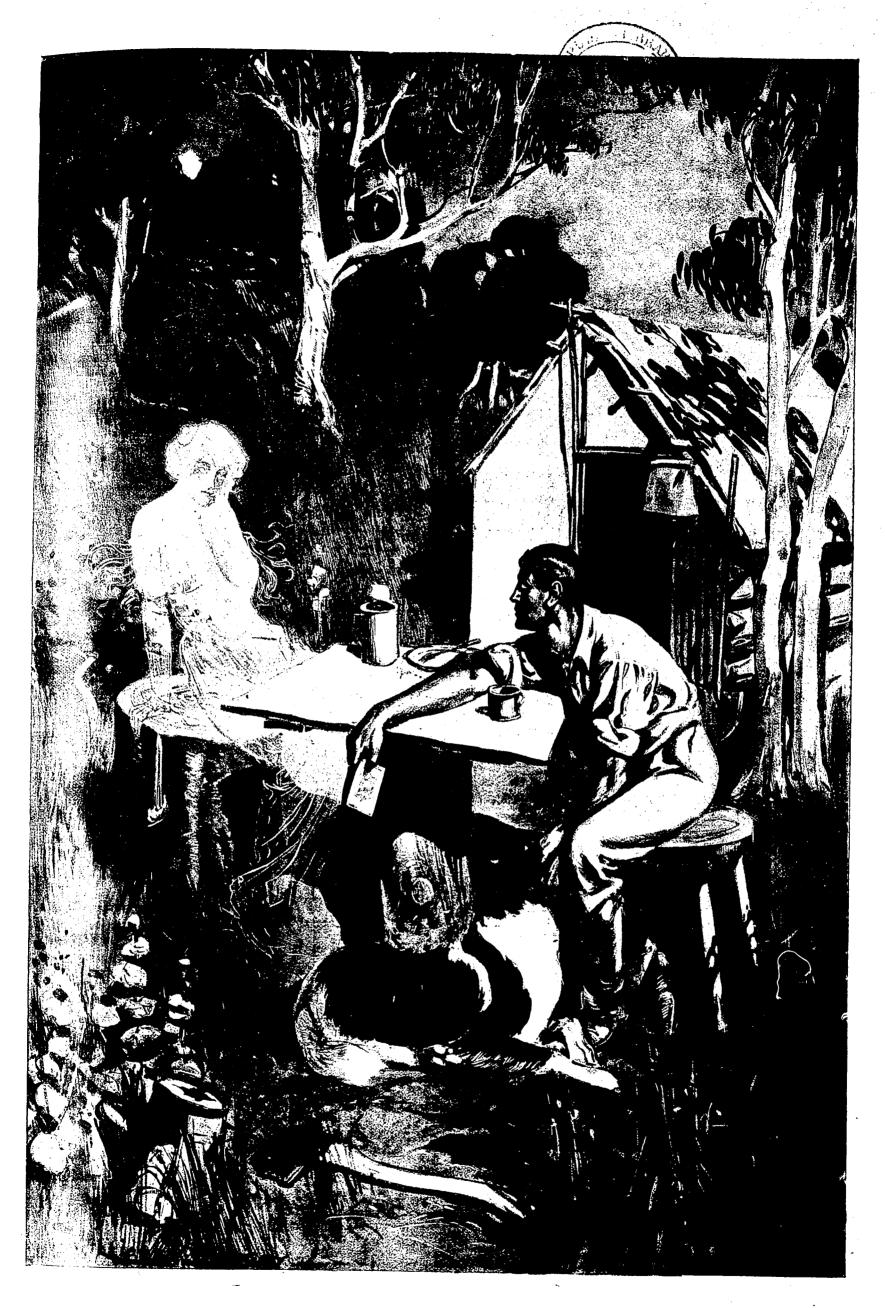
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Australian metropolitan dailies recommending "steam beating" to busy housewives. "Steam beating!" It seems to us that somebody should promote a society for the prevention of cruelty to husbands. Has it come to this that housewives are so busy chasing after votes and attending political meetings that they cannot find time to correct their hus-

An actress now in Australia received a letter f om a fond admirer recently in which the writer declared that if she continued to bands in the old familiar way with the paste-pin or the poker? However, it is just possible that a number of husbands familiar with the old way will prefer the steam beating.

ignore his devotion he would certainly destroy himself. The callous artiste replied: "If you are quite determined to drown yourself, please wear a photograph me next your heart. I am badly in next of a good advertisement." He was a beat type, and he stole into the bar with a piteous look in his large eyes. "Look here, mister," he said to the barman, "would you give me a glass of beer to save my life?" "I dunno," said the barman. "I mean if you was absolutely sure it would save my life. See here; this is arsenic. I swear I'll take it here and now if you don't give me a glass of beer." The barman took up a glass, filled it with water, and passed it over to the beat. "What's this for?" eried the latter. "Oh." said the callous barman, "that's to take your arsenic in." He didn't take it. take it.

The defenders of the barmaid are as num-erous as her detractors, and the latter are ors, and the latter are many and various and peculiarly alert in Australia lately. The latest defender is actually a clergyman, and he declares aloud that Flossie is not nearly as black as she's painted. This gives the ed. This gives the good minister away. His intentions are all right, but he does not know his subject. The barmaid is never paintbarmaid is never paint-ed black; she prefers a pale cream, with touches of pink on the chin and the cheek-bones, and a rich co-lonial gold for the hair. The reverend de-fender also asserts that Hebe is an influence for Hebe is an influence for good in the bar, and her presence restrains ner presence restrains young men from using bad language and mak-ing hogs of themselves. No man likes to look like a fool before a woman, and so the presence of a barmaid is a restraint upon many. This good man thinks he is doing the barmaids a kindness, but if he proves that they prevent drinking he will ruin them. In he will ruin them. In that case, the next movement to abolish barmaids will be taken up by the publicans, and the barmaid will have to go. The publican has an idea that barmaids make men thirsty, otherwise they would not we wanted on the job.

It happened in a pleasant and picturesque suburb of Sydney. A young artist man was walking cheerfully into the city one evening a few weeks back, when the door of a house he was passing was suddenly opened, and a young man dashed out, followed closeed out, followed close-ly by an elderly one. The elder caught the younger at the gate, and planted a kick that hoisted him right on top of the artist, and the two went down in a heap. The artist was first on his artist was first on his feet, and, taking the other's hand, helped him up. Shaking the hand sympathetically, he said: "Is she a nice girl?" "Is she! My word! That's the third time her old man's caught me week," replied the kicked hero, adding bitter words. "Hold hard, my boy," said the artist. "You'll the artist." third time her old man's caught me this week," replied the old man some day. My wife's father used to kick me out once, and I hated him. I've been married five years and he never kicks me out now. I wish to Heaven he would. Don't use bad lan-guage, my lad. There may come a time when you'll wish her dad had kicked you a darned sight harder. Good day!" and the optimist passed on.



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"ADESTE FIDELES."

NO OPTION.

The pro. was on the wallaby, Once lead in Busk's provincial band, And far ahead as he could see The road ran o'er the dusty land.

He's walked all day. A mile-stone read: "Just 50 miles to Melbourne town."
The actor groaned, and shook his head, And on a bank he sat him down,

And stood before the actor grim "Where are the others of your push?
Why do you walk?" he said to him.

The pro. looked at him tender eyed,
And threw a curse at cruel fate.
"The ghost refused to walk," he sighed,
"And so I simply had to, mate."

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AND SHE'LL HAVE A VOTE.

Ex-Candidate. - "Oh, yes, I tried to go into the House, but failed to get a seat."

THE LADY. - "Dear me! Why didn't you book one at the

SUNSET.

The day's dull toil is over,
sages to me,
Where, on the red, red clover,
With red skies arching over,
I rest with you, my lover,
And watch the great warm sea—
The sea that ripples, whispering of love to you and me;
Whispering and whispering—dear heart, what is it whispering?

"Our Lord the sun is dying,"
The breezes tell us, whispering, as they creep,

The breezes tell uf, whispering, as they creep, crooning, past.

Hark! to the mourners sighing,
As they march westward, trying
To keep his colours flying
In glory to the last.

"Our king is dead!" a-whispering, the west wind shivers past.

"Dead—dead!" Love, hear it whispering, whispering, whispering!

Another day is ended;
The shadows grey are stealing o'er mountainspur and wave,
And in a pageant splendid—
Rich gold and crimson blended—
The dead king's court has wended,
In proud grief, to his grave,
And night winds come a-whispering, beneath the
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Love, let us rest here, whispering—your lips and
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He.—"Why, I never expected to see you he were 'pegging out.''
SHE.—" Yes, so I was. To-day is washing day.

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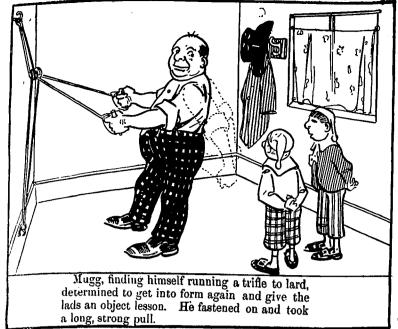
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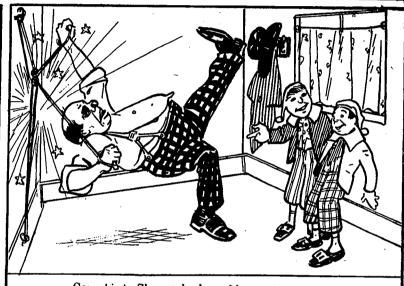




But these elastic bands are tricky, and the re-action plucked Mugg off his feet, and landed him on his occiput with a crack that crippled the



"Never say die, boys!" cried the gallant Mugg, and he turned his back to it, and gave a yank that lifted the house off its foundations.



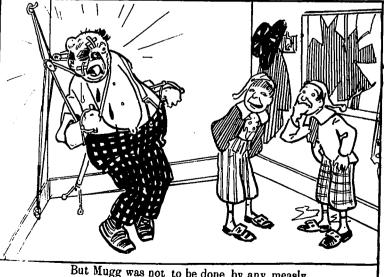
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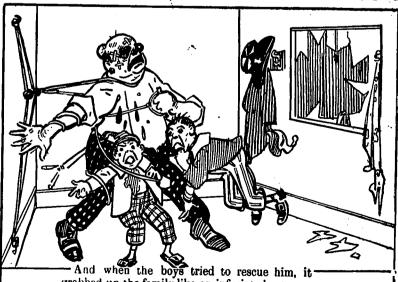
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and went plunk through the window into his 40-guinea glass house, filling himself with "panes" and penalties.



But Mugg was not to be done by any measly machine, and he dashed at it again, and the blanky thing got him in its toils and choked his false teeth out.



And when the boys tried to rescue him, it grabbed up the family like an infuriated octopus. After being disentangled Mugg sold the exerciser and bought an axe. He'll stick to woodcutting as a flesh reducer.

PHYSICAL CULTURE.

A BUSH INCIDENT.

It is in curious accordance with the ethics of popular fiction, but it is nevertheless quite true that at the time Bryce was wretchedly true that at the time Bryce was wretchedly revertheld to the provide the cold and hungry dustriously all through the cold and hungry winter, and piles were stacked all over the paddock, high monuments to his industry, but here was nobody to cart the wood to the there was nobody to cart the wood to the there was nobody to cart the wood to the there was nobody to cart the wood to the roads being impassable, and so the hard work roads being impassable, and so the hard work five voracious youngsters, and the woodcutter was in a bad way. He had been to see one of the wood-dealers to try and sell him of the wood-dealers to try and sell him of the wood-dealers to try and sell him of the wood-dealers. There were hot the cutter refused fercely. There were hot his breadless home. Credit had been stopped at all the stores, and there was no way to at all the stores, and there was no way to at all the stores, and there was no way to attend the wood by the had before, wolully reviewing the stuation; but it was so desperate that he was glad to start was so desperate that he was glad to start work as an escape from his grim thoughts. He ran the crosscut through the butt at a terrific rate, and started again fye feet.

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Bryce staggered home like a drunken man, and out at the heel." We know a few married when he had his find, presuming that it is not at the heel. The question is often happened in Victoria, years ago as has often happened in Victoria, years ago as has often happened in Victoria, years ago as has often happened in Victoria, years ago her heel through. He concluded that it must have hell through. He concluded that it must have hen stuck in the outside of the log. He tried hen swa gain—it gritted on metal.

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A sudden excitement fell upon Bryce. He known where his money was hidden. Such he known where his money was hidden without letting it the keel?"

A sutstalia is never in such low water as during a drought.

They say silence is golden, and yet we are told that money talks.

She was a small, plump, fair widow with had only with the point where his saw was embedded. He could not work the saw for the half when he had his wite counted the money on the whose trousers are

She was a small, plump, fair widow with golden hair—hair that looked as if it had turned yellow in a single night—and she had turned yellow in a sentimental sensitive manrolling eyes and a sentimental, sensitive manner. "No," she told the slim, poetic youth ner. "No," she told the slim, poetic youth in the corner of the garden under the old gum tree, 'I did not love my late husband. He was old enough to be my father, and the marriage was forced upon me. For some weeks before our wedding day I was often on the point of committing suicide, but I was strong. Our married life was very brief; my husband died within two years." "And how did he die?" asked the youth. "He drowned himself," replied the little widow, with a sigh.

Said the lady lecturess to the Sydney Sam the lany recourses to the Synney suburban audience, when advocating a tax on

toria, and amongst the numbers are many excellent shots.

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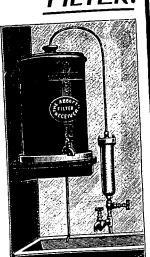
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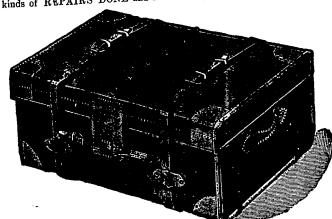
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Mr. Cornelius Pilkington gentleman who has retired a comfortable income, an situated in a pleasant subu is a widower, unencumbered home. In common with as a matter of course, his ally speaking, and it is i romance, especially of the motional class. We have to disclose this little weak consequences that flowed from the had greedily devoured positions of Miss Braddon, Wood, Du Boisgobey, Fergus and other writers of the was deeply interested in the ritude of mankind and vice is a matter of course, his

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gled locas according to the control of the control or pictures on time-payment peals for charitable subscri by him to his solicitors.
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gether.
"Mr. Pilkington," murmur a calm, sad voice, rising had not anticinated this desired to confide to you gloomy and enthralling impering of a carking burden you decline to receive my turned to depart.

This, however, was touchi uron a susceptible point. It aside, and adjured his visit chair, and relieve himself of as explicitly as was consist

stances.
The stranger accordingly and appeared to brood more

"This is a sad world of length, "and I have been feetball of fortune."

Mr. Pilkington murmures sympathy with the batteres "My name is Sangrazure other, "and hut for the cruter I should have been the estate and a title. As it er son, a beggarly outcast, ent upon the charity of an "That happens frequently.

"All my life I have been the crance and ill-will," said the "At school I was cancel for other boys, and expelled been of puerile petulance, I stabbeen the tyrants with a dinner-knikler of puerile petulance with the school of puerile petulance, I stabbeen the tyrants with a dinner-knikler of puerile petulance, but there of puerile petulance has a puerile petulance but the school of puerile petulance has a puerile petulance of puerile petulance has a puerile petulance of puerile petulance has a puerile petulance of puerile petulance and puerile petulance and puerile petulance and petul

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Mr Pillington observed the erv natural indeed.

'My cold-hearted sire—my raltry law of primoreniture relief. Money became a sin the signature of a young noise e.g. St. Boniface's, but the ried it to his lordship, who ture, and obtained the bill, he read me a lecture on who to term his leniency. But h report, and-would you believelled "

Mr. Filkington thought the could cuite believe it, but I astonished to renly.
His visitor gloomily proceed

assays in my life which I touch lightly upon: neither, is a line that I should attempt tanged a skein."

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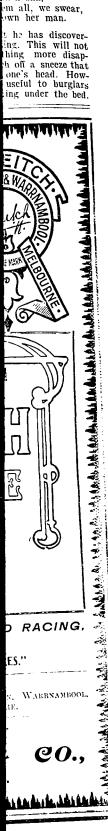
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PILKINGTON'S THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

Mr. Cornelius Pilkington is a worthy old gentleman who has retired from business with gentleman who has retired from business with a comfortable income, and occupies a villa a comfortable income, and occupies a villa is a widower, unencumbered with family at is a widower, his salient point, morals a matter of course, his salient point, morals a matter of course, his salient point, morals a matter of cultivation of all showed from it.

It had greedily devoured the fanciful consitions of Miss Braddon, Wilkie Collins, Mrs. Positions of Miss Braddon, Wilkie Collins, Mrs. Wood, Du Boisgobey, Fergus Hume, Guy Boothwood, Du Boisgobey, Fergus Hume, Guy Boothwood, Du Boisgobey, Fergus Hume, Guy Boothwas deeply interested in the astonishing turitue of mankind and vicissitudes of fortune return depicted. Often, indeed, did he regret therein depicted. Often, indeed, did he regret therein depicted in the his housekeeper prove to he

that no exciting feature appeared to vary the monotonous even tenor of his own existence, monotonous even tenor of his own existence. Why did not his housekeeper prove to be a noblewoman who had gone wrong? Why did not one of his sons or married daughters embark holdly upon a sea of exciting and lawless enterprise? It would be so agreemble (thought the morbid-minded old gentleable (thought the morbid-minded old gentle-

able (thought the morpid-minded old gentleman) to posture as the ultimate master of the situation, condemning, forgiving or dealing retribution, as the position might seem to demand. His prosaic relatives, however, appeared too mean-snirited to afford him the least or tire if in this way. One evening not long ago Mr. Pilkington was One evening not rong ago ant. Firstington was seated in his drawingroom, with the last ad-

serted in his drawinground, with the last addition to circultting library sensation in his haid, and a decanter of wine in a convenient nand, and a occurrent of wine in a convenient nosition, when suddenly there came a knock to the door, and immediately thereafter a gentleman entered. He was tall and of somewhat ieman tall above income. His bair box and the convenient of the source of the convenient of the convenie man entered. He was tall and of somewhat remarkable physicenomy. His hair hung in tangled locks around his neck; a pair of green eggles protected his eyes; a long drooping moustache surmounted his upper lip, and his chin was adorned with a "goatee" beard.

"Mr. pilkinctor. I presume?" said he, taking a chair without awaiting the formality of an invitation.

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"That is my name." replied the old gentleman. "May I che uire—"

"I have conse interrupted the other, "to plee refore yes—"

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"Why had you been married before, then?" interrupted the stupefied Mr. Pilkington.
"Had I not mentioned that?" enquired his visitor. Mr. Pilkington was too much bewildered to be positive whether this little item had, in fact, been included in the category ont. Here was a man coolly confessing to stabbing forcery robbery and bigamy, and referring to them as mere peccadilloes. Was anything yet to be revealed? he enquired. Indeed there was.

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"Alas!" said Sangrazure, "I have not yet touched upon the canker-worm of my existence. Blood! The deadly primeval curse of Cain! Would that I could wash it from my soul, but I casnot—it haunts me night and day!"

Mr. Pilkington cast an uncomfortable glance about the apartment, as though he half antici-

real sentiments towards him.

"At length my opportunity arrived. By an artful device, with the details of which I need not trouble you, I beguiled him into meeting me late one night at the office. Our warehouse is situated on an arm of the harbour, and a small pier or jetty, used for business purposes, abuts upon the back premises. This is completely fenced on two sides by tall columns of piles driven closely together, and at high tide the water rises to a minimum depth of ten feet all round. Luring my unsuspecting victim on the letty, I suddenly hurled him into the water. I knew that he could not swim, and anticipated glutting my eyes with the spectacle of his death struggles amidst the overpowering element.

very great hardship in it. A sordid and vulgar votary of co-merce, indeed," added the old gentleman, ir...ganathy, for it struck him that the descendant of the Chibellines was both pointed and personal in his remarks.

The latter, however, paid no sort of attention to him, but proceeded "Yes, behold may be the latter, however, paid no sort of attention to him, but proceeded "Yes, behold may be the latter, however, paid no sort of attention to him, but proceeded "Yes, behold may be the latter, however, paid no sort of attention to put that away."

I say, driving a pen in a dingy office, subject to the coarse domination of plebeian ledger-keepers. It could not last. Accident placed under my control the keys of the sale; I procured an impression in wax, and obtained counterparts. Thus, from time to time I was enabled to avail myself of portions of this sordid huckster's wealth—procured, I doubt not, by "as formerly," said the latter, "if dety of the sordid huckster's wealth—procured, I doubt not, by "as formerly," said the latter, "if dety of the sordid huckster's wealth—procured, I doubt not, by "as formerly," said the latter, "if dety of the same and by my loving and sympathetic and chicanery, devoted by me to nobler purposes, by me and by my loving and sympathetic and the short of the latter of th off as a joke, but the self-accusing assassin persisted in his demand for a policeman and a pair of handcuffs. He declined to accompany the old gentleman to the lockup, averring that once again at large he might not be able to control his resolution, and that, moreover, he wished to commit his narrative to paper whilst awaiting the authorities. Mr. Pilkington at length reluctantly yielded. He more than half suspected his visitor to be a maniac; but, even presuming such to be the case, was it advisable to allow a dangerous lunatic to be at large armed with a deadly weapon? The drawingroom was on the first floor, with windows a considerable height above the ground, and, the door being locked, Mr. Sangrazure might safely be entrusted to his own society during his host's absence. Accordingly, Mr. Pilkin-ton secured the portal and left his visitor, the latter with his face buried in his hands. muttering wildly to himself.

It was fully a mile and a-half to'the nearest police station, and on his way there Mr. Pilkineton could not help reflecting on Mr. Sangrazure's singular inconsistency, as viewed by romantic canons. Had he, dissembling his former career, obtained a situation in Mr. P.'s household as secretary, butler, or even groom, and then commenced a series of experiments upon a Borgian scale, his conduct would have appeared leatimate. As it was, it seemed incomprehensible. Arrived at the station, the story was told, and the astonished police sergeant in charge (having satisfied himself of Mr. Pilkineton's sobriety) despatched a stalward and experienced senior-constable to make advisable.

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advisable.

All was quiet at Pilkington Villa. They were somewhat surprised to find the drawingroom door unlocked, and more surprised to find that Mr. Sangrazure had departed. Further examination disclosed the circumstance that the drawin from and several other apartments had been ransacked, and that Mr. Sangrazure had taken with him (perhaps as souvenirs) a quantity of silver plate, jewellery, cash and valuables to the extent of about £500, from whence it was concluded that another descendant of



DIGNITY.

Johnny .-- The tragedienne at this theatre I suppose? Miss Montmorency. -- Tragedienne! do you wish to insult me? I'm in the ballet.



TWO MEANINGS.

Gertie. - "Oh, mother, I wish you'd try to contract the fashionable lean. Mamma.-" It's useless, my dear. All those anti-fats

we a simple necessity. I will be a simple necessity in a simple necessity. I will be a simple necessity in a sepulchral tone. "Such expiation as a full confession can afford, and it was for this I sought you."

But his unwilling host had had quite enough of these extremely harrowing confidences, and hinted that a more experienced and sage penitonic might be found for the ghostly consolation which Mr. Sangrazure seemed to require.

the that, somehow, he but he was too much excited. "I did not come here," he hissed but he was too much between his teeth, "to be treated with cool disdain, or to he the recipient of frigid conventionalities. You must and shall hear me ventionalities. rou must and shall heat he — and then let justice claim her due. Nay, stir not," he added, as Mr. Pilkington stretched his hand towards the bell. "Sound that ere the fitting moment has arrived, and accept the dread consequence as you may."
And full at the horrified old gentleman's coun-

to sink a second time, after fruitlessly beating the water for a few seconds. Again he appeared and struggled frantically, whilst I calmly surveyed him with a mocking eye. Again he sank, and once again arose; for the last time, as I knew. A wild, smothered cry for succour rose to his lips. With a supreme effort he seconds with a supreme effort he should any furties stranger aver again visit should any furties stranger aver again visit. as I knew. A wild, smothered cry for succour rose to his lips. With a supreme effort he succeeded in clutching the edge of the jetty, and in spasmodic terms implored my mercy.

Mercy! My own safety now demanded the
consummation of the deed. Snatching up a
jagged piece of timber which lay adjacent, I struck him on the hands, which clung so des-nairingly, and on the lips, that fain would have clamoured for help. I laughed sardonically as he disanneared for ever.

"I need not tell you of the body found floating afterwards far away, gnawed by sharks and dis-fi-ured by decay—of the coroner's inquest and oven verdict. No one suspected me. Why should they? I had always esteemed the de-And full at the horrified old gentleman's countenance he levelled a six-shooter of most approved design it clicked ominously as he cocked it, and its tiny mouth gaped as though children with a cruel thirst which nothing but had not hew as loud in my lamentations. We endued with a cruel thirst which nothing but had not hew seen together on the fatal night, had it been suspected that he intended to wisit the office

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should any fugitive stranger ever again visit him with a view of making him the repository of confidences, he will brain the intruder with of confidences, ne will blain the the poker by way of a preliminary.

"P. L. M."

A Gippsland schoolmaster tells of one of his scholars, a bright, small boy, who offered as an excuse for not having done his lessons the plea that he had been helpinghis father, who was writing a beeography. "Why, has your was writing a beeography. "Why, has your father's life been so important as to justify him in writing a biography?" "He's writing one, anyhow; and his life ain't got nothing to do with it." "It must have, Richard; a biography s the history of reduced to earn my enduced with a cruel thirst which nothing but had not been suspected that he intended to will hood could satisfy.

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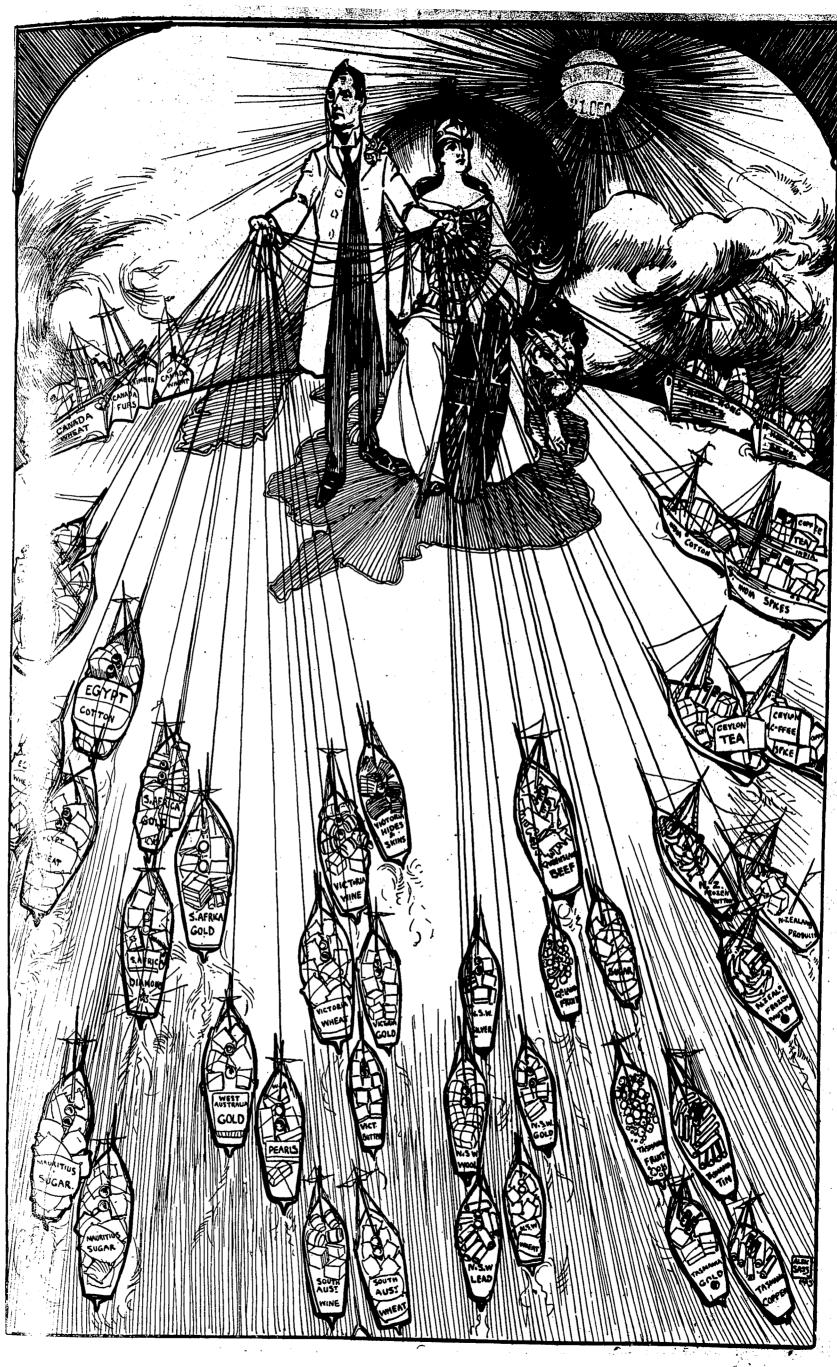
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The brown plain touched the sky-line south and north and west and east, The sun hung low, his livid glow consuming man and beast, And carrion birds, on hovering wings, were gathered for the feast.

Below, upon the blistering sands, a helpless speck, alone, With pitcous cries and fevered eyes and pleading hands upthrown, A man was praying to his God—a God but little known.

A horse lay dead beside him, and the world was sere and dry. In direct pain, "Oh, God! Thy rain—Thy rain, or I must die!", He prayed, but hot upon him pressed the cruel, gleaming sky.

And all about the stricken wretch, as round a thing accurst, There gathered hosts of noonday ghosts. In all the crew the worst Was one faint, hoary, vaporous fiend. The others called him Thirst.

"From out Thy vasty depth and store of ocean cool and sea, Through storm and calm that in Thy palm Thou holdest steadfastly, One little drop, Almighty God, is all I crave of Thee!"

The sunrays smote his eyes, there burned a fever in his brain, With cager feet he fled to meet the mirage-flow again And bask in verdant shadow out upon the treeless plain.

He stumbled often as he ran, he saw a river glide, And cool and green 'mid vines was seen a homestead fair and wide, And kindly people offered drink, but faded at his side!

An age it seemed he hastened on, but found himself at last Returned again, distraught with pain, where in the moments past He'd prayed. And now his curses at the sullen sky were cast.

He cursed while he had breath, and then, above the waste of brown, On horse and man the carrion clan came wheeling slowly down.

The man with lifeless brows returned the angry heaven's frown!

And now the winds came up in haste across the stirring plain. They veiled the sun, as one by one the clouds streamed in again; And on the thankless dead below was poured the teeming rain! WARD EDSON.



OLD QUIVERFIL. - Now, madam, I understand why our children were nearly all girls. It was your object to keep me constantly in an ignominious minority in my own house.

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By HELEN DAVIS.

The evelids of slumber lift from bower and lawn,
As the shout of the hill-tops loud welcomes the dawn,
And the hush of the forest awakens to song,
While the day's heralds speed in a sun-girded throng.

While the day's heralds speed in a sun-graded throng. The light is just glimmering over the land, revealing faint outlines of the objects around, like shadows east by ulterior things upon a curtain of gloom. Moment by moment, the purple slopes of the heights overhead pale and recede, and the landscape grows in to view as a dream would assume substance and

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Now it is a fully visible world laid open to the sight, where the shadows lie across the light in fantastic images of the substance, with contours clear-cut and defined, but changing and legening as the hours proceed. ing and lessening as the hours proceed.

And the chill of the darkness but kisses the air,
As the mists melt and vanish in radiance fair.
And the bee from the fragrant heart of the flower
In deep honeyed draughts sips the night-sweated

where the trees are stately as sculptured columns, marble-white or softly grey. The foliage of their branching canopies, catching the slanting sunbeams on its surface, shakes them back with dewy brilliancy, until, with the play, the air a pears ablaze with the fire of living jewels. On ard on we go, with the sensation upon us of aisles stretching through the world, of a world without limit; of a boundless vision. On, with the grand symphony in our ears of sounds that sense may not define;

tion, the inspiration of the Unknown, ever luring us forward till our steps seem to rest on the borderland dividing them from us, yet for ever eluding the touch of our hands.

But all is glad with the abounding life, and moves in perfect accord with the great Scheme of the Invisible, arterial Time, pulsing of the Invisible, arterial Time, pulsing through eternity.

They have some strange, instructive and entertaining ideas of Australia in the newspaper offices of Germany. We have just come across an illustrated Berlin weekly in which there is a dierting account of the manner in which the postal requirements of the Australian backblocks are met by an enterprising and resourceful people. Of course, it is not possible to send in the wide and wildering Never-Never, and so at each house not otherwise served there is kept a trained kangaroo, which bounds away at a trained kangaroo, which bounds away at a trained kangaroo, which bounds away at a strained kangaroo, which bounds away at a s singt. Each 'roo has its owner's name and address on a breastplate, and the postman puts the letters for the particular house to which the animal belon's in the kangaroo's pouch, and the intelligent beast immediately bounds off to deliver the mails. It is, we are told, an extremely curious sight to see the scores of kangaroos assembled at the crossroads, awaiting the coming of the mail. How very amusing. It only remains for that editor to tell his readers how we employ bunyips to distribute our newspapers in order to make them fully conversant with Australia and Australians.

He was a sailor man evidently come off one of the trading vesses. He was in his working clothes, burnt the colour of new tan, his big as a decent ham, and he hataking a little beer; not too is sufficient to make him very be entered the vehicle, and plumpeside the slim and skrinking y the umbrella, the little book an ance of a mother's treasure. ance of a mother's treasure rate, one imagined. "Goot said the sailorman, in a frien

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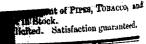
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Many things, besides the return of the candidate, may depend upon a political election, as many years ago Harry Barker found tion, as many years ago Harry Barker found tion, as many years ago Harry Barker found to the matter of the wealthy men of the Western District of the hackelor, Harry was naturally looked upon as backelor, that is provided that he did not his heir, that is provided that he did not thing to alienate his uncle's affections. He thing to alienate his uncle's affections. He was not likely to do this, for, beyond politics, and making money, and Barker had no special hobbies, and did not care much how special hobbies, and did not care much hobbies, and did not care much hobbies, and did not care much hobbies, and did not care much

"Harry," said old Barker one day to his nephew, "there is a general election in a month's time, and I'm thinking of becoming a capable to " candidate."

The nephew felt inclined to laugh outright at the preposterous idea. He knew that his uncle took himself seriously in politics, but he also knew that nobody else on earth did. It was right enough for the general public to "kid" the old man in political matters, take him with mock sham earnestness, and dine and drink at his expense—but to accept him, to imagine him in the role of a representative—the notion was too funny for expression in words. As delicately as he could, Harry tried to dissuade him from his intention, but in vain.

"I've considered the matter," said the old The nephew felt inclined to laugh outright

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"I've considered the matter," said the old man, "and I am determined to stand. My workmen, my te nants and their workmen amount to not a few votes, and I think I am pretty well known in my district, so that I think I will have a very fair chance."

Old Barker was the only person who thought so, but not the only person to say so. There were many persons to urge him on, no matter how hopeless his prospect of success. Some encouraged him for the fun of the thing, and others because they were in favour of a contest. The more candidates there were, the more money was spent in halls. meetings, canvassing, drinking and printing. These interested parties poured into old Barker's greedy ears their firm opinion that he would go in at the head of the poll, and the old man went on with his candidature was regarded by the bulk of the electors as a gigantic farce.

On the morning of the election, Harry tried

On the morning of the election, Harry tried to discount the certain defeat by warning his uncle of the uncertainty of human life and Victorian politics, that promises were of a particularly pie-crusty nature at election times, and soon—

"Never mind me," said the old man, checrfully. "I can take defeat when necessary. So off you go to the polling-booth and re-

fully. "I can take defeat when so off you go to the polling-booth and record your vote. I dare say you will worry



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PEARL STARS

more over the result of this election than I will."

will."

Portentous words, although neither the speaker nor the hearer knew it at the time!

"He hasn't got Buckley's chance—not a possible," mused Harry to himself as he went into the town. "He'll get perhaps twenty or thirty votes, all told, but they won't go anywhere near saving his deposit money. If there was the slightest hope of gaining the election or even of saving the fifty pounds goodness knows I'd vote for him willingly—but as there isn't, it would be idiotic on my part to throw away my vote. Bunker is likely to run Smithers close, and I don't want Bunker at any price, so I guess I'il just have to vote for Smithers. Uncle will never know or suspect that I wasn't one of the great advantages of the glorious institution of the vote by ballot."

So Harry Barker gave his vote for Smith-

the vote by ballot."

So Harry Barker gave his vote for Smithers in the election contested by Barker. Bunker and Smithers. The young man only saw his uncle once again during the polling have his uncle once again during the polling. "I've been in to vote," remarked Harry. "Good boy," smiled the old man. "I'm just roing in to record my own."

"I think I can guess to whom it will be given," said riarry. "Barker for every Plump for Barker!"

The old man laughed joyfully, and slapped his nephew on the back.

That evening there was a crowleassembled to hear the declaration of the pilical safety. "Barker for every safety should the reincing officer, is as follows:—Smithers, 843; Barker, 842—"

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"By Jingo!" thought Harry, withat was a close thing. It was lucky I decided not to throw away my vote on the old man."

"And Barker, 1," continued the returning officer. "I therefore declare is mad Smithers duly elected."

Harry Barker gasped. He heside his uncle. The old me but gave one look at his Barker knew that he had recorded in his favour, his we even his nephew, had deserted the state of the state o standing Ohi 1 his own had been :. tenants,

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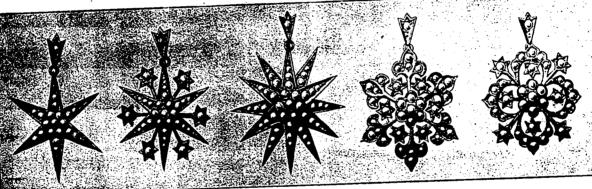


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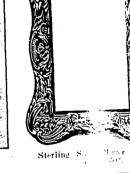




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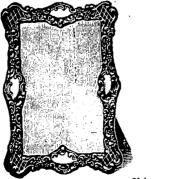
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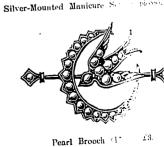


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WHEN HER LADYSHIP CARRIES THE SWAG. (Date, about 1950.)

The Swagswoman.—It was the worst thing that ever happened to our sex when they emancipated us. The only difference it makes is that you carry the baby and whereas formerly woman carried the baby and man the bluey. Couldn't those fools of early-century women see that bluey was heavier than baby?

made up the number of and it is a noteworthy from the country. Maga-ary pages to the points and vice versa, but www a good deal of light

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DEAF RIGHT THROUGH.

James. - Are you deaf on both sides. Mack? M'Allister. - Aye. mon --inside and out.

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WHY GO HUNGRY? A CUP DAY SKETCH.
Saveloy Merchant.—'Ere y'are; saveloy
an' roll an' a dead bird fur thruppence!

saint, fairly well educated, but not an Admirable Crichton."

saint, larry were ducated, but not an Admirable Crichton."

Into very few does the element of love enter, though one is "eager to devote all love and devotion to a true, loving help-mate," and yet another—"Your vision will be ever flitting before my eyes till I see you"; poetical though hardly possible. The Immigration Act, fortunately does not apply to marriage, else the following would be out of it.—"I am a Swed, so you must for gev my bade speling of verdes." Ten of these received favourable answers, with instructions to meet the young lady of means at a well-known corner, and eight surprised young men might have been seen that night surveying one another with shamefaced looks, while upon a balcony, out of sight, their fair deceiver watched them return homeward with vows of celibacy upon their lips.

HER HONOURABLE INTENTIONS.

A TELEPATHIC I: TERVIEW.

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The lady is a prominent figure in the Shemocracy of Australia, and the telepathic interviewer discovered her sitting in her study up to her neck in papers. At her elbow steamed to her neck in papers. At her elbow steamed to her neck in papers. At her elbow steamed to her neck in papers. At her elbow steamed in the study of the standard of

and answers conoquated and answers conoquated and answers conoquated and answers and the interviewer, "you know what I want?"
"Precisely," answered the lady; "you want to know all I do not wish to tell."
To know all I do not wish to tell."
I want to any "That puts the matter tersely. I want to their of the aspirations and intentions of the Australian woman now that she has the franchise."

chise."
"Her aspirations are high, her intentions rictly honourable."
"No doubt she thinks so, but will man think

No doubt start of the start of

"As a billiard-marker?"

"Nonsense; you are satirical. He counts for much in the political world."

"Well, he seems to do so just now, I admit, but it is all seeming. As soon as woman was given the freedom of the polis she had practically abolished him as a political force."

"She seems to be willing to assume some of his most conspicuous weaknesses." The telepathist suggested the pipe and the grog.

"Merely paraphernalia. Man has skited—(excuse the term, but it is expressive)—about his smoking and drinking as if they were only the attributes of the strong. We are determined to undeceive him."



IT DIDN'T WORK.

cuse the term, but it is expressive)—about his smoking and drinking as if they were only the attributes of the strong. We are determined to undeceive him."

"Why this attitude of bitterness towards the male?"

"You remember the drama, 'Sowing the war.' we war.' we warrive, sir, because we are strengthened, we warrive, sir, because we are strong the base has degenerated, and she has logenerated, and she has strong the delayed. Man has given on this power.

"You remember the drama, 'Sowing the strong the because he was remented by the strong the logenerated him because we are now the low have supported him because we are now the late with the loud her. Only when she distanced it had she strength to trumple that bound her. Only when she distanced it had she strength to trumple the we have been under the whip stong, do you think we are going to trumple the strokes because the hand that wielded the strokes because the strokes because the hand the wind the work of the strokes because the strokes because the strokes because t

tical, boastful attitude, and des-pised him for it."
"Oh, come—the keener intelli-gence!"

gence!"
"Certainly; did not woman eat
first of the fruit of the tree of
knowledge, and did she not give
Adam some part of the apple?"
"To be sure."
"The she cally gave him the

"Well, she only gave him the core. She ate first, and ate most; but only lately has physical strength but only lately has physical strength come with courage to impel her to turn her knowledge to the best advantale. Australia, the youngest nation on the earth, is the first to produce a generation of women physically and morally equipped to dominate, and, damme, sir, we mean to dominate!" The leader of the Shemocraev thumped heavily on the Shemocracy thumped heavily on the snemocracy tnumped neavily on the table, and, seizing her grog, arose and said: "I drink in ill-health."
Confusion to man!"

The telepathist moistened his dry The telepathist moistened his dry lips, and looked about, but that tumbler stood alone. "No, thanks," he said; "I don't drink between the hours of four and ten past. Tell us, now, your intentions towards man."

man."
"We mean to put him down with an iron hand."
"Same old flat-iron?"
"No, sir, the mailed fist."

"No. sir, the mailed list."
"Oh, I say, you can't make it a matter of fists. We can beat you at that game. Look at the University boxers; look at Doherty,

versity boxers; look at Doherty, M'Call, Felix, Starlight, and Little Peter Jackson."

'Only a few. What of them? We'll overwhelm them with numbers. We merely mean to uphold the old democratic formula."

'What's that?"

'Majority rule." We are in the majority."

corsets to man, with her other gyves. Woman takes over all that's good in the world-all power, all dominance, all freedom."

"She gives the stay-lace for the latch-key?"
"It's a fair exchange."

"It's a fair exchange."
"And the hillets?"
"Women will take the easy and remunerative ones; men, as befits the lower animals, may take the hard and ill-paid ones."
"Everywhere—politics, church, army, stage, all the professions?"
"Most certainly."

"But not in the army, surely?"

"Decidedly in the army. The rank and fin-will be men, the officers will be women. Pre-sently we shall hear no more of armies of lions by asses."

ed by asses."
"What of social legislation?"
"It will be of women, by women, for women. Man is not the king of beasts; woman is, consequently all laws must be shaped to her men.

advantage."

"You anticipate taxing bachelors?"

"No, and for an excellent reason."

"Which is?"

"There will be no bachelors to tax. Woman will have the privilege of making love and proposing. For a man to refuse a proposal of marriage from a woman over twenty-five will be a criminal offence."

"Punishable with?"

"Foreible marriage to a widow times times

"Forcible marriage to a widow times times removed."

What of the male politicians—the Deakins

Reids M'Millans, Lynes, Turners?"
"Back to their kitchens they go."
"Bat they know nothing of kitchen work." "But they know nothing of kitchen work."

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I tell you, woman will be bothered

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humburs. They must go. We have had unadulterated male rule; now for the rule of the

"Man is to have no consideration?"
"As much consideration as below given wonan. not a jot more."

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"You'll take the franchise franchise troubled to get it for ourselves inferior animal; he must be sain all thin's. I am not quit the time will come when we harems."
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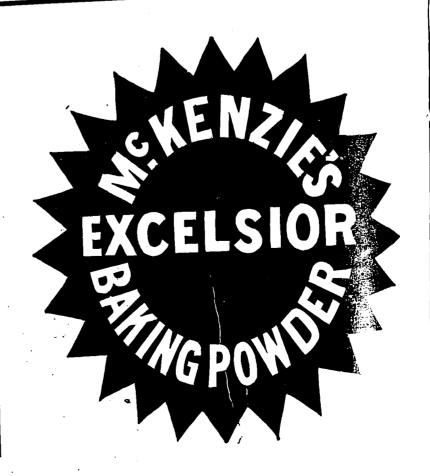
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manoeuvred at every turn.
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Terry took it merrily e Terry took it merriy envised up in a smart envised. Two hundred head been lifted, and swung a one night, and disposed of the cattle lifters. The fiter him for a time, but herse, too, and he gave the cath. a sin. "Just for devilment!"

omeen, when she besought Alice was the seventeen teart, and their love we resuce than most bush att w s pretty, and Terry was w s pretty, and Terry was a lacel in so te of Old Man toth of the police; and here ran like a creek in a Terry laughed at her depart horse under me, and deent horse under me, and the voide vonder, and I'll beat can send against me." he But being badly wanted he serious disadvantage the bim off from his opportunal ternative but to go on the ternative to the authorities of the serious attentions. terest to the authorities, increase the feverish desire make his better acquaints serious risks Terry could house now and then, and appointment with Alice one could not make his livin levial way now, so his first to a second with the same to a sticking-up episode curred at Coodle's run at fromms were fourished, corried off. That led known as Day-break Done

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THE SAVING OF TERRY DONOVAN.

BY WARD EDSON.

Donovan was a reformed character. He recognised this himself. What he had done had been less the result of natural depravity been less the result of alawless youth influenced by had surroundings and a passionate love of adventure.

ate love of adventure.

Terry Donovan had been born and bred in the bush in a locality that still carried sufficient of the taint of the old blood, the sufficient of those Australian early days which blood of those Australian early days which we dwellers in the respectable Commonwealth to mention, to make a fine contempt for the law and its administrators, a characteristic of the rough and ready bush workers.

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workers.

At Cunamine a bushranger was a hero in
At Cunamine a dittle Terry Donovan
every second family, and little Terry Donovan
at twelve years of age had his imagination
at twelve years of deeds of derring-do
fired with thrilling tales of deeds of derring-do
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years "When men was men, an' took no account o' wipin' out a few blanky troopers,"
count o' wipin' out a few blanky troopers,"
count o' wipin' out a few blanky troopers,"
as Terry's wild-eyed father used to say.

While Terry was still a mere lad a gang of
hushraners was going strong, ravaging the
small towns and the homesteads of two states,
small towns and the homesteads of two states,
and spreading consternation amongst respectable people and dismay amongst the police,
who, in spite of noble rewards offered by a
frantic Government. found themselves outfrantic Government. able people and dismay amongst the who, in spite of noble rewards offered frantic Government, found themselves manocuvred at every turn.

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With the people forming the society in which learn word the name of policeman was a scoll and a byword, and the bushrangers who leat them were rocs of the loftlest type. When one of the pillagers was killed Terry heard his mother declare—heard his mother bushrangers. "Guera ms moore, occurre—
"Sure, there's mother bright star in heaven to-night!"

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Terry possessed a courage d, a love of adventure, and supplied the rest. To the dy and the consternation of on had done so much to sow ore he was lineteen Terry police, and wanted hadly. st boy in all the Cuna-he police! Terry, the hap-kindliest soul under the police! And his mother his father in despair.

he thinkin' such throuble

🕾 to me!" said Mrs. Donoi thing when it's ver own "e aither!" said Donovan,

erily enough. He had been ert cattle-lifting enterd head of the best had but that Terry was one

The police were hot but he'd lifted a good ave them a spin now and

he said to Alice sought him with tears and · careful.

venteen-year-old girl of his love was a pleasanter rosush attachments, for Alice was handsome, and they Ald Man Queen, and in the and the course of their seek in the ranges.

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ther fears. "Give me a me, and a fair run for the libeat all the police they ce." he said.

wanted by the police has opportunities. He has no on on doing things of inborities, things calculated to sh desire of the troopers to could steal to his parents' cn. and keep a desperate Alice once in a way; but be could not motor I will w. v. now living in an ordinary his first cattle-lifting led lawid we new so and to a second will the same gauge, to a sticking-up cored at Co dies can at break of day, and to rus were larished, and a good booty ceried of The led to Donovan being as Dysheck Donovan, and that was in due course, and Daylamous.

red was the time he made famous.
The use of revolvers at Coodle's run resultel on a price being put on Donovan's head, all subsequent escapades led to a monthly of subsequent escapades led to a monthly increase in the price, and for six months the escapades of Prayreak filled the Australian taners. Terry had a feverish spell of life; he was hunted from flat to peak, and from one end of the courtry to another, and his charces of sector. Alice hecame rare. One with he ran the countlet to meet her in the splints by Open's dam, and what she said to him that witht opened his eyes. him that opened his eves.

Terry, you are killing me! Strike a match wife. He struck a match, and looked at her, and is eyes never but her face till the match bis eys never left her face till the match and darling furth his fingers and then he took her tenferly in his etters and held her with his cheek to hers.

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can test at e se swear to Heaven never in a lawless ii you do no. promise that "

Terry Done of Daybreak at Cunamine. perso He simply p peorded his name. ctime never

Our story had on to five years later, ni another r from Cunamine, where Thomas Sure tiest and mostate. Sure fire children wife and two on the high road to in-sult of a well-worked g te. je. 66 form and a f avestments, but nobody a happy man.

THE CONVERSION OF BRICKY BEEVER.



Beever, being a profane bushie, a curser and swearer, 1. Bricky and a drinker of strong drinks, finding a Methody meeting in the bush praying for rain, remained a while to gibe.



2. A quarter of a mile further on Bricky spread himself on the river's brink to rest and recuperate, and drifted into dr and then Whiskers played an unconscionable joke upon him.



3. Bricky sprang from his grassy couch dripping wet, and filled rith wonder. There was no cloud in the sky, but it was certain that the rain had fallen on him from Heaven



4. Convinced now of the efficacy of prayer, Bricky hasbened back to the Methody meeting, filled with contrition, and bowing at the penitent stump told the sisters and brothers of the miracle that had befallen him.

"I'm paying for my mistakes, old girl," he told his wife one night when she chided him for his depression of spirits. "My success, my love for you, our beautiful home, the children, all tend to increase my uneasiness.

The more cause I have to be happy, the The more cause I have to be happy greater occasion I have for uneasiness. In those days when I was wild and working evil I had no fear, but now the possibility evil I had no fear, but now the possibility of being identified one of these days and taken has become a real terror. The sight of a strange man on the road fills me with uneasiness. I suspect people who are my best friends. Dear, having so much to lose has made the dread of losing all my proper punishment. But I'll never be taken a living one of the three troopers was after him, makman. Never! Never! It would be death on the scaffold, or, at best, imprisonment for life!"

I the house to the source, quality, since his horse, and mounting rode straight for the bush, taking the post and rail fence, and making a wild gallop through the shallow creek.

He did not turn till he was quite half-a-mile from the house, and then he saw that the hunt one of the three troopers was after him, making the best pace he could on his wearied horse. Sutch had no difficulty in getting away from his pursuer, once the bush covered his flight. He remained in hiding, and one night a

life!"
"For pity's sake, don't—don't!" cried his "God forgive me for frightening you, my derling," said Sutch. "It's only a passing nervousness. It will go. I didn't mean any-

test to hers.

"My God, how you are altered! But you and fest at each my darling. I'll rob no had found him out in this way. As his family and lest at each my darling. I'll rob no had found him out in this way. As his family and his possessions grew, and with them the note had been a farm, and then I'll sins being dragged up against him points for you. Sever to Heaven never to soned his ease and there was something of a swear to Heaven never to soned his ease, and there was something of a again. Do not be afraid hunted look in his eyes, even though he had from me for a time, but never, through all the years of his married life, you do hear you'll come had the slightest real occasion for alarm. In Thomas Sutch, the prospering farmer, bearded true to his word, and pale, there was nothing whereby any chance person would recognise Terry Donovan, of Cuna-

> One afternoon Sutch was sitting in the parlour of the Half-Way Inn on the road to Bundarra, the nearest railway town, when he was startled by the clatter of horses and the sight working ore of the pret-of three troopers dismounting before the hotel rous little farms in the The policemen were dusty and travel-stained The policemen were dusty and travel-stained, their horses had been hard ridden. The men marched into the bar, and, listening intently. Sutch caught one word distinctly, "Daybreak." That was sufficient to fill him with the wildest

The anxiety of the last few years had gone a long way towards destroying the splendid nerves of Terry Donovan, and now his heart beat wildly, and his head throbbed as he fought with himself for the calmness the difficulty demanded. He did not doubt for a moment that it was he whom the troopers were seeking. Waiting his opportunity he stole from the house to the stable, quickly saddled his horse, and mounting rode straight for the

flight. He remained in hiding, and one night a week later stole back to his home. His wife was almost heside herself with joy at the sight of him, and Sutch was amazed to hear that no troopers had been near the place. He stayed troopers had been near the place. He stayed at home that night, thinking that perhaps, after all, he had mistaken the troopers' ob-

Sutch and his wife were at breakfast next morning, when three or four horsemen rode into the yard, and a moment later an officer of the mounted police appeared in the doorway. Sutch arose from his seat. He had no doubt as to the man's intentions; he felt that the moment had come, the moment he had dreaded night and day for four years past. His head was clear enough now, a cold determination marked his face.

Alice crouched at the table, her eyes, too, were fixed upon the officer, and the terror in her heart was like the agony of a deep wound. The officer spoke.

"You are Mr. Sutch," he said. Sutch nodded his head.

the mo been seen in this district. He is Gaffen, alias Australia for ever.

The Kidney; he broke gaol last Thursday at daybreak—a short, red-headed man, with a purple scar through the left cheek. You've seen or heard nothing of him?"
"Nothing."

"Nothing."

"We saw you cutting across country from the inn the other day, and thought you might be our man, but the landlord knew you. One of our men rode after you, thinking you might have some information of value to us, but he missed you in the bush. Well, if you should hear of anything of our man, let us know.

Meanwhile, we've got no time to spare: Good-morning. Good-morning, ma'am."

The trooper turned on his heel, and Alice, who had been scarcely able to whisper an answer to the man's greeting, looked at her husband. His face was deathly pale, he was looking straight before him, with something in his large.

ing straight before him, with something in his cyes that brought the woman to her feet with a sharp cry. She caught his arm.
"Terry! Terry! Oh, Terry, you frighten me!" she cried. "What is it? You are quite safe. It was not you they were seeking. My God! why do you look like that?"
He put her at arm's length, holding her with a strong hand, and looked into her eyes.
"Alice," he said, "prepare yourself. I am doomed!"
"What do you mean? Oh what do you

"What do you mean? Oh, what do you

mean? mean?"

"What I say—I am dying. I told you I would never be taken alive. When that trooper came to the door I was certain my time had come, and I swallowed a poison I have always carried with me. It is certain death."

"Was it in that bottle—the little bottle you always carried?" There was an agony of entreaty in her eyes and her voice.

treaty in her eyes and her voice. "Yes," he said.

"Yes," he said.
"Oh, thank God! Thank the good, merciful God! you are safe. I discovered the bottle when you were ill in the autumn, and guessing what it was and what your intentions were I emptied it and refilled it with water and a little colouring material."
Terry Donnyan gripped his wife to his heart:

Sutch nodded his head.

"We are seeking a man who is badly wanted just now. Perhaps you can help us."

"Yes," said Sutch. The cat is playing with the mouse, he thought.

"Yes. It was reported to us that he had hear seem in this district. He is Gaffen, alias Australia for ever.

what it was and what your intentions were i emptied it and refilled it with water and a little colouring material."

Terry Donovan gripped his wife to his heart; but that terrible five minutes decided him. He sold all his belongings, and a month later left australia for ever.



- She: -"Do you think we can live happily without political affinity—I a Radical. you a Conservative?"
 He. -"To be sure, my dear. Holding such divergent opinions well make an excellent 'pair.'"
 GOING TO THE POLL. Finnegan: "Ged out wid ye! D ye think yez ken corrupt the whole iv this family iv intelligint an' independint electors wid won beer?"
- 3. Mr. and Mrs. New-wed occupy separate compartments in the train on their honeymoon trip. Said Mrs. New-wed: "Until you can see your way to come over to me on this question of reciprocity, we must continue to sit on opposite sides."

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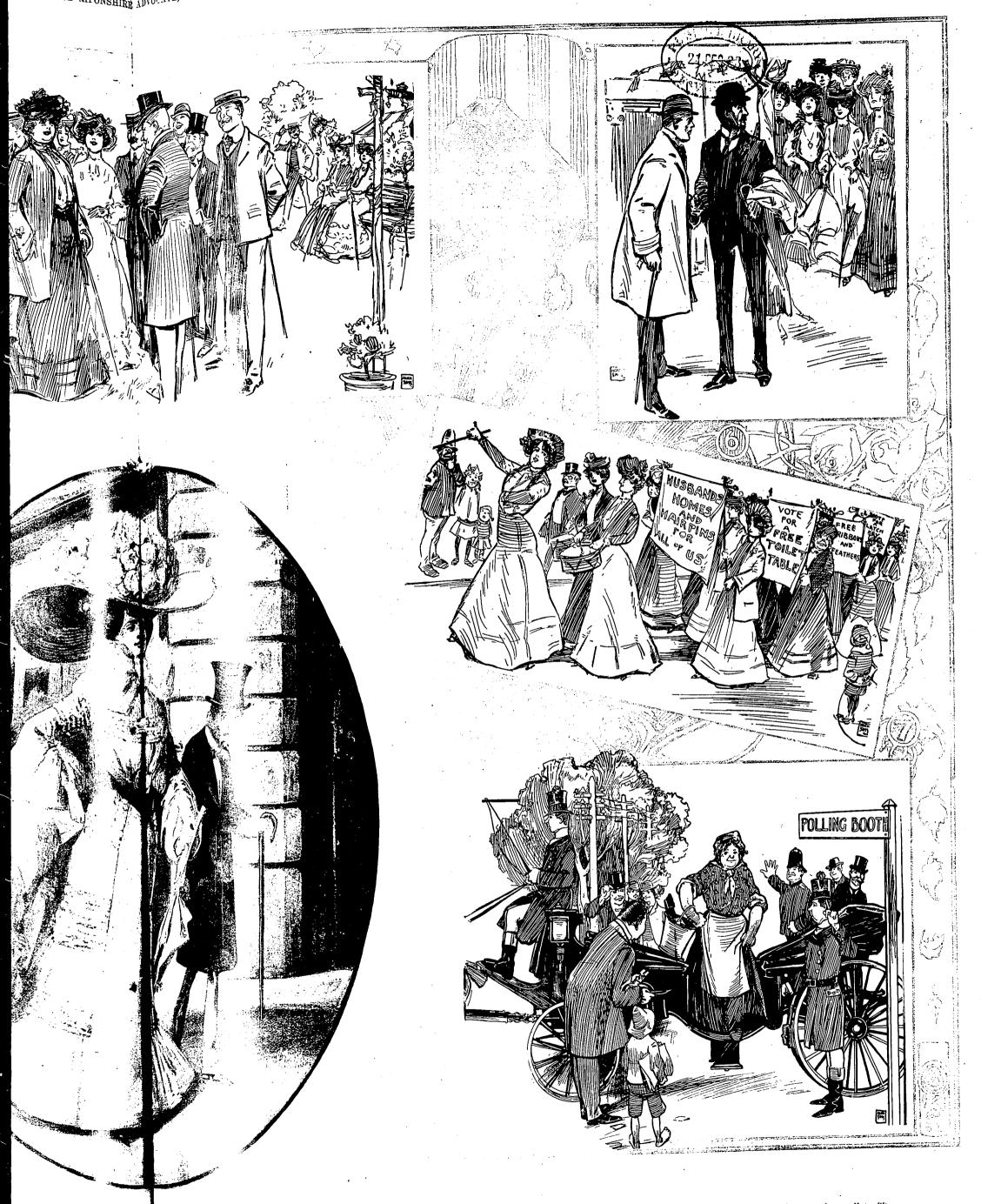
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- 6. Susceptible Candidate.—"How did I get along canvassing? I lost my head—engaged myself to fifteen electors, married seven, and promised to be a brother to some thousands. I'm wanted for divorce, bigamy and breach of promise, and ten husbands are chasing me with guns."
- 7. The Leader of the Ladies' Unemployed Movement. "Now then, girls, hold up your banners on high.

 Don't be ashamed of your principles and the three H's-' Husbands, Homes and Hairpins for all!"
- 8. DRIVE V TO VOTE.—"You are voting for Mr. Crossus. I see, as you have come in his carriage."
 "'Deed, no, thin -I am going to vote for that dacint chap in the belitopper that druv me down to the booth."

A VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY.

By GEORGE MARTIN.

Captain Matthew Bing, master of the schooner Saucy Jane was of middle age, his habit corpulent, and his manner at home usually

The head of the table was graced by wife Emma, whose chief mental exercise lay in administering to her husband a regular discilline. On her right sat Mrs. Corker, her friend, and a newly-made widow of fifty, grim

friend, and a newly-made widow of nivy, grint of countenance and distrustful of men.
Her position was that of a boarder.
"Matthew," said Mrs. Bing; "Mrs. Corker and I have been talking it over, and I've made up my mind to take a trip with you this time, and well stop at Mre. Ries hotel where you we'll stop at Mrs. Bliss' hotel, where you are always made so much at home, you know."
"Not this trip you don't mean, my dear,"
stammered the skipper, with sudden alarm; "why, we're goin' to blow out by the mornin'

"why, we're goin' to blow out by the mornin' tide."
"Well, I can be ready in time; and don't drop the marmalade on the cloth," she cautioned.
"But I can't rig up a bunk in the time so's to make you thoroughly comfortable," he urged.
"Ria up a bunk, indeed!" repeated Mrs. Bing, scornfully, "I shall take yours, of course, and you can find another. Give me a deep-sea sailor for civility to ladies; you coasters are only fne-weather men, after all." she added.
"Why, Captain," observed Mrs. Corker, with severe reproach. "anyone would think you didn't want the pore dear to go with you. Surelv" (her voice dropping to a low bass), "you haven't rot any secret you're a-keeping from her in her trusting innocence?"
"I should like to catch him," sniffed Mrs. Bing.
The skipner, with difficulty controlling his rave at this double attack, rose, and, whistling with well-assumed indifference, walked to still the order." He observed the controlling of the window.
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"Lot o' wind coming up, my dear," he observed, anxiously. "Ah," he murmured, with well-assumed nathos, "'twas just such a mornin' as this, I remember, when we left that day lost year and the scheener was last year, and the schooner was ked: as hoisterous a trip 'sever I moun-tain-e-ous seas, the cabin swamp-

ed—"
"Why, what's the use of your talking like that?" jeeringly interiected his wife, "the newspapers says there's to be fine, settled weather. colm seas and light airs—look at it!"
The baffled mariner did not need to look—he knew it. Losing all command of himself, and glaring at his wife and her smirking companion, he hawled: "Oh, it does, does it? Knows better nor I do. I suppose! 'Owsomever, a woman an' a gale o' wind'll have their way, we all knows. I'm off to the office," he added, savagely, "and at eleven o'clock—ah, n'rans half-past—we'll cast off." Aud with this he burst from the room, and left the house.

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from her slippery admirer, remarked, with a sly look, that she supposed he was not already married; whereupon the philanderer, being in this wise, so to speak, brought to the wind and mallow and course. the wind, and mellow and courageous with his last glass, had not only scouted the idea, but then and there imprinted a kiss on his hostess' dimpled hand in token.

From that moment he had been filled with uneasiness, for he perceived that his dalliance was expected to be followed by an open declaration of his intentions. He had, therefore, resolved to put himself on another tack; he would adopt the friendly, fatherly role, graced

would adopt the triendly, latherly fole, glaced with propitiatory offerings, and so gradually back out of his position.

Making his way now through the crowded streets of the city, he presently entered the doors of an establishment devoted to the sale of forming habiliments.

of feminine habiliments.

"About that head-gear I ordered for a party at Port Sandy. I don't want it sent aboard the schooner to-day; I'll take it next v'y'ge," he remarked to an attendant.

"I adv's hat, trimmed with a boat of red roses in billowy blue velvet, wasn't it, sir?" queried the young lady smiling.

"Yes, yes," he answered, nervously; "ship o' love, in a storm."

"Oh, it was delivered this morning," she said, giggling beyond restraint.

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In a state of mental aritation, and mutter-ing a round of imprecations, the skipper, after calling at his owner's, walked apidly to the calling at his owner's, walked applied to the schooner. He had received the gracious consent of Mrs. Bliss to receive the hat, which he had engaged to bring this voyage, and how the affair was going to be managed in presence of his wife, and himself exculpated from his perfidious conduct to both women was now nearly fidious conduct to both women, was now nearly

distracting him.

Stepping on board, he was received by the mate. who was making his first trip with him. Formerly in the same service in another vessel, and for the last six months employed in the run to the Islands, Edward Selsy was a romantic, piratical-looking mariner of some thirty years of age, with a dark rolling eye and black curly hair. and black curly hair.

"Lady's hat-hox come aboard for you, sir,"

he announced, gently.

Turning and glancing rapidly towards the quay—it being now on the stroke of eleven—the

Let it be here confessed that the disciplinged yet roystering voyager had somewhat awkwardly compromised himself with the young awkwardly compromised himself with the young and fascinating widow, Mrs. Bella Bliss, hosters of the "Welcome Home" Inn at Port Sandy. His jovial, susceptible temperament, how-of consequences, and this had confined his of consequences, and this had confined his speech to a sort of non-committal, sentimental shilly-shally; which he mostly loved.

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ried?"

"No," answered the skipper, smarting with seal of the same seal of the sea

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"I'm told, Mr. Edward," observed Mrs. Bing,
with conceptive sat at tea, "that you sailors they presently sat at tea, "that you sailors are shockingly free with your loves and fancies.

I hore it's confined to the single men," she

added, with a warning look at her spouse.

The mate glanced furtively at his superior, and, couching softly, replied: "Ye see, ma'am, and, courning soluty. replied: "re see, ma am, it all devends. Anyway, them as has fine handsome wives a'ready wouldn't have no call to be. Them as is married is bound to sail close hauled to their last stitch, while them as ain't, d'ye see, can run full and by, with their canvas a'hellvin', and—"
But this lucid disquisition was suddenly cut

short, for the schooner, now entering the Rip, assumed such violent contortions as caused Mrs. Bing to scream loudly, and, notwithstanding a calm sea and light airs, that lady, for the remainder of the trip, was an interesting invalid, recovery disposed on the schim could be seen and the schim could be seen as a second of the schim could be seen and seen as a second of the schim could be seen as a second of the schim coul securely disposed on the cabin couch, and re-fusing any attentions except at the hands of the mate, on whom she heamed with increas-

When, two days later, the vessel was inside the har of Port Sandy, the skipper, being on deck, chanced to glance down the skylight to

the cahin below.

"Yes Edward," his wife was saying, "I really must have one—I've heen admiring them all the voyage. But what shall I do without scissors?"

"No need for 'em, ma'am," laughed the mate.

"No need tor 'em, ma'am," laughed the mate. and drawing his clasp-knife he sawed off one of the ringlets which adorned his forehead and presented it to his blushing companion.

The skipper scowled savagely, and roared stentoriously for 'the mate, but on his appearance contented bimself with giving orders for

ance contented himself with giving orders the tying up of the schooner to the wharf.

on the galley floor."

When the vessel was under weigh, the subordinate was presented to Mrs. Bing, and received with visible signs of approval.

"What a handsome young man," she observed to her spouse as the mate lounged off; "now to her spouse as the mate lounged off; "now to does take the eve of a woman. Is he mare lounged and was introduced to the still be ready next v'ye."

"Sister-In-law!" repeated Mrs. Bliss, looking hard at the skipper; but at this moment Mrs. Bling herself entered, with severe statelinese and was introduced to the stillness.

What a handsome young man, she observed the spouse as the mate lounged off; "now Bing herself entered, with severe stateliness, her spouse as the mate lounged off; "now and was introduced to Mrs. Bliss by the captain, now in a state of stammering nervous."

you had broken off the engagement." I thought "There was no post-offices." he answered soothingly and mendaciously, "in the islands," refraining from mentioning that he had lately been beaten in a contest for a widow

lately been beaten in a contest for a widow with even a snugger property in Melbourne.

"I jst come up, sir," he softly explained to the skipper, "to show your wife the way."

"Wife!" cried Mrs. Bliss, reddening. The released herself from the mate, and looked ominously at the quaking, remediate commander, chuckling a moment ago at his lack.

But Mrs. Bliss was a wise woman, and with a smile to the mate, and caressed turned provoking thereby a loud snort his ringlets, from Mrs. Bing.

Realising the psychological force of the moment, the skipper now tacked easily from the moment to the open air, followed by his wife.

"The mate," he observed, event her severely, "won't come back with us, to you'll have to be content with that greasy lit o' matting you've got of his."

"Oh, the wretch! You must here seen us."

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"Emma," he announced in a jity, "I mean to rule in my mrs. Corker shall go."
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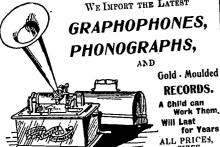
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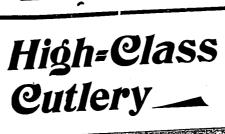
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Skinflint Henley's Experiment.

BY WARD EDSON.

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"Good day to ye," said John Henley. The young man started, looked critically at the rather shaddy stranger, and answered,

Good day'''

"It's a fine day maybe?"

"It's a mae day maybe?"
"Very." The young man did not seem disposed to keep up the conversation.
"And yet you two dinna appear to be verra well satisfied wi' things." He was addressing

She turned and to ked at him, her eyes filled

"Dann it, men Why don't you mind your own business" cried the youth. "Do we look like people who want to be bothered with curious meddlers?

sold John, quietly, "but dinna be so last, Labore I've a mind to help you, likely as no " "Maybe no."

"Appearances the deceifful, laddic. Are ye out of work?"

"I am."

wekin' last?''

"Be youth, defiantly,
defit—don't'' cried cried the girl. "Oh George ir: he was innocent. But since he came out, and "He was into he can get : we are state The girl three

breast, and devil out of this if your said the husband, "or said the husband. curiosity is vou off. I ask nothing from ness after a long misery.
They had been on the station about seven by Heaven I'

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REASON ENOUGH.

THE JOHNNIE.—Aw! How is it you girls generally want money with your husbands? THE LADY. - For the same reason that we generally want jam with our pills.

run, Bogaburra, the morrow week. Gr. me ye'r name."

"My name is George Thornton. This is my wife," said the young man.

"Good. Maybe ye can ride?"

"I have been used to horses."
"An' the missus can do housework, maybe?"
"Yes, oh, yes! I'll do anything," said the

"Good again. Ye'll be at Emu Downs the morrow week. You's money enough."

John Henley arose and hastened away, leav-

an experiment in kindness.

John Henley curried back. He walked past the young couple, struggling with his own mind, in quite a tremor of excitement. Turn-mind, in quite a tremor of excitement. Turn-girl.

"Sir, we did not thank you," she said. "God bless you, you have lifted us out of terrible misery! God—God bless you!"
"Dinna bother me, woman!" said Skinflint Henley almost fiercely, and hurried on.

George Thornton and Jess, his wife, were at Emu Downs on the day appointed. They saw nothing of John Henley, but the super. told them it was all right. George was given work about the homestead, and Jess found herself or cupying the position of housekeeper and general servant. Henley had no other servant, but he lived very quietly, and the work was not

Neither of them saw much of the boss. On the second day after their arrival he had spoken

the second way are to Jess.

"Ye mind the wisdom o' a silent tongue?"
he said. "Tell your husband, too, I'd as lief hear nothing o' your folly in Melbourne there."
So George and Jess kept their story to them-

So George and Jess kept their story to themselves, and were amazed when they heard of the reputation Skinflint Henley had at Bogaburra, but they thought they knew him better. "He is eccentric, but he has a heart of gold," said George, and remembering that Skinflint Henley had come to him like a smiling Providence when his heart was black with hate and despair, he was possessed with a feeling of gratitude towards his boss that was almost a gratitude towards his boss that was almost passion. Their wages were small, but they had since he came out, and were saving to no expenses, and were saving the light was back healthy and happy again. The light was back healthy and happy again. The light was back in her eyes and the roses in her checks, and in her eyes and the roses in her checks, and the work and felt like a man who no expenses, and were saving money. Jess was healthy and happy again. The light was back George liked the work, and felt like a man who had been given freedom and comfort and happi-

They had been on the station about seven months, when one night Skinsint Henley awoke from a horrible dream to find a dim light from a horrible dream to find a dim light from a horrible dream to the chink of the flushed face continuing in his room, and to hear the chink of the was heling robe and the gaol-bird. He old curmudgeon has an every gold gold. He counted the palm of his hand, was certainly being robbed. He lad recently and he's too mean to pay it, and he's too mean to pay it, but not being hopelessly lot

that the hands between the hands it! Tak it, large sum paid in gold. What he saw was his rouseabout Skinner and the lut cook, Ogilvie, raking the money from the drawer into a bran hand dour, hands the small eyes burned excitedly.

For a moment Skinflint Henley was paralysed the money from his dry lips.

For answer John Henley drawned the many the hands of the hands of

now," he said. "Fiele, can laddie!"

The youth stared into Henley's face. He raking the money from the drawer may be as an on kindness there; it was grim and dour, and the small eyes burned excitedly.

"Good God! Do you mean it?" he whispered.

For answer John Henley dropped the money into the girl's lap. "If ye want work, an' you're a wellin' couple, be at Emu Downs you're a wellin' couple, be at Emu Downs at Emu Downs Pogaburra, the morrow week. Gi' me Bogaburra, the morrow week. Gi' me him down upon the drawer more a moment Skinflint Henley was paralysed to with terror, and a hoarse, inarticulate cry broke from his dry lips.

It was Skinner who rushed at him. He felt like a feather in the hands of the big brute. The thief's fingers were at his throat, pressing him down upon the bed with horrible strength. He experienced the agonies of strangulation, but He experienced the agonies of Skinner's face above him, him down upon the bed with horrible strength. He experienced the agonies of strangulation, but all the time saw Skinner's face above him, hideous with the lust of a murderer, and he heard clearly the cook repeating clearly:

"Kill the old cow, Pippo—kill him! He knows us. Kill him! Kill him!"

Skindint Henley tasted death are the room

knows us. Kill him! Kill him!"
Skinflint Henley tasted death, and the room was blacked out, but the bitter cup was dashed from his lips. When his mind was cleared of the darkness that had fallen upon it he saw Skinner lying on his face on the floor, looking very dead, the blood flowing in a broad stream along the floor from a wound in his head. At the other end of the room two men were struggling desperately, were struggling desperately, with passionate, animal-like animal-like with passionate, animal-like noises. He recognised George Thornton as one of the men. Suddenly Ogilvie broke away and made for the door, but Thornton was after him, and fought again they clenched and fought again, but the younger man made a sudden, swift movement, and Orilvie was spun over his hip and thrown heavily on the side of his head, and lay by Skinner stunned.

Half-a-minute later the supe and two men from the huts rushed in. They had been roused by Mrs. Thornton. Skin-ner and Ogilvie were secured. and even while the men tied them Henley was busy with his gold, counting it coin by coin.

"He saved your life as well as your money," said the super to Skinflint Henley, talking of George Thornton next day.

"Maybe, maybe!" said Skin-flint, a grily. "but it was na mare than his duty, an' he canna expect ony reward!" To George's great surprise he

was told by the super a week after the trial that he was no longer wanted at Emu Downs.
"The sack!" cried George,

to every sense of decency he is ashamed to meet you about the place, and so I've been given the dirty job of turning you off."
"Don't you mind that, old man, and, come what many give Stieffet Victorian, and, come

"Don't you mind that, old man, and, come what may, give Skindint Henley his due, there's something all right in the curious mixing and making of him. He did me a good turn once. So good a turn that I don't think I've paid it off yet, and I go from Emu Downs without a bitter thought for him."

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Skinslint Henley heard this from the other side of the store-room door, and he hid himself away when George and Jess were leaving, knowing they wished to say good-bye.

With the money saved at Emu Lowns the young people started in a small business in a town where George was not known as the youngster who served twelve months for embezzlement, and here they remained for five years. Then one morning a neighbour brought them an advertisement clipped from a Melhourne paper, inquiring anxiously for George Thornton, who was formerly in the employ of the late John Henley, Esq., of Emu Downs.

Shortly after this George learned with interest that after scattering the bulk of his property amongst his many poor relations, John Henley had bequeathed ten thousand pounds and 250 acres of land to his former faithful servant.

250 acres of land to his former faithful servant, George Thornton, as some small compensation

George Thornton, as some small compensation for a noble service.

That 250 acres was one of the eyes of Emu Downs, and now George Thornton is a wealthy farmer and the father of the finest family within ten miles of Bogahurra.

Blickers was a budding author and an amateur photographer to boot, and one day it suddenly struck him that a story he was writing would go well it illustrated by real photographs. Accordingly he cast his eyes about for two suitable individuals to improve the cast his eyes. well in Hussiaed by leaf phocetaphs.

Ingly, he cast his eves about for two suitable individuals to impersonate his hero and heroine, and his choice fell on Smithers, a bashful youth, and an unsophisticated damsel, whose Christian name was Melissa. Everything went well until the last picture came to be taken and the various enisodes in the story had been faithfully imprinted on the photographic plates. The final picture. Blickers explained, was to illustrate the reuniting of hero and heroine and the liss of forgiveness. Smithers blushed hornibly at the suggestion, and Melissa strongly ornosed the idea. Blickers stormed, coaxed, argued, and at last both consented; Smithers first then Melissa, who insisted that the picture he taken by the instantaneous process. Blickers agreed, and arranged his camera, and ture be taken by the instantaneous process. Blickers aereed, and arranged his camera, and Smithers advanced upon Melissa and pecked her upon the lips just as Blickers squeezed the hall. "Too cu ck," said the operator: "trv again." And this time strangely the subjects were not loth. The second kiss was of longer duration, but again Blickers said, "Too quick!" Then Melissa snoke shyly: "Perhaps you'd better take a time exposure, Mr. B-" Blickers agreed and the kiss commenced. He exposed the plate for some time, and then packed up his camera and took his plates into his darkgroup without notifying the two that the thing was done. He developed the nictures, and even room without notifying the two that the thing was done. He developed the nictures, and even printed the last one off the wet negative, and then went outside, only to find his subjects touched them rently on the shoulders, and they fell apart. "Is it took?" asked Melissa, innocently. For answer Blickers produced the print. "Well, I'm hi wed," said Smithers, admiringly. "I'd 'eard that the photer was in the machine, but I thort it was only a kid's yarn. Ain't it marvillous?"

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Albert didn't bustle. The scd neither his scheme nor hook rooms in the most "sele ney, made himself agreeable t citizens, spent his money ga "smart set," was soon invited excursions and race meetings nent and popular figure in th resorts, sauntered into clubs, bars and smoked innumerable ettes on his pleasure trips are harbour. He was having a go One evening, when taking a harbour, about a month after auce in Sydney, a gentleman back to him mentioned to a was dining at the National lowing evening. This was the bert resided. After making Albert discovered that the gesmithers, one of the leading. city. As the boat returned was lost in profound thou mused, "this is the third o mused, "this is the third op had thrust upon me. I've be and I think I'll take the char-Next day Albert did not | He went out after breakfast

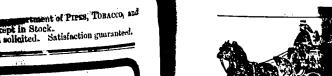
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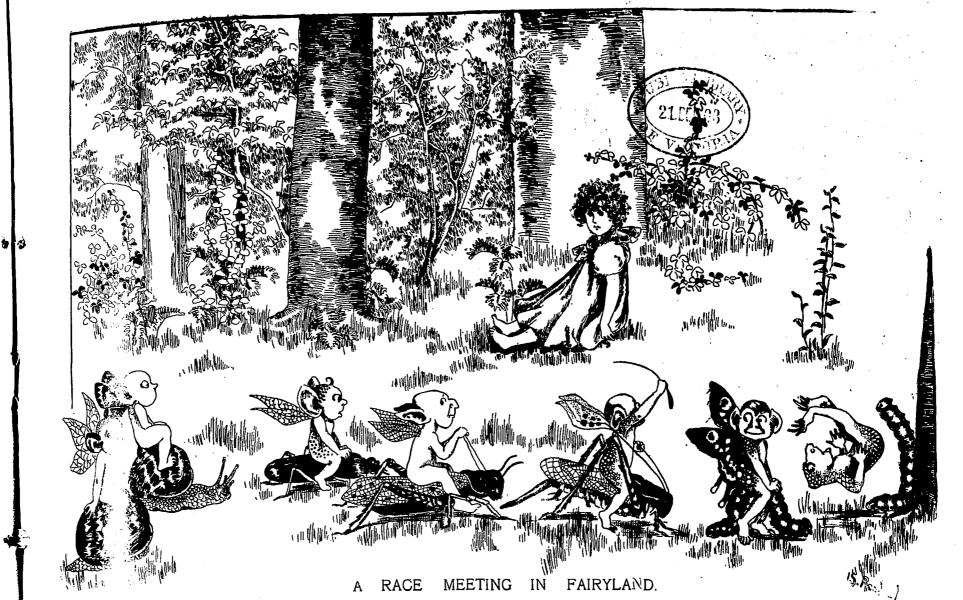
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attasser—even as journalist vocations too strenuous, too to suit his dilettante personality, he deci-gentleman." gentleman."
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hems of expenditure were numerous and neary, he managed to save a few hundred pounds for further "working expenses." Then, striking on a brilliant idea, which he carefully and scientifications of the striking of the striki tifically worked out in theory, he went over to Sydney in order to put it into practice.

This coup was to be his first masterpiece.

Albert didn't busile. The strenuous life suited neither his scheme nor his character. He took rooms in the most "select" hotel in Sydney, made himself atteable to many influential citizens, spent his money gaily amongst the "smart set," was soon invited to balls, soirces, "smart set," was soon invited to dails, soffees, excursions and race meetings, became a prominent and popular figure in the most fashionable resorts, sauntered into clubs, lounged in private bars and smoked innumerable Egyptian cigar-ettes on his pleasure trips around the beautiful

ettes on his pleasure trips around the beauthful harbour. He was having a good time.

One evening, when taking a "blow" on the harbour, about a month after his first appearance in Sydney, a gentleman sitting with his back to him mentioned to a companion that he was dining at the National Hotel on the folwas uning at the National Flotel on the following evening. This was the hotel where Albert resided. After making a few enquiries, albert discovered that the gentleman was Mr. Smithers, one of the leading jewellers in the city. As the boat returned from Manly Albert was lost in profound thought. "Yes," he mused "this is the third opportunity I have mused, "this is the third opportunity I have had thrust upon me. I've been here a month, and I think I'll tabe the chance."

Next day Albert did not pay his hotel bill. He went out after breakfast, called a hansom, and asked to be driven to "Smithers' jewellery establishment.

He was dressed in his latest dandified style, sported some flash rougs and studs and felt in his pinkest and here form, so when he entered the shop and asked to see Mr. Smithers the athendants wondered who the "distinguished vistar" could be

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selected the best one. "What is the price of this one?" he asked. "A hundred guineas."

"Ah! all right, I'll have it."

As the jeweller carefully packed up the ring, Albert wrote out a cheque and handed it over the counter. Mr. Smithers looked doubtingly at the cheque, then said: "Will you excuse me a moment?" "With pleasure," bowed Albert.

Smithers went to the telephone, rang up Mr. Carew and asked the politician whether a certain Mr. Halliwell was "good" for £100. The answer came back, "Good for £100! As far as I can judge, he seems good for £100." As far as I can judge, he seems good for £100." He then asked Albert if he knew Mr. X., Mr. Y. and Mr. Z., and Albert said, "Personal friends of mine." The jeweller again apologised, and rang up these gentlemen, who were citizens of means and repute, and all considered that Mr. Halliwell's cheque should be received. Mr. Y. went so far as to reply that he would endorse it himself.

Mr. Smithers was one of the merry party, at which Mr. Smithers was one of the merry party, at which Mr. Smithers was one of the meany prominent guests When he had finished dinner he asked to see the he ad waiter. A fat, oily, well-groomed man appeared, and Albert said, "Can you do me a favour?" "If it is in my power," replied the waiter. "what is it worth?" said Albert showing the ring that he had bought during the day. The waiter inspected it and replied, "It looks a good one. I should say about £50." "You're right. It is worth £50; but I will take £10 for it if you will promise to let me buy it back again. See, there is Smithers at that table. Show it to him, and he will tell you if it is genuine, but don't mention my name."

The waiter half dinner he asked to see the head witer. A fat, oily, well-groomed man appeared, and Albert said, "Can you do me a favour?" "If it is in my power," replied the waiter. "Well I want some ready money to onight to assist a friend. Look at this ring water is specified in a favour?" "If it is in my power," replied the waiter. "Well I want some ready money endorse it himself.

Mr. Smithers then returned, handed Albert the ring, and said it was a fine day. Albert returned to his hotel, had a light luncheon and

returned to his notel, had a light luncheon and retired for the afternoon.

That evening the National Hotel was bright with decorations, gay with music, and lively with company. A private dinner party was being held at the largest table, so Albert selected a side-table that was deserted and secluded. He took his dinner in silence, heedless of the noise

See, there is Smithers at that table. Show it to him, and he will tell you if it is genuine, but don't mention my name."

The waiter humbly apologised for disturbing Mr. Smithers, but being an expert, would he be so good as to tell him the value of the ring that he had under offer. Smithers looked at the ring and started. "How much, sir?" "About a hundred guineas." "A gentleman staying at this hotel has offered it to me for £10." "What's his name?" asked Smithers, excitedly. "Mr. Albert Halliwell," replied the waiter, stealthily. "Good Heavens," cried Smithers, jumping up and interrupting the party. "I expected as much. I knew the thing wasn't genuine. Excuse me, gentlemen, but I party. "I expected as much. I knew the thing wasn't genuine. Excuse me, gentlemen, but I have been swindled to-day by a person in this

hotel. He has palmed off a spurious cheque on me. I must ring up the detective office at once." Through the telephone he told his

once." Through the telephone he told his story, and desired that a detective should be numed to sent to jut Hanhwell under arrest Albert, who had not yet received the money from the waiter, was having a game of billiards when the detective arrived. A waiter interrupted a hig break by announcing that somebody wanted to see him in the Lounge.

Albert walked languidly into the room, puffing at a choice cigarette, when Smithers shout-

fing at a choice cigarette, when Smithers shouted out, "That's the man. I give you in charge for fraud." Albert was not indignant. He merely smiled, turned to his friends and said, "I think I had better see this farce through."

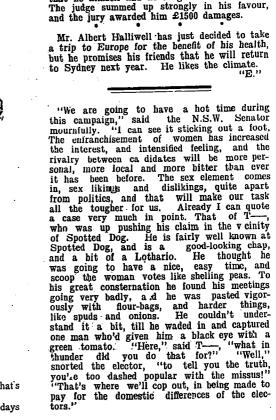
So from "information received" Mr. Albert Halliwell was laid under arrest. There was terrible excitement at the hotel when the news spread, and a most varied ex-

pression of opinion was given regarding his probable guilt or innocence.

At a later date, to the surprise of many, the case against Albert was dismissed, but a still greater shock was in store for all parties when Albert suddenly sued Mr. Smithers for "Defamation of character, damages, £2000."

When the great case was tried it was found that Mr. Smithers had no defence. He had completely lost his head, and had acted in the most foolish manner. He had never presented most foolish manner. He had never presented the cheque. When the judge ordered that it should be submitted to the bank it was soon proved that Mr. Halliwell was "good" for considerably more than the amount in question. Albert's excuse for selling the ring which, he observed, he intended to buy back again (he made the waiter prove that), was that he wished to lend a friend £10 to pay an urgent gambling debt, and on that evening he had no ready money. In reply to a question he said that he himself had never gambled in his life. The judge summed up strongly in his favour, and the jury awarded him £1500 damages.

Mr. Albert Halliwell has just decided to take a trip to Europe for the benefit of his health, but he promises his friends that he will return to Sydney next year. He likes the climate. "E."





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"So as to make things lively in the youngest, Mary.

"Like?" cried her brother Hat usual new-chum article, of course nothing, who is always saying nothing to the horns. Still come to Wantowater, for he'll fure one of of fun."

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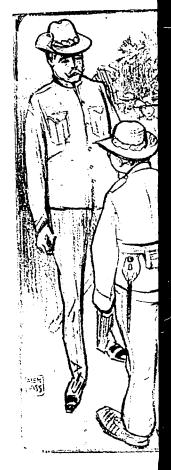
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"A must "reid outspoken Harry Delton.

"A nincompoop!" was the opinion of Maud Delton.

"It!" assented her twin-sister, who was the wit of the family.

Mary Balton At they we awwived heah, haw, haw!"

times economically upon the station.

To the young folks life was a feast and a famine so far as excitement was concerned, and it was in the days of the dreariest dulness it was in the owner of Wantowater announced the that the owner of the son of an old English in product. that the owner of mancowater announced the impending arrival of the son of an old English impending whose object was to gain "colonial extreme,"

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Maud.
"So as to make things lively for ourselves," assented Jessie.
"I wonder what it will be like?" murmured the Foungest, Mark.
"Like?" cried it rather Harry. "-"

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"A born idiot!" thought the squatter.
"A nufl!" cried outspoken Harty Delton.
"A nincompoop!" was the opinion of Maud Delton.
"It!" assented her twin-315-21, who was the wit of the family.

Mary Delton thought him very nice, for all his drawl and eyeglass, but she dared not express an opinion so opposed to the firm convictions of the remainder of the family.

Mr. Reginald Chauncey at once set about ac-



MIXED.

GEORGE. I see that Mr. Ham has married Miss Bacon. Queer combination, isn't it? FRED. Oh, that's nothing. My friend, Mr. Water, married Miss Melon, and their children are all called watermelons.

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"I wonder he stays," added Jessie; "he'll never learn anything, especially colonial experience, and we've got tired of him, for he's ceased to be fun to us—we've worked him out, so we may as well be cool to him as a kind of notice to quit."

"For shame," Mary was beginning, when meeting the astounded gaze of her sisters and the lovd laughter of her brother, she stopped suddenly and beat a retreat.

If the elder Delton girls gave Mr. Chauncey any "notice to quit" he declined to receive it,

The squatter looked at him curiously, and nodded affirmatively.

Delton felt that he must be dreaming, with a feeling of misgiving that was almost shame he signed the contract of sale.

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"Now, that's settled, don'tcherknow," said Mr. Chauncey, "I want your approval to my mawwiage with your daughtah Mawy."

"What!" screamed Delton, now rudely awakened from his dream; "do you think that I will ever consent to my child wedding an idiot who would give five thousand pounds for a paddock that will never grow anything but a stone crop? Never, sir, never!"

"That's a pity. don'tcherknow." said Chauncey

"That's a pity, don'tcherknow," said Chauncey coolly, "for we shall have to wait until she's of age. But she's going to mawwy me then with or without your appwoval, don'tcher-

with or without your appwoval, don'tcherknow?"

The sale of the useless paddock was effected, and the squatter's troubles were tided over, but only for a time. The bank eventually foreclosed, and the Delton family came to Melbourne to live as best they might. Things went hard with them, and the broken equatter lost all savour in life. Harry got a small clerkship, and the girls (the two eldest, soured and bitter) kept house. Mary alone was happy and cheerful, for she was in constant communication with Reginald Chauncey, who was, unknown to Harry and the others, the family's benefactor.

One day when old Delton was even more dispirited and gloomily inclined than ever, Mary came to him and said, in much the same direct manner as her lover:

pirited and gloomily inclined than ever, Mary came to him and said, in much the same direct manner as her lover:

"Pa, I want vour consent to my marriage with Reginald Chauncey."

"With that idiot that gave me £5000 for a bluestone quarry?"

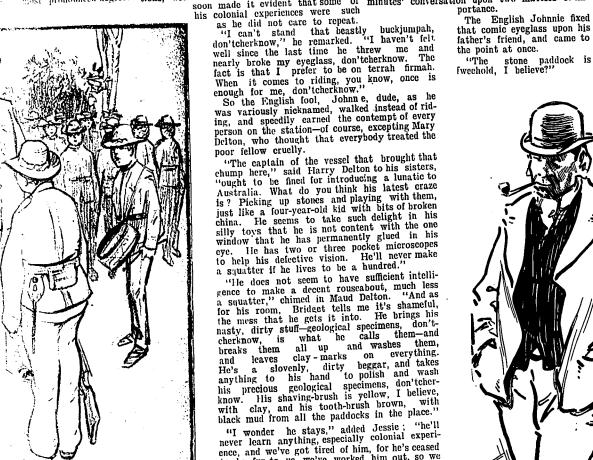
"That idiot," said Mary, "is now, or will soon be, a millionaire. The stone and barren land that wouldn't grow grass is a mass of turquoise. Reginald has had experts from Europe who are willing to find money to any extent to work the ground, and Reginald writes that a partnership has been entered into between them. He is to get £100,000 down, and to retain a half-share in everything. So, you see, pa, that you really had better give your consent to save me the trouble of waiting or eloping. By-the-way, Reginald proposes to buy Wantowater Station and give it to me as a wedding present. So you will consent?"

As soon as Delton could understand matters, he willingly vielded his consent.

"And we all took that English Johnnie, with his eyeglass, for a perfect idiot! We were the idiots—blind idiots—and that dude with his eyeglass saw a fortune where we follow saw only slate!"

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"Do you keep a servant?" asked one sadeyed woman of another sadeyed woman in a Brunswick tram the other day. "No; they come and go," was the weary alswer. "We have one now, who is the most impudent creature," continued the first speaker. "She actually gave notice when she heard my daughter play the piano." "The idea!" responded the second woman, still wearily; "as if a servant has any right to be able to if a servant has any right to be able distinctivish good playing from bad." T silence fell on the pair.





THE ONE THING.

Johnnie. -"Only one thing prevented me giving him a severe thrashing.'

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Johnnie.--"Him!

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A Marriage Complication.

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"The man with a little knowledge of law is a dangerous thing—to himselt," said the reminiscent old man to his hearers. "There was once a graceless libertine and scoundrel who was a bit of a bush lawyer. Where he came from nobody knew, but he was a man who would stop at nothirg in the way of villainy to effect his purpose. There were ugly lainy to effect his purpose. There were ugly rumours about him, but there was no doubt of one thing—he was wealthy, and owned a lot of property. Besides that, he was a great fellow for the women-folks. There was a very fretty barmaid in the town, and this fellow was terribly shook on her. The barmaid, I suprose, didn't care much for him, but her head was screwed on about as level as is usual with girls in her position. She liked him well enough—that is, she liked his money, which he spent freely, but without attaining his object, for Vi. always kept her admirers at arm's length.

"The more she stood him off the more desperately absorbing became his passion—and at length, when he found that Vi. was incorruptible, he proposed marriage to her. She talked to him in a business-like way, and told him that she would become his wife if he would make a will in her favour, leaving her one-half of all his property at his death. This chap, like many another wealthy man, had a horror of making a will, but it was a case of 'no will, no Vi.,' and at last he consented.

"I suppose,' he said, 'you'll want it drawn up by your own solicitor—eh? And signed beforehand?"

"Vi. smiled.

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hand? Vi. smiled.

"'Well,' she remarked, 'there's nothing like having these things settled in black and white beforehand.'
"The unprincipled blackguard

"The unprincipled blackguard chuckled to himself, for reasons of his own. He was sufficient of a lawyer to know that marriage renders a will absolutely void, and he saw that Miss Vi. was too olever in insisting upon having the document signed before the wedding. The will, leaving her half his estate. was duly prepared and executed, and the day afterwards they were married.

"Their married life did not last long, for this fellow was thrown from a horse and broke his neck. And then Vi. took steps to come into her fortune. It was then pointed out to her that the will was no good, but that, as the man died intestate, she, as his widow, would be entitled to one-third. Well, this wasn't so bad, and Vi. was content with the bargain she had made, when she was struck silly by a new development. This was the appearance upon the scene of another claimant—no other than the scoundrel's first wife.

"He had been married vears

first wife.

"He had been married years before, and had deserted his wife and child. There wasn't any doubt as to the genuineness of the first marriage. The proofs were undeniable, and poor Vi. found herself without name, honour or fortune. But here the Obinese puzzle began to solve itself as to the fortune, although nothing could alter the fact that she had not been the dead bigamist's wife. Her good name was ruined. But as the marriage was no marwife. Her good name was ruined. But as the marriage was no marriage the dead man's will was quite valid. Vi., although she had no right to the testator's name, was entitled to half of the property—and got it. The testator, having died intestate as to the remaining half, his legal wife came into one-third of the balance and her son the remainder. A curious mix-up, wasn't it?"

The candidate was doing his darnedest, but he was not popular evidently. He enunciated popular views, and promised the electors

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everything an elector's heart
could wish, but the little bags of
flour continued to burst on his
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cabbage-stump took him in some vulnerable
ulace, and forced him to discontinue his orafere with his breathing, and now and then a cabbage-stump took him in some vulnerable place, and forced him to discontinue his oration, pending the recovery of his breath. Then came the most dreaded missile of all, the corrupt egg, and a duck-egg at that. A henegg that has seen better days is bad enough, but a decadent duck-egg is worse, there is so much more of it. The egg struck the candidate in the bosom, and burst, throwing its contents in eleven directions. When the candidate recovered he clung to his nose with one hand and pointed the other at the wretch who threw the egg. "Trat's a beastly thing to do," he cried. "Oh, we don't want no bloomin' freetraders up here," answered the elector. "But I'm not a freetrader," said the man on the platform; "I'm a staunch protectionist." "Oh" replied the elector, rising in his place; "in that case I'm sorry I threw the egg, an' I take it all back."

On a recent holiday a friend of the writer's

On a recent holiday a friend of the writer's came upon a picnic down near Sandringham that was of a piquant sort. When he cadding that was of a piquant sort. When he passed on his trap going to Black Rock two men, who were members of the picnic party, men, who were members of the picnic party, were fighting in a clear space amongst the ti-tree, and the rest of the picnickers were ti-tree, and the rest of the picnickers were sitting about in a large circle, eating, drinking, smooging and having a good time, while blood and hair fiew like mosquitoes in flytime. When the same party came back, an hour and a-half later, the same two were still eat the sitting fighting. The stranger, having some interest in the pugilistic art, tied up his horse terest in the pugilistic art, tied up his horse and joined the spectators, who were still eat and joined the spectators, and entirely happy. In the same party came back, and joined the spectators, who were still eat and joined the spectators, who were still eat and joined the spectators, and entirely happy. In the same party came back, and joined the spectators, who were still eat the same two were still eated this to an adult bottle-oh recently. Africa, while in California they have been having some in his scalp before he could eat the same fighting. The stranger, having some in the scene just when the bottle-oh was dick. All the same two were still eat the same and kick and picked a bit of the man's ear and kick and picked a bit of the man's ear and kick an

outsider. "Oh, a bit o' skirt," replied a young man. It was a love affair. "I see," said the intruder; "the winner takes the girl?" "Yars." "Well, she'll have a beauty, anyhow." This was true. Both men were sights to te seen by this time—gory, bruised and battered, with lumps on them as big as eggs. After another ten minutes' fight-inr, the smaller man went out, and then the conquerer staggered forward. "Where's Sis?" he said. "I reckon she's mine now." They looked about for Sis, but Sis was not visite, and presently a female voice piped. "I seen her goin' off with Reddy Reed arfahour ago!" It was too true. While these way had been hammering each other to jelly for her sake, the lady had gone off with a third party, who had sense to woo while others made war. third party, who others made war.

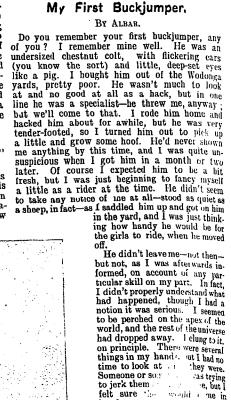
A man in Woolloomooloo is likely to get into further trouble for keeping a rooster that is a danger to man and beast. This

rooster's head off, and he cue. The bottle-ho fought like a man who had known trouble, and who was spreading himself for a righteous vengeance, and no doubt he would have given the owner of doubt he would have given the owner of Bandy an excuse for aking up his residence in the nearest hospital had not the bird joined in and worried him by picking airholes in his head and legs. As it was, the hottle collector went off, a battered man, and has since been seen hanging round with a small axe, waiting for Bandy. All the neighbours wish him luck. of

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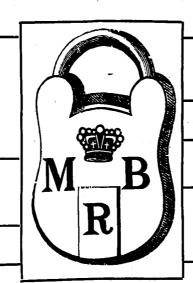
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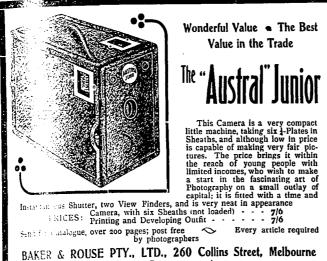
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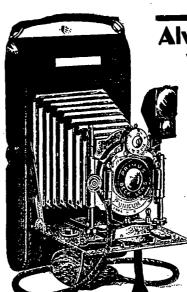


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THE CASE OF BLACK ECKERT.

BY EDWARD S. SORENSON.

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It was a hot, blistering day, and Trooper Eckert, having ridden twenty miles from town that morning, smacked his lips expectantly as he sighted the wayside pub. at Tooloon. Ned Tracey kept good grog and was liberal with it, but where he got the bulk of it was what was engaging Eckert's attention. He had discovered quite accidentally that several scattered backblock hotels got their supplies from Tooloon, and as he knew that very little loading went out by the teams for Tracey he had a suspicion that there was a plant somewhere in the neighbourhood.

neighbourhood.

"There's a stripe to be won at Tooloon, or "There's a stripe to be won at Tooloon, or "There's a stripe to me position," he muttered, as he led his horse into the bark-covered stable at the back. His keen eyes were ever alert for tracks, particularly in the direction of the rugged hills across the creek. There was a road leading to a waterhole two miles down the course, whence Tracey carted his water. Eckert had seen him arrive with a load as he crossed the flat, and the cart, containing a big galvanised-iron tank, was standing between the stalls and the back of the hotel. The peculiar top attracted his attention: it fitted on like the lid of a billycan. Climbing on the wheel, he lifted it up and peeped in. Footsteps coming in his direction disturbed him, and he hastily climbed down. But he had seen enough to excite an older head than his. He was only thirty, with a dark, stern cast of countenance, and his eagerness for promotion made him as stern and relentless as he looked. They called him "cruel," and he was variously known about the locality as "Black Eckert," Eckert, the dog" and "the Black Snake." He was so well hated that there was hardly a man in the district he could rely upon for information or assistance if the exigencies of a case demanded it. The majority were "mum"—they didn't know anything; others purposely led him astray. So he never trusted anybody implicitly.

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HIS TOUCHING CONFIDENCE. MRS. BIGLEY.—"My little boy has the greatest faith in me. He says he is not afraid of the sharks while his mather in with him."

what had sense would want to eat her first."

"Was the man a big, burly sort of a fel-

so much as callin' for a nip.' added Eckert.
"With a big, shaggy beard?" added Eckert.
"Tremenjus big, an' shaggy, as you say,"

mother is with him."

beard will be giving me the slip. He's gone down the creek, I noticed by the tracks. I hope I'll overtake him at the waterhole." An', by "I'll hope you do," said Tracey. "An', by that token, you'll be back for tea?" "I'll be back in any case. So long—for the present."

Black Eckert had malignantly described Ned Black Eckert had malignantly described Ned Tracey as he had seen him a fortnight before, riding out of town. Though he often had a night's spree and a free and easy time generally when he visited Tooloon, he did not like Tracey. He would rather see someone there Tracey. He would rather see someone there or occasionally. Tracey fooled him, and charged him for everything, so that his trips to Tooloon were expensive. His ideal publican was one who would treat the Force to everything free of cost. not to speak of extras, as was one who would treat the Force to everything free of cost, not to speak of extras, as he put it. He hated Ned Tracey and felt a glow of satisfaction as he rode away from his rough-and-ready caravansary. He was on the track of that which would place him prominently before the public eye, which would be flashed and published all over Australia and bring him reward—and the promotion he fretted for. Tracey had an illicit still, worked on a large scale, in the vicinity. In the pseudo watertank on the cart he had seen several closed kegs, the smell of which was unmistak ted for. Tracey had an illicit still, worked on a large scale, in the vicinity. In the pseudo watertank on the cart he had seen several closed kegs, the smell of which was unmistakable. His approach to the hotel had been observed and the unloading of the spirits had been delayed in consequence. This was unfortunate for Tracey, thought Eckert, for he had now only to follow the track of the dray to find the still.

In this, however, Black Eckert, was mistaken.

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In this, however, Black Eckert was mistaken. At the waterhole was a pump, built on a strong and rather elaborately-made stand, with a bark roof over it: and here the wheel tracks ended. The cart had been backed to the pump, which was high enough to run water, by means of a spout, into the tank if desired. Knowing that water had not been brought from here that day, Eckert at once became deeply interested in this water had not been brought from nere that may, Eckert at once became deeply interested in this pump. It looked innocent enough, in all conscience, and yet there must be a secret about it somewhere. The suction pipe descended

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Mounting the stage, he saw that these uprichts formed the four corners of a box-like square in which the pump was set. A little examination revealed that the top pulled out in two sections, one from each side of the pump. Having removed these, he saw the whole secret at a glance, and, in spite of himself, he felt an admiration for the man who had so cunningly planned it. In each upright was a small pipe; one of them came to the top of the box, and appeared to be a speaking-tube; the other three were four inches shorter, and were each fitted with a small brass tap. Standing in the box was a short piece of curved piping, which screwed on to any of the three, and was ostensibly used to connect the pipes with a keg or other receiving vessel. He screwed it on to one and turned the tap. The result was a flow of unmistakable brandy. The trooper's admiration increased, and there being a jam tin on the stage he treated himself to a stiff nip. Then he tried No. 2; but that was dry. The pipe smelt strongly of beer, so he surmised that beer was only 'llaid on' when required, as the pipes might turn it. He tried the third pipe, and got a swig of what would pass in a labelled bottle for medium whisky—in fact, it had the same taste as Tracey's 'Glenlivet' and 'Old Scotch.' The trooper was now lost in admiration.

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"By the hokey frost," he muttered, "but this caps all the smart dodges a man could find in a blue moon. Yer not too slow, Ned Tracey. Yer a genius—an' all the more credit to me for ferretin' out the secret. There's a stripe for me in this, or I'm much mistaken."

His next move was to find the direction of the still. The flow of liquor from the pipes told him that it was situated at a higher level than the stage, and so he must look for it

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among the rugged hills across the creek. Armed with a long stick, he searched the water carefully from the bottom of the uprights, and ascertained that they went straight across into the onposite bank. Taking a line by them, he sighted up the hill, and found that the course took him close by a shepherd's hut, the top of which was just discernible over the cap of the first ridge. The shepherd was employed by Tracey, and the sheep-pens were close to the hut. SMALL Boy (cutting in).—"O' course I ain't. Any shark

country," he said one day to Tracey—"them that's in gaol an' them that ought to be—an', God willin', I'll make the numbers a little more equal; there's too many outside."

To-day, having made some valuable discoveries and seeing promotion looming ahead, he was less sinister than usual. He found Tracey doing something to the lock on his till. Tracey always managed to be busy at something in the bar when there was a sixpence about.

"You didn't happen to see a man go past here on a skewbald horse this morning, did you?" asked the trooper.

"I did, then," said Tracey.

"Had the horse a star an' a snip?"

"He had."

"Was the man a big, burly sort of a felhut.

"I'll have another drop of that brandy before I start," he soliloquised, "an', by the hokey, I'll fill me waterbag, too!" He climbed up again, and first filling the bag ran out a good nobbler into the jam tin, which he drank leisurely, making appreciative comments thereon. "It's good grog Tracey makes. 'Tis a pity I have to spoil his little game. "T would be a handy place for a camp when I'm after thieves or other varabonds. Gallons o' grog for the takin', spoutin' out like artesian water. But or other varabonds. Gallons o' grog for the takin', spoutin' out like artesian water. But duty is duty—an' there's a stripe hangin' to it. Tracer''

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Tracev's grog was strong, and already Black Eckert was filled with a spirit of recklessness. Otherwise he was quite sober, though he rode up the hill with a clatter that was not discretionary. Leaving his horse at the sheep-pen, he walked across to the hut. Smoke was issuing from the chimney, but there was no resuing from the chimney, but there was no resuing from the chimney, but there was no resuing from the skeep-pen, he walked across to the hut. Smoke was issuing from the chimney, but there was no resched with a padlock, and this he immediately unlocked with a skeleton key. The first thing he noticed on entering was that the few glowing coals in the fireplace gave out no smoke whatever. Yet a fair volume of smoke was issuing from the top of the chimney! He went out and back again three or four times before he discovered the ruse. There was a double wall at the back of the fireplace, and between these there was evidently a flue which carried the smoke from a fire underground. This hut was, then, but another blind, like the pump, and it suggested to him the locale of the still. Just behind the hut was a deep, wooded gorge, with a sheer drop of fifty feet. The fall began from some jutting rocks, twenty yards to the right, and it was towards this spot that the tell-tale pipes were directed. The trooper returned to his horse, and took another pull low?"
"He was. I remarked it as he passed widout "Tremenjus big, an' shaggy, as you say,"
Tracey agreed.
"Well, that ain't the gentleman I'm looking
for." Eckert returned.
"Isn't it?" said Tracey, a little sharply.
"The man I want hasn't a hair below his
eyebrows," Eckert continued. "Let's try a
glass of that beer of yours, Tracey. I don't
know how it is, but I can never get any beer
like yours in town. Where do you get it?"
"That's Townsville beer, Trooper. But 'tain't
so much where it comes from as the way I
keep it. That's a secret I learned from th' old
man." "He learnt you a trick or two, I'll warrant.
I've heard the Sergeant say he was pretty
smart in his day."
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smart as any a one here or there."
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"Not always," the trooper dissented. "Some people are too honest to be sly. But I must be moving, or the man without the shaggy

vestigations. "'T isn't everybody that has a brandy-bag—an' brimming at that—to carry with him when he rides about the bush," he commented with much satisfaction, as he press-ed the stopper in.

way along under the face of the cliff was rugged and strewn with loose stones, which the trooper, not too certain on his pins, set rolling as he went. When he got opposite the hut he could see nothing but a heavy festoon of vines, hanging over the rocks like a dense green certain. vines, hanging over the rocks like a dense green curtain. A close search revealed a faint track—a crushed leaf, a scratch on a stone—ascending towards it. With difficulty he climbed up, and on parting the vines his hand clutched the hidden pipes, following the face of the cliff round to the level ground, whence, he opined, they ran straight to the creek. Not a little excited, he now picked his way along with more care, and presently he found himself at the entrance of an enormous cave. The place reeked with the fumes of malt, and Eckert felt his blood of an enormous cave. The place reeked with the fumes of malt, and Eckert felt his blood tingle at the magnitude of his accomplishment. He stood, a couple of paces in blinking in the unacoustomed gloom. Slowly objects before him heran to take shape—casks, cases, bags—and far in there was a rough staircase, which, he calculated, gave access to the hut, the top being hidden, presumably, under the cow-hide mat he had noticed near the bunk.

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"Stand!" The order came clear and sharp from both sides of him simultaneously, and brought him up with a jerk. Turning in the direction of the voices, he saw a masked man standing like a statue on each side of him, and each had him covered with a rifle.

"I am sorry to see you here, Black Eckert," said the man on his right.

"I have no doubt of that," said Eckert,

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calmly.

"No one but our look-out saw you come in, Eckert," continued the man, "and you will be lucky if anybody sees you go out."

"Twill be worse for you, me man, if you try any hanky-panky tricks with me. Put your arms down an' surrender quietly now."

The other man laughed harshly. "You've done a fine piece of work to-day, Black Eckert," he said, "and you deserve credit for it."

across a wombat-hole, and Coyle happened to drop face against the burrow, and so got enough air to live until the cool sand livened him up a bit; then he fought his way out. You were

a bit; then ne fought his way out. You were no doubt drunk at Tracey's by that time."
Eckert, nibbling his moustache, had stool eyeing the speaker closely, his face now an ugly pallor. The man removed his mask, and came

"Don't forget for an instant," he warned

"Don't forget for an instant," he warned,
"that my mate has you covered all the while.
Do you know me now?"

"You are Duncan Coyle, sure enough," said
Eckert, hoarsely. "I thought you were dead
at the time I found you—"

"You lie!" said Coyle. "But what's the use
of argument? I can't harm you now—unless
you force me. We are quits."

"I don't see the point," said Eckert, surly.

"Our illicit product has dulled your wits,"
sneered Coyle. "I am the responsible party for
everything here, and even if you had not more sneered Coyle. "I am the responsible party for everything here, and even if you had not more to lose than you can possibly gain by reporting what you have discovered, you can't proceed against a man who is legally dead. You can only take the plant and claim the reward—if we don't blow the cave to smithereens with drammits when the approach of a page of

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present position is preferable to what awaits
you if your ambition overrides your commonsense. What say you, Black Eckert?"
"You have nothing to lose," said the trooper,
reflectively. "If you hold your peace, then, I
will give you the £100, and we'll cry quits!"
"You think more of the credit than the money, Black Eckert," Coyle answered: "but that
isn't all. It's Ned Tracey's scalp you're after
now—but you'll have to put me under another
sandhill before you get it. . We're quits
it is, and I prefer to let it stand at that."
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"Yell get it, too!"
"What do you reckon you'll get for it?" the other asked, quickly.
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"A hundred quid, I think—an' perhaps a stripe," said Eckert, defiantly.

"It seems a pity to baulk you, Trooper; but it would be a greater pity to spoil our little plans here. What do you think of our grog? You sampled it pretty well at the pump."

The wrinkles deepened under Eckert's eyes. "I heard Ned Tracey make the remark to-day that slyness an' smartness went hand-an'-foot. I believe him." He turned to the man who had been speaking. "You're an old man, I think, an' I fancy I've heard your voice before."

"I'm pretty old." the man replied. "You knew me once, Black Eckert; but I'm dead now."

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"I'm dead now," the man repeated.

"Rot! Flow can you be?"

"I mean I'm legally dead."

"I don't understand you."

"You remember Duncan Coyle, I think?"

"He's dead," said Eckert.

"Legally," the other corrected.

"I buried him—le's'ways, I helped to bury him—two years ago on the Ten-mile Sandhill."

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you buried him alive, you dog; and well you knew it," the man returned, savagely you knew it," the man returned, savagely.

"Ouncan Coyle never harmed you, Eckert; but be knew something against you—something to do with a tracker who was killed, accidentally. I when you were both drunk on duty. So, when you were sent to find Duncan Coyle, who'd wandered off from Tracey's in the horrors, and you found him lying speechless on the Ten-mile Sandhill. you saw your chance. You made I Toby, the black tracker, dig a hole in the sand with a wooden spade of your own fashioning, and you flung him in and covered him up. You and you flung him in and covered him up. You reported that he'd been dead two days and the total with a wooden spade of your own fashioning, and you flung him in and covered him up. You reported that he'd been dead two days and the total will be the sunk of the corroborated. Luckily, the grave had been sunk

lifetime had come within his array, and had been snatched from him by the chasts of the past. He might wait till Coyle passed out by the effluxion of time, seeing that Coyle was an old man; but there were others who had seen and heard all in the cave, and he did not know who they were. Chagrined and heavy at heart, he recognised at once that the plant was not for him to spring. Then he southe what little consolation he could from the lact that he cowed his life on the present occasion to his misdeeds of two years ago. Reaching his horse, he took a deep draught from the lag to drown his disappointment, but instantly spat it out, with a wry face. The bag was filled with cold water. A muttered oath escaped him, as he looked vengefully towards the hut. There was nothing suspicious-looking about the structure; nevertheless, he had an idea that the lookout man was somewhere in the roof. He didn't bother looking, however; he spranc into the saddle and rode hard back to the pub, as though the ghosts of a thousand crimes were at his heels.

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"No," the trooper answered. "When slyness and smartness go hand-an'-foot. Tracey, it takes some cleverness to do the catching.

"Well, it do, as you say," Tracey returned "You'll be stoppin' for tea, I think you tell me?"

"No," said Eckert. "I'll have a glass of vour beer; then I'll be off. I have a report to go by to-morrow's mail. I had forgotten it."

He reached town late that night, and next morning he wrote his report. It was in the form of an application for removed to another district, as his health was filling in consequence of the trying climate. Two ments later the petition was granted and Black Edert passed from the ken of v. Tracev and Duncan Coyle, a sourced and disappointed man.

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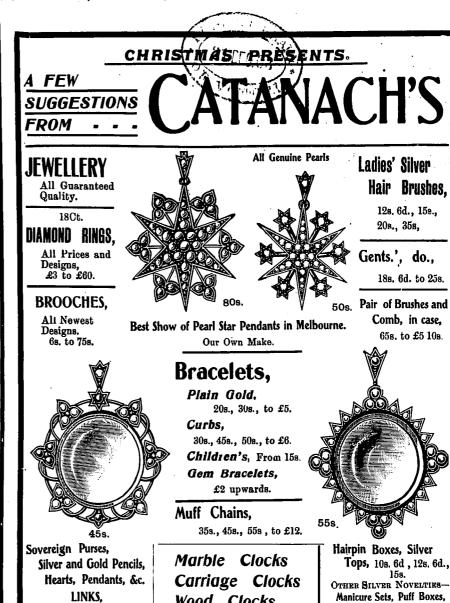
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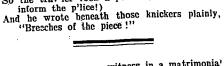
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The old man was a witness in a matrimonia' disagreement case. A man was charged with throwing his wife out of doors—or else the wife was charged with throwing her man out of doors. Anyhow, the old bucolic witness was giving evidence for the complainant, and, being a little deaf missed a good many noints and was charged with throwing ner man out of doors. Anyhow, the old bucolic witness was giving evidence for the complainant, and, being a little deaf, missed a good many points and much of the fun. "The missis and me wasagoin' along the road," he said, "an' when we come by Jones' place we fell out." "Oh, you fell out, did you?" said the smart young lawyer for the defence. "Yes, we did." "Hum! You're a pretty man to come here, setting yourself up as a judge between husband and wife when, on your own confession, you prove you cannot get along with your own wife." "Eh! What's that?" The lawyer repeated his remark in a severe tone. "I don't rightly hear what yer a-talkin' about," said the old witness, "but, as I was sayin', the missis an' me was passin' Jones' place when we fell out o' the cart an'—." But here he was interrupted by a howl of laughter, and the young lawyer retired behind his blushes. retired behind his blushes.



THE BEST "POLICY"

' I vould rather see my daughter in der grave dan your vife." "Oh, vell, I did not know you ave er life inzured.

AN INSPIRING SIGHT. MICKEY DUGAN.—"You chaps missed a fine sight just now. Me father comes home drunk and hits me mother on the boko. She ups with the poker and knocks the stuffin' out of him, an' then when the cop came they both jumped on him, and tore his coat off before he got them to the station. I tell yer, it was great."

A doctor in a fashionable southern suburb, who has worked up a big practice in the course of a few years, went away for a holiday recentof a few years, went away for a nonliay recently, and spent a very pleasant three weeks in
Adelaide. He is of a jovial turn, and made
many friends over there, and enjoyed himself
so much that he telegraphed to say that his
"locum" would have to remain another week,
on he did not intend returning. A few hours "locum" would have to remain another week, as he did not intend returning. A few hours later the cheery doctor was going through a rattling game of billiards at his hotel, the centre of a gay and festive throng, when a telegraph boy entered. "A wire for Dr. Dash," he said. "Take it, Bester, and see what it is, will you?" said the doctor, who was just then alsorbed in a difficult stroke. Bester took the envelope, opened it, and, having read the wire, looked round at the company and winked. "Doctor," he said, "this is important. Listen to what your wife says: "Come home at once; all your patients are getting well!" "The doctor had sense enough to join in the laugh, but he was a passenger on the express. laugh, but he was a passenger on the express.

The insolence of some men is admirably illustrated by the following cheerful little item. There's a Scotchman named Campbell, living, with his wife and family, on a selection on the near edge of Pills Plain, and Campbell is a frugal and Godfcaring man, and cannot abide the waster and the prodigal. One day not so very long ago a tall, tired man, with grass and burrs and bits of bark in his abundant whiskers, and a worried whisp of a swag, called at Campbell's home and asked for bread and tea and meat, also tobacco and beer. Campbell said he was not under engagement to keep all the waifs and strays in the Commonwealth in these commodities, but he offered to stock the sundowner if he'd help him to cart a few tons of water up from the creek. water up from the creek.

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At this the wanderer fell into a great rage, and said he was never so insulted in his life, and he called Camphell a hog and a dog and various other unclean beasts and unmentionable things, and swore he would be revenged on him. Campbell is not a man to stand nonsense of this sort, so he threw his right boot at the stranger, neglecting to take his foot out of it beforehand, and smote him hard with the toe just under the swag, and bade him begone. The swagsman went, and Campbell busied himself as usual for the remainder of the day. That night Campbell's eldest daughter went into the hedroom with a light, and presently uttered a wild and piercing shriek, and fled back and fell into the kitchen in a jigging fit. Mrs. Campbell ran into the bedroom to discover the cause of these things, and it was her turn to utter an insane yell and flop out and join her daughter in the fit. Then Campbell saw that semething was wrong, and he took up the lamp, and, leaving his family yelling, hastened into the bedroom of the swag, beside it were some broken boots and rags of clothes, and in the bed, between the clean sheets, lying quite composed and comfortable, was the corpse of the swaggie whom Campbell had chased off his property that day. The sundowner had erawled into the house, got into Campbell's bed and poisoned himself with opium. That was his revenge.

The troubles of the poor M.P. besieged by clamorous beggars of all sorts have been much dwelt upon lately, and t behoves us to place dwelt upon lately, and t ocnoves us to place before members of Parliament generally the plan resorted to by one veteran Parliamentarian when people swooped down upon him for contribupeople swooped down upon him for contribu-tions, gifts, loans, and subscriptions for the thousand and one causes that are eternally in a half bankrupt condition. "Always get in first," says the scasoned politician, "that is my plan. I used to be bled like the rest till I got that way I could detect a 'solicitor: at a glance. that way I could detect a 'solicitor: at a glance, and now before he can open his mouth I am down upon him with a declaration that I'm glanged out and a taughter plant for the land. acwn upon him with a declaration that I'm cleaned out, and a touching plea for the loan of a tram fare to take me home to my famishing a tram fire to take me home to my famishing family. This does not always succeed, but it does in a great many cases. One case in which it did not succeed is worth reciting. He was a does in a great many cases. One case in which it did not succeed is worth reciting. He was a particularly hard case; he had struck me adozen times, and on this occasion he wanted five shillings for something in connection with the temperance movement (?). 'Sorry,' I said, the temperance of the imaniacs are regarded as highly garies of the maniacs are regarded as highly entertaining. We know of at least one young land who will abstain from this form of mental and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if and physical relaxation for some time to come, if any physical relaxation for some time to come, if any p

can't cat you! Why, you won't even let a hloke hite your ear.' "

They were next door neighbours, and they were exchanging opinions and things over the back fence. Mrs. Heeley had just recently lost a husband or two, and Mrs. Feeney condoled with her at some length. "Heeley was as fine a man as ever I clapt me two eyes on to," said Mrs. Feeney, "an' it must be a great soreness, so it must, to be left the widdy iv such a man." "Tis, 'tis," replied Mrs. Heeley, dashing away a tear or two, "an' a better husband an' provider never was married to woman," she centinued. "I'm right sure of it, Mrs. Heeley, but it's a great consolation to ye to know he's in heaven this blessed min-ute." "Tis, 'tis, Mrs. Feency." "For he was a God-fearing man, an' went to his church regular, an' he's with the saints for sartin." At this point the little toy Heeley poked a stick into the eye of the little boy Feeney, who was peeping at him through a crack in the fence, and there was a terrib'e howling. Mrs. Feency was distracted, and then furious. She snatched up her child, wiped his eye, kissed him, cooed over him, gasper and a growled, and then turning furiously upon Mrs. Heeley, cried, "Ma'am, 'tis a great joy to me t' know that that bandy-legged owld divil iv a husband iv yours is in the flamin' fire this blessed moment!"

He was a smart type of Panamaed Johnnie, a clerk by day and a gay deceiver by night, and walking jauntily along the St. Kilda Esplanade one evening recently in eager scarch for prey, he saw in frent of him a trim, tall figure, and walking up beside the strange female he said, in the rarticularly fascinating manner peculiar to him: "Good evening! A very pleasant evening, is it not?" The female replied that it to him: "Good evening! A very pleasant even-ing, is it not?" The female replied that it ing, is it not?" The female replied that it was a pleasant evening, and increased her pace. The Johnnie nereased his stride, until they reached a street lamp, and then the woman turned upen him, and he saw she was at least 40, and of the aerid old spinster type "If you continue to annoy me, I shall call the police!" she said. Johnnie couched, stammered and blurted: "Eh-eh-I-ah! Excuse me. I -eh-I've made a slight mistake; I thought it was my mother!" This was too much for the spinster's Spanish blood, and she went for him, knocked off his hat, scratched his face, and clutching his hair with one hand hammered him with her embrella handle until the knob broke. clutching his hair with one hand hammered him with her umbrella handle until the knob broke. By this time a crowd had gathered. "How dare you assault me?" whimpered the Johnnie. "Oh, please excuse me," said the spinster, acidly. "I have made a slight mistake—I thought it was my son!"

It was a performance of "Alone in London," It was a performance of "Alone in London." or something of the kind, being given by a neripatetic commany in a little township n a Western wilderness, and the long, limber hero had grabbed the hercine to his chest, and was breathing links of lurid emotion into her hack hair, when suddenly he fetched a great yell, droped the fair and attractive female as it she had been a bar of souds, and went jugging drowed the fair and attractive female as il she had been a bag of spuds, and went jieging round the stage, shaking ore leg in a manner suggestive of sudden lunacy having developed in his family. The audience thought it all belioned, and cheered rapturously to see that the longed, and cheered rapturously to see that the legislation of this inhuman gloom, and was taking a lighter and brighter view of life. But the hero continued to prance and yell, and he jerked such agony into his howls, that two But the hero continued to prance and vell, and he jerked such agony into his howls, that two or three members of the company rushed on and seized him, and a struggle ensued. It looked to the audience as if the intruders were trying to pull the hero's trousers off, and the interest went up with jumps. At this point the actor-manager secured a grin on something sticking out from the trouser leg of the hero, and while he pulled that something the others pulled the distracted hero, and out came a squirming young "gohanna," about half-a-yard long. Then the curtain fell on a howling audience, and it was twenty minutes before the hero was capable of resuming business operations.

was profoundly interested in the quaint conceits of a few in-patients in the female department, when suddenly a tall, gaunt she crank of fifty confronted her, saying fiercely "You were out with my bloke last night! What do you mean by trying to cut me out with my bloke?" The demented female did not pause for a reply, but made a two-handed grab at the visitor, and got away with a lot of lashicnable hat in one hand and a good deal of complexion in the other. Then she waded in to do as much execution as possible to the visitor's pretty frock, and before the employes cou'd intervene the stranger within the gates was an interesting week, indulging in an occentic fit of hysterics on the ground. The visitor wert home in a cab and some borrowed garments, and a quantity of sticking plaster and things, and now the lunatic asylum is off her list.

The two men were standing talking amicably in the vicinity of Circular Quay. They had known each other years ago at Fryingpan, and were talking of other days. Each man had a dog, and whilst the min shook hands and lauched and chatted, and invited cach other to drink the dogs circled round and growled and dog, and whilst the min shook hands and law hold and chatted, and invited each other to drink, the dogs circled round and growled and snarled. Presently one dog made a snap at the other, and in half a tick they were worrying like twin furies. The men from Fryinggran ecased their friendly exchanges, and turned their attention to the dogs. The ginger man kicked the dark man's dog hard in the barrel, and the dark man kicked the ginger man's dog in the neck, but the dogs continued to chew in the neck, but the greatest gusto.

Then Percy concluded that pether conduct his studies further from mrn. He sought the seclusion of a dock one night last week, and shock one night has tweek, and shock one night last week, and shock one night last week. Then end of the sought last triends from Fryingpan were locked up for creating breaches of the peace. There's a moral here somewhere, but the reader must dig it out for himself, or herself, or itself, as the case

There is no encouragement onered to the young man who tries to improve himself now-anights. It's all very well to pretend we admire the youth who devotes what might be his leisure moments to study and strenuous effort to perfect himself in any direction, but as a matter of fact we too often hate and despise him. Take the case of Percy Clare, of East St. Kilda, for instance. His name is not Percy him. Take the case of Percy Clare, of East of Kilda, for instance. His name is not Percy Kilda, for instance and we like Clare, but that's a prettier name, and we like it better. and are going to please ourselves

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and lo ty performer on the gay basseon spending eight toilsome hours dealing with the literature of wheat, and oats, and fowls' feed, and crushed peas in the books of a big produce firm in the city, Percival gave his nightly hours to the work of self-instruction, and he industriously tooted his bassoon in the little hack room in which he lodged.

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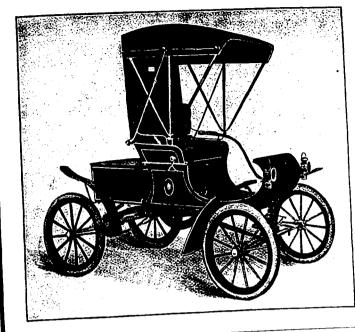
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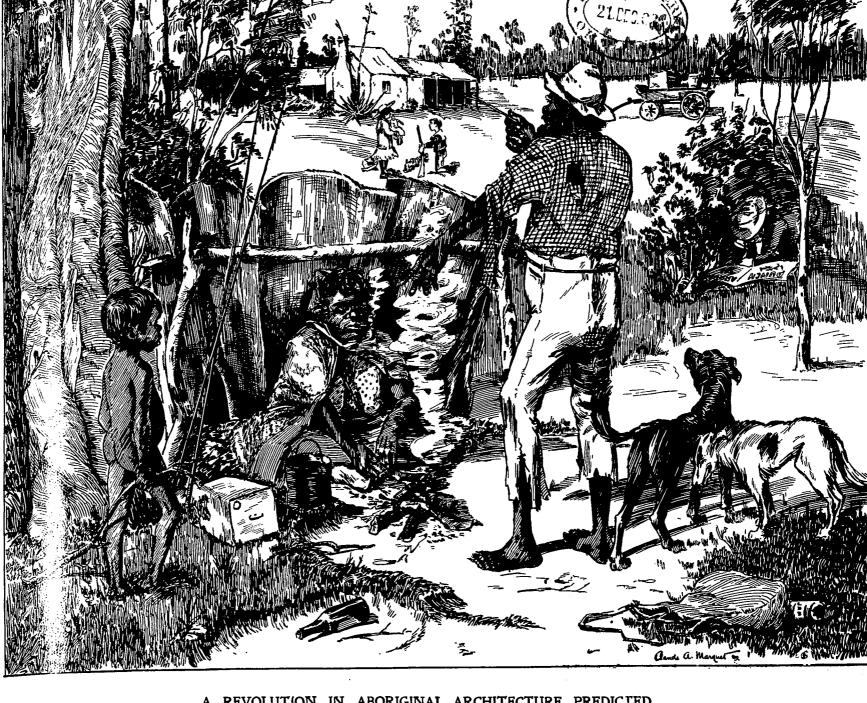
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A STRANGE COINCIDENCE.

By Drogenes Dodd.

There had been a rush at Peg Leg Creek, early in the fittes, shortly after the dark deeds of Eureka, the cheeks of which had not substant nor had the wrongs of the miners—the dad of which was the chooxious licence—been the cheek of which was the chooxious licence—been the cheeks of the control of the cont chai or which was the comoxious licence—been half redressed. Freing har very high against the Government, and patriots and reformers were which as leaves in Vallambrosa," so that one could hardly venture forth without encountering a kossain or a Daniel O'Conneil in the mud-begrined costume of the gold-huter. Many of the more inflammable spirits teams so imbaced with the "cause" that, with them, it developed into something like a mania which continual brooding did nothing to soften. This let the sequel attest.

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Among the first on the field, as mates in what proved to be a "golden hole," called the "Neck or Nothing," were three men of different nationalities. A verbose and demonstrative German, known as "the Emperor" by reason of his autocratic, self-confident bearing, with a time conviction—albeit, not confined to him—which at every turn he freely expressed in Teutome English, that he could govern the colony infinitely better than Sir Charles Hotham, who was not too popular. By some the Emperor—her mere than one Emperor of later date—was has more than one Emperor of later date—was loosed upon as a crank, but he was large and kind of heart and capacious of intellect. He was nevertheless, excitable and enthusiastic beall bounds, and took upon his More than ten men's share of the burden of re-form, which made him an excellent target for that risky form of amusement known as practical joke, a thing which always delighted the heart of Diggerdom.

The "Professor," on the other hand, was a strewd Yankee, of the blustering-showman type, actioned langer of the mistering-anomalia spots actions and the ratio with a dangerous gift of meanerism. He had for a time been a public semenstrator of the science, which was then in the nebulous stage in the colonies.

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course of a few mo- $\operatorname{Euceror, } |w_{\alpha S}||_{V}.$ -smerised?"

"Nein!" answered the Emperor, "mein vill was too shtrong. I vas tried vonce on der pooblic platfootms by a travelling meshmerist, but id vas no goot, und I cannot be meshmerised any more now as den."

"Guess I could git yer," said the Professot,

in whom were the lingering instincts of his former life, and who had a sly longing "to take some of the starch out o' the Emperor," as a phrased it.

tail, that the Governor de facto should at once be decapitated in favour of himself, the Gover-nor de jure. He furthermore constituted Eob Hargreaves his aide-de-camp with plenary powers to publicly notify, without delay, the abolition of the diggers' licence, the concession of manhood suffrage, the reform of the nominee chamber, the dismissal of the Gold Fields Commissioners and the institution of many other re-forms, which, strangely enough, have all since yeen accomplished. In "wild and whirling After some little hesitancy, born of a dread of veen accomplished. In "wild and whirling compromising his dignity, the Emperor converted to submit to treatment, and, to the surtralia, concluding with a comprehensive whoop



ONE FOR THE A.N.A.

WILKINS. -" That's a real Australian Native, old man."

OBSERVANT AMERICAN. -" Yew don't say. Wall, after all, it's real kind of them to OBSERVANT AMERICAN.—"Yew don't say. exclude foreigners frum that thar Association."

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prise of both his mates, was quickly reduced to what would now be called the "hypnotic condition."

Pressing his finger on the centre of the subject's forehead the Professor said, in mandatory tones: "You air the Governor of this Colony?"

"Nein!" replied the Emperor, rather dolemilly; "I vish I vas, und den d'te vould soon be mooch reformations."

"But I say you air," repeated the Professor in louder tones.

"Vell! Vell! You are right, of coorse I vas," said the Emperor, now completely subdued.

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He then began to disport himself with overpowering Vice-reral dignity and authority accordingly, ordering, as merely a preliminary de-disposal throught this fooling would end in

trouble. Suppose he's made his way to Wombat. Bet you'll find him at his favourite pub., the 'Now or Never,' inciting the mob to open tebellion."

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"I oughter have removed the inflocence helore he rell asleep," muttered the Professor.

Wombat, distant about ten miles, was the nearest township to Peg Leg Creek. Thither Bob and the Professor set out without delay, and without breakfast, their journey being somewhat delayed at the outset by the couple of whim horses which they had hired, and which persisted in circussing around according to the habits of their daily life.

Arriving at their destination the two men at once interviewed Senior-Constable Mulcahy, the embodiment of local authority, who was a sair type of the Old Royal Irish Constabulary, now rapidly disappearing in Australia. He was stern, pompous and authoritative, six feet high and sevenceen stone in weight.

In reply to inquiries—having previously cautioned the inquirers in the usual way—he remarked, sententiously, "From information recaved I wint over to the 'Now or Niver,' where I found the person ye desheroibe orating loike a madman, partly in a furrin tongue, from the top of an ould puddling toob, declarin' by this an' thot he was the goov'nor of the colony, and the divil knows what all. There do be too manny o' thim goov'nors on Peg Leg, oim thinkin'. Oi didn't know, ye see, whether to have him for 'false pretinces,' 'behaviour' or 'lunacy,' so oi tuk him for vagrancy, and a foine toime Malone and meesilf had getting him into the Logs, and bedad! if he don't break through before the day is out oim no joodge, for such a phillaloo as he's been keepin' oop all the toime I niver heard at the fair at break through before the day is out oim no joodge, for such a phillaloo as he's been keepin' oop all the toime I niver heard at the fair at Mullingar."

"May we see him?" asked Bob.

"May ye see him, says you. Well, by the holy fly ye'll do it at your own risk. Now, moind me."

Having been conducted to the lock-up the visitors found His Excellency standing on his head in the corner.

They were about to congratulate him on having been Governor, at least for one day, when they observed a strange glint in the eyes of their old mate.

"Right!" shouted the Professor in loud, im-

"Nein! I vas der guvernor," was the reply,
"Nein! I vas der guvernor," was the reply,
"und dere vas mine aide-de-camp," he added,
"I sav you are not; you are Carl Hoffman,
our dear old mate, whom we call the Em-

our dear old mate, whom we can the Emperor." said the Professor in alarm.

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The ioke ended here. The mesmerist's power was gone. The taper had been incautiously applied to the control of the con plied to the explosive mine. Alas! and the pity

plied to the explosive mine. Alas! and the pity of it: the fate of many a better reformer was his, for the next morning the poor Emperor, the ardent, enthusiastic bioneer of Peg Leg. who rever harmed mortal but himself, went down to the Melbourne Lunatic Asrlum—and oblivion. And, strange to say, on that very morning Sir Charles Hotham died.

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KENNY'S SLED.

By EDWARD DYSON.

By Edward Dison.

Stephen Kenny was a small, excitable man, whose every characteristic, garment and feature suggested an extreme eagerness. His eyes were round, and always expressed a sort of petulant impatience; his hair—what there was of it—and his cocoanut-fibre whiskers bristled like barbed-wire, and were electric with energy; his mouth, the upper lip of which was shaven, was puckered into an oval indicative of strenuous effort, and you rarely saw Steve that he was not stubbing his toes, falling over himself and butting up against things in hot pursuit of some unheard-of undertaking.

And yet, despite his extraordinary activity, Stephen Kenny's selection was quite the most hopeless on Ironbark, a circumstance due to the fact that Steve's efforts were so wofully misdirected. He plunged into great undertakings with feverish enthusiasm, floundered in them for a time, and then emerged, more or less injured, abandoning the business just as promptly as he had undertaken it, and presently hurling himself into some new enterprise with a fiery real that was deaf to reason and blind to the teachings of experience.

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teachings of experience.

Kenny's selection was strewn with the wreckage of Stephen's many inventions, and the ruins of his brave undertakings, and when Mary Kenny saw her husband drop the two Mary Kenny saw her husband drop the two huckets he was carrying up from the creek when half the laborious task was accomplished, spilling the water and make an excited dash at the wood-pile, with the fervour of the inventor blazing in his small, red face, she threw up her palms in a favourite gesture of hopeless expostulation, and her tongue clicked deprecatingly.

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"Tut-tut-tut-tut! himself's off again," she said. "Is it a rain storum 'r a flyin' machine this time, I wondther?"

In the midst of the precious drought Steve had busied himself for two whole eventful days over an invention for bringing down rain, and after blowing up the only milking cow, and setting fire to the henhouse he brought down nothing but the limb of a tree, which broke two of his ribs, and sent him to bed for a fortnight.

night.
Steve was rummaging in the wood-heap, throwing logs right and left in his usual blundering, desperate way, and, coming to a limb that satisfied him, he set to work on it with the axe. Kenny was always in too much of a hurry to clear a way for himself, and his tools and materials were always getting in his way, and he was continually bruising his fingers and barking his shins and tripping over and barking his shins and tripping over

The children gathered round in a half-circle, and watched with genuine interest. To the youngsters there were always large possibilities in Stephen's experiments. The bush fire-extinguisher he started on last summer had given them excellent service as a sort of mad motorcar, till it escaped down-hill with Benny, and went to pieces on a gum stump. The underwent to pieces on a gum stump. The under-ground dairy he was going to make progressed just far enough to he a splendid robbers' cave, and the milking shed he commenced on was ex-



SHE-The girls come here seeking husbands; what do the men come for?

tremely useful as a trapeze and a framework ter come to 'em if you don't want 'em chop-

Kenny's way. Once he became infected with the desire to do something, he had to go right at it and right on through or over all obstacles.

Kitty, the eldest daughter, came to the door, and splashed the washing-up water into the yard amongst the fowls, and then stood watching her father's desperate efforts for a few

ta's twin brother.

The Kenny children always called their parents by their Christian names. The first having adopted the mode of address in vogue with their parents, the rest followed the precedent. Neither Steve nor Mary saw anything objectionable in the practice, and it went unchecked. Kenny was too busy too answer the boy; he was chopping awkwardly at a long log wedged under the pile. With a little exertion he might have cleared the limb he was working on, and saved himself a lot of trouble, but that was not Kenny's way. Once he became infected with the desire to do something he had to a steve to have the whole family at his beck and call when he was on a job, but Mary knew by hitter experience the mischievous persence of such a situation, and ran to the rescue of her brood. She snatched baby benny complete the mode of address in vogue with shrill cries and terrible threats.

"An what is it this time, Steve Kenny?" "A slid fer what?"

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"A slid fer cartin' up the wather frim the crick. "Twouldn't be for bilin' again."

"An' what is it this time, Seeve Remy,"
she asked.
"I'is a slid, Mary Kenny," replied Steve.
"A slid fer what?"
"A slid fer cartin' up the wather frim the crick. "Twouldn't be fer bilin' eggs in, ma'am."
Steve was working at his best speed as he talked. "Ye've druv me to it. It's sick an' weary I am of the eternal nag, nag, nag of yeary I am of the eternal nag, nag, nag of years the want iv wather, an' I'm detarmined frim this night ye'll have wather to dthrown in iv ye're so minded, Mary Kenny."

Mary put up her free hand in gesticulatory expostulation, and clicked her tongue again, but she was quite used to being visited with the

moments.

"Mary, here's this Mister Steve at it agin," she was quite used to being visited with the she cried; "an' the kids is all round him. Bet-responsibility of all Steve's mad undertakings,

and understood the futility of denial and the

folly of making any objection.
"Well, well, ye'll be havin' your own
mad man that you are," she said.
"I will that, then," answered Steve. me son Bartholomew t' fitch the horse Roany frim th' paddock. It's needin' him I'll be t' dthraw the slid."

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Mrs. Kenny knew the sled would not be finished that day, and, indeed, it would be a surprising thing if it were finished at all, but Bart was sent away. Kenny continued working wildly amongst the chips, and the children stood about him, Mary hovering near to see that Kenny did none of them a mischief in his createment. excitement.

"Where's me hammer, Mary Kenny?" cried Steve, starting to hunt frantically among the

chips.

"Did ye have it, Steve?"

"Did I, or I didn't, I'm wantin' it, anyhow.
Git me me hammer, woman. The new wan
what I brought frim the shtore on'y the other

It was a favourite illusion of Steve's that he was continually bringing new and valuable tools to the house and that they were always lost, sacrifices to Mrs. Kenny's carelessness and the children's monkey-like propensities. He had bought no hammer within the memory of the oldest inhabitant, and the missing tool was a bald-faced shingle-hammer as blunt as

Steve's impatience would not brook further delay; he grabbed the axe, and started driving delay; he grabbed the axe, and started driving a nail with that, with the result that he presently nounded his thumb-nail nearly off on the log. Then he gave three wild hops, and whirled round on one leg for half-a-minute sucking his thumb with the enthusiasm of a starved poddy-calf.

"Will ye get me me hammer, Mary Kenny, or d'ye mean shtandin' there whoile yer husbind chops himself to bits troo your carelesseness?"

"You have niver a hammer. Stare the started of th

"You have niver a hammer, Steve Kenny," said his wife, calmly. "It's lost on ye."
"Fwhat? Losht! 'Tis the tinth banuner

I've lost this six monts. Divil a tool can a man keep for the likes o' ye."

"Maybe ye'll mind throwin' the ould hammer at Murphy's blind cow when she broke into the orchard Tuesday week, Stephen Kenny, an' maybe we'll remimber it wint into the crick." he ve'll remimber it wint into the crick." "Hould ver tongue, woman. Will never he done talkin'?"

ke done talkin'?"
Kenny went at his job again with addiminished vigour, fell over the legs that were thrown about so that he couldn't possibly escape falling over them, caught his foot in a fork, barked his nose on a prong and nearly broke his back trying to lift the limb he was working on from under a ton and a half

wood.
"Get the adze, will ye, ma'am?" is panted.
"The adze, is it, Steve?" said Mrs. Kenny.
She had a mortal terror of the adicas a dangerous and intractable weapon, and one that
Kenny never took in his hands without doing
himself more or less damage. "Won't the more or less damage. tommy-ha squarin' axe hetter?"

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in his call, and come was a Bridgetta.

Steve worked at the sled till lon nikht, and those of the family who had to keep awake stood about hold candles. It was a wearing task, were continually going astray amo were continually going astray amo and Stephen fell into paroxysms and Stephen fell into paroxysms his quest of them. But the settle and even Mrs. Kenny felt some stirring in her when the vehicle by stappe, and when at length the big shape, and stirring in her when the venicle by shape, and when at length the big nxed on and everything was read that at last something had be something done, and the great was realized at last.

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Snatching up a great stick, Stat Roany. "Gee!" he cried, at hanged the old horse in the riawoke with a snort, and made abut was pulled up short at the lintraces. Then Steve laid into hin encouraged him with abuse, and R his best without budging his load "Give a lift, can't ye, Mary Ko Steve; and Mary and all the fastrenuously behind, while Kenny he horse. With one tremendous ef started the sled, and then comments started the sled, and then commer started the sled, and then commer-rush back to the house. Digging straining every nerve, with tail er-obtruding, and breathing like a de Roany charged the hill, and Kenn; on one side, and Bart. clubbed other, while Mary and Kitty pus and the children followed with a

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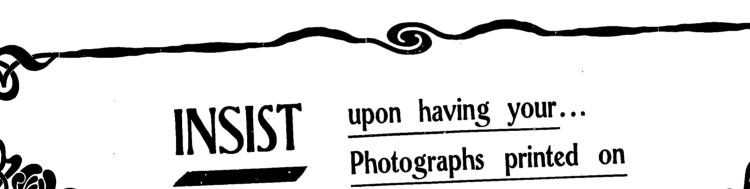
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Steve worked at the sled till long after midster mi

something done, and the great water problem was solved at last.

It was now half-past two in the morning, and eager as Kenny was he could not very well and eager as Kenny to the creek by candle-light, cart water up from the creek by candle-light, so the family went to bed in a state of lively

anticipation.

Kenny was up again by daylight, and only gave himself time to put on trousers and boots gave himself time to harness Roany to the before dashing out to harness Roany to the sied, and Mrs. Kenny and the family followed sied, and Mrs. Kenny and the family followed as quickly as possible. The big barrel was an estere purchased a year ago to use in a one Steve purchased a year ago to use in a one Steve purchased a year ago to use in a one Steve purchased a year ago to use in a one steve purchased a year ago to use in a year ago

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Stee was delighted. Mary was in raptures; the family cheered wildly.

"There's the line horse!" cried Steve. "The ball a better is these this side iv the riscriction." He patted Roany approvingly. "An' in Mary Kenny, we have slathers is wasther, it maybe a man'll be gettin his natural rest allout bein hothered mornin an' night runnin' and buckets frim the criek."

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Mary went to the barrel and lifted the trap and looked in-

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Mary prought the adze, and Steve used it Mary prought the adze, and Steve used it side as out. In the struggle to get Roany implicable, bis call, and come within an ace of scalping water had leaked out. Kenny was thunder-

"Glory be!" she cried, "not a dthrop is there in it."

Steve ran to the barrel. It was as dry inside as out. In the struggle to get Roany started and the rush up the hill every drop of water had leaked out. Kenny was thunderstruck.

"Now 're ye satisfied, ma'am?" he asked, with biting reproach.

There was nothing for it but to return to the creek and sink the barrel under water till the staves swelled. This was done. Steve keep him goin!"

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After dinner Kenny set to work to draw the seled out of the creek again, and once more the services of the whole family were in requisition. Roany couldn't budge the load, so Mrs. Kenny, and Kitty, and Bridgetta pulled with the horse, while Steve and Bart. Houndered in the horse of the family saturated and strained and snort; and shower on blows, an elloyt the head of the creek again, and once more the services of the whole family were in requisition. Roany couldn't budge the load, so Mrs. Kenny, and Kitty, and Bridgetta pulled with the horse, while Steve and Bart. Houndered in the horse, while Steve and Bart. Houndered in the horse, while Steve and Bart. Houndered in the horse of the same of the family and the tugged, and strained and slower, by the hill and stored and stored the pace became slower and slower, by the hill and the tugged, and strained and snort; and the tugged, and strained and snort; and depart, right in the track of the runaway the pace became slower and slower, by the hill.

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the soil. Kenny was not there. She looked up into the air, seeking his fragments in the

clouds, and cried aloud in horror and despair.

"He's blowed up! He's blowed up! an'
we're widdies, every one iv us!"

Meanwhile the family were searching cagerly,
and Bart. discovered a solitary leg sticking out
of the waters of the great

of the waters of the creek.

"Here's Steve!" he cried, and all hands fastened on that leg and drew the battered and broken settler out of the mud.

Steve was carried home, and put to hed, and after that sleds were included amongst the many things that must never be mentioned in the household of Kenny.

In Melbourne they still talk of curing men of the drink habit by hypnotic suggestion, and present writer knows a man who used to be a great drunkard, who cannot bear to hear the name of beer. The hypnotic reformer threw him under the influence, and just breathed in his ear, "Now, you detest beer. You can't bear it. The very name of it makes you ill!" and then turned him loose, and began to boast of the astounding reformation he had made. He even convened a meeting of expert Rechabites, teetotallers, tadpoles and other cold-water fanatics, to meet the Perfect Cure, and see for themselves how absolute his reformation was. The cure was a little late in arriving, but when the did arrive he arrived suddenly—he fell in at the did arrive he arrived suddenly—he fell in at the front door, picked himself up, tripped over nothing, and landed in the middle of the meeting on his ear.

Then he gathered himself together again, lookcd gravely at the assemblage, and said, "Hello! come'n 'ave drink!" "My dear brother," said one tadpole to the hypnotic reformer, "I am afraid your glorious example has miscarried." "It does look like it," moaned miscarried." "It does look like it," moaned the reformer, and addressing the specimen he said, "What's the meaning of this? You are heastly drunk, and yet you assured me that as a result of my hypnotic suggestions you could not hear even the sound of the word heer." "Thash perfeckly true," said the drunk; "I can't (hic) hear the name of (hic) heer. I call it benzine now, an' the barmaid knows when I ask for a foot of benzine shust what I want. I'm full o' benzine at preshant moment. Come 'n 'ave drop o' benzine wish me!" The meeting 'n 'ave drop o' benzine wish me!' The meeting broke up in confusion, and the hypnotic suggestor has now gone back to his old business as a maker of boot blacking.

Another story of hypnotic suggestion relates Another story of hypnotic suggestion relates to the man whom the hypnotist thought he had cured of a bad whiskey habit by hypnotising the booser and assuring him that whiskey was a deadly poison. This looked like a perfect cure for over a month, and then the hypnotist was rung up at an unholy hour, and answering the clamour at his door found the whiskey drinker on the mat in a condition of violent inebriation. "Hello, whiskers!" said the irreverent one, "I've called to tell you I've drunk the poison. You can order my funeral."



A MODERN EXCUSE.

TEACHER. Nellie, why are you so late to-day? NELLIE.—I had to fetch the doctor to father cause mother made him something out of a cookery book.



EALISATION OF BLISS.

the water, lifting with desperate but hopeless zeal. After two hours' work the sled and its zeal. After two hours' work the sled and its burden had only been raised about a foot out of the bed of the stream, every member of the family was sopping wet, most of them were gummed up with mud, and Benny, the baby, had been trodden under water by his almost hysterical father, and saved from a watery grave only by the merest chance.

At this point it occurred to Mary to suggest baling the water out of the barrel. When the rask was nearly emptied Roany drew the sled

cask was nearly emptied Roany drew the sled out easily enough, and once more the family

out easily enough, and once more the family busied itself refilling the receptacle.

Again there was extreme difficulty in getting a start. Roany pulled gamely, and the family pushed its hardest, and Kenny danced in a perfect frenzy, and heat a mad tattoo on the ribs of the old horse, but nothing moved. Suddenly while Steve was away for a moment rooting up a sapling to use on Roany, the horse, responding to the milder persuasions of Bart and Mary, made an heroic effort. Eureka! It moved. Falling into frenzy, Mary and Bart redoubled made an heroic effort. Eureka! It moved. Falling into Irenzy, Mary and Bart. redoubled their blows and increased their shriekings, Bridgetta and Kitty took a hand on either side, and Roany, struggling like a mad thing, went up the hill again in a shower of blows and a tornado of tumult, and Stephen Kenny, rooted to the spot, inflamed with eagerness, watched the progress of the charge, and shouted words of encouragement like a man beside himself.

"Gee, Roany! Gee, can't ye?" cried Steve. "Keep him goin', Bart! Keep him goin',

Mary and Bart. were doing their best, so also was Roany. The incline up to the house was a sharp one, and the load was heavy. Roany went well from the start, and carried the first fifty yards of the incline with a valiant dash, but the barrel was watertight now, and his pace

weakened; the struggle grew more desperate.

"Keep him goin', don't I tell ye?" howled
Steve, and Mary and Bart. and Bridgetta and
Kitty beat the old horse and bullied him like

Roany's bald tail was as rigid as a pan-



A BIT OFF.

Buyer.-But you didn't tell me he was cronk in his right fore leg. SELLER. Sure, I told you distinctly that that was his "off" leg.

n all

By L.

Yes, I believe I have a now-I may say an extensive a connection. Lawyers, you know, make admissions; so I think to make admissions, so I think sionally speaking, I have conceded But few men, I believe, ever ow tune to a more eccentric capitan did I. My wife avers the than ulu 1. My who ave Christmas brought me luck. women. I don't mind telling yourred—without prejudice, of cour My mother was a widow, and could do for me was to give me could do for me was to give me So I went to the Grammar my articles to a lawyer, and their Honours the judges direct sion, on payment of the usu didn't say the latter; but it motion of course—I mean a matter took an office in Temple of I took an office in Temple

down patiently to wait for arrival I confidently expected; b arrival I connuently expected; bu weeks, and weeks months, and arrived. Knocks enough came to be sure; but they invariably hawkers of unwholesome-looking hish, or persons who wanted to the chamber of Mr. Balloon the chamber of Mr. Belloes, the chamber of Mr. Belloes, the offices of Messr of K.C., or Fleece, the eminer Matters seemed approaching a co mother's capital was dwind and it really appeared as if t nothing for it but to abandon. hopes and accept a humble c



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Едітн.—" He whisper Maud.- Yes: he's a

Messrs M. Clutchit, Diddle and Fl one who would have me.
At last one sultry day toward

December a knock came to the response to my half-peevish gentleman entered who bowed po-quired if Mr. Carey were within I assured bim of my ident gentleman. I hadn't so much as then

"I have come," said my visitor, "I have come," said my visitor, little matter in your hands—to en fessional services." For the mond swam round me. Gracious, mercy client at last! As soon as I recov posure I requested him to be seate sense to his quary whether I can't sponse to his query whether I com a few minutes' conversation. I ass gisterial an air as possible, and ing my watch and referring to randa replied that I believed I c quarter of an hour at his dispos upon handed me his card, upon

Mr. Leonidas Bulger was a a able-looking personage. His lank, was accurately parted in the middle behind his ears, from whence it des nape of his neck, being turned at the an oleaning stringe. in an oleaginous fringe. His fe aquiline, and his eyes, which like h dark, had a fidgety fashion of fixin upon you and then abruptly wande a timid man trying inc up his courage to face a hold opp up his courage to lace a bold oppi moustache was curled, pointed ar He wore a faded velveteen jacket, i lar was turned over, his waisteoat and a neckscarf of flaming crimsor

"MARNIE."

By W. P. BRETNALL.

There had been a long-standing resolution made by the good people of Narra Warra, that when the population of their township should number one hundred souls all told, a petition should be presented to the authorities for the establishment of a public school. In 1902 the desired complement had been accomplished several times but on each occasion a fatality had desired complement had been accomplished several times, but on each occasion a fatality had reduced the number by at least a unit. First, a rabbit trapper's wife had given birth to a fine boy, who completed the count; but unfortunateher motherhood cost her her life two days Then a lad of thirteen was brought from later. Then a lad of thirteen was blockline city as an apprentice to the local black-the city as an apprentice to the local blacksmith, but no sooner had the boy established smith, but no sooner had the boy established himself at the forge than influenza broke out and two of the oldest inhabitants paid the last penalty. Then two births came in rapid succession, but one of the babies failed in its first encounter with a world of sorrow and death. In July of the same year, however, there came to Narra Warra a girl of about fourteen. No one

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knew where she came from; she would tell no one. She made her way to the post-mistress, demanded that food should be given to her, and demanded that lood should be given to her, and after she had eaten as much as would have satisfied two ordinary men, the motherly old woman put her through a categorical inquisi-

"What is your name?"

"Marnie."
"Marnie—Marnie what?"
"Garn, I ain't telling that."

"But you must tell."

"Oh, dicken to that; who'll make me?"

"If you don't tell me I must send for Mr.

Hilder, who is a J.P., and he'll force you to

tell."
"Garn."

"Garn."
"I am sure you have a father and mother who are wondering where you are. Shall I have to send for the J.P."
"Is a J.P. a constable?" queried Marnie, as she reflectively rubbed the calf of her leg with her other naked foot. "Because if he is and comes here I'll scratch all the skin off the front of his face. I don't mind telling you, though, that I ain't got a mother now—she's dead, and dad's gone to—to another place with a woman as ain't of much account. Look here what he gave me before he went."
Marnie opened her dress, exhibiting a shapely

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Marnie opened her dress, exhibiting a shapely pair of shoulders, and turning round showed her back, one mass of bruises and scars. "That's how dad said good-bye to me a fortnight ago come to-morrow. It's a good job for me he got hold of the light bullock whip, the other 'd scratched a bit deeper, you bet.' ? "Are you telling me the truth, child?" asked the postmistress.

"Are you telling me the states,"
the postmistress.
"I ain't a liar," simply responded Marnie.
"Something makes me believe you, child. Tell
me what you intend to do."
"I'm looking for the first good woman as 'll
let me work for her and give me enough to eat.
I might ask for a pair of boots later, but not
too soon. My old ones dropped off at, say,
about sixty miles from here. Look."
She lifted up one of her feet, a mass of torn,
bleeding flesh.

face, and I'll work, and work, and work for you as much as you like."

for you as much as you like."
"Well, I don't know. What can you do?"
"Oh. anything; but I can ride best, though."
"Ride a horse, you mean?"
"Yes, a horse, of course. Why there ain't



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anything ever foaled I couldn't ride if-I don't

anything ever foaled I couldn't ride if—I don't mind telling you, missus—if there ain't anyhody looking, so as I can get on my own way."

"Suppose I say I will take you if you tell me your name and where you came from."

"It's no use, missus, I ain't telling. See here," and Marnie made a supplicatory gesture which was all pathos; "I've made up my mind to be a good woman like my mother was. I'm

ashamed of dad and his ____'' (here Marnie used a word which, while it did some credit to her a word which, while it did some credit to her perception of virtue, is not permissible in polite society). "I didn't walk all these miles to get away from dad and his woman for nothing. I'll never let them know where I am, never, never. I'll forget my own name if never, never. Stiff if I don't, and then I can't tell anvone. See here, missus, you take me

never, never. I'll lorget my own man can, strike me stiff if I don't, and then I can't tell anyone. See here, missus, you take me without a name. I ain't got any of dad's blood in me; least" (with a shudder) "I hope I ain't. You're a good woman, like my mother; I can see it in your face, and I want to be near a good woman. Do take me, please."

There was no flattery in Marnie's remark. It was simply the expression of an intuition, the recognition of a virtuous woman by one of her own sex, just on the threshold of womanhood herself. The desired object was gained, though for the heart of the postmistress went out to the ragged girl, who was a fugitive from a parent who had shocked her sense of decency. A girl, untutored and coarse in her behaviour

parent who had shocked her sense of decency. A girl, untutored and coarse in her behaviour and speech, yet treasuring up in her bosom the most priceless attribute of her sex.

The postmistress reflected for a few minutes. She was a widow, without family. Her only daughter had died in early girlhood. The official position she held brought in about fifteen pounds a veer and some accumulated savings here in year, and some accumulated savings bore in to the extent of almost a like amount. The house she lived in was her own property, and as for living, milk, butter, fowls, eggs, bacon and vegetables were absolutely costless to every inhabitant of Narra Warra who would the the trouble to produce them. Besides. to every inhabitant of Narra Warra who would take the trouble to produce them. Besides, there was a contract for a weekly mail to and from an outlying township, worth about six pounds a year; this could easily be obtained. Marnie being a good rider could carry it, and thus earn her own living. So the matter was decided, and Marnie became the important, hundredth unit in the population of Narra Warra. A few days later the requisition for a public school was sent to headquarters, and before long

A few days later the requisition for a public school was sent to headquarters, and before long the school itself was an established fact.

The arrival of the teacher, a young woman of about twenty-three, and the opening of the school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school. The arrival of the trader, and the about twenty-three, and the school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school, were to be celebrated in a way usual to school with the school was been dead to be formed, horses trainnew raceourse had to be formed, horses trainnew raceourse had to be formed, horses trainned, the varicus officers necessary to an organised racing club selected and appointed, and, lastly, some of the youths and maidens of Narrawarra required practice in the more fashionra Warra required practice in the more fashionra warra required practice in the more fashionra where he came an object of veneration to Marlodger hecame an object of of occuld "talk heautiful"? Could read any kind of book, and could write page after page without blot or mistake. "A really real miracle, who could put the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the kibosh on the biggest sort of a word that the



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tion. Innumerable were the kindly offices the teacher found silently performed for her. Even her unexpressed desires seemed to be anticipated, her the state of the control her unexpressed desires seemed to be anticipated, and as for an uttered wish, why it became as a statute graven on hard brass. Eggs when fried in the pan were never turned. The teacher said they should not be, and forthwith the law became inflexible. An old house dog which the teacher pronounced to be a nuisance passed over to a better life immediately, and because over to a better life immediately, and because the teacher liked chicken broth a good many

over to a better life immediately, and because the teacher liked chicken broth a good many domestic birds, which otherwise might have lived peaceful and profitable lives, met with violent deaths at Marnie's hands. So matters went along until the day of the races.

It would be hard to give a reason why the site chosen for the racecourse was nearly three miles from the township, and yet it hardly could have been expected to be closer, for in Australia it nearly always happens that the two most important places of public enjoyment, the most important places of public enjoyment, the railway station and the racecourse, are remote from the more closely-inhabited centres.

However, the distance between Narra Warra and its racecourse did not prevent a general exodus of the imabitants from the township. exodus of the inhabitants from the township.
On horseback mothers carried young babies; on horseback rode aged people, and, of course, on horseback rode almost everyone else. There horseback rode almost everyone else. There was only one vehicle from the township, itself a somewhat dilapidated double buggy, which was used by the postmistress and the teacher. This arrangement had been insisted upon by This arrangement had been insisted upon by Marnie, because the teacher could neither ride nor drive. Besides, the buggy would give her an elevated seat from which to view the sport, and, moreover, would put, her on terms of almost equality with several squatters and their families, who had driven in from long distances

Only five races were on the card. there had been seven, but it was found impossible to get enough horses together to fill the whole, and two of the events were necessarily struck off. The racecourse itself presented a struck on. The racecourse itself presented a lively spectacle—for Narra Warra. Nearly two hundred people had come from the outlying districts, some as far as fifty miles, and as the officials, excepting the judge, whose person was very screed, freely mingled with the spectators, a goodly concourse was the result. a goodly concourse was the result. The whole of the programme was carried out, with all the ceremonies incidental to larger courses. One protest had been entered and decided in favour of the second horse—there were only two in the race. A jockey had been disqualified for six months—a negative which gave him little conmonths—a penalty which gave him little con-cern, seeing that no more race meetings were to be held for double that time. A dead heat was run over again, a proceeding which gave much joy to the spectators, as it lengthened the programme, albeit the interested ones asserted boldly that there had been daylight between the two horses as they passed the riphing-nost A small bookmaker from the THE DUNLOP PNEUMATIC TYRE CO. of Aus. Ltd. winning-post. A small bookmaker from the metropolis called the odds—very short ones—in the most approved fashion. Sweeps had made up, and drawn; speculations indulged in as to whether the winner of the "Town Plate," nine sovereigns and a sweepstake, if sent down for the Metropolitan Cup, one thousand sovereigns and the Cup, would not start at a short price, and generally the people of Narra Warra, after the last race had been looked upon themselves as an important integer of the great Australian sporting commu-

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A HAPPY NIGHT.

Some few years ago there died in Melbourne a well-known gentleman who held a Government appointment. As he told with great unction the story himself, it surely is not a

married a widow (or, more correctly speaking, she married him). During a long bachelon-hood he had drunk "not wisely, but too wel," and in fact this continued up to the time of his

When he married he found it was a ... of

He had gone to bed in his usual boozical

state of indifference to things in general, and had dropped into a heavy sleep, who in the wee sma hours" he was violently baken by

there is someone breaking into the house."
"Nonsense! no one there," he replace "There is, I tell you; I heard them. Get to and see."

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his wife, who fearfully exclaimed,

Half asleep he got up, and never candle went down stairs to look

lars-in the dark.

His usual condition was what is popu-

wrong to his memory to repeat it. By wa preface it might be as well to add that

The postmistress' buggy-horse, which had been run in the last race, and had come in



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Groping along, swearing at his turbing his rest, he struck his chosome sharp object. First an oath the bing of the injured limb, then a choose to discover the nature of the object. a good second, after a desperate struggle with the winner, had been pur bac. Into nattess, and was ready to be uriven nome. The tea-Stooping down he felt the head and still feeling, found a tap in the on the tap he ran some of the contacts hands. Oh! joy unutterable! it was all and was ready to be driven nome. The tea-cher sat in the Leggy patiently awaiting the arrival of her driver, who was gossiping with some out friends, when a private match was started. The clatter of the concessance hoors His next anxiety was to find drinking vessel he could. A tumber was out of the question; he required a bucker, or dipper at least. Can you imagine what a drink he had? He went back to his were and said, or you are quite right, my dear, there is someone about; but you go to cheek with largest propanty created in the buggy norse a desire to better his late performance; and, possibly torgetting that he was now attached to a buggy, he pricked up his cars, gave one signincant whinny and started in pursuit. The tea-cant uttered one suppressed scream, dropped the reins, and then made amendment by doing the one about; but you go to sleep, will keep awake and listen. only sensible uning possible under the circum-He lay there chortling to himade at having sprung the wife's plant, until the cought of it made him thirsty. Grabbing her by the arm he said in a whisper, "Hist! did not hear like a window snib pushed back?" "He!!" she answered timidly. "Well, I did. W. it. I'll go stances-kept her scat and mrinly grasped stances—kept her scat and himly grasped the irons of the buggy to prevent being thrown out. For a time the runaway followed the course, but at a rather sharp turn in the traca suddenly left the open way and Loited into a bubb road. The superfere around the booth suddenly left the open way and Loited into a bush road. The spectators around the booth, which, in the absence of a grand stand, was a common centre, stood as if paralysed. No one seemed to think of any possible way dering help—no one except Marnie. Rapidly eyeing the horses, which were ready saddled around her, she selected one which suited her, and with one vault was in the saddle in her Down he went straight to the cask and had another long pull. Returning he waid to her, orthey're about all right, although not in the house; but I heard footsteps on the gravel. Now don't way worry. I'll have all the property in Now don't you worry, I'll have them yet." He got back into bed, but the that arts of that and with one vault was in the saddle, in her cask down there all alone appeared to his symtayourite position, and the next moment was speeding away after her beloved teacher, a number of the slower-witted spectators following. pathetic nature. It was lonely, and he was the one man who could keep it company. Jumping up—"By Heavens! they are in ' asse. Star The chase was not a long one, and when where you are. On no account to me out. They might brain you." Marnie got alongside of the runaway she slackmarnie got alongside of the runaway she slack-ened her speed and rode by the side of the buggy for a few moments. Then she gave a quick glance along the bush road, pulled up entirely and leaped from the saddle to the ground. With one hand she made a command-ing gesture to her followers to keep benind her and then tearing off her riding skirt was He sat down by the cask this time, loth to leave it, but knowing that he could not keep this game up all night. He had one long swet swig and another, and perhaps another, and when he found his room he murmured huskilt when he straor'ney— surah incardsh—some 'You drunken pig.

do you say? I think it would he if I could keep any liquor away from you. You've lound the beer.' "What beersh, my dearsh? You heersh (hie!)—" Snore! her, and then, tearing off her riding skirt, was

When she again reached the buggy, Marnie When she again reached the buggy, Marnie took a firmer seat in her saddle, gathered the reins tightly in her left hand, and held the skirt open in her right. Then, stooping forwards, she rode up to the runaway's head, and, with a swift, deft movement, threw the skirt over its eyes. The brute stopped instantly, but reared and plunged violently at being deprived of sight. Marnie was, however, more than a match for it. She dismounted quickly, and almost as soon as she reached the ground was again at the head of her captive. Holdwas again at the head of her captive. Holding the skirt over its eyes, she grasped the bit firmly with one hand, and retained her hold until the teacher, who was helpless with fear, was removed from the buggy by one of the men who had followed. Then, when everything was safe, Marnie forgot for the moment her newly-acquired refinement. and broke out was again at the head of her captive.

thing was sale, Marnie lorgot for the monther newly-acquired refinement, and broke into torrents of abuse against the men began to crowd around her.

"You—you curs," she said: "don't you the reins are broken, and I had to—to what I did Get out of this—staring at respectively. what I did. Get out of this—staring at me; get out, or I'll scratch all the skin—I'll, I'll —" She stopped suddenly, her lips cuivered for a few seconds, and then she threw herself into the teacher's arms, sobbing out: "Oh, teacher, there is some of dad in me after all—when a horse runs away with you."

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that cask again, he ascertained it was a small keg of Bass' that his wife had got in for he friends, and perhaps herself when she felt low. Dunlop-Kelly Solid Rubber Vehicle Tyres For Economy & Comfort:

He sat down by the cask this time, loth to

He was as eep, and although he never found

the beer." "What be beersh (hic!)—" Snore!



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NIGHT.

ere died in Melbourne who held a Govern-he told with great i, it surely is not a repeat it. By way of well to add that he ore correctly speaking, puring a long bachelor-wisely, but too well," I up to the time of his ion was what is popu-

ound it was a case of not only kept her eye e. She would give him ich day's expenses, but summed up in one item pent the day's amount hed after leaving the

exclaimed, although his in have a drink in the with her one night.

in his usual boozical things in general, and avy sleep, when in the as violently shaken by exclaimed, "Get up, king into the house." king into the hem. Get up and see." and never thinking of a s to look for the burg-

ang at his wife for distruck his shin against rst an oath, then a rubib, then a natural desire of the obstacle.

a tap in it. Turning a tap in it. Turning e of the contents into his erable! it was beer.

as to find the largest id. A tumbler was out juiced a bucket, or dipper magine what a drink he to his wife and said, my dear, there is someto sleep, I will keep

ing to himself at having until the thought of it trabbing her by the arm "Hist! did you hear like back?" "No!" she asell, I did. Wait, I'll go

ight to the cask and had Returning he said to her, ight, although not in the footsteps on the grave.
I'll have them yet." but the thoughts of that tione appealed to his symwas lonely, and he was the keep it company. Jumping hey are in the house. Stay no account come out. They

he cask this time, loth to ng that he could not keep ht. He had one long sweet and perhaps another, and toom he murmured hussily, y — surah unken pig. Extraordinary, ink it would be if I could ay from you. You've found at beersh, my dearsh? No

and although he never found a accertained it was a small his wife had got in for her s herself when she felt low. R.M.K.



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MY FIRST CLIENT.

But few men, I believe, ever owed their for-tune to a more eccentric caprice of Fate than did I. My wife avers that old Father than brought me luck. That's just like Christmas brought mind telling you how it oc-

women. I don't mind to the course without prejudice, of course.

My mother was a widow, and poor. All she ould do for me was to give me a profession. could do for me was to give me a protessor.

So I went to the Grammar School, served

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their Honours the judges differed my admission, on payment of the usual fees. They sion, on payment of the usual fees. They sion of course. I mean a matter of course. I motion of course—I mean a matter of course. I took an office in Temple Court, and said own patiently to wait for clients, whose arrival I confidently expected; but days became assignment or take the benefit of the Insolvent Act."

But Mr. Leonidas Bulger loftily disclaimed any such intention. He was, he rejoiced to say, perfectly solvent, and his object was not to compromise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through a promise with his creditors, but to pay them. However, he wished to do this through assignment or take the benefit of the Insolvent Act."

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mented with a gorgeous diamond pin, meandered

down the front of it.

The affair which he desired to entrust into my hands did not, he said, require much legal acumen (I was not wholly unprepared for that), but it would involve contain a mount of Yes, I believe I have a lucrative practice now-I may say an extensive and respectable ronnection. Lawyers, you know, are not prone to make admissions; so I think that, professionally speaking, I have conceded a great deal. sionally speaking, I believe, ever owed their formula few men, I believe, ever owed their formula few men and the few men and t trouble, and he would prefer to confide it to a rising young solicitor, who would probably take more pains to carry it to a satisfactory issue than would a firm in large practice, who were very apt, he averred, to neglect the minnow clients, whilst serving the interests of the Tritons (in the way of costs). To this base scandal on the profession I assented for the sake of avoiding desultory argument, and after some little circumlocution, he at length came to the moint. point.

He was by profession a designer and finisher of dadoes, and in the course of large Lusiness transactions had contracted certain liabilities, for which his creditors were now pressing him. He had, therefore, resolved to come to an impediate settlement with those therefore.

WHEN ALGERNON PROPOSED.

EDITH. - " He whispered that he laid his heart and fortune at my feet." Matt. - 1 19 : he's always whispering sweet nothings."

"I have come." said my visitor. "To place a life matter in your hards-to enlist your pro-issual services". For the moment the room round me Gracious, mercy! here was a Gent a last! As soon as I recovered my com-Case to his query whether I could spare him they minutes conversation. I assumed as mainstellation air as possible, and after consulting watch and referring to sundry memotenda replied that I believed I could place agatter of an hour of his disposal. He there-Da harded me his scriled, "Mr. Leonid s upon which was inlister."

Mr. Leonidas Bulgar Mr. Leonidas Bulger was a rather remark-de-looking personage, 113 lank, black hair lis lank, black hair the middle and combed s accurately parced in blief his ears, from whence it descended to the the of his neck before rarred at the extremity His features were and his eveters had a fidgety i which of fixing themselves 5 and a negery i smon or many chemical stress is you and then about the wandering away—
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his courage to bold opponent. His
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Messrs M'Clutchit, Diddle and Fleece, or anytee who would have me.

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(Friday) afternoon, and I was to report progress, hand over my list, and receive a cheque, as stated. Having arranged this, Mr. Bulger Having arranged this, Mr. Bulger remarked that there was only one other matter upon which to touch, and that was the question of my fees. He was really unaware whether it was customary to favour legal gentlemen with a douceur in advance, but he trusted that in my case I should not feel offended with him for proposing such a course. With these words he produced a cheaue book and glanced in the direction of pen and glanced in the direction of pen and Here was a jewel of a client! But my modesty would not suffer this; and so, having assured Mr. Leonidas Bulger that after I had settled his affairs it would be time enough to take my own fees, that gentleman departed.

All the remainder of that day, and nearly all the dollowing fore-noon were consumed by me in proceeding from one to another of Mr. Bulger's creditors. Their places of husiness were scattered over totally distinct parts of the city and

even suburbs in some cases the principals were not ir. and I had to wait; in others they were engaged; in other instances again the boks showing the accounts in which I was interested involved delay in finding the folio, checking entries and so forth. Mr. Leonidas Bulger's creditors were not, I am bound to admit, taken creditors were not, I am bound to admit, taken as a whole, particularly courteous—in fact, many were inclined to be sarcastic and incredulous, though they were all extremely unanimous in considering a settlement of their claims a consummation most devoutly to be desired. One of them, a little gentleman of the Hebrew persuasion, whose normal condition appeared to be violent perspiration, hardly consented to deal with me at all, protesting with much gesticulation and many asseverations that he wished he might die if he wasn't "full" on Mr. Bulger. However, I pacified him at length, and he consented to my proposition, on the distinct understanding that if he didn't have his "moneys" on Monday "there was an end of it!" Another gentleman, a stout and rather self-sufficient old gentleman, a stout and rather self-sufficient old fellow, an importer, in large business, when he fellow, an importer, in large business, when he heard my story shrugged his shoulders and curtiv referred me to a clerk, observing that his time was much too valuable to be wasted over Mr. Leonidas Bulger's account. Altogether I had a tedious and unpleasant task, and spent a considerable sum on cab hire. I managed to bring my labours to a conclusion about one o'clock on Friday afternoon, when, on arriving at my office I found my client awaiting me. To him I reported progress and produced my mehim I renorted progress and produced my me-moranda; but he protested that before proceeding to business matters it was desirable to re-fresh the inner man. With that view, he refresh the inner man. With that view, he requested my company to luncheon at the M—
Hotel, where—anticipating my acceptance of his
invitation—he had already ordered that meal in
a private room. To refuse hospitality so genial
and considerate was, I felt, impossible. We accordingly renaired to the hostelry in question,
where we enjoyed a succulent and appetising
luncheon. a hottle of champagne and a couple
of excellent cigars. My host laughed heartily
at my story of the demeanour towards me on
the part of his creditors. Those commercial
reople, said he, had their souls bound up in
their ledgers, and could never appreciate a their ledgers, and could never appreciate a gentleman such as he—which was doubtless true enough.

Thus fortified and consoled, we returned to my office, where I again submitted my list to Mr. Ruller. who, having carefully examined the items, expressed his satisfaction, and proceeded to draw a cheque for the amount. Whilst doing so, however, he suddenly stonned short, again examined my list, apparently searching for something, and assumed a look of vexation. He had, be declared, after all, omitted one of his creditors. The amount was not large, but still it was necessary to have it, in order to complete the transaction. Mr. Bulger could not sufficiently blame himself for having committed this oversight. Fortunately, the place was not far away, the centleman in question being Mr. Pigyrne. the shin chandler, on Circular Quay. Might be (my client) trouble me to go so far, whilst he would await my return? Well, it was but the additional cab hire and half-an-hour's extra time, so I went away, annoved at this extra time, so I went away, annoved at this unforescen delay, and somewhat marvelling what rossible business relations there could be between a ship chandler and a designer of dadoes. I had no difficulty in obtaining an interview with Mr. Playrne; but that gentleman, to my great surrise disclaimed all knowledge of Mr. Leonidas Rulger. There was no such name on his books, and he doubted year much if there ever had Bulger. There was no such name on his books, and he doubted very much if there ever had

Wondering if I had made an error in the address, I returned to my office. Mr. Bulger had departed; doubtless, some suddenly-recollected agreement had called him away. Saturday ensued; I saw no more of my client, and became rather uneasy in my mind—an uneasiness by no means dispelled when Monday forenoon ressed away and he still made no sign. rassed away and he still made no sign.

The afternoon arrived. I quaked inwardly, and ultimately resolved to avoid the presence of Mr. Bulger's creditors. With this view, I wrote the usual "Back in five minutes," was about affixing it on my door when there was a clattering of many feet along the stairs. The creditors had arrived in a body! Only two were absent, namely, the little Hebrew and the testy old gentleman to whom I have referred, and whose name was Milmant. What was to be done? I found chairs for as many of the little resulting and applicate, and applicated to the rest. I further explained that my client had failed to complete his instructions to me, but would doubtless afternoon arrived. I quaked inwardly, his instructions to me, but would doubtless shortly arrive in proper person. Hereupon were general expressions of misgiving.



FRANCHISE FEES.

"What did you receive for your vote? 1 got a new hat for mine."

"Oh, I got a complete costume and a diamond ring for mine. It's a mistake to hold the franchise too cheap."

ejaculate, jerkily, that, so help him, what did they think? And, without pausing for a re-ply he proceeded: "Why, Mr. Leonidas Bulger, or a gentleman answering exactly to his des-cription, had departed on the previous Satur-day by the mail steamer for San Francisco." He (the speaker) wished he might be condemned else! And, what was more, Mr. Leonidas Bulger, by way of defraying his travelling expenses, and furnishing himself with the means of enjoyment in a foreign land, had realised the value of everything that he possessed upon which money could be raised, and had taken which modely could be farsed, and had taken the proceeds with him in specie. The speaker concluded in husky tones, apparently choked with emotion, whilst ris perspiration, only temporarily checked, gushed forth in streams.

It is needless to dwell upon the scene that ensued. Several of the creditors had, it appeared intended to isse write of conject for

peared, intended to issue writs of capias for Mr. Bulger's arrest (his intention not having been unsuspected) had he not succeeded so cle'e'ly, through my innocent instrumentality, in throwing dust in their eyes. One or two hinted that I had been a party to the transaction; but these insinuations were not made boldly nor persevered in long: for though, like Himlet, "I am not splenetic nor rash." yet there is at times something dangerous in my composition. which their valour thought it best to leave undisturbed.

At length they departed, and left me to my



OUT-BACK.

Tourist (on coming out of bar).—"How dare you fool with my motor?"

Pub Hand.—"No foolin' at all! I just turned it inter ther paddick, an' as soon as it sawr ther long grass it seemed to lose its 'ed, an' went stark roarin' mad!'

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rejections. In these, however, mitted to indulge long, for utes Mr. Milmant made his a utes Mr. Milman made his a him that my perfidious client. So, then, sir," exclaimed gentleman, "I am to be be nessect important business for himbur cir." a hambug, sir."
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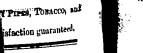


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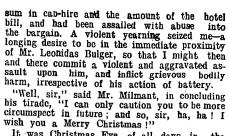
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It was Christmas Eve, of all days in the year. "A Merry Christmas, indeed!" I muttered, dolefully, as visions arose of having with the New Year to abandon my independence and seek a stool in the office of some more fortunate by the solicitor. nate brother solicitor.

Mr. Milmant, who had just opened the door, paused, returned, removed his hat, scated himself, cast a quizzical look at me and said, "Tell me how it all occurred." I did so, for there was something in the old fellow that I liked, despite his somewhat waspish demeanour. He also dexterously contrived to elicit from me the history of my life—if so simple a narrative were worthy the name of history.

When I had finished he laughed, as a pleasant bulldear mished he laughed, as a pleasant bulldear mished he laughed.

"Look here, after all, something may be done. Have you any engagement for this evening? If not come and dine with me. There's my address." And he handed me his card.

dress." And he handed me his card.

After a few moments' reflection and polite disclaimer on the ground of abruptness and so forth, I accepted the invitation. In due time I proceeded to Mr. Milmant's luxurious villa residence at Marrickville, where I found his family all that could be desired, and himself a. most genial, hospitable and jovial host—so different are the habits worn by men at their offices and in their homes. I passed an agreeable evening, and ingratiated myself by a display of the vocal ability of which I was considered in those days to have some share.

On the following day, Christmas Day, Mrs.

On the following day, Christmas Day, Mrs.
Milmant called upon my mother, and this was the commencement of an intimacy which has lasted many long years. The best thing of all was that Mr. Milmant entrusted some business into my professional guardianship, and introduced me to friends who did the same. When once the tide set in it became a regular flow.

Moreover, I may tell you that my wife's mai-

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So that I have every reason to bless the day
on which Mr. Leonidas Bulger did me the honour to make me his professional adviser, and,
unpromising as matters looked at first, the
foundation of two fortune was vegetarily hid. foundation of my fortune was really laid replied, soothingly, "pray my first client.



REFERENCE NEEDED.

He .-- "Won't you promise to be my wife?" SHE.—" Have you got a reference from your last?"

as she. She would be far away beyond the reach of rumour, and he despised the opinion of the tattling world too much to heed it when he heard it. Yet the tears would fall, although she told herself that she was going to freedom, to happiness, to love. A bride will weep when voluntarily leaving home honourably to share happiness with her lover; with how much more reason should Helen Gardon weep when of her own free will she was leaving at one home, honour and self-respect behind her.

For a moment she hesitated as a vision of the possible future rose before her—of the fuerous curred to her mind. She had not scaled the tenter of such wives as depicted in novels—of rack. It was a matter of no importance, for

much more reason should Helen Gardon weep when of her own free will she was leaving at one home, honour and self-respect behind her.

For a moment she hesitated as a vision of the possible future rose before her—of the future of such wives as depicted in novels—of waning love, cruelty, desertion. But these things were only in fiction. Such could never fall to her lot in the free and happy future. She dried her eyes and resolutely set herself to perform her final task and sign herself "Holen Gardon" for the last time. Her letter to her husband simply announced that she was leaving him for ever. Their marriage had been a mistake, for there had been no community of feeling between them; his world was not hers, and she could not enter into the life that he enjoyed—she neither asked nor offered i—she hoped that he would speedily find forgetfulness and, in the future, when the law had freed him, a more fitting partner. She addressed an envelope; then, after an instant's hesitetion she a more fitting partner. She addressed an envelope; then, after an instant's hesitation she took a telegram from her pocket. It was from Hector Mervyn, and stated that he would ar-rive by the Ballarat train at a certain hour, that all preparations had been made, and that he would expect to meet her at the station. They could leave by the Sydney express that

afternoon.
"He may as well know the whole truth," she sighed, as she enclosed the telegram with her

She placed the envelope addressed to her husband in the letter-rack in the hall, and with one final glance round and a little shudder, the cold breath of her guardian angel, she went.

Professor Gardon had been married but two years, and had been under the impression that his married life contained the average happiness of the wedded state. He was very fond of his wife, and allowed her perfect freedom. He was well-to-do, and he grudged Helen nothing. He made no objection to her life of gaiety—it was sufficient for him that she found pleasure in life. He made the fatal mistake of many husbands in forgetting that a woman marries for companionship more than for a home or a mere bread-winner. So gradually Professor Gardon gave more time and attention to his University and his researches than to his wife. Yet he and Helen had truly loved each other, although their lives and thoughts drifted insensibly apart. They lived their own lves, but those lives were in different worlds. It had never occurred to the professor's mind that he might sacrifice some of his leisure to those social pleasures which make up so much of the pleasure of a woman's life. Helen had never attempted to cultivate an interest in her

husband's pursuits or his acknowledged fame.
The almost inevitable result followed. Hec-The almost inevitable result followed. Hector Mervyn was highly connected, young handsome, rich. He was on his travels round the world, and only meditated a week in Melhourne. That week grew into months, for Helen Gardon's handsome face and bright eyes completely fascinated him. Mervyn, as a distincished visitor, was a social lion, and constantly met Helen at various balls and society functions. The neglected wife's vanity, if not her heart, was touched. The lover had all the wifes of



PROOF POSITIVE.

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JIMMIE.—" Is that old fellow mother's father or father's father?"

MINNIE.—" Mother's father."

JIMMIE.—" How do you know?"

MINNIE.—" Because he smokes his pipe in the drawingroom."



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A Sydney beggar weighs close upon 280lb. He asked for bread, and they have given him 20 stone.

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Intered, who handed dry to which, he said, wait. This proved to been, the wine and the cleen, the which the arch-imidered in my name, with the crowning was the crowning with time (though my ralue enough), a large continued the can't read English, he's an Italian greyhound. Now, if the signs had been in dog Latin—" But the caretaker had fled.

PIPES, TOBACCO, and

for the time being, she watched the various snots or travellers and their friends. One part of the station was a larger crowd than usual, questioning the porters. She joined the knot and the protection of the state of the stat

questioning the porters. She joined the knot carelessly, curious to hear the matter that interested them.

"All I can tell you," a porter was saying, "is that by some mistake the Ballarat passenger was run into a dead end; five persons seriously injured and one first-class passenger killed—a Mr. Hector Mervyn!"

Helen's heart stood still as the blood fled from her face. She staggered an instant against the railing. Then with an effort she steadied her nerves and walked out into the street, hearing nothing, seeing nothing. There was a mist before her eyes, a singing in her ears, a tumult in her brain as she walked o mechanically she knew not where, 'she cared not whither.

ears, a tumult in her brain as she walked o mechanically she knew not where, she cared not whither.

Gradually the horror of her situation made itself clear to her. She had adventured all, and lost everything—husband, home, friends, and lost everything—husband in home see, alas! too clearly, the folly of which she had lost him, her husbend appeared to her as in the first days of their courtship, always kind, loving and considerate. She remembered his constant desire for her happiness, his anxiety that she should enjoy herself in her own way, although he cared for none of the social pleasures in which she for none of the social pleasures in which she for none of the social pleasures in which she for none of the social pleasures in the things that pleased him, that made his in the things that pleased him, that made his in the things that pleased him, that made his in the things that pleased him, that made his horrid dream! But it was too late—too late! How many hours she walked thus mechanically, contemplating her hopeless, friendless future, contemplating her hopeless, friendless future, meditating suicide, yet fearing to meet her meditating suicide, yet fearing to meet her her hops calling the papers, with an account of the hops calling the papers, with an account of the railway accident, but she had no desire for the talway accident, but she had no desire for the loss of life she would have rejoiced but for the loss of life she would have rejoiced but for the loss of life she would have rejoiced had occurred, for it had saved that the accident had occurred, for it had saved that the accident had occurred for it had saved that the accident had occurred for it had left her frem the last step, although it had left her husband.

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irrendless and alone. Some strange impulses, almost unconscious, drew her steps towards the fateful railway station. She scarcely realised whither she was going, when upon the steps in whither she was going, when upon the steps in whither she was going, when upon the steps in whither she was going, when upon the steps in the letter was still in the rack in the husband.

"Helen, my poor child," he cried, "this is terrible, my did you come here?" husband would have fallen, it caught her in his arms and called hansom. She sat white-faced, paralysed, beside him as they drove home. "You should not have come." he said cently, ""You should not have come." he said cently, ""He soothed her and hade her take some rest, the terrible details of poor Mervyn's death." She could not understand his manner. Had her sobted her and bade her and bade her take some rest, the terrible details of poor Mervyn's death." She could not understand his manner. Had her husband not been home? Her apathy gave tene and graditude. Then, to put the award have once station throughout the tene and graditude. Then, to put the award have once station throughout the tene and graditude. Then, to put the award have once station throughout the tene and graditude. Then, to put the second visit has a they drove home. Her soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her take some rest, the soothed her and bade her tak



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to throw it in the fire when, to her amaze-ment, she perceived the envelope was sealed.

Her husband had read sealed the envelope replaced it in the

Slowly she stole into Slowly sne stole into his study, the letter in her hand. She walked up to him and held it out to him. Without a word he took it from her and threw it into

each other. I will go with you, and share your pleasures, and in time you may come to feel some little interest in dry-as-dust world.
to either of us the new future is at times somewhat irksome, we will strive to hear it or our own sakes, as duty, it may be, but as a sacred duty en-tailed upon us by our marriage vow; whom marriage vow; whom God hath joined let no man put asunder."

a St. Kilda Bells, Bells, a St. Kildaman, occasionally gazes upon the wine when it is red. He bought a new villa recently, and hired a man to do up the grounds. Going home the other afternoon

telling me that only sane people are kept in the asylum; all the insane ones are turned out and have to work for themselves out in the world." have to work for themselves out in the world," said one gentleman in the company. "There's a lot of truth in it, too," said the old maid; I'm convinced of that." "Why? What was that nice-looking man saying to you?" "He was most interesting. I don't believe he's the least bit mad." But the old maid would tell no more, so a nasty man of the party took the first opportunity of asking the doctor what was the peculiar madness of that particular patient. "Oh, he's amusing," said the doctor. "Quite harmless, you know, but he proposes to the every woman he meets. Tells them all they're lovely, and that he adores them, in the most of florid and poetical language. He proposes to all, young or old." Now her friends know why that spinster believes there are saner men e in the asylum than out.

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"Helen, my love," he said, tenderly, "we have both been rather selfsh—I especially. Henceforward we shall live more with and for is anxious to induce that state to send him into the Senate to be a credit to his country, and is anxious to induce that state to send him into the Senate to be a credit to his country, and the salvation of the workers, and the rest of it. In the course of his peregrinations he struck Splitterville. He struck it late, but arrangements had all been made for his meeting beforehand, and the cabman said: "I know mister, you're the lecturer bloke," and he drove Biggs straight to a hall where an audicite was patiently waiting him, and got right down to business at once. The character of the meeting surprised him, it being composed mainly of sedate elderly ladies and sober gentlemen, with sanctimonious shaves or patriarchal beard, but sedate elderly ladies and sober gentlemen, with sanctimonious shaves or patriarchal beard but Biggs thought it was all right, and tole the meeting that, considered as a politician and a statesman, he was the daddy of the gang, the pick of the bundle, the bully-boy with the Panama hat. It only remained for Splitterville to assist in electing him, he said, in order to plank Australia square on the rails on the down-grade leading to prosperity and peace, and Splitterville could rely upon H. G. Biggs to see that those rails were greased.

is red. He bought a new villa recently, and hired a man to do up the grounds. Going home the other afternoon with a load on, he tried the path two or then he called his gardener, and sacked him then he called his gardener, and sacked him on the spot. "D'yer call that a straight on the spot. "D'yer call that be that I can walk on." "Then path?" he said. "I'll get a (hic!) man what path?" he said. "I'll get a (hic!) man what pour! have to get him infernally drunk beyou'll have to get him infernally drunk before he does it!" snorted the man, and left Bells thinking hard.

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S. A. PALMER, Esq.,
Dear Sir,—I have much pleasure in certifying to the truth of Mrs. C. Olver's testimonial.
I have known the family for a number of years. Mrs. Olver has been a great sufferer. She is brought to my house in an ambulance from the Women's Hospital in a hopeless condition. Her desire was to die and be free from torturing pain. She was too far gone for tion. Her desire was to die and be free from torturing pain. She was too far gone for any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from the medical or surgical profession; my wife and I persuaded her to try any help from th

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I have much pleasure in certifying to the truth of my son Herbert's statement, for it has cured him when all else had failed. It is a grand medicine, and has done a grant thing for us.

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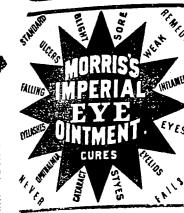
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"39 Kalmouth, chambers, Falmouth, and

"39 Falmouth-chambers, Falmouth-road,
"New Kent-road, S.E., July 8, 1899.
"P.S.—I should like to mention that when sending a relation f r the second bottle from the We ask that our efforts for the sending a relation for the second bottle from the neighbouring drug stores they persuaded her to take a preparation of their own, which they declared was just as good. I found this did me no good at all. It was, therefore, sent back, and the genuine article in cured, with above result." Ar W. Pauley, Broad Lane, Cottenham, Cambridge, writes:—"Three years ago I had a slight skin disease, and was obliged to see a doctor, who told meitwas Eczema. I was under his treatment some time but you no heter. I listrict's good shall be recognised. An increased circulation means still greater his treatment some time, but got no better. I tried, I may say, scores of other medicines, but all to no purpose, and I was, therefore, persunded to go to the Infirmary. There I was under special treatment, but got no better, and came neighbour or friend asks for the loan out uncured; in fact, worse than when I went in. I was now covered from head to foot, and was so tormented that I almost wished mysel cead; one medical man told me I sever should get better. I think I may truly say that my case was one of the worst it was possible to have, and everyone said they had never seen anyone like me. Well, at last I read about 'Clarke's like me. Well, at last I read about 'Clarke's Blood Mixture,' and decided to give it a trial. I purchased some from Boots, the Chemists, and took it according to rules for three months, mine It is obtainable direct from the office

took it according to rules for three months, mine being a dreadful case, and I am thankful to say I am now perfectly well, with my skin as clear as possible. It was 'Clarke's Blood Mixture' which effected this wonderful cure, and I cannot recommend it too highly. January 20, 1900."

Colour-Sergeant Instructor Jno. Howarth, Cheshire Regiment, Chester, writes:—I suffered from Rheumatism in my arms and legs for over five years. I also had a bruised shin bone, through which I could read only the order. five years. I also had a bruised shin bone, through which I could rest only for a few minutes at a time. All sorts of remedies were applied, but none did me any good for more than a lew days. After a while I was recommended to try 'Clarke's Blood Mixture,' which I did, and on taking the first bottle I felt relief. I therefore continued with this excellent medicine, and it effected a perfect cure. This was ingrethan a year ago, and I am pleased to say I have not felt the least pain since—in fact, I am in as good health as ever I was in my life.

not felt the least pain since—in fact, I am in as good health as ever I was in my life.

"Moreover, I told two friends of mine who were laid up with Rheumatism of my case, and they tried 'Clarke's Blood Mixture. They are tailors by trade, and in seven days they were at work again. They say this medicine cannot be teo highly praised. May 18, 1899."

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ARTHUR PARKER.

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reassuring, "I have be places—"
"You know what I Mr. Orcutt, "Tell the were between the hours to 1," he added, with a paper he held in his han "Oh, then," crisal relaxing into his drolles I was all along the monteith Quarry Stations of the controller at any time, sir."
"In other words— Oreutt, severely.

"I was trying to she than my betters;" bowing frespect to the two exy.

"Or, in other words still the distance between make the distance bet house and the station time sufficient to upse

> tion did you under Hickory ?"
> " At the suggestion who is also somewhat And when was th " After your speech noon."
> " And where ?" put up." Did not the coun

And the look he c wholly apologetic now.
"Ah, I understand.

order you to make this "No, sir."
"Did he not know make it ?" "No, sir."
"Who did know it " My friend."
" No one else ?" "Well, sir, judgin position, I should say been some one else," The calmness with

ried on this examina tary disturbance.
"You know what I "You know what I
"Did you tell any one I
you were going to unde
"No, sir."
"Mr. Hickory," the
"will you tell us why
solf qualified to succeed you had already been had failed?"
"Well, sir, I don't the solution in the "Had you ever run "Oh, yes, I have ru

" And engaged in ath "Yes, sir." " Mr. Hickory, have race with men of speed ?"
"Well, yes, I have." No more?" Well, then, twice The dejection with hearted, feather head

Mr. Hickory, will on account of having requiring the qualified runner, you consider, judge of the feasibility making the discance house to Monteith Qu. minutes by your own to do so?" Yes, sir, I did; bu of his own qualificati "I did not ask you i Hickory. This is a se mands serious treatme undertaking to make

feasibility of the prison that time, and you answ The witness bowed v oence.
"Now," resumed to
you made a run from M to Montieth Quarry S fore telling us in what you be kind enough to look?" "The one, sir, whi out by the prosecution prisoner undoubtedly through the woods a

the highway. I know "Did you know this "Yes, sir." " How came you to "I had been over it
"The whole distance "Yes, sir." "Mr. Hickory, we brough acquainted with obliged to stop at ar journey to see if you w

or taking the most destination?" "Yes, sir."
"And when you got
"I turned straight t for the bridge."
"Did you not pause
if you could not cross

"No, sir. I don't in my clothes and kee lor my wings, I had un Mr. Orcutt frowned. "are very mal a pro Then, with a return "Did you cross the bri

" Yes, sir."
"And did you keep

"Tired?"
"Yes, sir."

pause. But in anothe "And what pace do are tired?"

"Did they go laster Yes, sir, I am oblis

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the balance principally ranging from medium to useful, with a few inferior.

There was a good attendance of the trade,

and as quality was well represented com-

petition for such ruled active, prices

this day's sale, the quality consisting generally of middling and useful descrip-

tions, a small proportion ranging from good

to prime. There was a large attendance of

the trade, whilst graziers were well

represented. As the supply of quality

18, to 19; useful, 16, to 17; prime

19. 6d; good, 15s to 16s; mermo ewes, to 14. 3d. Lambs—3168 forward. All

trade qualities were briskly competed for

at advanced rates, whilst good grazing

lots were also in keen demand, prices for

such improving. Prime, 14sto lös; extra, to 17s 9d; good, 12s 6d to 13s; useful,

The Geelong Woollirokers Association report

Sheep Skins.—The market was again very firm to-day, and competition keen:—Butchers green skins—Merino, 48d to 90d each; comeback, 48d to 108d; coarse crossbred and Lincoln, 24d to 72d; lamb skins, 24d to 30d; merino pelts,

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topping the market; 92 merino wethers,
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24d to 72d; lamb skins, 24d to 30d; merino pelts, 12d to 24d; rossbird pelts, 3d to 20d. Dry Skins.—Merino, medium, 54d to 64d lb.; do. super, 84d lb.; do. extra super, 9d lb.; comeback, 74d; coarse crossbred and Lincoln, 54l; lamb skins, 52d; merino pelts, 3d to 42d; crossbred pelts, 3d to 4d. Hides.—Alt offered were strongly compared for up to last week's rates:—Greeu ox, extra heavy, to 54d lb.; do. light to medium, 34d to 44d lb.; salted ox, extra heavy, 64d lb.; salted ox, extra heavy, 64d lb.; do. medium, 5d; cow, 34d to 4d; kip, 54d; calf skins, light average, 53d lb.; horse hides, 7s each. Tailow.—Advices from London report a quiet market, and values were if anything in buyers' favor. Locally the bulk of offerings last week were taken at prices fully equal to the previous week's rates. The demand locally has been confined to the local soap and candle makers. besire to notify the reasonance of Beautort and surrounding districts that Mr. BBANSTON may be consulted at BBAUFORT on the first Thursday of each month.

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Bereavement Card.

MRS. E. HILL and Family sincerely THANK their many kind friends for sympathy shown by letters and floral tributes during their recent sad bereavement.

Ripoushire Advocate Published every Saturday Morning. SATURDAY, DEC. 19, 1903.

Institute, a ping-poug tournament took won by Miss Lompkins (from the soraton mark), who defeated Miss Fraser (20 points was a very dangerous one. It handicap) in the final event. In the final of the gentlemen's handicap Mr H. Stuart (3 points) beat Mr R. Holdsworth (5 points), and won the trophy. The total (5 points), and won the trophy. The total (5 points), and won the trophy. The total (5 points) and tournement now ment from carrying it, they would at profit on the fair and tournament now ment from carrying it, they would at least endeavour to stop it from coming

W. G. Davis (president), in the chair, C. Sutherland (vice-president), W. Millar,

and to get the necessary books. It is

vision, was directed to an absolutely untruthful and ignorant report in the Ballarat "Courier," concerning the conduct of the Grampians election at the Skipton booth and we have been asked to contradict the silly statement that there was official bungling." As a matter of fact, if any "bungling" occurred at Skipton, it Election Bungling — General Com plaints-Skipton, Thursday.-Notwithstanding the excellent provision for division, it would appear that through some bungling these facilities were denied to persons throughout the Grampians division, and the striking anomaly was afforded at Skipton, where there are polling booths for the respective divisions becomes law, you will be able, under But he did care whether the Government Act, to sell any ment would give a permit to cultivate Ripon division being refused the right to amount of these roads.

SIT Alexander Leacus.—It is somewas restricted was resident discounted by the Local Covernment Act, to sell any ment would give a permit to cultivate amount of these roads.

In principle, and in Ayon W. was afforded at Skipton, where there are vote there, and crossing the Emu Creek Skipton was there an assistant returning

voters' ballot papers, and have pleasure in

and should bring forward no measure that was calculated in any way to endanger their existence. The honor able gentleman should rather do his level best to guard against any encroach-During the discussion on the above ment. The sooner the House, pro-

Bill in the Legislative Assembly last hibited the sale of roads the better; week, the member for Ripon and because even the proposal to lease them the proposal to lease them opened the door to abuse.

Was in favor of the amendment of the Mr Bent.—There was no sale of roads leader of the Opposition to delay the in the Bill. coming into operation of this Bill until Mr Oman, No, because there was 1st January, 1906. The Government no necessity, since the provision already Owing to the Christmas holidays inter- were very foolish in going on with this existed. There was no necessity to

On Monday night, at the Mechanics' that had for its title not only the leasing At the third reading of the Bill, on

Secretary Coal Miners, acknowledging That should certainly not be done. As doing their level best to keep the public with thanks receipt of donation. A the leader of the Opposition had pointed off roads that rightly belonged to them. a similar letter was received from Jas. Kelly, out many of these roads only last year. Mr Prendergast.—The Bill will close Range The following accounts were passed for payment:—Coal Miners, £5; secretary, were used as stock routes by those in up some roads that are now open.

not unused reads !

he could bring specific instances. Mr Bent.—There is nothing about provided. He cared not whether a Timor West, Waanyarra. selling roads in the Bill at all.

Sir Alexander Peacock.—If this Bill frontages. That was beside the question.

Banyens, Lallat, selling roads in the Bill at all.

Sir Alexander Peacook .- You can do having the free use of the roads, which

officer, consequently the racinties tor voting at any polling place in the State Act.

other than for the division did not apply Mr Oman said all those roads that a new departure, and should meet with to Skipton, where the officials in charge were lessed would be designated as unit the strongest opposition of the representation. The muniofficers, and had not the power to issue absent voters' ballot papers. The Skipton correspondent does not seem to know the difference between a presiding officer and an assistant returning officer, and in just officer at the Skipton booth in the Grampians division, we publish the section of the Act referring to the issue of absent voters' ballot papers, and have pleasure in the proposal in this Bill, that the electors of the State here. For that required looking into the section of the Act referring to the issue of absent required looking into the Bill that the electors of the State here. For that required looking into the section of the Act referring to the issue of absent required looking into the Bill that required looking into the Bill required looking into was the one in reason this House should protect the stating that the assistant returning officer regard to cultivation. That proved people's interests. He was strongly stating that the assistant returning officer at Beaufort bears testimony to the entirely satisfactory manner in which Mr Elder carried out his duties. Section 12 of Regulations under the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1902 says:— Commonwealth Bloctoral Act 1902 says:— ments on the roads they were not going Council. or for the House of Representatives, an elector is absent on polling day from the Bill would lead honorable members to division for which he is enrolled, he may believe. Honorable members know

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The Melbourne Bicyclo Club's Austral Bandicap final was won by F. H. Austral handicap final was won by F. H. Support and other MONIES TO LEND on freehold and other securities.

RELICIOUS SERVICES.
SUNDAY, 20th DECEMBER, 1963.
Preshyterian Charch. Besulfort, 1 a.m., farmed secret, race from Palmer and Region, 3 p.m.; Chute, 7 p.m.—Air J. E. M. Erricator of Chamberlain's Giple. The individuals had been put to considerable between the work and received by G. Falley, with H. Erricator of Chamberlain's Giple, race from Palmer and Region, 3 p.m.; Chute, 7 p.m.—Air J. E. M. Falley in the place's and forwarding of chamberlain's Giple, or desirable and the continuence of the second of the second and the second of the second of the continuence of the second of the second of the second of the second of the continuence of the second of the second of the second of the continuence of the second of the continuence of the second of the second of the continuence of the second of the second of the second of the second of the continuence of the second of the second

viz., Messrs Andrews, McGrath, Ritchie, Owing to the Unristmas holidays interfering with our usual publishing arrange measure at all. It was certain that it
ments, advertisers and correspondents are
reminded that our next issue will appear reminded that our next issue will appear opposition, and that it would take up on Thursday afternoom.

Accompanying this issue is an attractive dustrated Christmas supplement, which when at the proposition of this kind. This matter borders. That being so, it was the duty opponent of Socialistic legislation, and last respite came.

won by Miss Tompkins (from the scratch because the Government's proposal whereby people might obtain swing it heing apparent that practically every

Mr Bent-No, it withdraws nothing. The usual committee meeting of the into operation until a reasonable date going to withdraw all those provisions, Raglan branch A.M.A. was held on to give the electors an opportunity of hand over these roads to the owners of reverse the decision that this Parliament public off both roads and water frontages. Sutherland (vice-president), w. miller, Mitchell, Jas. Willer, P. Padfield, and would come to to-night if the majority His objections to the Bill to-night were Mitchell, Jas. Wills, P. Paditeld, and would come to to higher it the majority His objections to the Bill to-night were polling at the various booths through.

Stevenson (secretary). The minutes of were in favor of this proposal. The stronger than they were yesterday. He out the electorate was as follows:— A. Stevenson (secretary). The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Correspondence.—From General to make the roads rateable property. able. The Government were certainly

stock routes by farmers who travelled certainly surprised at the Minister re-Rupanyup (O.). 15; secretary, £1.

Stock routes by farmers who travelled certainly surprised at the Minister retheir stock to market in districts where tusing to accept the suggestion that the throughout showing a turther improvement on last week's best value, closing appliances are used in the Laboratory in in the Mechanics' Institute on Wednesday in formation of a gun club at Beaufort; held they had no railways, and the Govern- public should have free access to all £11 to £12; useful, £9 to £10; prime progs being useful attention.

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£12; useful, £9 to £10; prime progs being useful attention program and the State by post, a club, to be called the Beaufort Gun roads, where oney would find to be called the Beaufort Gun roads, where oney would find the program and the close the clos vice-presidents, Mesers J. W. Harris and to people who already held large tracts leased, and the public debarred from F. Rogers; secretary, MrT. Sauda; treas- of land. It was not a liberal proposal, using those roads? Absolutely none. urer, Mr A. Wotherspoon; committee, of land. It was not a liberal proposal, using those roads? Absolutely none.

Messrs W. Hall, J. Hudson, W. J. Hill, but a proposal for the benefit of the A great injustice would be done to the Messrs W. Hall, J. Hudson, W. J. Hill, conservative electors of this country. people by this proposal. The Bill went Jackson's C., Junction fixed at 5s. The secretary was instructed It was one that this House should very much further than such legislation Wickliffe, Kiora, Lake to get 50 tickets printed, to write to the strenuously oppose. Many miles of had gone in the past, and much further Bolac, Middle C., Moysecretary of the Agricultural Society for these roads in his constituency were than it had any right to go. Under stou-rd., Mt. William, permission to shoot on the show grounds, metalled, and when men who were these circumstances the measure should Ross-br., Rhymney B. chould be opened, they met with all it was carried against the wish of the mile C.,

Opposition the Government with all Wassell C. electors for this House asked that they have been put before the country. If Sheepwash, J., Three-Mr Bent.—Surely metalled roads are assured that the case would be fully and BEAUFORT ... 464 101 120 211 fairly put before the country. It would of unused reads? Including

Mr Oman said they would be so far be shown that the Opposition pointed Chepstowe, Raglan as this Bill was concerned. The munici- out the disadvantages under which the palities were to return those roads that people would labor if this measure DUNKELD were unused. Where the roads were became law, and that the Government metalled, and had been enclosed for and their supporters would not accept Caramut, Penshurst, years, this Bill would give the councils any suggestions for the improvement of Glenthorpson.

an opportunity of returning them as the Bill—that their desire was fo close DUNOLLY must have been at the Corangamite booth, unused roads, and so keeping them enfor it certainly did not happen at the
Grampians booth. The report reads:

which they ran. That certainly should this massage and so for them. Many of the objections to

Bridgewater, Burnt which they ran. That certainly should this measure would have been removed Creek, Burke's Flat, not be done. He was absolutely ceriff the Government accepted the suggesting wood, Kingower, Lianelly, Moliagui, tain that this measure would simplify tions made by the Opposition, namely, absentees to record their votes, which was the procedure for the sale of these roads. an annual licence, no right of cultiva- Vallock, Newbridge, largely availed of in the Corangamite If there was any doubt on that point tion of the roads, free access of the Old Lead, Orville, public to those roads, and swing-gates Rheola, 'Tarnagulla,

amount of these roads.

Mr Bent.—No, we won't. Wait effect, this measure was bad, because he Kewell, Rupanyup W., into the Corangamite division, where the till you get the new Local Government assistant returning officer was empowered to take their votes." At neither booth at Bill and you will see, seek to take their votes." At neither booth at Bill and you will seek to take their votes. The people from the peopl officer, consequently the facilities for it under the present Local Government they were entitled to under the present

BASE TREATMENT FOR DIABRHOEA.

The Federal Elections GRAMPIANS ELECTORATE. MR THOS. SKENE BLECTED.

tion-at least in many portions of the officer, Mr J. A. Barry, and his assis Accompanying this issue is an attractive illustrated Christmis supplement, which we have pleasure in presenting to our subwe have pleasure in presenting to our subsorbers. Attention is directed to the date of the stated of the state danger lay in sorbers. Attention is directed to the state danger lay in sorbers. Attention is directed to the state danger lay in sorbers. Attention is directed to the state danger lay in sorbers. Attention is directed to the state danger lay in proposal to lease the unused roads of this State. At the present time they advertisements of Beaufort business firms and proposes to lease the unused roads when at the supply luncheon to the public at the sports graphy luncheon to the public at the sports graphy luncheon to the public at the supply luncheon to the supply luncheon to the public at the supply luncheon to the pub rotunds on Saturday night, and their offorts were greatly appreciated by a large concourse of people in the streets.

On Sanday evening Mr. Stevenson gave his illustrated lecture, "The footsteps of our Lord," illustrated with a number of animated and other pictures, in the Societies Hall, Beaufort. The hall was fairly well packed. The andience paid fairly well packed. The andience paid to the never thought for a great attention to the lecture, which was going to take seriously the 180 years attention to the lecture, which was going to take seriously the 180 years attention to the lecture, which was going to take seriously the large would prove the representation for a number of the people, and the Opposition, and the one individual cases, but he had not into law separate representation for a number of the people, and the Opposition strongly opposed that.

Mr Bent remarked that he did not his into interrupt the great elecutionist of the poll, but it can be seen how this division of practically identical interests of the Opposition, even when he was entirely on the wrong track, but he saked the Chairman's ruling if separate representation for a number of the people, and the Opposition strongly opposed that.

Mr Bent remarked that he did not to the poll, but it can be seen how this division of practically identical interests of the Opposition, even when he was entirely on the wrong track, but he saked the Chairman's ruling if separate representation for a number of the people, and the Opposition, the target work was resumed at 10 a.m. by Messra Parker and Carroll, and was not completed till about 4.30 p.m. The voting division of practically identical interests of the poll, but it can be seen how this division of practically identical interests of the Poll of the poll, but it can be seen how this division of practically identical interests of the Poll of the Pol many of them representing the large landed proprietors, and introduce a Bill directly.

At the third reading of the Bill, on of roads but the reducing of them in this width. Honorable members in this strongly opposed it. He said the Bill the Labor party, and its followers, liams, 45; Wise, 41. Informal, 58.

Labor vote was cast in his favor With Mr Ritchie out of the field his chances would have been but slim. From the results of the polling given below it will be seen that Mr Skene least endeavour to stop it from coming Mr Oman said undoubtedly it was holds a good lead from Mr Ritchie. There are only a couple of small returns Saturday evening last. Present—Mesers returning a Parliament which would the adjoining properties, and keep the result. Mr Andrews, it will be noticed, seems likely to lose his deposit. The

GRAMPIANS. Voters on Roll, 21,467. Archibald Ritchie, draper, St. Arnaud Beaufort (M.).
Patrick William McGrath, secretary. payment:—Coal Miners, £5; secretary, the northern areas, who required the Mr Oman.—Yes, roads held under 84 Perry-atreet. Collingwood (L.).

A. Campbell, 13s, 4d; W. G. Davis, £1 grass very badly. They were used as the swing-gate licenses. He was Skene, grazier, Marnoo,

Armstrong, Buangor, Catheart, Dobie's-br.,

Including Archdale, Moyreisk, Avon Plains, Morri

Barkly, Navarre, Concongella, Percydale, Glenorchy, Stawell W.

Glenpatrick, Warren-

mang, Joel Joel, Watta

Wella, Landsborough. Totals... 721 2700 3270 3763 Informal.—Poetal ball t, 1; Ararat, 16; Skene, 3809; Ritchie, 3273; McGrath 2700; Andrews (who loses his deposit), CHECKING THE VOTES.

Whilst many improvements have been made in the Electoral Act, the witem of checking the votes is not one

returning officer, and he and his assisttants go through the ballot papers and count them. The old system of permitting each booth to make its own count allowed of the result being made On Wednesday the electors of the known much more rapidly, and, of Grampians were called upon to select a course, gave more satisfaction to the representative in the House of Repre- public. The new system entails a sentatives. There were four candidates, heavy task on the divisional returning officer, though, of course, it has the and Skene. Of these (says the Ararat compensating advantage of instituting Advertiser) there was one whose chances a thorough secrecy in regard to the were never given any serious considers: ballot. The divisional returning

THE GRAMPIANS SENATE VOTE. BEST, DOW, STYLES, MCINTYRE. THE SELECTED FOUR.

The following were the votes polled for the Senate election in the Grampians constituency. The list is incomplete, but the returns to come in cannot materially alter the places. It will be seen that Messrs Best, Dow, Styles and McIntyre head the list :-

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Yesterday evening only five complete returns from the twenty-three electorates for the Senate to hand, and it will thus be seen that anything may happen. The positions of the candidates were as follow :-

Trenwith 94,726 Best ... Findley ... 81,315 78.510 McIntyre 78,102 Solly ... 76,991 Derham... 73.662Barker70,987 Lemmon 69,157 Templeton 67,215 Smith ... 64,078 Dow ... Barrett ... 54,108 McCalloch. Goldetein O'Loughlen Wise ... 18,678

Number on Roll, 33,325. Sir J. Quick 6011 C. F. James BOURKE. Number on Roll, 33,325. *J. N. H. H. Cook 8595 M. Harnah

R. R. Grundy ... Incomplete. CORANGAMITE. Number on Roll, 22,643. J. G. Wilson 4585 D. D. T. Danser D. De L. Dunne 4025 A. Wynne 2958 J. Woods 1476 Incomplete. Corio. Number on Roll, 24,302. *R. A. Crouch

D. McDonald ... 5611 J. Reed... ... Incomplete. ECHUCA Number on Roll, 19,587. *J. H. McColl 5397 H. Williams ... FLINDERS. Number on Roll, 25,707. 2877 A. A. Wilson L. L Smith ...

Incomplete.

GRAMPIANS.

Poll. Number on Roll, 22,177. *T. Skene A. Ritchie P. W. McGrath ... A. Audrews Kooyong.
Number on Roll, 37,524.

*W. Knox 11.953 R. T. Barbour 10,738 Incomplete.

LAANECOORIE.

Number on Roll, 19,641. *C C. Salmon D. J. D. Beven ... D. J. D. Beven Incomplete.

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"No, I did not."
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"And why, may I as "I was tired." There was a droll de Hickory said this which

A horse's pace wh "A horse's pace whe the laughing reply." by, sir, and I just ju driver."

"Ah, you rode, then Was it a fast team, Mr "Well, it wasn" one

them?"
"Till I got in sight a
"Why did you not g
"Because I had been

B.A. Waterloo, 7 p.m.—Mr J. M. Carroll.

Methodist Church.—Beaufort, 11 a.m. and
T. p.n. (Jackson's Orche-tra; Main Lead, 1.45

Victoria Mile, (ir which F. H. Scheps

p.m.; Raglan, 3 p.m.—Rev. W. J. Buttons.
Chute, 11 a.m.; Raglan, 7 p.m.—Mr N. Davey.

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Methodist Church.—Beaufort, 11 a.m. and diagrees.

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Church 11 a.m.; Raglan, 7 p.m.—Mr N. Davey.

Church 12 m. Carroll.

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duty that was possibly required of him. To be sure, the time for presenting testimony to the court was passed, unless it was in the way of rebuttal; but how did he know but what Miss Dare had a fact her command

which would help the prosecution is over-turning the strange, unexpected, yet simple theory of the defence? At all events, he felt he ought to know whether, in giving her testimony she had exhausted her knowledge

evidence which if presented might bring the crime more directly home to the prisoner. Accordingly, somewhere toward 8 c'clock in

the evening, he sought her out with the bold resolution of forcing her to satisfy him on

this point.

He did not find his task so easy, however

when he came into direct contact with her stately and far from encouraging presence, and met the look of surprise not unmixed

the longer he surveyed her, the more he studied her pale, haughty, inscrutable, face, he became the more assured that he would never feel satisfied with himself if he did

never feel satisfied with himself if he did not give her an immediate opportunity to disperse at once and forever these freshly awakened doubts.

His attitude, or possibly his expression, must have betrayed something of his anxiety if not of his resolve, for her countenance fell as she watched him, and her voice sounded

quite unnatural as she strove to ask to what she was indebted for this unexpected visit.

He did not keep her in suspense.

"Miss Dare," said he, not without kindness, for he was very sorry for this woman, despite the inevitable prejudice which her relations to the accused had awakened, "I

would have given much not to have been obliged to disturb you to-night, but my

duty would not allow it. There is a ques-tion which I have hitherto omitted to

He naused, shocked; she was sway-

and seemed indeed about to fall, but at the outreaching of his hand she recovered herself and stood erect, the noblest spectacle of a woman triumphing over the weakness of the body by the main force of her indomitable will, that he had ever be-

"Sit down," he gently urged, pushing toward her a chair. "You have had a hard and dreary week of it; you are in need o

chair, though, as he could not help but notice, but she did not thereby relax one iota.

of the restraint she put upon herself."
"I do not understand," she murmured

" What question?"

"Miss Dare, in all you have told the court, in all that you have told me, about this fatal and unhappy affair, you have never informed us how it was you first came

o hear of it. You were——"
"I heard it on the street corner," she

interrupted, with what seemed to him an

" Miss Dare, had you been in the street

ong? Were you in it at the time the murder

"I in the street?"

"Yes," he repeated, conscious from the sudden strange alteration in her look that he had touched upon a point which, to her, was vital with some undefined interest, possibly that to which the surmises of Hickory had supplied a clue. "Were you in the

street, or any where out of doors at the time the murder occurred? It strikes me that it

"Sir," she cried, rising in her sudden in

dignation, "I thought the time for ques-tions had passed. What means this sudden

inquiry into a matter we had all considered

exhausted, certainly so far as I am con-

why I press this question upon you."

Astonished, if not awed, she followed

with her eyes the direction of his pointed

finger, and anxiously surveyed her own im

age in the glass. Then, with a quick move-ment, her hands went up before her face—

which to that moment had kept its counse so well—and, tottering back against a table

she stood for a moment communing with herself, and possibly summing up her cour-age for the conflict which she evidently saw before her.

"What is it you wish to know?" she

faintly inquired, after a long period of sus-pense and doubt.
"Where were you when the clock struck

12 on the day Mrs. Clemmens was mur

Instantly dropping her hands, she turned

towards him with a sudden lift of her majes tic figure that was as imposing as it was un-

declared, with great steadiness.

Mr. Ferris had not expected this reply, and looked at her for an instant almost as

onu nonce at her for an instant almost at if he felt inclined to repeat his inquiry.
"Do you doubt my word!" she queried.
"Is it possible you question my truth at a time like this?"

with compassion, but which had no power to shake his purpose as a District Attorney. "Yes," he acknowledged, after a moment,

"I have woven a net for you, but only because I am anxious for the truth, and desirous of furthering the ends of justice.

I am confident you know more about this

crime than you have revealed, Miss Date; that you are acquainted with some fact

that makes you certain Mr. Mansell com-

mitted this murder, notwithstanding the defence advanced in his favor. What is the

fact? It is my office to enquire. True," he admitted, seeing her draw back with

denial written on every line of her face, "you have a right to refuse to answer me

here, but you will have no right to refuse

to answer me to-morrow when I put the

judge and jury."
"And"—her voice was so husky he could

but with difficulty distinguish her words—
"do you intend to recall me to the stand

"I am obliged to, Miss Dare."

expected. ''I was at Professor Darling's house,'

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"Yes, first."

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CHAPTER XXXIL HICKORY.

Hickory's face was no new one to the court. He had occupied a considerable court. He had occupied a considerable portion of one day in giving testimony for the prosecution, and his rough manner and hardy face, twinkling, however, at times with an irrepressible humor that redeemed it and him from all charge of ugliness, were well known not only to the jury but to all the habitues of the trial. Yet, when he stepped upon the stand at the summons of Mr. Orcutt, every eye turned toward him with curiosity, so great was the surprise with curiosity, so great was the surprise with which his name had been hailed, and vivid the interest aroused in what a detective devoted to the cause of the prosecution might have to say in the way of supporting the defence.

The first question uttered by Mr. Orcutt

served to put them upon the right track. "Will you tell the court where you have been to-day Mr. Hickory ?"

"Well," replied the witness in a slow und runinating tone of voice, as he cast a look at Mr. Ferris, half apologetic and half reassuring, "I have been in a good many

Places—"
"You know what I mean, interrupted
Mr. Orcutt, "Tell the court where you
were between the hours of 11 and a quarter
to 1," he added, with a quick glance at the

to 1," he added, With a quick grante he the pener he held in his hand, i Oh, then," crical Hickory, suddenly relaxing into his drollest self. "Well, then I was all along the route from Sibley to Monteith Quarry Station. I don't think I was stationary at any one minute of the

time, sir." "In other words——" suggested Mr.

Orcutt, severely.
"I was trying to show myself smar or than my betters;" bowing with a greatshow than my betters; "bowing with a greatshow sat near. of respect to the two experts who sat near.
Or, in other words still, I was trying to make the distance between Mrs. Clemmens' house and the station I have mentioned, in time sufficient to upset the defence sir."

And the look he cast at Mr. Ferris was

wholly apologetic now.
"Ah, I understand, and at whose sugges tion did you undertake to do this, Mr

Kory:
At the suggestion of a friend of mine who is also somewhat of a detective."
"And when was this suggestion given?"
"After your speech, sir, yesterday after-

noon."
" And where ?" "At the hotel, sir, where I and my friend

put up.
"Did not the counsel for the prosecution order you to make this attempt ?

"Did he not know you were going to "No, sir."

"Who did know it?" " My friend."

"No one esse:
"Well, sir, judging from my present
position, I should say there seems to have
been some one clse," the witness slyly re-The calmness with which Mr. Orcutt car-

ried on this examination suffered a momen-

"Did you tell any one but your friend that you were going to undertake this run?"
"No, sir."
"Mr. Hickory," the lawyer now pursued,

"will you tell us why you considered your-noif qualified to succeed in an attempt where you had already been told regular experts had failed?"

Well, sir, I don't know unless you find the solution in the slightly presumptive character of my disposition."
"Had you ever run before or engaged in

athletic sports of any kind?" 'Oh, yes, I have run before."

"And engaged in athletic sports?" "Mr. Hickory, have you ever run in a

"Well, yes, I have."

"Did you ever win in running such a

" No more?"

" Well, then, twice." The dejection with which this last assent came forth roused the mirth of some lighthearted, teather-headed people, but the officers of the court soon put a stop to that.

" Mr. Hickory, will you tell us whether on account of having twice beaten in a race requiring the qualifications of a professional runner, you considered yourself qualified to judge of the feasibility of any other man's making the distance from Mrs. Clemmens' bouse to Monteith Quarry Station in ninety

minutes by your own ability or non-ability to do so?" "Yes, sir, I did; but a man's judgment of his own qualifications don't go very far,

I did not ask you for any remarks, Mr. Hickory. This is a serious matter and de-mands serious treatment. I asked if in minutes you did not presume to judge of the leasibility of the prisoner having made it in that time, and you answered, 'Yes.' It was

The witness bowed with an air of inno-

"Now," resumed the lawyer, "you say you made a run from Mrs. Clemmens' house to Montieth Quarry Station to-day. Be-fore telling us in what time you did it, will you be kind enough to say what route you

"The one, sir, which has been pointed out by the prosecution as that which the prisoner undoubtedly took—the path through the woods and over the bridge to

"Did you know this?"

' How came you to know it?"

"I had been over it before." "The whole distance?"

"Mr. Hickory, were you well enough brough acquainted with the route not to be soliged to stop at any point during your journey to see if you were in the right path destination ?"

"And when you got to the river?"
"I turned straight to the right and made

for the bridge."
"Did you not pause long enough to see if you could not cross the stream in some "No, sir. I don't know how to swim

in my clothes and keep them dry, and as or my wings, I had unfortunately left them Mr. Orcutt frowned.

"These attempts at humor," said he, 'are very mal a propos, Mr. Hickory." Then, with a return to his usual tone: Then, with a return to his usual "Did you cross the bridge at a run?"

"And did you keep up your pace when you got in the high road?"
"No, I did not."

"And why, may I ask?"

'I was tired.

Yes, sir."

There was a droll demureness in the way Hickory said this which made Mr. Orcutt But in another minute he went on. "And what pace do you take when you

tired?",
A horse's pace when I can get," was the laughing reply. "A team was going by, sir, and I just jumped up with the

"Ah, you rode, then, part of the way? Was it a fast team, Mr. Hickory?" Well, it wasn't one of Bonner's " "Did they go faster than a man could

"Yes, sir, I am obliged to say they did."
"And how long did you ride behind

"Till I got in sight of the station."
"Why did you not go farther."
"Because I had been told the prisoner was seen to walk up to the station, and I

RING. | meant to be fair to him when I knew how." | been at the time it was perpetrated would, "Oh, you did; and do you think it was fair to him to steal a ride on the highway?" | to light, he had been awakened to a most uncomfortable sense of his position and the

"And why?" "Because no one has ever told me didn't ride down the highway, at least til he came within sight of the station?" "Mr. Hickory," inquired the lawyer, sev erely, "are you in possession of any know ledge proving that he did?"
"No sir."

Mr. Byrd, who had been watching the prisoner breathlessly through all this, saw, or thought he saw the faintest shadow of an or mought he saw the faintest shadow of an odd, disdainful smile cross his sternly composed features at this moment. But he could not be super the same of the sam could not be sure. There was enough in the possibility, however, to make the detective thoughtful; but Mr. Oreutt proceeding rapidly with his examination, left him no time to formulate his sensations into words. "So that by taking this waggon you are certain you lost no time?'

"Yes, sir."
"Rather gained some?"

"Rather gained some?"

"Yes sir."

"Mr. Hickory, will you now state with alarm with which she greeted him. She looked very weary, too, and yet unswhether you put forth your full speed to-day in going from Mrs. Clemmens' house to the Quarry Station?"

"I did not."

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"I did not."

"What?"

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"I did not put forth anything like my full speed, sir," the witness repeated, with a twinkle in the direction of Byrd that fell just short of being a decided wink.

"And why, may I ask? What restrained you from running as fast as you could? Sympathy for the defence?"

The ironical suggestion conveyed in this last question gave Hickory an excuse for indulging in this peculiar humor.

"No, sir; sympathy for the prosecution. I feared the loss of one of its most humble but valuable assistants. In other words, I was afrand I should break my neck."

was afraid I should break my neck." "And why should you have any special fears of breaking you neck?"

"The path is so uneven, sir. No man could run for much of the way without endangering his life or at least his limbs."
"Did you run when you could?"
"Ves sir."

"And in those places where you could not run, did you proceed as fast as you knew how?"

"Yes, sir." "Yery well; now I think it is time you told the jury just how many minutes it took you to go from Mrs. Clemmens' door to the Monteith Quarry Station."

"Well, sir, according to my watch, it took one hundred and five minutes."

Mr. Orcutt glanced impressively at the jury.
"One hundred and five minutes," he re-peated. He then turned to the witness

with his concluding questions. with his concluding questions.

"Mr. Hickory, were you present in the court-room just now when the two experts whom I have employed to make the run gave their testimony?"

'No. sir.' "Do you know in what time they made it?"

"I believe I do. I was told by the person whom I informed of my failure that I had gained five minutes upon them." "And what did you reply?"
"That I hoped I could make something them; but that five minutes wasn't

on them; but that he minutes washing much when a clean fifteen was wanted," returned Hickory, with another droll look at the experts and an askance appeal at Byrd, which being translated might read: "How in the deuce could this man have known what I was whispering to you on the other side of the court-room? Is he a wizard this

He forgot that a successful lawyer is always more or less of a wizard.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

A LATE DISCOVERY.

With the cross-examination of Hickory, the defence rested, and the day being far

During the bustle occasioned by the departure of the prisoner, Mr. Byrd took occasion to glance at the faces of those most His first look naturally fell upon Mr.

Orcutt. Ah! all was going well with the great lawyer. Hope, if not triumph, beamed in his eye and breathed in every movement of his alert and nervous form. He was looking across the court-room at Imogene Dare, and his features wore a faint smile that indelibly impressed itself upon Mr. Byrd's memory. Perhaps because there was something really peculiar and remarkable in its expression, and perhaps because of the contrast it offered to his own

feelings of secret doubt and dread. His next look naturally followed that of Mr. Orcutt and rested upon Imogene Dare.
Ah! she was under the spell of awakening hope also. It was visible in her lightened brow, her calmer and less studied aspect her eager and eloquently speaking gaze lingering on the door through which the prisoner had departed. As Mr. Byrd marked this look hers and noted all it revealed, he felt his emotions rise till they almost con-founded him. But strong as they were, they deepened still further when, in

drop her eyes from the door and turn then slowly, reluctantly but gratefully, upor Mr. Orcutt. All the story of her life was in that change of look; all the story of her future, too, perhaps, if — Mr. Byrd dared not trust himself to follow the contingency that lurked behind that if, and, to divert his mind, turned his attention to Mr.

But he found small comfort there. the District Attorney was not alone. Hickory stood at his side, and Hickory was whispering in his ear, and Mr. Byrd, who knew what was weighing on his colleague's mind, found no difficulty in interpreting the mingled expression of perplexity and surprise that crossed the dark, aquiline features of the District Attorney listened with slightly bended head to what the detective had to say. That look and the deep, anxious frown which crossed his brow as he glanced up and encountered Imogene's eye, remained in Mr. Byrd's mind long after the court-room was empty and he had returned to his hotel. It mingled with the smile of strange satisfaction which he had detected on Mr. Orcutt's face, and awakened such a turmoil of contradictory images in his mind that he was glad when Hickory at last came in to break the spell.

Their meeting was singular, and revealed as by a flash, the difference between the two men. Byrd contented himself with giving Hickory a look and saying nothing, while Hickory bestowed upon Byrd a hearty old fellow !" and broke out into loud and by no means enjoyable laugh. "You didn't expect to see me mounting the rostrum in favor of the defence, di you !" he asked, after he had indulged him-

self ez long as he saw fit in the display of this somewhat unseasonable mirth. "Well it was a surprise. But I've done it for Orcutt now

"Yes. I have."

"But the prosecution has closed its case?"
"Bah! what of that?" was i careless reply. "The District Attorney can get i reopened. No court would refuse that." Horace surveyed his colleague for

noment in silence.
"So Mr. Ferris was struck with the point you gave him?" he ventured, at last.
"Well, sufficiently so to be uneasy," was Hickory's somewhat dry response.

The look with which Byrd answered him

was eloquent. "And that makes you cheerful?" he in

"And that makes you cheerful?" he inquired, with ill-concealed sarcasm.

"Well, it has a slight tendency that way," drawled the other, seemingly careless of the other's expression, if, indeed, he had noted it. "You see," he went on, with a meaning wink and a smile of utter unconcern, "all my energies just now are oncentrated on getting myself even with that somewhat too wide-awake lawver. And his smile broadened till it merged into a laugh that was rasping enough to Byrd's

"But I thought the time for examination was over; that the witnesses had all testiore delicate and generous sensibilities. "Sufficiently so to be uneasy!" Yes, that fied, and that nothing remained now but for the lawyers to sum up."
"When in a case like "When in a case like the prisoner offers a defence not told all she knew about the murder, and the prisoner offers a defence not not told all she knew about the murder, and that a question relative to where she had ter, of course, has the right to meet such

to-morrow?"

defence with proof in rebuttal."
"Proof in rebuttal? What is that? Evidence to rebut or prove false the matters advanced in support of the de-

" Ah !". "I must do it in this case—if I can, o

She did not reply.
"And even if the testimony I desire to put in is not rebuttal in its character, no unbiassed judge would deny to counsel the privilege of re-opening his case when any new or important fact has come to light."

As if overwhelmed by a prospect she had not anticipated, she hurriedly arose and pointed down the room to a curtained re-

upon what I had better do."
"Very well," he acquiesced; "you shall she at once crossed to the small retreat.
"Five minutes," she reiterated huskily.

as she lifted the curtains aside; "when the clock strikes nine I will come out." "You will?" he repeated, doubtfully. "I will."
The curtains fell behind her, and fo

five long minutes Mr. Ferris paced the room alone. He was far from easy. All was so quiet behind that curtain not disturb her; no, he had promised, and she should be left to fight her battle alone. When 9 o'clock struck, however, he started and owned to himself some secret dread. Would she come forth or would he have to seek her in her place of seclusion. It seemed he would have to seek her, for the

curtains did not str, and by no sound from within was any token given that she had heard the summons. Yet he hesitated, and as he did so, a thought struck him. Could it be there was any outlet from the refuge she had sought? Had she taken advantage of his consideration to escape him!
Moved by the fear, he hastily crossed the
room. But before he could lay his hand upon the curtains, they parted, and disclosed the form of Imogene.



stepped forth more like a faintly-breathing

image than a living woman.

His first glance at her face convinced him she had taken her resolution. His second, that in taking it she had drifted into a state of feeling different from any he had observed in her before, and of a sort that to him when she whelly inexplicable. Her words when she

wholly inexplicable. Her words when she spoke only deepened this impression.

"Mr. Ferris," said she, coming very near to him in evident dread of being overheard,

"I have decided to tell you all. I hoped 1 nave decided to tell you all. I hoped never to be obliged to do this. I thought enough had been revealed to answer your purpose. I—I believed heaven would spare me this last trial, let me keep this last secret. It was of so strange a nature, so totally out of the reach of any man's surmise. But the finger of God is on me. It has followed this crime from the beginning, and there is no escape. By some strange means, some instinct of penetration, perhaps, you have discovered that I know son thing concerning this murder of which I have never told you, and that the hour I spent at Professor Darling's is accountable for this knowledge. Sir, I cannot struggle with Providence. I will tell you all I have promise to let me know if my words will

"Shall I show you?" he cried, taking her by the hand and leading her towards the mirror near by, under one of those impulses which sometimes effects so much. "Look in there at your own face and you will see why! I were this constitution." his life—will be lost if I give to the court my last evidence against him." "But, Miss Dare," remonstrated the District Attorney, "no man can tell—" He did not finish his sentence. Something in the feverish gaze she fixed upon him stopped him. He felt that he could not palter with a woman in the grasp of an agony like this. So, startling again observed: "Let me hear what you observed: "Let me hear what you have to say, and afterward we will consider what the effect of it may be; though a question of expediency should not come into your consideration, Miss Dare, in telling such

truths as the law demands. "No?" she broke out, giving way for one instant to a low and terrible laugh which curdled Mr. Ferris' blood and made him wish his duty had led him into the midst of any other scene than this.

But before he could remonstrate with her, this harrowing expression of misery had ceased, and she was saying in quiet and

suppressed tones:
"The reason I did not see and respond to the girl who came into the observatory to the girl who came into the observatory on the morning of Mrs. Clemmens' murder is, that I was so absorbed in the discoveries I was making behind the high rack which shuts off one end of the room, that an appeal to me at that time must have passed unnoticed. I had come to Professor Darling's house, according to my usual custom on Theodore mercings to study actions.

img's house, according to my usual custom on Tuesday marings, to study astronomy with his dangeter Helen. I had come reluctantly, for my mind was full of the secret intention I had formed of visiting Mrs. Clemmens in the afternoon, and I had no heart for study. But finding Miss Darling out, I felt a drawing the with the answer you have received?"

"Yes, if you will also add that you were in the observatory at Professor Darling's house, according to my usual custom on Tuesday marings, to study astronomy with his dangeter Helen. I had come reluctantly, for my mind was full of the secret intention I had formed of visiting Mrs. Clemmens in the afternoon, and I had no heart for study. But finding Miss Darling out, I felt a drawing toward the secret intention I sat down by myself to think. The rest and quiet of the place were soothing to me, and I sat still a long time, but suddenly becoming impressed with the idea that it was growing late, I went to the window to consult the town clock. But though its face could be plainly seen from the observatory, "Yery well, then, I was," she averred, without hesitation.

"You were," he echoed, advancing upon her with a slight flush on his middle aged chesk, that evinced how difficult it was for him to pursue this conversation in face of the haughty and repellant bearing she had assumed. "You will, perhaps, tell me, then, why you did not see and respond to the girl who came into that room at this very time, with a message from a lady who waited below to see you?"

"Ah!" she cried, succumbing with a suppressed moan to the inexorable destiny

suppressed moan to the inexorable destiny that pursued her in this man, "you have woven a net for me!"

And she sank again into a chair, where she sat like one stunned, looking at him with a hollow gaze which filled his heart was going to say next, inquired: "And

what then, Miss Dare!" "I was struck by a desire to see if I could detect Mrs. Clemmens' from where I was, and shifting the telescope slightly, I looked

through it again, and—"
"What did you ese, Miss Dare?"
"I saw her dining room door standing ajar and a man leaping headlong over the fence toward the beg." The District Attorney started, looked her with growing interest and inquired: "Did you recognise this man, Miss Dare?

She nodded in great agitation. "Who was he "Miss Dare," ventured Mr. Ferris, after

a moment, "you say this was five minutes to twelve?" "Yes, sir," was the faint reply. "Five minutes later than the time designated by the defence as a period manifestly too late for the prisoner to have left Mrs Clemmens' house and arrived at the Quarry

Station at twenty minutes past one?"
"Yes," she repeated, below her breath.
The District Attorney surveyed her ear nestly, perceiving she had not only spoken the truth, but realized all which that truth implied, and drew back a few steps muttering ironically to herself:
"Ah, Orcutt! Occutt!"

Breathlessly she watched him, breath lessly she followed him step by step lik leasy she followed him step by step like seme white and haunting spirit.

him his life?" came from her lips at last.
"Don't ask me that, Miss Dare. You and I have no concern with the conseq of this evidence."

(To be continued.)

A Simple Egg Cosy. This cosy, which is both simple to

make, pretty to look at and very useful,

and is an article which, a man living alone

in rooms would be delighted with. The egg cosy is simply a square piece of crochet. This is placed on a plate, the boiled eggs are placed in it, the corners are turned over to the middle "Give me five minutes," she cried; five and the eggs keep beautifully hot. A minutes by myself where no one can look at me, and where I can think undisturbed side of one corner, which is turned over last; the bow looks pretty and acts as a sort of weight on the other corners.

A Simple Tea-Pot Cosy.

This tea-pot cosy is made of two shaped pieces of crochet sewn together on the right side, the join being hidden by a deep rucking of looped crochet; a smart bow adorns the top. This cosy has no lining, so that it can be readily washed, and look as good as new after the process has been carefully gone through. The cruchet one double into first chain and one double into the second chain. Put the wool round the hook and crochet a double into the third chain. This leaves two stitches on the hook. Crochet two more doubles into the same chain stitch in the same way. After each double crotchet there are two stitches left on the hook. When the three have been completed crochet the two on the hook together. As one of these has been on the hook before the three double crochet worked into one chain were begun, and one is the last stitch taken, it can be readily seen that the two crochet together raise the others and form a little lump or

tuft. With this simple explanation, the cosys may be easily worked.

Looped crochet is done by winding the woolence round a piece of folded paper between each double crochet. The between each double crochet. The length of the loops can be varied—one-

inch loops are pretty,
This cosy would look well worked it forget-me-not blue fleecy woul-four ply
-as this washes so well. Ingrain colors should, of course, be chosen. The cosy is shaped by simply missing a stitch at beginning of each line after a few rows ave been worked.

What Hinders Proposals.

The timidity of a girl during a man' proposal is apa to discourage him, and in ais flutter he is inclined to believe the maiden docs not appreciate him as he would like. Especially so if the proposal is a some

what premature one, and he has not had ample opportunity of learning for himself the dictates of her heart.
This has, sometimes an unhappy effect, and the proposal may be withdrawn, conversation drifting into another channel. undue embarrassment in a girl at so critical a moment also tends to flurry the

lover, so that he experiences extreme difficulty in making a satisfactory pro-A girl of this sort that never assists the proposal, and all for the want of a little self-possession. A labored declaration is

Painting by machinery is now an accomplished fact, and in connection with the great iron railway bridge, recently built in America, the principle has been carried out with the greatest success. Of conree, the invention only applies as yet to the painting of walls, buildings,

railway luggage vans, and other inartistically decorated pieces of work; but in regard to these it is said to save large sums in time and labour. No brush is used, but the paint is distributed by means of a spraying nozzle and a hose, compressed air serving as the force. The only drawback-but this is reckoned alight one-is that a certain amount of

waste paint occurs in the spraying pro-It is well-known that the cheap oilpaintings to be found in small shops, are painted on a port of co-operative principle one workman giving a' dauh here, and

another man, to whom the picture has been passed, giving one there, and so on. The inventor of the apraying machine spoken of above declares that he has an nvention on hand whereby these cheap oil-paintings can be "sprayed" by the thousand, and he has lately, to the dealers such articles, submitted specimens which are declared to be quite equal to the hand-rainted ones. reasons, it is a pity if such is the case.

A young man, to escape the conscription, donned female attire, and has been working at Vienna as maid of all work. He gave satisfaction in all the situations because he did not encuurage followers. A Russian soldier is more heavily bur-

lened then any other. A foot soldier in he army of the Casa carries over sixty The iron pen mentioned by Job in the book of that name in the Bible is sup-

poled to be a steel graver used for in caiptions on stone

What Cold is.

A person who has never been in the Polar regions can have no idea what cold . - When we have the temperature down to ten or fifteen degrees above zero we think it is bitterly cold : and if our houses were not as warm as at least fifty legrees above zero, we should begin to hink of freezing to death.

Think, then, of living where the mercury goes down to thirty-five degrees below sero in the house, in spite of the stove. Of course in such a case fur garments are piled on until a man looks like great big bundle of skins. Dr Moss of the Polar expedition.

among other odd things, tells of the effect of cold on a wax candle which he had burned there. The temperature was thirty-five degrees below zero; and the doctor must have been considerably discouraged when, upon looking at his candle, he discovered that the flame had all it could do to keep warm. It was so cold that the flame could not

melt all the wax of the candle, but was forced to cut its way down, leaving a sort of skeleton of the candle standing. There was heat enough, however to

eat oddly-shaped holes in the thin walls | daughter?" of wax : and the result was a beautiful acelike cylinder of white, with a tongue of yellow fiame burning inside it and souding out in the darkness many streaks of light. "Another expedition to the pole," said

the man, as we wended his way to the bar-

BOATING IN BERMUDA.

The boating is most en syable, not only from the pleasure derived from sailing, and the cooler atmosphere experienced on the water, but also from the wonderful scenery to be seen down in the depths of the ocean Although the water is clear and transparent it is better to be provided with a water-glass. It is impossible to describe the beauty of the coral rocks, covered with sea-fans of every hue and size, and in every stage of encrustation, delicately-shaped ferns and sea-weed filling up the gaps, the whole forming a glorious blaze of exquisite tints deep, deep down; the variety of gorgeous fish to be seen, each inhabiting a different depth, and driving out intruders from their homes, from the prettily coloured angel fish to the huge rock-cod. brilliant red; from the small anchovy leaping out of the water in thousands whilst being chased by bigger fish into the shallows turning the sea into a sheet of silver in their flight from their enemies, to the ugly and dreaded shark. The island bounds with fishponds, where the habits of the different fish can be watched, and a change of diet

obtained when too rough for sea-fishing. The Bermudians, both white and black, are born sailors, handling their yachts and titch used is generally what is known as titch used is generally what is known as titch used is generally what is known as dinghies peautifully. Everybody has heard of the Bermuda boat, with its peculiar rig a chain the length you require; it must be an equal number of threes; then close to the wind, turn so handily, and dinghies peautifully. Everybody has heard weather the roughest storm. Dinghy-racing is most exciting work, requiring great nerv and judgment. In a close race it is wonderful to see the way the boats are managed and the methods adopted to win-some of the crew sitting well back over the gunwales with the ballast on their chests, others diving one by one from the stern of the boats to try and get a little more way on. The negroes there are much the same as elsewhere, fine strong men, speaking very pure English.

Poverty on the island there is none; there is work for all, the wages paid averaging a dollar a day. The origin of the slang impression. "That takes the cake." may not be generally known. Once a year the negroes collect together on some road or other and appoint a judge. Several couples, men and omen, dressed in grotesque costumes, go through absurd pantomimes and ridiculous performances. The couple earning the most applause are awarded a piece of cake, which prize is highly valued .- Chamber's Jour

NOVEL AMUSEMENT WITH A PIANO.

The market for antiques is variable. They ommand prices all the way from their weight n gold to the ordinary value of second hand furniture, according to the taste or eccentricity of the buyer. An eminent artist, who bought an old-fashioned piano not long ago. has had an experience which illustrates this. He had paid the dealer in antiques three pounds for the piano, and as a model it has been worth that amount to him: as a source of amusement it has been worth considerably

Soon after the piano was delivered, Mr , the artist, was entertaining some friends, when the door was opened, and a

"Mr Giltley's carriage is at the door, sir. He sent me up to say he will give you five pounds for that piano, sir." "I don't want it," said Mr L-

carelessly. A few minutes later the coachman reappeared to say, " He'll give six pounds." " No," said Mr L----Soon the door opened again, and this was

the message: " He'il give you eight pounds

for your piano," "I can't make any such bargain!" exclaimed Mr L-, with rising indignation ahd surprise. "How many times does he want to be told?" he asked, as the door closed

on the would-be purchaser. "Well," some one remarked, "you haven't said yet that you will not sell the piano. He thinks you bought it as a speculation, and are artfully leading him on to offer a big price

for it." Evidently he was right, for presently the door was opened half way, and, as if the invisible Giltley had denounced Mr L---as " of course a poor, struggling artist, but very mercenary," the coachman cast a lofty, patronising glance at him, and said-

" If you want nine pounds, sir, Mr Giltley will give it to you, but he thinks it a great advance."

This time. Mr L---'s reply was calculated to make it sufficiently clear that a large fortune could not buy his piano. One day, two or three weeks later, when he was painting at his easel, the door of the studio opened, and there was an exclamation

"Yes there it is! that's it;" and a lady entered." "That's it, of course," she said, Well it is not what I want." She carefully examined the piano.

"No it won't do; I shan't take it; it isn't what I expected," she announced. As an experiment' Mr L---, whom she

had hardly glanced at, murmured, "One hundred pounds." "Really! One hundred pounds is mor than I'd any idea of. Anyhow, it dosen't suit me. No I shan't take it. It's no use to urge it. I don't want it. However's reflecting and walking slowly around the piano-" I don't think I can do any better: And i you don't think ninety pounds would be enough perhaps we can arrange it for one hundred

" Madam," said Mr L-, the piano is not for sale. I don't know who sent you here If any one told you I was a dealer in antiques " but after the first words she scarcely heeded him, and walked out, still eyeing the piano sternly, and murmuring, "I must look elsewhere. It's not what I want."-Cossel's Saturday Journal.

SOMETHING SHARP.

A Scotch preacher once said-" You never saw's woman sewing without a needle! She would come but poor speed if she only sewed with the thread. So I think when we're dealing wi' sinners we maun aye put in the needle as lang a thread as we like o' Gospel consolation after't."

Mrs Newrich -" Is this Mr Easel?" Mr E. -" Yes, madam." " The painter of miniatures?" "Yes madam." " What'll you charge to paint a life-sized miniature of my

Jones (to seesthetic young friend of his): "I say, Fletcher, I saw your beloved the 'other day." Fletcher : "Ah! And was she wandering among the fragrant acacias,

ECHO TO THE "BEAUTIFUL SNOW.

Written as an Echo to the above Poeme Poor lone one, dejected one, Could'st thou but know What thousands admire

Your "Beautiful Snow." It perhaps might a soothing. A cordial impart, And blunt the keen edge Of remorse in thine hear

Poor, frail, erring sister, Oh, many there be, That (had'st thou but lived) Would have comforted thee But the fiat went forth

And with power, yet in love, . Whispered "Daughter come home." You believed in the Saviour, Regretted your sin, And the germ of salvation

When you wrote with such pathos The "Beautiful Snow," And felt like an outcast With nowhere to go.

Oh! sad was thy fate And gloomy thy lot, And when the snow falls Thou wilt not be forgot. We will hope and believe

At your desolate end, The Saviour was husband. And brother, and friend, That the vital spark fled To a mansion of rest, And "The Beautiful Snow"

In blessing was blest. Oh ! daughters, more favoured, Oh! sisters, and wives. Respected and loved, Leading virtuous lives,

Cast not the first stone As the fallen pass by,
"They are well kept whom God keeps," You have help from on high. Rejoice, and be thankful

You are what you are, While you move in your sphere Like a beautiful star. FATHER AND SON AT THE

CIRCUS. Gorgeous plumes nodded in the street tread, and the painted young lady ir airy costume rode in the lion's den. The circus had come. The Rev. Mr. Mulkittle stood at the gate and looked at the grand aggregation," and his son eagerly requested him to enter. Mr. Mulkittle promised him he would take him in the

evening.

When evening came he was in a per fect flutter of excitement, and when the "mammoth steam piano" began to squeal he could no longer restrain himself but cried in impatience at his father's seeming unconcern.

When they entered the menagerie the

he scarcely knew which way to turn. "This is a Bengal tiger," said Mr Mulkittle. "There is a sacred ox, and here we have a leopard. Here is a sea lion." "
What makes him cough so much?"

poy was so bewildered by curiosities that

asked the boy.
"He is not coughing. That's his natural outcry."
"I thought he'd stayed in the water till he caught cold. What is that?"

"That is a rhinoceros."
"That's a tapir," said a man with a red shirt, leaning on an iron rod.
"Are you sure?" asked Mr. Mulkittle, not enjoying the correction.

"Ought to know, podner; been feedin' 'em for a long time."
"I shall not discuss it with you." "That's a lion." gazed in fascination at the beast.

killed?"-" Yes, that's the kind." "Do you think Samson coulder killed this one?"-" Oh, yes." "And if he waster kill him, would he find honey in him?"—"No."

"How came him to find honey in the

"Is that the kinder lion that Samson

one he killed?"-" Because the Lord put "Well, couldn't the Lord put it in this one?"_" Yes, He could." 'Why don't he, then?"—"I don't

know." Why?"-"Because I don't; that's why. Now hush."
"Was the lion's den that Daniel was thrown in like this?"-" I don't know what kind of a den it was, but they are

the same kind of lions." "I bet if Daniel waster go in there they'd chaw him; don't you?"—"Not if the Lord was with him." "The Lord could make 'em tuck their tails and scoot, couldn't He?"-Hush, sir, or I'll take you home. Do you hear

me? Come on," he continued, as the band with a loud burst began to play. They went into the circus pavilion, and secured seats.
"Quit that," he exclaimed, turning to a

boy who had pinched him. "Don't you pinch me again."
"I will if I want to. Do you dare me?" and he pinched him again. Young Mulkittle reached around him, and caught the insulter by the hair, and an exciting scuffle ensued. A policeman rushed to the scene, seized Mr. Mulkittle, who was trying to separate the boys, and ex-

"Come on here. Fine man, to get two boys fighting. Had my eye on you for some time. "Turn me loose! I'm a minister." "Fine minister! I've sized you up. Come on," and he hustled Mr. Mulkittle

from his seat, shoved him through the crowd out into the open air, so quickly that the boy lost sight of his father, and would have cried out in alarm, but just then the clown began to sing about somebody in the "garden where the praties Next morning Mr. Mulkittle received

a note from the executive committee of the church, which read :- "We understand that you attended the circus, got drunk, got two boys into a fight, and then tried to whip a policeman. Please inform us when you will be ready to submit to an investigation."

THE CAUSE.

The seemingly incredible story that is Florida oysters are to be found growing of trees, is explained as follows:—The man grove tree, which abounds in many places o' the law first; for the fact is they're sleeping sound, and they need to be wakened up wi' something sharp. But, when we've got the needle o' the law fairly in, we may draw the needle o' the law fairly in, we may draw the needle o' the law fairly in, we may draw the needle o' the law fairly in, we may draw the needle o' the law fairly in the needle o' the needle o' the needle o' the law fairly in the needle o' the ebb tide, the oysters are hanging to the limbs some distance above water. Usually there is no current in these lagoons, and the water rises and falls with the winds which. blowing steadily in one direction for days at a time, drive the waters before them from one part of the lagoon to another, leaving a section submerged which has for days and weeks been above water, until a change of wind reverses the process.

A mischievous youngster, Islington way, when he found his aged mother's Bible was of too fine print for her failing eyesight, sold the book and brught four sticks of candy. gazing on the radiant sunset and the soft, fleecy clouds linged with the faint beams of glorious sunlight?" Jones: "Oh, no, old One was filled with remove and the other

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AN ESSAY ON BANKS.

SHY AIRS HIS VIEWS ON SAVINGS IN

STITUTIONS.

Tells of the Trouble One Made For

Bank accounts are skittish things

Why, I know a fellow who had a bank

account, and then he hadn't. He put

something like umpty s'teen and six

iollars in the grasping hand of a receiv-

He checked and checked on that account

until he finally received official notice

from a deputy sheriff that the account

ad long been drawn down to a vacuum.

My friend insisted on checking on the

vacuum, and now he is checked for a

brief stay in the state institute for gen

e good and not bad.

an introduction.

ways shy.

thousand.

lv 151''--

he interrupted.

lemen who forget that all deeds should

I have a bank account. I went into

the savings institution at the corner of

Blank and - streets with money in

my pocket and my hand on it. I ap-

"I'm Shy," I said in the nature of

"Then yen do not want to come

around here," he responded. "We don't want any galoots coming in here that

can't pay their way. We're shy enough

ourselves. Why, the officers have not raised a salary in years, and what with

coal bills and pork accounts we are al-

I explained to the dapper gentleman

with the money colored countenance that my name was Shy. "Tell me some

"The bank is the safest in the city.

he commenced to warble. "Our capital stock is \$1,000,000. We pay 3 per cent

nterest when we cannot get around do-

ing otherwise. Every six months we

figure interest on your smallest balance.

We'll receive as little as a dollar from

an applicant, and after the books are

opened with you we'll take as much as

"Oh, now, look here!" I returned

with asperity. "I'm not going to give you a thousand of my hard earned

plunks right on the spot. I've been

thinking this thing over. I have exact-

"One hundred and fifty-one dollars

"Who said anything about dollars?"

makes a first rate start for any one,

it has not moved an inch.

hing about deposits, will you?

proached the receiving teller.

ing teller. He was given a checkbook.

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The Whistling

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OR THE MOANING MEMENTO OF A SECRET SORROW.

PART 11.

A FASCINATING STORY OF THE SEA.

----By Charles Barnard. ----CHAPTER VIII.

He took everything for granted, seemed to think she would accept his home and be for years his guest. What could she say or do? She could not go home. They had cast her off there—had let her go for weeks and months without a word or sign, not even answering her letters appealing to them to tell her why they had so changed, so cruelly abandoned her. She knew of so cruelly abandoned her. She knew of no way in which she could earn a living for herself, and besides, if she could, this new father would never consent to it. He let her rest in her chair for a few

moments, guessing, perhaps, something of what passed in her mind. He had already asked her to become his daughter, to accept his protection and care, and she had, wi hout accepting his hospitality, held back her consent to hecome permanently a guest in his home. It was now a good time guest in his home. It was now a good time to have it settled, that they might fully understand each other before they returned to his home.

"I know of what you are thinking, my child. Naturally, your thoughts turn to your old home at the light. Only the fact that Cant. Tables was not really your."

stinctively Mai threw aside ner wraps and stood up.

"Judge," said Mrs. Gearing, "congratulate me! I have re-discovered Mademoi-late me! I have re-discovered Mademoi-late me! The control of the contro

that Capt. Johnson was not really your father could possibly excuse his neglect of

you." "Who is my father?" she exclaimed, passionately. 'I do not know; but, if you will con-

sent, I should like to have you for my daughter."

He had taken the seat by her side, and spoke quietly; yet she was sure he was deeply in earnest.
"Why? You do not know who I am. No-body knows. You forget that I am without

a name, parentage, or country." B name, parentage, or country."
What do you mean? Captain Johnson said he adopted you. I supposed that he meant you were the child of some friend or

"Oh, no, no! Did he never tell you?"

"Tell me what?"
"Where and how he found me." "No. Tell me about it."
"I came from the sea." From the sea?"

"Yes, yes,—from a wreck,—from an unknown ship on which every soul was lost save an infant abandoned in the ship's Take my arm. Why, my child, you are trembling with the cold."
"Yes. Take me away. Take me away."
"It has grown very cold. It will be safer "And you were that child?"

"Yes. The men from the beach found me at the last moment, just as the ship was breaking to pieces. The captain was the first to find me, and I fell to him by right of discovery."

The Judge had risen, and stood looking

down upon her with a strange, half-anxious, half-hopeful expression on his face.

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"Is this true?"

"And did no one know where the ship came from or where she was bound?"

"No. The wreck lay with the stern to the sea, and was no broken up when I was rescued that it was not safe to row round it through the surf and find its name. It was frightful weather, and the only wonder was frightful weather. The work was in the best? What was it to her that they had invited a voung girl to travel with was frightful weather, and the only wonder is that I survived that night. Even now I sometimes start in my sleep, dreaming of that dreadful roar of the sea that stormed round my cradle."

"That came so near being your grave." "Yes, sir. That is the pity of it. If I only could have died with the others—with my father, who was perhaps Captain of the

ship."
"No; that could not be. He would not have left you to perish. You must have been a passenger."

"I have thought of that. The ship's company tried to get ashore, and were all

father's house, at the lighthouse."
"Why, certainly. Didn't you hear! It is cold hear. Come down to my stateroom, and I'll tell you all about it." "Do you mean to say they left you on the

ship to die?"
"So I was told. And do you wonder that I he itate to accept all that you offer? Who am I? Where is my native land? Some lounge, related in full detail the accident,



"WITHDREW TO HIS DUTY." day-some day I shall know, I feel wure of it, and then some one—I know not whom—I sometimes dread to know—may claim

"And were there no women among the ship's people?"
"Not one. Nor were there any children

found among the dead."
"Your mother may have died on the voyage."
"I have thought that must be so. There is no other explanation. She was a pas-senger, and died and was buried at sea, and being only an infant, was forgotten in

the selfish haste of the others to save thometer. In America it makes a great difference who they are. Americans are some "Mai, you should have told me this be-"I thought you knew."

And then a great fear seemed to enter her heart, and she sat up and motioned him to come nearer. He sat down again, and gently took one of her hands in both of

times so strange."

"What do you mean? What do you know abot the girl?"

"Nothing, madame; only what I hear in the little place—this Wilson's Holl, where we were last summer. You should warn your son, madame, lest he be greatly disappointed some day. It would be a great mistortune if he marry her. You will be lieve me if I tell you as a friend your son cannot marry this Miss Johnson."

"Perhans he never thought of it." "What is it, my child?" "You will not think ill of me! You will not send me away? I could never go back now—after they have been so cruel. I re-member now, there is something more."

"Something more?"
"Yes. He—the Captain—never told me, but I remember hearing, when a girl in the village, that, as the village gossip said, 'Captain Johnson never did right not to les on all about that wreck.' I never asked bim. If he thought best not to tell me, is was not for me, who owed him so muchary home, my life—to ask him.

"Do you think he knew the ship's name?"
"No. Nobody knew that."

may have done."

40h, her parents were respectable;
nothing that I hear is against their char-"No. Nobody knew that."
"My child, let us think no more about it.
There are certain reasons why I wish to have you near me as leng as you live, to stay always in my home. I, too, have a sad memory of the sea."

He let fall her hands, and, rising, went to the shin's side and looked off over the the shin's side and looked off over the these."

That it from

water. She knew that he had lost the wife of his youth. Perhaps something that she had said had brought back something man who lived at the light-memory of her. Trying to repail all that house."

these?"

'Yes. I am sure of it. I had it from be no getting out of reach of the advisory board then.—Cincinnati Enquiring didn't seem to understand why.—Clave. I am who lived at the light-leader.

"You astonish me, Mademoiselle. It must be perfectly true. No doubt the people knew perfectly well to what repertue the girl belonged, and were quite willing the girl belonged, and were quite willing to throw her off upon us. This comes of to throw her off upon us. This comes of showing too much gratitude. We should have paid the girl a few dollars for saving my life and let her alone. I am deeply grateful to you for telling me in time grateful to you for telling me in time. Dear Royal shall instantly break eff all attentions to the wratched hussy, and the moment we land the Judge shall dismiss her from our house. A colored girl, incheded! I wonder I didn't think of it before. She is certainly very dark and shows her race plainly." right or proper to asked him more about his dead wife. He must have loved her dearly and lost her under some distressdearly and lost her under some distressing circumstances in some way connected with the sea. Thinking of these things, she waited patiently till he should return. Then she would ask him what were the reasons that led him to offer so much.

At that moment she saw Mrs. Gearing approach from the door of the saloon and advance along the deck towards them. As she came nearer she passed the veiled ladv who had sat during all this time just where the maid had placed her. The

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"MAI, YOU SHOULD HAVE TOLD ME THIS BE-

FORE.

stinctively Mai threw aside her wraps and

"Thank you, sir. I have been very ill.

"What is the matter, Mai?" said the dge. "Are you ill?"

"Let me escort you downstairs, Mai,

for you below."
"Thank you, sir. Yes,—much safer."
"You must excuse the Judge, Mademoiselle. He has taken a great fancy to this Miss Johnson and invited her to travel with

had invited a young girl to travel with

them?
Mademoiselle Rochet had the sense to see

that she had gone a step too far, and has-

tened to make amends:
"My dear madam, I mean no offence. I

remember seeing the young lady at the lighthouse at that place—lass summer—

"Yes. It was there I saw her, at her

Mademoiselle would be charmed to hear

nore, and for half an hour sat on a stool in

Mrs. Gearing's stateroom while that worthy

the rescue, and all that had happened since.

Mademoiselle heard it with only apprecia-

tive comments, as if it were a tale of mere-

ly passing interest.

And now the Judge wishes to make her

his daughter?"
Yes. The girl does not seem to care to

for a long time. I don't understand why, and I am sometimes afraid she had some

trouble at home that she is trying to for-

most natural way possible.
"Oh, Royal! Yes, dear boy. He seems

to like Miss Johnson greatly, and goes everywhere with her."
"Yes. They are, of course, very much

wy are both dead."

"It will be very fortunate if they are."

"Why, what do you mean, Mademoi-

Ah, well, in France it might not mat-

"Perhaps he never thought of it."

The poor lady sat up on the loungs, horified and yet thankful.

Mademoiselle. I do not know what it is, but I shall warn dear Royal at once. This

comes of bestowing fayors on unknown up-

"They are much together

they are both dead."

times so strange."

"And your son, Mr. Yardstickie-he is

what you call that place?"
"At Wilson's Holl?"

selle Rochet, Mai."

and then came nearer. In-

strange lady seemed suddenly to be awake, for she rose abruptly and spoke to the Judge's wife. That lady seemed to recognize her, and both shook hands and spoke race plainly.

As that instant there was a knock at the "Who is it?" said Mrs. Gearing.
"It is only me," replied her son, with
refreshing disregard of grammar.
"Wait a moment, Royal, dear. I'm busy
now. Mademoiselle Rochet is here."

Didn't you know she was board? She's been confined to her room till to-day. And Royal, dear, please ask our steward to set a plate for Mademoiselle at our table at lunch. And Royal, dear, one thing more. Please find your tather and send him to me."

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It was fortunate for the young man that the door was closed between him and the two women. If they had seen the mingled surprise, anger, and alarm upon his face, they might not have gone on, as they did immediately after, chatting carelessly of robes and habits and the latest modes. Fortunately for the young man, he was

Fortunately for the young man, he was quite alone in the narrow passage way outside the state room. She had come back. She had been to Paris,—was on her way to New York,—with his own mother,—on the same ship. She had come back, too, just when he had, after some fearful risks, nearly reached his prize. She had come back as he had learned that the prize was of far greater value than he nad ever as he had learned that the prize was of far greater value than he had ever dreamed. Only that morning, in a talk with his step-father on deck, the "Governor," as he called him, had said he intended to settle \$50,000 on Mai Johnson when ed to settle \$50,000 on Mai Johnsen when she came of age. He wrenched open the round light at the end of the little passage and let the damp fog drift in and cool his het face. He must recover himself, before, meeting people in the saloon or on degk. Presently he felt stronger, and went out to the saloon and found their steward. It would be useless to oppose his mother, and if Julie insisted on sitting at their table he

I come aboard at the last minute, and go to if Julie insisted on sitting at their table he must submit and say nothing.

His next step was to look about and find his step father. Knowing that he sometimes sat in Mai's room, he knocked at her door. The Judge himself epened my room and stay there in great trouble till to-day. The voyage is terrible."
"Miss Johnson, Mademoiselle Rochet. Miss Johnson is traveling with us. Made-The woman had come nearer, and now

steed regarding her with black, piercing eyes, and for some reason her heart seemed to beat fast and her knees trembled. "What is it, Royal?" "Mother wishes to see you, sir, in her room."
"Tell her, please, I am busy with Msi.
I'll come presently."
The young man saw by the partly-opened door Mai scated by the berth and evidently

"No, sir. It is the fog. I'm cold. Perhaps I'd better go to my room."
Almost unperceived, the silvery mist on the horizon had spread over the sea, blotin tears.

'What's up now?' said the young man, as he walked back towards his mother's room. 'Governor closeted with Mai and Mai crying. Wonder what she's been doing. She can't know anything about Julie. Cut her up, of course, if she did know. 'Dare say the girl's beginning to love me. the norizon nad spread over the sea, old-ting the sun from sight and changing the sea from blue to cold gray. At that in-stant the desp booming note of the ship's whistle startled her. The sound seemed to recall the sounds of her youth, to suggest danger near. It rang in her ears like a say the girl's beginning to love me. Tye hoarse cry from a wreck. It was a warning to-to fishermen on the sea.



"WHO IS IT?" SAID MRS. GEARING.

run risks enough for her anyway; however, nothing succeeds like success, and all's fair in love and war. I'll settle that Julie bein love and war. I'll settle that June before we get ashore, and then for Mai."

The Judge closed the door upon his unworthy son with a sigh. If only this young man to whom he had become a second father were like this strange girl to whom he would so giadly be a father!

As he turned again towards her and sat down by her side, she said, slowly—
"I thank you, sir, for telling me. I'm sure I feel for your great loss. It must have been sad for you to have her die in a foreign land among strangers. I wish I had known where she was buried. I would have gone to the place with flowers."
"We do not know where she is buried.

In her sickness she tried to reach home, and sailed for Havre; but the ship was never heard of after it left port. You see, her father's illness called her home to Madrid, where they lived, and where my wite was born, and where I met her. He lingered on for weeks, and she stayed with him for Yes. The girl does not seem to care to go back to her friends, for she does not write to them, nor have they written to her for a long time. I don't understand why, then, and very poor, and it was for that reason she came by sailing vessel. A friend of her father — an English sea Captain—offered a free passage home, and she accepted the offer-and never arrived." pleased at the prospect of so charming a lady in the family?"

She said this with a little laugh in the

"And was their no woman with har?"
"Only the captain's wife."

"Only the captain's wife."
"And my voice is like her's?"
"Yes, my child; that is the reason I wish
you to become my daughter. Your every
tone, every syllable, is like my dead wife's
voice. Sometimes, when I hear you speak.
In another room, I think my wife must be there, and I long to go to her, and do-only

"Yes. They are, of course, very much thrown together, particularly on board ship. If the Judge should decide to adopt her and make her his daughter it might be a good thing for Royal. I must say, she is a good girl, and under my guidance is rapidly becoming quite a lady. She has had a very good influence over the dear boy already; and then, too, he owes his mother's life to her, which, of course, makes him very grateful to her."

"He could not marry her?"

"Well, no, perhaps not—net now."

"He certainly could not, madame. De you not know her parentage?" to find you." "It is strange—very strange."
"Then, too, your singular discovery on
this unknown ship seems to draw you nearer to me. The sea took my dead, and it gives me you. It do not know who your parents were. It does not mat-

He paused abruptly.
The ship had stopped. The sound of the engine had ceased, and then came that strange, awesome silence that may mean so "He certainly could not, madame. Do you not know her parentage?"
"Why, I think she is the adopted daughter of the lighthouse keeper. I have never asked who her parents really were. I think

wuch at sea.

"Is there danger, sir?"

"No, I think not. It may be only a Sandy Hook pilot coming aboard."

It is one of the curious features of life at the whether in sickness or in thealth." sea that whether in sickness or in health, in joy and in sorrow, all on board move on in joy and in sorrow, an on board have on to new horizons. Uncesting the ship sails on, regardless whether the expected land be a land of promise or a grave. So, there is besides the idle life of the salgon another life on board, of work and business.

(To be Continued).

He Was No Fisherman. Bobber-It's too bad that George Washington never knew the serene contentment that can come only to the man who manipulates rod and line.

Angleson-How do you know he never did? Bobber-He never told a lie.-Chi-

cago News. Preferred a Memorandum. His Wife-Now, you won't forget any of those things I asked you to bring;

starts without parents or name. I hope the home.
girl is innocent herself, whatever her father. The The Suburbanite (doubtfully) hope not. Suppose you give me sealed orders, not to be opened till I reach New York .- Brooklyn Life.

Awfql Possibility. The Commodore—I hear that the system of telegraphing without wires is almost perfected. The Admiral-Ab, me! There will

ABSENCE OF MIND.

In the course of an interesting article on this subject a writer in the "Evening Standard" says: It is recorded of Dante that he went to witness a procession from a bookaway having neither heard or seen anything of the gorgeous ceremony trumpet and flourish of banner with conduct.

pair of ruffles which the lady had took him into a valley, where he worked for her father, and seeing a saw God seated on a throne of gold. pair of scissors upon the table The Almighty, he continued, then punctured his discourse with snips, said to him: "Ivan, I will restore punctured his discourse with ships, said to him. It will be so that when the one was ended the your good health to you, but in time will produce from 15,000 to 20,000 other was "finished" in another you will have a son, and as soon as sense. When -Hogarth's mind was he is seven months old, you will ofbusy with the designing of his fer him up as a sacrifice." Aslamazdrawings he was extremely fidgetty off said that many times since then and distrait. He would get up in he had prayed God to spare his son, the middle of his dinner, and twirl- but that, as the Almighty had made ing his chair round would sit with no response, he considered it his his back to the table. Presently he duty to sacrifice him. would rise as successful, prace and re- on the people, and the general opin- be avoided. Thus the oak and the sume his dinner.

the holes made in his door for his no right to arrest him. big cat and her kitten is tolerably well known, and should surely rank as an instance of absence of mind. Dr. Stukeley, a friend of Newton's once called to see the philosopher, and was kept waiting so long for his host whilst a roast fowl was growing cold upon the table that at last bird and devoured it. "I protest," he is obliged to converse at an angle the world. In is adapted to the cried Newton, when at length he cried Newton, when at length he joined his visitor, and discovered the joined his visitor, and discovered the joint dismembered and half-devoured pre's ear. -"I protest I had forgotten I had now oblivious we philosophers arel' in hand were chaspen by the ten-curringe now in use. As it cannot be used in the small-bore rifles with tackes of a giant octopus. His shoe be used in the small-bore rifles with coursing on the danger of germs as a No. 10 hat. He is so strong that four years at least it will be at the fruit. He carefully washed his cherries in his tumbler, dried them on his napkin-and almost immediately drank off the dirty water !

The probable explanation of most of these amusing "faits de distraction" is to be found in the dual demanded. "I was about to remark nature of our consciousness. Ordinthat I had 151 cents that the children arily these are in perfect accord and trust it with you. If the money is here: then there is no confusions between had saved, and I have concluded to at the end of a year and you pay the 3 the intention and the act. It may per cent interest, as you advertise, then be said as a safe generalisation that people who think little, or lead lives I may be induced to double my deof action in which the reflective powers are not required will never be troubled with absence of mind. It is chiefly thinkers—authors, philo-

I made my deposit. I received the bankbook with the credit of \$1.51. Every time I go down town I take a glance sophers, and the like-who are apt -a casual glance—at the corner of to let their sub-consciousness act Blank and — streets to see if my bank is still there. Up to this writing without the knowledge of the thinking part of them. This strange other self" is constantly making Since I started my bank account I've its existence felt, sometimes in sleep got to be a regular capitalist. I swell sometimes in somnambulistic trances, and the like. The mind acaround with my overcoat buttoned up and carry my gloves in my left hand. I quires some habit, and as soon as talk to everybody I meet about purthe practice becomes familiar to our senses the dual self takes charge of Resurre. chasing real estate, and I have no less than 27 deals on the string. One of these days I'll blossom out as a full fledged financier. If business keeps up, think I'll take a run out to St. Louis

habit to us, the sub-consciousness follows up the suggestion without the knowledge of our brain. Thus men have been known to retire to their bedrooms to dress for a ball and public function, and have later

que" entering a house, having ab-

the easiest chair, welcomed the host

with some little condescension and

when the hour grew late began to

yawn and grow obviously bored by

the tiresome caller. But a man's

wits must have become practised in

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to attain an equality of outward and

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nose, or begging pardon of the lamp-

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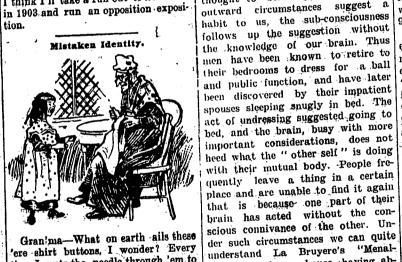
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expressive. It was simply :

Get a pall.

thanks.



Gran'ma-What on earth ails these ere shirt buttons, I wonder? Every time I puts the needle through 'em to sew em on they splits an flies all to

Gladys Irens Boo-o-o-oo l Them ain t shirt buttons. Them's my pepp'mint lozenges. - Ally: Sloper.

A Clean Record. In pleading for the release of her son, who had been taken in the toils of the

law, a Georgia mother said: 'Thar's never been nuthin ag'in him, yer honor. He's allus shrunk from the public gage. He never has run fer congress, he never wuz in the legislatur', an has allus worked for his liv-

A Wante of Sweets. The stont girl and the slender girl et and kissed fervently. "What an awful waste!" said the mart young man, being near. "Could he have been speaking of me?" asked the slender girl dejectedly.

-Indianapolis Journal. A Careful Citizen. When a man habitually wears

control. To think not too absorbedly, to force the comprehension to observe the acts of the body, would in nightcap, you can be reasonably sure that if you lend him a book he will out time rid the absent-minded of the a paper cover on it before he reads it ridiculous catastrophes to which and return it to you without injury. their mental vagaries subject them. But this is probably a counsel of Somerville Journal. perfection—the Menalques of the world, lacking a course of trying Oulte True. A coroner's jury returned the followand anxious active life, will never ing verdict recently: "That the deceas-

ed came to his death by tryin to light be weared from their habits of seek-his pipe with an electric light, which ing the spectacles that bestride their can't be done successful." - Atlanta Constitution. But Not In Time For Breakfast. When there are four girls in a family anging from 14 down to 8, the 14-yearold girl gets to be quite an expert hairdresser in time.

John's Good Menis. Several ladies sat in one of the Colonial club parlors a few evenings ago and discussed the virtues of their hus-"Mr. Bingleton." said one of them.

referring to her life partner, "never drinks, never swears nor does he chew."

"Does he ever smoke?" some one "Yes; he always likes a cigar after he has eaten a good meal. But I suppose that on an average he doesn't smoke more than once a month.

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JA MODERN ARRAHAM.

TALE OF SUPERSTITION FROM THE CAUCASUS.

In the village of Bayandour, in the Caucasus, lives a man named Ivan In Veniered to Open an Account in soller's shop, but, taking up a book, Aslamazoff, who a few weeks ago instead became so absorbed in its startled the community by cutting contents that in the end he came the throat of his seven-months-old He was at once arrested and taken before a judge, whereupon he gave which had passed with blare of an extraordinary explanation of his

in a few feet of him. Similarly, A few years ago, he said, he was Sheridan, deep in an earnest con-very sick, and one night St. John versation with his sister, took up a appeared to him in a dream and

ion was that he had acted like a Of Sir Isaac Newton the story of saint and that the authorities had

BIGGEST MAN IN THE WORLD.

man in the world, and is probably that the French Army is now in larger than the Goliath of the an- possession of a new cartridge which cients, being 8ft. 2½ins. tall. When must make it for the next four years an ordinary-sized man stands by him the most formidable fighting farce in

Beaupre was formerly a cowboy in the remote North-West Territory of Dr. Biggs, of Stamford, Connecti-

the United States until the horses cut, has just performed a daring surwere no longer able to carry him. gical operation for the cure of con-The physicians say that Beaupre's sumption, says the "World" growth has been healthy and natural Miss Lizzie Gremmel, aged 29, the and that disease has had nothing to daughter of a wealthy resident of do with it. He speaks French and Hampton, New Hampshire.. Miss English fluently, although his voice Gremmel was in an advanced stage is as cavernous as the bellow of a of tuberculosis, and could retain on-

giant, with mone of the vices of the right lung. Dr. Biggs began by rethousand and one men to whom he moving :13; inches of rib, and the is introduced daily; his age is 22 pleura, which was bound down by

At a recent interview he said: vears. Some time when my fortune is made, I am going to build a house that will fit me. Here are about the proportions which I will require, judging from the size suitable for an 40ft; height of doors, 12ft.; windows 9ft.; ceiling 18ft.; tables 4ft. Sins.; chairs, 3ft. 6ins.; length of

Beaupre's other measurements are it. Then we do the thing mechanically, without the need of bringing thought to bear upon it. If any outward circumstances suggest a sugg

The width of Beaupre's hand is man wearing an 8½ glove. "Will I ever get married?" he once replied; "well, that depends. Maybe I will been discovered by their impatient if I can find anyone of my size. To tell the truth, though, I am rather act of undressing suggested going to partial to small women. There was some talk recently of an introduction to a large lady in the exhibiheed what the "other self" is doing tion to a large lady in the exhibithe pleasure of meeting her.

"Being a Frenchman I naturally prefer a brunette, and of course she must be at least over 6ft. high. She must be able to make up beds 9ft. long, dust mirrors 12ft. high. and keep house generally on a gigantic scale. When I meet such a lady as this I am likely to pop the quessently come to the conclusion that it tion, even if I stand the chance of was his own. Consequently he took being refused."

THE KING OF THE VELDT.

One of the most interesting of the absent-mindedness before they can many interesting contributions in the keep up the delusion for so prolong- admirable "Temple Magazine" is ed a period. Again, a familiarity an article on lions by Hercules D.

with any phenomenon breeds an un- Viljoen. Our lions in South Africa (he says) conscious contempt, so that officers are almost human, sometimes. When have grown so used to the loud, imperative roll of the drum that they they are not hungry, they are gentlemanly beasts, who are willing have asked strangers whether or no the call has been sounded; and an enough to mind their own business alarum will so pall on the servant- so long as one does not wound their

girl's sears that she will sleep on, feelings or their bodies. Dignified and reserved, modest and cure for absent-mindedness is to cul- almost retiring, they have a tentivate a proper balance between the dency to stay decently at home durreflective and the active life, so as ing the day, and to do their visiting make their love, and fight their bat tles after darkness falls.
In comparison with the tame cats

observer of the South African lion footing, proceeded on his journey. of North America and of Europe the ought to be able to classify him as and safely reached the top. a beast of a highly civilised sort whose only reproach is the extent of bet."

departs from his ordinary rule of the ladder broke." conduct and takes his promenade by daylight or does his sleeping at

night. He mingles with the population in a fashion which is as intimate as it is promiscuous; and then complications arise which frequently end in bloodshed. The blood which is shed, since the

A polish for glace kid boots may be made by beating up the whites of two eggs with an equal quantity of number of the human inhabitants of water and a lump of sugar candy. the continent's southern half has This should be quite transparent and grown so great, is usually the lion's But, wherever there is no great discrepancy of numbers, humanity A cycling masher was riding down still fights very shy; and the memory of the lion's wrath, or the echo a hill the other day when his hat of the lion's roar, strikes its famil-A passing countryman picked it up iar terror in veldt or forest. He is still the king of the open and took it to him as he cireled round, saving him the trouble of country, and all the land is filled with the traditions of his prowess. I weally must get some string

Stains inside metal tea-nots may to keep it on," remarked the masher be removed by filling the tea-pot you!" as he wheeled off without a word of with boiling water in which a goodwash thoroughly

GENERAL INFORMATION.

A polite Chinaman considers it a breach of etiquette to wear spectacles in company.

The wives of knights and baronets have no legal right to the title of They should be known as "Lady." 'Dames '

Italy's soldiers are less heavily laden than those of any other Europcan Power. In full marching order they carry only 57lb. Ours carry about 62lb. At Waterloo our men carried 841b. A Norwegian has invented a machine for turning out the tins used for sardines and anchovies. Hitherto a

skilled labourer could make about

600 tins daily, but the new machine

The safest place during a thunderstorm is in bed, a position between two feather beds giving complete immunity. Owing to the metallic substances in certain soils some trees are more frequently struck His story made a deep impression than others, and should, therefore. elm are often struck and destroyed by lightning; but the ash is rarely struck, and the beech, it is said,

The "Patrie" asserts in an article by M. Massard, the editor, who Mr. Edward Beaupre is the tallest in an officer in the French reserves. On the average man greeting this The bullet tapers to a sharp point, human colossus, it seems as though and is longer and lighter than any his hand were clasped by the ten-cartridge now in use. As it cannot 22ins. in circumference, and he wears ed M. Massard says that for the next

ly the lightest food. An examina-He is a big and good-natured tion revealed a large cavity in the adhesion, was brought into the wound and stitched there.

The lung was then explored and the cavity drained and cleaned. The chest wall was strapped and dressed with dry antiseptic material. Miss Gremmel's condition has since shown ordinary man; Height, two stories, an improvement, and a complete recovery is hoped for.

There are thousands of people in every country in the world waiting for the time when motor-cars can be purchased for something less than the savings of a lifetime. In country districts this is more especially the case, since rapid means of tra sit is the greatest desideratum both of the farmer and country gentleman that he is devoting all his energies to making "motoring a sport for millions" is welcome.

According to this information Mr. Edison has succeeded in making a storage battery lighter in weight and sending a car along for "one hundred miles over any country road

without recharging." An automobile driven by this new battery can, we are told, be sold for less than £100, and the cost of re-charging would be but a few pence over a shilling. This much is stated as an accomplished fact, and the story ends with Mr. Edison's announcement, "I am now devoting my time to the cheapening of production." The significance of this statement cannot well be overestimated.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

Pat and Mick were two labourers and Pat bet Mick that he could carry him to the top of a four story building in his hod without spilling

him.

The stakes were duly deposited. Mick sat in the hod. Pat hoisted him on his shoulder, and commenced to mount the ladder. All went smoothly until he had accomplished about three parts of his journey when one of the rungs of the

ladder broke, and Pat came near precipitating Mick to the ground. However, he quickly recovered his "Well," Pat said, "I've won the

"Yes, ye have," said Mick; "but It happens very often that the lion by hivens, I nearly had ye when

HOW IT HAPPENED.

A canny Scot was brought up before a magistrate on the charge of being drunk and disorderly.

"What have you to say for yourself, sir?" demanded the magistrate. "You look a respectable man and ought to be ashamed to stand there!" "I am verra sorry, sir; but

cam' up in bad company from Glesca," humbly replied the prisoner. "What sort of company?"

"A lot of tectotalers!" was the startling reply.

"Do you mean to say that teetotalers are bad company?" thundered the magistrate. "I think they are the best company for such as "Beggin' yer pardon, sir," he an-

The yokel's reply was short, but sized lump of common soda has been swered, "ye're wrang; for I had a dissolved. Leave till cold and then bottle o' whusky, an' I had to drink it all mysel' ! "

NORTHERN MELBOU Number on Roll, 34 H. B. Higgins ... S. Painter ... Southern Melbou Number on Roll, 33 T R Ronald ... C. Monteath E. Joske J. Sloss ... Moira. Number on Roll, 21, T. Kennedy A. C. Palmer ... Incomplete. MRLBOURNE. Number on Roll, 23, Sir M. McEacharn ... W. Maloney ... The returning officer has ar result of the polling as follows arn, 7756; Maloney, 7679. has lodged a protest against McEacharn's return. was announced Sir Malcolm received some rough handli mob which had congregated, to seek refuge in the Town Dr. Maloney was hoisted on of his supporters and cheere WANNON. Number on Roll, 22, A. Robinson P. J. Hogan WIMMERA. Number on Roll, 14,

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E. F. G. Hodges

Number on Roll, 35,8 F. G. Tudor *Signifies retiring represent School.

YARRA.

Beaufort Presbyterian A most enjoyable entertain of the funds of the above scho by the children, assisted by Rorke and others, on Thursd last, in the Societies' Hall. very large and highly appre ing received careful tuition, a table manner in which the themselves must have been ve to Mrs Barber and Miss Jan were very painstaking i instruction, and deserve great the success of the performance item contributed was a cho children, entitled "Advance which was well sung, and received, the waving of flags hav effect. Other choruses wall go a-singing," by eight boy encored; "Australian volum about 20 boys; "Bell birds, 30 girls; and "Come soft evening," by about 50 child dinner and a kiss," Miss 'Guilty, or not guilty," Miss O "The Spanish champion," Ma Parker; "Little Flo's letter." Carroll: "Domestic asides," Tutloch: "Somebody's mo Ettie Parker. A recitation 'When grandmama was young, (in character), was encored. duet, "Shepherd's evening son dered by Misses B. Endie and and a pianoforte solo by Miss Each item was cordially received orchestra played several choice

the Scotch airs, and particular pipes, evoking much appla Jamieson recited "The legend (with violin obligato) and school," and her very fine deservedly appreciated. The singing of Miss Jean Rorke c a furore. Her contribution The last rose of summer" just had a letter," with two S as encores. Miss Rorke and sang a duet, "The flight of th to such advantage that they I to re-appear and repeat a accompaniments were played Jackson and Mrs Borber. Th the National Anthem termina pleasant evening. The childr

treated to a picnic in the Mans the Rev. Mr and Mr. B rber Snake Valley FROM OUR CORRESPOND

Another old and highly resident of Snake Valley in of Mrs Knox, wife of Mr V passed away at her residence day last. The deceased lad attained the age of 75 years been ailing for a few funeral, which took place or was largely attended. Th S. Drummond conducted at the grave.

A serious fire took place dence of Mr W. Nunn, Black Hill, near Snake Wednesday morning, when of his outbuildings, comprisi coach house, hay shed, h shop, and their contents, wer by fire. The fire was su have been caused by a spar chimney of the blacksmith's Nunn estimates his loss at is not known whether any

was on the buildings or not The election of four mem Senate passed off very Wednesday, only one-four electors of this division ava

selves of the privilege of the total number of votes r the Snake Valley boo amounted to 148, forty-six corded by females. The re

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MELBOURNE PORTS

Number on Roll, 21,211. *S. Mauger 10470

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NORTHERN MELBOURNE.

Number on Roll, 34,683,

H. B. Higgins... ... 11,576

S. Painter 4897 SOUTHERN MELBOURNE.

Number on Roll, 33,826.

C. Monteath 8095

MOIRA.

Number on Roll, 21,211.

MELBOURNE.

Number on Roll, 23,297.

*Sir M. McEacharn ... 7756

W. Maloney 7679
The returning officer has announced the

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arn, 7756; Maloney, 7679. Mr Maloney has lodged a protest against Sir Malcolm McEacharn's return. When the result

was announced Sir Malcolm McEacharn

received some rough handling from the

to seek refuge in the Town Hall, while Dr. Maloney was hoisted on the shoulders

of his supporters and cheered lustily.

WANNON.

Number on Roll, 22,574.

WIMMERA

Number on Roll, 14,791.

Number on Roll, 35,804.

*Signifies retiring representative.

School.

by the children, assisted by Miss Jean

Rorke and others, on Thursday evening

last, in the Societies' Hall. There was

ence. The children showed signs of hav-

ing received careful tuition, and the credi-

pipes, evoking much applause. Miss Jamieson recited "The legend beautiful" (with violin obligato) and "A district

chool," and her very fine efforts were

deservedly appreciated. The talented singing of Miss Jean Rorke created quite

Snake Valley.

attained the age of 75 years, had only

been ailing for a few days. The

funeral, which took place on Tuesday,

was largely attended. The Rev. J

S. Drummond conducted the service

chimney of the blacksmith's shop. Mr

amounted to 148, forty-six were re-

corded by females. The revised rolls

which were forwarded to the returning

officer for use at the booth were in-

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The monthly match of the Beaufort Rifle Club was fired on the 9th inst. on the local range, for prizes of 15s and 5s, given by the club. E. Buchanan was selected in the local range, for prizes of 15s and 5s, given by the club. E. Buchanan was selected in the local range, for prizes of 15s and 5s, given by the club. E. Buchanan was selected in the local range, for prizes of 15s and 5s, given by the club. E. Buchanan was selected in the cold, relieves the lungs and makes expectoration easy. For chants, Beaufort. given by the club. E. Buchanan won first prize with a score of 67 points, his handicap being 6; whilst Capt. D. F. Troy given by the club. E. Buchanan won first prize with a score of 67 points, his handicap being 6; whilst Capt. D. F. Troy ment. Apply BARTON QUARTZ COMpany BEAUFORT. J. N. BAILBY. total of 66. Appended are the scores :-Yds.-400. 500. H'cp. T'l.

D. F. Troy ... R. Laney Rev. W. J. Bottoms 25 W. T. Hill H. Dawson J. McKeich ... 33 19 acr. A. McDougall ... 24 25 2 W. J. Hill ... 20 7 12 ser. 2

A handicap sweepstake of 1s was shot for afterwards—7 shots at 500yds.—and was won by H. Dawsen, 23 (handicap 4); W. J. Bottoms, 33 (handicap 8), being second; and T. E. Sands third, with a score of 32 (handicap 2).

Mining News.

BARTON QUARTZ COMPANY.

The following half-yearly reports of the above company will be submitted to the shareholders at a meeting to be held at the Mechanica' Institute, Beaufort, on Wednesday afternoon next, at 2 o'clock:—Directors' Report.—We beg to submit to you financial statements and auditors' report for the half-year ended 9th inst.; also mine manager's report on work performed during the period under review and that now being carried on. We know of

mob which had congregated, and he had that now being carried on. We know of nothing to add to the report. The work and all the business of the company has been carried out on practical and most economical lines. The directors hold ordinary meetings once a month instead of fortuightly, thereby effecting a saving of board fees, and no fees are paid for special board meetings, which it is necessary occasionally to hold, and both the legal and mine manager have volun-tarily made substantial reductions in their salaries. In accordance with the deed of association of the company all your irectors, viz., Messrs D. F. Troy, James Eastwood, E. H. Welsh, John Freeman, and Dr. Eadie, retire from office, but are selves accordingly. At your meeting to be held on 23rd inst., you will please lect two directors for twelve months and three for six months, also two auditors Beaufort Presbyterian Sabbath for the ensuing half-year. In conclusion we concur with the mine manager that there is much reason to anticipate that A most enjoyable entertainment, in aid the stone will become richer, and that the shareholders will be satisfactorily repaid of the funds of the above school, was given their investments in the stock of the company.—D. F. Troy, Chairman; J. A. Chalk, Manager.

Mine Manager's Report .- I beg to revery large and highly appreciative audiport as follows on the work done during the past half-year. Operations were table manner in which they acquirted commenced early in July by taking ou the stone which remained between the themselves must have been very gratifying to Mrs Barber and Miss Jamieson, who as tope to Mrs Barber and Miss Jamieson, who were very painstaking in imperting was afterwards opened over the 100 feet instruction, and deserve great credit for level. Two crushings were put through the success of the performance. The first the battery, the first, 40 tons, which item contributed was a chorus by the children, entitled "Advance Australia," vielded 14oz. 4dwts. bar gold, average children, entitled "Advance Australia," 7dwt. per ton, and the second, 18½ tons children, entitled "Advance Australia," which was well sung, and cordially which gave 80z. 10dwt., equal to 9dwts. received, the waving of flags having a pretty effect. Other choruses were—"We'll all go s-singing," by eight boys, who were completed the directors decided that converted that operations from the chart for the converted that operations from the chart for the converted that operations from the chart for the converted to the conv that operations from the shaft from which should be about 20 boys; "Bell birds," by about 50 children. The evening." by about 50 children. The suspended, and that sinking a main shaft be proceeded with the suspended, and that sinking a main shaft be proceeded with the suspended, and that sinking a main shaft be proceeded with the suspended, and that sinking a main shaft be proceeded with the suspended with th following recitations were given: - "A Accordingly, tenders for such work were dinner and a kiss," Miss Ella Lowe; invited, and that of Willox and party Guilty, or not guilty," Miss Olive Skewes; sccepted. The contractors started sink "The Spanish champion," Master Arthur ing on 17th August and finished their "Little Flo's letter," Miss Mary contract on 7th inst., the work being Carroll; "Domestic asides," Miss Effic done by the aid of a whim. According Tulloch; "Somebody's mother," Miss to instructions a top level has been opened Ettie Parker. A recitation and chorus, at a depth of 155 feet from the surface, When grandmama was young," by 14 girls and I anticipate striking stone within a (in character), was encored. A pianoforte short period. As will be observed the stone at the 100 feet level was much duet, "Shepherd's evening song," was rendered by Misses B. Eidie and E. Tulloch, better than at the upper levels, which, naturally, gives me much confidence that and a pianoforte solo by Miss M. Endie. Each item was cordially received. Jackson's at deeper levels it will improve in richness, orchestra played saveral choice selections. prchestra played several choice selections. the Scotch airs, and particularly the bag-

one.—J. N. Bailey, Mine Manager.

The balance-sheet for the half-yea shows receipts amounting to £1048 14s 8d, and the expenditure to £920 11s 2d, thu showing a credit balance of £128 3s 6d.

All Nations Consols, Beaufort.-D. F turore. Her contributions comprised Troy and party.—Bringing back south end "The last rose of summer" and "I've with good results. No. 2 crosscut off main just had a letter," with two Scotch songs north-west reef drive reached 50ft; last as encores. Miss Rorke and Mrs Barber 30ft. payable. Yield, 52oz. 11dwt. sang a duet, "The flight of the swallow," Grant and party.—Shaft sunk and timbered to such advantage that they had perforce to 60ft. Adamthwaite and party.-Block to re-appear and repeat a verse. The ing back south end, with splendid returns ompaniments were played by Miss A. Yield, 30oz. 17 dwt. Hancock and party Jackson and Mrs Birber. The singing of -Driven south-east to 20ft., in a hard the National Anthem terminated a very pleasant evening. The children are to be Sons of Freedom Center, Ragian.—treated to a picnic in the Manse garden by North-east intermediate extended 30ft.; the Rev. Mr and Mr. B rber on Monday. total from No. 5 rise, 294ft. Blocking in No. 5 north-east and No. 3 west rises, in

ground of average quality. Yield for (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Another old and highly respected resident of Snake Valley in the person of Mrs Knox, wife of Mr Wm. Knox, passed away at her residence on Monday lear. The Advanced in the service of the week ending Saturday last:—Sons of Freedom Central, 1100z. 5dwt.; All Nations Consols (Troy and party), 240z. 14dwt.; All Nations Consols (Troy and party), 250z. 14dwt.; All Nations Consols (Adamstawaite and party), 250z. 5dwt. 12gr.; Hancock and party, 65z, 9dwt. day last. The decensed lady, who had figr.; Last Chanco, 70z. 18dwt.; Mystery attained the age of 75 years, had only Co., 20z.; sundries, 180z.

Skipton.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.) The weather during the last few days A serious fire took place at the resi- has been very unseasonable, more like dence of Mr W. Nunn, situated at June than December; and that the farmers Black Hill, near Snake Valley, on complain is not at all surprising, for the Wednesday morning, when the whole crop is no sooner dry than it gets another

of his outbuildings, comprising stabling, wetting, and there is no immediate proscoach house, hay shed, blacksmith's shop, and their contents, were destroyed by fire. The fire was supposed to that gentleman is still in a very critical have been caused by a spark from the state, and owing to his great age (about 87), there is not much hope for his recovery. Nunn estimates his loss at £150. It is not known whether any insurance

On Sunday last a very painful accident happened to Master Willie Wilkie, son of Mr William Wilkie, of this town. The The election of four members for the its foot into a post hole and fell heavily lad was riding a horse, when the latter put Senate passed off very quietly on on its rider. His arm was broken, and Wednesday, only one-fourth of the his face badly cut. Under the treatment electors of this division availing them. of Dr. Donaldson he is doing as well as selves of the privilege of voting. Of can be expected. the total number of votes recorded at

The local State school was examined the Snake Valley booth, which and the children did exceedingly well, the result being 95.9.

PAINS IN THE STOMACH, like toothache correct in many names. The names see not dangerous, but decidedly uppleasa t. of several local residents were also omitted. These mistakes have occurred in the revision of the roll, as they were formerly correct.

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rump, yoke on neck; strawberry steer, like L
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from pain for over twelve months. October, 1890.

MISS MARY DAVIDSON, daughter of Senior. Constable Davidson (retired), well-known for years in the Bendigo District, residing at "Crimea," Burgell-street, Brunswick. Had Rheumatism in every print-for ten years, years on crutches, and for two years. Had Nor Warard Ar All, all joints stiflened, contested, distorted and perfectly useless sife made offseration, happiess. Case pronounced horeless by leading herbegarne Deestors. Had electric baths, rubbings, and enforcess, occalled remedies, without deriving any benefit therefroms, After taking Dr. Parker's Grant, Indian Rheumatic Remedies, without deriving any benefit therefroms, After taking Dr. Parker's Grant, Indian Rheumatic Remedies, without alto Court on stick, assist in household work, visit friends, and is in good health. Miss Davidson is known by many beople, and the ease is considered marvellous.

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NOTE.—Miss Davidson was a perfectly helpless invalid cripple in bed for years, with all the joints of the body contracted, stiffened and uscless, and the leading doctors of Melbourne had pronounced the case incurable.

Case incurable.

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Loss of Fertilizing Material. Raw manure is not in condition for the market gardener's purposes except in rare somes in play for heating hotbeds or forcing melons, but for general garden crops t must be composted and made as fine as possible. There need be no loss of fertilizing materials or elements if the compost heap is properly made, as shown in the illustration. Pile it up in a square heap with perpendicular sides and flat top, four or five feet high and as wide 18 long, as may be required, advises Greiner in his "How to Make the Garden Pay." He further directs:

Let it come to a heat and fork the mass over from time to time until it is in the desired condition. It takes time and labor, adding to the original cost, and in



COMPOSTING STABLE MANURE. deciding on the price he can afford to pay for raw manure originally the garener will have to take this feature in consideration.

These heaps may be made during autumn and early winter right on the arable land, and the material will generally be ready to be spread upon the soil where wanted when the time for planting it with spring crops has arrived. It is absolutely necessary that these heaps be of considerable depth, not less than four feet, in order to prevent the rainwater from leaching clear through and washing away valuable food elements.

The compost heap while in process of construction is the most appropriate dumping place for vegetable rubbish of all sorts, the carcasses of animals (larger ones cut in pieces), house and kitchen slops and other waste materials. Refuse matter of this kind often adds greatly to the value of the compost.

For general garden crops this manure, when in the right condition (well rotted), is applied broadcast and thoroughly mixed all through the soil, generally by plowing under in lap furrow style and by thorough harrowing.

The Average Age of Queens. 1. How many seasons should a queen be kept laying? 2. What is the average age of queens if left alone? was a query enswered not long ago in the columns of The American Bee Journal.

C. H. Differn replied as follows: 1. A queen begins to fail after the second year, and the most successful honey producer will see that his queens do not get much older than that. 2. If left entirely alone, they would probably average about 8 years.

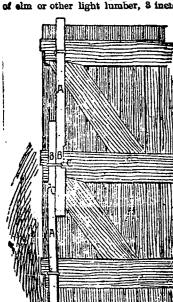
G. W. Demarce said: 1. I now after long experience leave that to the bees. They will make fewer mistakes along clip the wings of my queens, and in this way I keep pretty nearly up with them. The average is about 8 years. Many queens are superseded at 2 years old: many more at 8, and nearly all at 4.

Mrs. Jenny Atchley of Texas answered 1. Taking everything into consideration, it might be best to keep queens only years, and, to answer the second part of the question, I will say that 2 years is about an average life for queens in this locality, but good queens often do good service even the fourth year. 2. It really would be hard to average up, as so much depends upon circumstances.

Door Fastening Here is a sketch of a door fastering that was originally illustrated and described by an Ohio genius in The Ohio Farmer. He says:

When doors are required to be fastened at the top and at the bottom, I have seen nothing that excels it. When the doors are closed, they cannot possibly open of themselves by either wind or storm, and when open there is nothing to catcu should they blow shut. The cost is comparatively small. It

consists of two seven-eighths inch lath. of elm or other light lumber, 8 inches



DOOR FASTENED AT THE TOP AND BOTTOL wide at A A, 21 inches wide at B B, and 2 inches wide at CC. A iron clip slightly larger than the lath at a point of contact holds them in position on each arm of door. The middle clip is alightly more than 41 inches wide. The cut represents position of lath when doors are closed. To open, pull up lower lath till notched C cateles and holds on middle clip, then push the upper lath to the left and let it drop down on B. To close, vice versa. The point of excellence is that the lath must be raised up before they can either be opened

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som's Illustrated Description и Вес Евсире.

Mrs. Harrison, whose success in bee reeping entitles her remarks to considerstion, says in a communication to The Prairie Farmer that the trade in honey now demands that it shall be stored in one pound sections of the smoothest and whitest wood and that the honeycomb shall be of snowy whiteness and free from any discolorations. In order to preserve its pristine leveliness it should e removed from the bees as soon as ealed to keep it from being travel stained, as they frequent muddy pools and are not always careful to wipe their feet. Bee culture for several seasons has been under a cloud, owing to low prices for the product and poor seasons, and beekeepers have sought out many inventions to cheapen its production and have



The idea of a bee escape was born in he shape of a little cone, through which bees could pass, but not return. Time has metamorphosed it into various forms. in England they are called supercleaners. A board is made of the size to exactly fit a case of sections, with a round hole about an inch in diameter, and the secape fits over it. When it is desired to remove the bees from a case of sections, t is raised up, the escape placed under neath. If this is performed in the evening, the bees will all have gone below by morning. By removing bees from the sections in this way no smoke has to be used to discolor the white honey or give it a smoke flavor. The bees leave quietly without tearing open the sealed cells and are not irritated and on the warpath for days after its arrival.

Thrashing Wheat In the Field. Thrashing wheat out of the field is a favorite method in all extensive grain grawing regions. There are several obections to this way of handling wheat, but its advantages are also great. If the season be showery, some damp wheat will be thrashed, as one can hardly help it. A damp butt will dampen the grain, and when the weather permits one should turn the shocks over before beginning to haul, letting the butts lie toward the sun. A heavy dew is as bad as a light shower on the shocks. If one does not grow wheat very extensively, it is far better to stack or mow it away, letting it go through a sweat, as this brightens the grain, makes storage safe and permits one to put the straw near the barn. This last mentioned advantage is important, as all straw should be converted into manure when possible and returned to the land, according to a correspondent in The Prairie Farmer.

A Good Barn-

A good barn will aid you in increasing the profit from the farm. We are now coming toward a good time of the year for building. But before you begin make this line than I am likely to make. 2. I a thorough study of plans. Modern barns are built differently from the sort that was in favor 20 years ago, and they serve the present needs better. One item in building is to do it so that you may feed with the least possible labor.

An Inexpensive Sed Drag. In the cut here reproduced from The Farm Journal is a homemade drag devised and successfully employed by a South Dakota farmer, who found himself in possession of 80 acres of tough sod. but without the means for buying an expensive drag.



A SOUTH DAKOTA DRAG. This drag consists of 2 by 4 inch pine feet long, turned on edge, having six three-quarter inch holes bored in each to receive six five-eighth much bolt rods that run the whole width of harrow, as shown in cut. Six of the pine pieces are 4 feet long, having a narrow board bolted to ton and bottom to act as smoothers and to draw by. The teeth are made of H by one-quarter inch steel 14 inches long, sharpened at both ends and sides like a butcher knife. These are placed between the wooden pieces at an angle of 56 degrees and the bolts screwed tight. The bolts should be placed at such distances apart that they will hold the teeth at the right angle.

Echoes From the Experiment Stations. During two seasons considerable success has been attained in potato culture in the Arkansas valley, where it was popularly supposed that this crop would

At the Oregon station, where 25 varieties of peas have been tested, New Alasks was the earliest, followed by Daniel O'Rourke, American Wonder, Blue Peter and Extra Early.

No certain remedy has yet been re-ported for the corn crambid, a worm that feeds upon the corn plants beneath the surface of the soil. At the Tennessee station, where 15 va-

rieties of beets were tested, the following gave the best results: Bastian's Early Turnip, Bastian's Half Long Blood, Colipse, Egyptian, Extra Early Bassano. At the West Virginia station it has been decided that it is not profitable to use nitrogenous fertilizers in large quantities or use them in ordinary quantities alone as fertilizers for growing wheat, The combination of potash, nitrogen and phosphoric acid produces the largest yield. Phosphoric acid alone produces very satisfactory results. Probably the most profitable application of commer cial fertilizers. would be notted ash in the form of kainit, and phosphoric acid in the form of dissolved South Carolina

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The Case of Mr. E. MORAN.

(By a Special Reporter.)

Public attention is directed to a remarkable event which caused an exmarkable event which caused an extraordinary sensation some time ago in the suburb of North Melbourne, where hir. Edward Moran lives at No. 85 Courtney-street. Asked by a reporter what had caused all the trouble which had attained such widespread popular-

My strength was on the wane, there was no mistake, and there was no chance of improving in that respect; because my appetite was very poor. Words cannot Oppressive pains in the chest were very troublesome, but they were not half so bad as the excruciating windy spasma which tortured me shortly after taking food. There was a sensation under shoulder blades as if a lot of tacks pangs were at their worst, and I also ex-rerienced considerable uneasiness across the loins. Pains in my head were so severe as to greatly interfere with my rest, many a night having passed by without gatting any sleep at all, and I have been prostrated to such an extent on various occasions that I had to relinquish my work. At the best of times, I was drowsy and melancholy, but there were days when I felt so lifeless and to take up the paper and read."

"What a miserable state to be in, Mr.

Moran. Could you not get anything to help you?" "It appeared at the time that there "It appeared at the time that there was no medicine in creation able to do me good, for I had taken no end of physic from doctors, yet my sufferings only increased. I have heard men say that when they have indulged in liquor too freely over night they get a bad taste in the mouth next morning. Mine was probably like theirs, excepting that the offensive taste was always there, and my tongue was almost white. What with onensive taste was always there, and my tongue was almost white. What with sonstipation and symptoms of kidney complaint, I seemed to have all the alments under the sun, and as I lost weight so rapidly and found myself so weight so rapidly and found myself so weak. I commenced to get anxious about my chances of recovery, which did not appear to be very rosy. As the doctors could do nothing for me, I started pur-chasing medicines from chemists; but, chasing medicines from chemists; whom my word, I could make as good physic myself, and I don't know any-thing about drugs. I had reached the last stage of desperation when a mate brought me a bottle of Clements Tonic, and told me to start on it right off. Well, I did so, and in a couple of days. I felt reconsiderable freedom from the spasms of wind, which eventually left me altogether. Clements Tonic put my system in thorough working order, and in doing so it gave me speedy relief from my headaches, and I was able to get a proper amount of sleen, which greatly helped to revive me. My pains had not helped to revive me. My pains had not been restricted solely to the parts I told you about hut almost every bone in my body used to ache. All these agonies were quelled by Clements Tonic in due course, and I could eat like a good one without feeling any ill effects. My shrunken body filled out again, and in every way I looked a different man. Not only were all my ailments exter-Not only were all my ailments exter-minated by Clements Tonic, but I am indebted to the same medicine for re-

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Declared at North Melbourne, in the State of Victoria, this thirtiest day of April, one thousand nine aundred and one, before me, BUWARD FITZGERALD, I.P.

A Justice of the Peace in and for the Central Baille, with of the State of Victoria.

Railway Time-Table.

The following is the new railway time table, which took effect on Thursday, 2nd July, 1903:—A mixed train leaves Ballarat at 11.20 a.m., Trawalla at 12.7 p.m. reaching Beaufort at 12.22, and taking its departure at 12.30. It leaves Middle Creek at 12.54, and Buanger at 1.4. . The Adelaide express still leaves Melbourne at 1.40 p.m. (Saturdays and Sundays excepen), Ballarat at 7.50, and Beaufort at 8.44 (arriving here at 8.39). On the return journey to Melbourne (Sundays and Mondays excepted) the express leaves Beaufort at 6.25 a.m. (arriving here at t 6.20). The afternoon mixed train from Stawell to Ballarat runs every week day. It departs from Buangor at 4.45 p.m., Middle Creek at 4.55, Beaufort at 30 (arriving here at 5.20), Trawalla at 5.54, and Burrambeet at 6.9. A mixed train will also leave Ballarat and intervening stations to Stawell on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saundays at 5.15 p.m., Burrambeet at 6.9, Trawalla at 6.35. Beaufortat 7 (arriving bere at 6.50), Middle Creek at 7.30, and Buangor at 7.42. The morning mixed train from Stawell to Ballarat has been put on again, and is timed to leave the district stations every week day as follows:—Buangor, 7.48; Middle Creek, 8; Beanfort, 8.37 (arriving here at 8.27); Trawalla, 8.50; Burrumbeet, 9.16.

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that when a lease is marked out the applicant "shall insert in a newsnotice in the form marked A in the schedule prescribed."

Ten days are allowed, after marking out the lease, in which to lodge the application with the Warden or his clerk, and forward a duplicate to the Minister of Mines.

ity, Mr. Moran replied:

"I cannot say for certain, unless it was through being cramped up so much indoors whilst at my work; but, at any rate, I went right off colour. One way and another my liver used to give me fits. It became my habit to sit down be advertised in the paper nearest the marriage. to my work in the mornings in such a land for which application is to be start for a long time, and when an effort was at last made I soon felt tired again. the application, no valid excuse can now be urged for failure to advertise the lease in the district paper, though appetite was very poor. Words cannot the lease in the district paper, though express how intensely I suffered from it has only a weekly, and not a daily indigestion, even when I ate but little.

This is borne out by the following memo, from the Mines Department received by Mr H. A. Adams, Grenville Standard, Linton .- "Sir, - Referring my shoulder blades as if a lot of tacks standars, Lincon. Standars, have the had been driven into me, causing me to give involuntary twitches when the pangs were at their worst, and I also except a considerable measuress, across clerk at Smythedale has been instructed to advise intending applicants for mining leases, where opportunity offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising their applications should be STRICTLY ADHERED TO .- I have the honor to be, etc., P. Cohen, for Sec. of Mines and Water Supply."

Police Magistrate's Fixtures.

The following are the police magis trates permanent engagements in the Ballarat district, with the necessary proviso, added by Mr Dickson, " unless otherwise engaged":-Ballarat-10 a.m., daily:

Ballarat East-10 a.m., 3rd Wednes lay and fourth Thursday. Beaufort-1.30 p.m., 1st Thursday and fourth Tuesday.

Bungaree-9 a.m., 4th Monday. Buninyong-3.15 p.m., 3rd Friday. Carngham-2 p.m., 2nd Wednesday Gordon-9 a.m., 2nd Monday. Linton-2 p.m , let Saturday. Learmonth-12.30 p.m., 1st Tuesday

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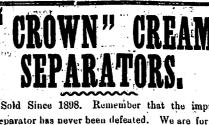
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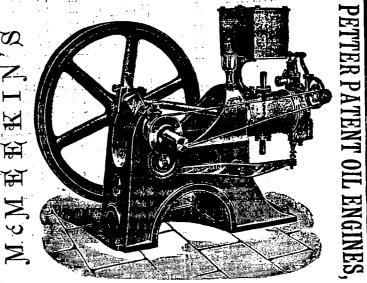
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does so in order to get business is generally in a bad way. Don't try to put the paper men "in a bad way."

But exercise a little human nature,

Support him; he needs encouragement

and support ; but do it in the legitimate

way. If the printer gets a few pounds

worth of printing orders from you, he is

not in a position to give you a pound's

worth of advertising for nothing. And

you have had value for the printing laready. Go into a grocer's or draper's

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LOCAL PAPER.

RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE.

We ask that our efforts for the

district's good shall be recognised. Ar

increased circulation means still greater

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3s per Quarter

It is obtainable direct from the office

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In addition to complete and impartial

reports of all local meetings, an

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Executed with Neatness and

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Bear in mind that;

ALWAYS PAYS.

Business men should note that as the

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Sores of all kinds, it is a never-failing and
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Cures Old Sores. Oures Sores on the Neck. Cures Sore Legs. Cures Blackboad or Pimples on the Face. Cures Schryy.
Cures Ulcers.
Cures Blood and Skin Diseases.

Cures Glandulas Swellings. Clears the Blood from all impure Matter, From whatever cause arising.
It is a real specific for Gout and Rheumatic It removes the cause from the Blood and

Bones.

The world-famed Blood Purifier and Restorer is warranted to cleanse the blood from all impurities, from whatever cause arising. For Scrolula, Scurvy, Eczema, Ulcers, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Blotches, Spots, Blackheads, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds, its effects are preceding. LOCAL INDUSTRY.

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It is the only real specific for Gout and Rheumatic Pains, for it removes the cause from the Blood and Bones.

As this Mixture is pleasant to the taste, and warranted free from anything injurious to the warraned tree from anything interiors of the most delicate constitution of either sex, from infancy to old age, the Proprietors solicit sufferers to give it a trial to test its value.

Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it, such as the following:

Mr James Balcombe writes:

"I suffered by the Awar from a superson of Abscess."

Mr James Balcombe writes:—"I suffered when in the Army from a severe case of Abscess of the Liver, and was sent home from India to the hespital. It was one of the worst cases known in the hespital, where I remained for eight mouths. I was then told nothing more could be done for me, and was discharged and sent home. I tried other doctors, but they could not stop the discharge, which was very great. I was on my back for two years altogether. At last, having seen Carke's Blood Mixture advertised, I tried some, and after the first large bottle found myself very much better. I continued with it, and it made a perfect cure of sie. I can truly say Clarke's Blood Mixture is a wonderful medisine.

"39 Falmouth-chambers, Falmouth-road,
"New Kent-road, S.E., July 9, 1899.
"P.S.—I should like to mention that when "P.S.—I should like to mention that when sending a relation for the second bottle from the neighbouring drug stores they persuaded her to take a preparation of their own, which they declared was 'just as good.' I found this did me no good at all. It was, therefore, sent back, and the genuine article procured, with above result." Mr W. Pauley, Broad Lane, Cottenham, Cambridge, writes:—"Three years ago I had a slight skin disease, and was obliged to see a doctor, who told me it was Eczema. I was under his treatment some time, but got no better. I tried, I may say, scores of other medicines, but all two purpose, and I was, therefore, persuaded to gh to the Infirmary. There I was under special treatment, but got no better, and came special treatment, but got no better, and came out uncured; in fact, worse than when I went in. I was now covered from head to foot, and was so tormented that I almost wished myself dead; one medical man told me I never should get better. I think I may truly say that my case was one of the worst it was possible to have, and everyone said they had never seen anyone like me. Well, at last I road about 'Clarko's Blood Mixture,' and decided to give it a trial. I purchased seme from Boots, the Chemists, and took it according to rules for three months, mine being a dreadful case, and I am thankful to say I am now perfectly well, with my skin as clear

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The work is according to rules for three months, mine being a dreadful case, and I am thankful to say I am now perfectly well, with my skin as clear as possible. It was 'Clarke's Blood Mixture which effected this wonderful cure, and I cannot zecommend it too highly. January 20, 1900."

Colour-Bergeant Instructor Juo. Howarth, Cheshire Regiment, Chesten, writes:—I suffered from Rheumatism in my arms and legs for over five years. I also had a bruised shin bone, through which I could rest only for a few minutes at a time. All sorts of remedies were an applied, but none did me any good for more than a few days. After a while I was recommended to try 'Clarke's Blood Mixture,' which I did, and on taking the first bottle I falt relief. I therefore continued with this excellent medicine, and is effected a perfect cuse. This was most than a year ago, and I am pleased to say Kawe not falt the least pain since—in fact, I am in we were laid up with Rheumatism of my case, and they tried 'Clarke's Blood Mixture. They are been suffering these last few years with Eczas with Eczas with Eczas been suffering these last few years with Eczas in praise of Clarke's Blood Mixture. I have been suffering these last few years with Eczas only.

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THOUSANDS OF TESTIMONEALS OF WONDERFUL CURES FROM ALL PARTS
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Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold in Bottles 2s.
9d. each, and in cases containing six times the quantity, 11s,—sufficient to effect a permanent cure in the great majority of long-standing cases
—BY ALL CHEMESTS and PATENT
APPLOINE VEN DORS throughout the world.

If such there be, go mark him well,
For hand there be, go mark him well,
For him no bank account shall swell—
To such there be, go mark him well,
For him no bank account shall swell—
To welcome home a millionaire.

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For bargain hunters by the scoreShall pass nor heed his dingy door; MEDICINE VENDORS throughout the world.
Proprietors, THE LINCOLN AND MIDLANDS
COUNTIES DRUG COMPANY, Lincoln, England.
Trade Mark—"BLOOD MIXTURE."

Tor Dargain Budgen by the score.
Shall pass nor heed his dingy doon;
For the his sign is on the wall
And on some barnyard gate a scrawl.
No people who have casa and sense.

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Mixture should see that they et the genuine article. Werthless imitations and substitutes are sometimes palmed off by unprincipled venders. The words 'Lincoln, Ragland,' are ongraved on the Gevernment Stamp, and "Clarke's World-famed Blood Mixture," blown in the bottle, WTHOUT WHICH NONE ARE GENUINE.

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They Purify and Enrich the Blood. and they give tone to the whole Nervous System. ring drope of interest or metallic origin, but are purely vegetable, mild, beneficent differences by well specially with the field the ring.

BEECHAM'S: PILLS have perfect in quality and plentiful in quantity; they last longest, go furthest, and produce the best results. Sold everywhere, in Boxes, labelled 10, 1%d., containing 56 Pills, and 20, 9d., containing 168 Pills

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Reg. mail and p.p., 20 minutes prior. English mail per Mail Steamer, delaide, 8 p.m. every Wednesday. COUNTRY. Ragian Waterloo 9.15 Waterloo S.,. ... 9.15 Main Lead, ... Chute

. 9.15 Reg. mail and p.p., 9a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Nerring Lake Goldsmith Stockyard Hill Reg. mail and p.p., 3 a.m. Enrembeen ... 12.45 Reg, mail and p.p., 20 minutes prior.

MAILS INWARD. Trawalla.—12.20 p.m. daily and 8.40 p.m. taken advantage of.

The Advertising Rates have also been live. It will cost you less, and thereby considerably reduced, and advertisers will you will be assisting yourself and ind it to their benefit to avail themselves of keeping the money in the district.

I'm try another ten-inch ad. If such there be, go mark him well,

And on some barnyard gate a scrawl. The man who never asks for trade

By local line or ack displayed Cares more for rest than worldly gain And patronage but gives him rain; Tread lightly, triends, let no rude sound blown And when he dies; go plant him deep

That naught may break his dreamless sleep The quiet that he loved so well,
And that the world may know its loss Place on his grave a wreath of moss And on the stone above, " Here lies It is notified for general information A champ who wouldn't advertise.

"The Advocate" Office, Beaufort

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HAVELOCK STREET, BRAUFORT
(Opposite Golden Age Hotel), beg to inform
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P. J. O'SULLIVAN SADDLER AND HARNESS MAKER SNAKE VALLEY.

A large Assortment of Saddlery and Harness Requisites kept in stock.

All kinds of Harness bought, sold, or exchanged. axchanged.

Ropairs neatly and promptly executed.

Also Cash Buyer of Hides, Horse-hair,
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From Ararat, Stawen, Duangy,
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Shire. As the advocate of the interests and for the welface of this district, it has a claim From Eurambeen and Shirley.—4.30 has a greater scope for extended usefulness tean any other journal or journals within a writing, are considered as wishing to given radius of Beaufort.

Job Printing, plain and ornamental, of every description, is executed with neatness, accuracy and despatch, and on the most reasonable terms.

We take this opportunity of thanking our. money order business.

Money order Business.

patrons for past favors, and while respectfully soliciting a renewal of support, desire to state that increased attention will be given to all matters of local and general ments, in fact, we will aim at improvem and, therafore, confidently appeal to the public for increased support. ARTHUR PARKER,

Of you dry to do peesnis mitowt already like a boy drying to shlide a hill down mitowt shnow. Pesides dene ish dese tifferences : ven you don't got some has ordered it on not, is held in law to shnow you gant make 'em; but you be a subscriber. can somedimes shenerally always make den advertising come right away quick HINTS TO FRIENDLY READERS off, all der year rount, mitsome moneys,

ADVICE TO MOTHERS!-Are you broken in your rest by a sick could suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a pottle of MRs. WINSLOW'S SOUTHING DAROL. Traiti toprese the boot anneaetimmediately. Lus perfectly narmess and pleasant te It you are induced to buy anything diately. Lus perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quet sleep by taste, it produces natural, quet sleep by the cherup awakes "as bright as a outton," It such the titch such the titch the grams, all ayr all pain, reflexes wind, regalates the powers, and it pain, reflexes wind, regalates the powers, and it bould be pain, reflexes wind regalates the powers, and it bould be pain, reflexes wind regalates the powers, and it bould be pain.

Don't lend your paper to any person pain, relieves with paper to any paper to an Business man-"You remember that

ad.' I had in your paper, and took out noticed it while is was in." Business business and ignore advertising. men (numbly).- "They didn't seem to FLORILINE. FOR THE TRETH AND BREATH And on the stone above, "Here hes a chung who wouldn't advertise."

Lit is notified for general information that applicants for Mining Leases are required, within seven days previous to lodging the application, to insert in a news apper published in the district where the land is situated, or if no such newspaper, then in one published newspaper, then in one published or notice in the form marked "A" in the schedule relating to Mining Leases.

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J. SELLER, and STATIONER, begs to announce to the ishabitants of BEAURORT and district that he is Sole Agent for the Argus, Age, Herald, Star, Courier, Melbourne Punch, Sydney Bulletin, Riponshive Astrocate, Leader, Weekly Times, Australian Journal, Sportsman, and all other Periodicals. All School Requisites kept in stock. Advertisements received for all the above-named papers. While thanking his numerous customers for past favors, he trusts, by strict attention to the delivery of all papers, to merit a fair share of their support. Advertisements received for all helicurue and Ballerat papers. By sending through local and advertisers save postage. Note the address. Next door to Wotherspoon & Co.

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YOU CAN AFFORD IT. Wery few are too poor now a-days to

take their country paper, and it is false economy to try and get along without it. Hardly a week passes that some thing or other does not appear in its and hope by moderate charges and prompt columns that will be of financial benefit attention, to merit a continuance of the patronage accorded to their predecessor. columns that will be of financial benefit vear he had made or saved or won twenty times the subscription paid for it. The city papers don't take the place of the country ones, though some people appear to think they do. The city papers are all right in their way, but they do not give you that in which you are most interested --- your country news, You cannot learn from them when and where your country meetings are to be held, who are dying or who are marry ing, who are moving in or who are moving out, court proceedings, who wants to buy or sell farm or land We have resolved to REDUCK to Subscription to "The Riponshine which it mighs be of particular import.

Advocate" (with which is published a l4-column supplement containing well-selection afford to take only one paper, by all

NEWSPAPER LAW.

I. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, in continue their subscriptions.

2. If subscribers order the discon tinuance of their newspapers, the publisher may continue to send them until arrears are paid.

3i. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their newspapers from the postoffice to which they are directed, they interest. As a record of news we will are held responsible until they sittle always endeavour to make our columns as their bills, and ordered the newspapers comprehensive as possible. In all depart- to be discontinued.

4. If subscribers move to other places without informing the publishers, and the papers are sent to the former direcion, the subscribers are responsible 5. The court has decided that

is refusing to take periodicals from the post-office or leaving them uncalled for. advertising, you will find yourself in prima facto evidence of intentional frand." 6. Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he

You want to see the local paper : successful institution. Talk about it wherever you go

Mention it to the tradespeople with whom you do business. If they don't advectise in it, try and induce them to do so..

and rund in your paper, and took out A country paper kindly supplies this two mouths ago? Well, I want to beautiful simile:— You might as well tave it put back again. Editor- try to shampoo an elephant with a Why, I thought you said no one thimbleful of scapsuds as attempt to do

To our Rentile and

THE BROSPERSTY OF A DESTRICT DEPENDS chieff upon the supermed couragement that is given by the parties of the er, must offer costain returns to the whose support is persently to actione advantageous results of Table aides.

Support Local Industry and Local

The law of exchange was never satisfactor in its working; thus it was that the custom-buying and selling, using a standard currence was introduced. One form of that currency. knowns paper money," and of paper mone-there is more than one kinds. All kinds useful, but not every kind retains its original value. The "paper" money more valuable a newspaper proprietor is that which is sense.

"Subscribers and Advertisers" and he will do his utmost to entitle blin to a

"The Riponshire Advocate" the Advertising Medium for all Contracts at, and notifications of the Shire of Ripon and

ONEY NEWSPAPER That is

Printed and Published within the boundaries of the Shire; And as the advocate of the interests and the welfare of this district it has a claim to onsiderably greater amount of support, as a greater scope for extended usefulness. las a greater scope for extended usefulness any other journal or journals within a radius of the Shire Offices.

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Steadily Increasing. And the Proprieter, recognising the increased support in this direction, will use his numeric endeavors to merit and sustain the patronage accorded him by giving the Latest possible Local and General News, and the tresting and instructive information.

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t was Benjamin Franklim who wrote-"What steam is to machinery advetising is thusiness." Ind another membas said thate-" He who in his "biz." would rise, Must either 'bust' or advertise.

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lowest prices.
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HAVELOCKSTREES (Next Mechanics Institute).

BEAUFORT

DENTISTRY.

Mr. A. L. GIBBS, and

Mr. W. A. J. BRANSTON.

to £11; useful, £8 10s to £9 10s; prime cows, £8 to £9; good, £6 to £7. Calves:

47 to hand, including a fair proportion of yealers. Although a good demand existed, prices were easier. Sheep. 4769 was the supply penned for to-day's sale, the guality generally consisting of middling and useful descriptions, a small proportion ranging from good to prime. The attendance, both of the trade and graziers, was tully up to the average, and, notwithstanding the small proportion of sheep forward, competition for such was without animation, prices how in the consulted Dally from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Prices, sent to all parts of the State by post, over till next meeting. Member Tollock, £1 costs. John McDougall, junif., was reported to be progressing favorably, but would be on the sick list for some time. One new member was elected, have and careful attention.

HARRIS'S ANEMIA MIXTURE, and excellent and invaluable remedy.

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN HERES. Homeopathic Medicines. Horse and Cattle Medicines. Horse and Cattle Medicines. Horse and Cattle Medicines. Medicines. Medicines. Medicines. Horse and Cattle Medicines. Med without animation, prices showing a de-cline on last week's advanced rates, closing weak. Quotations :-Prime crossbred wethers, 19s to 20s; extra to 22s 3d; good, 17s to 18s; useful, 15s to 16s; prime crossbred ewes, 17s to 19s; extra to 20 9d; good, 15s to 16s; useful, 13s to 14s; prime mermo wethers, 16s 6d to 18s 7d; good, 14s 6d to 15s 6d; merino ewes

13s; extra weights, to 15s 4d; good; 11s. The following district sales are reported:

By Messas Hepburn, Dowling & Crawford:

4 calves, Mr Thos. B. Oddie, Chepstowe, to £4 19s. On Saturday last a specially well-bred lot of Carranballac ponies, 3 years old, and unbroken, by Young Frisk, the contraction of the contraction

to 14s." Lambs. -3458 to hand, all trade

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pext, at 8 o'clock sharp.
L. A. JAENSCH, Secy.

The popular Home for all classes of the company of

A good number aftended, and a most enjugate or the proceedings with a strong of the property of the processing for the processi Surgical and Mechanical Dentists,
78 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE,
Desire to notify the residents of Beaufort and
surrounding districts that Mr. BRANSTON
may be consulted at BEAUFORT on the first
Thursday of each month.

The Balanch Politic Springer Converted to the State of Politics and Springer Converted to the State of Politics and Springer Converted to the State of Victoria of the State of Victoria of the State of Victoria of the Springer Converted to the State of Co

to the chair.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, the usual concert in connection with the parents were invited to spend fridey afterndon at the school, with the fallers, and a possible of the parents were invited to spend fridey afterndon at the school, with the following programme was gonethrough in good style by different sections of the school.—Round, "Come to the containt of the school.—Round, "Come to the school.—Round,

Beaufort United Common.

The managers of the above Common

United Ancient Order of Druids.
the one glad time of the year, for old liberal and continuous support shown, the one glad time of the year, for old liberal and continuous support shown, the one glad time of the year, for old liberal and continuous support shown, and the chairman being made by them to push the mine shown and young. It is a time for the rewill be held in the LODGE ROOM, will be held in the LODGE ROOM, and in the logic and business transferd and successful issue. He had no logic and business transferd and Happy New Year, the proceedings on to a successful issue. He had no logic and business transferd and Happy New Year, the proceedings of the new church, and also the new church, and also the secretary, and the meeting company had been kept up, every effort and Saturday, 2nd January, for old liberal and continuous support shown, and the chairman being made by them to push the mine on to the public, and business transferd and Happy New Year, the proceedings on to a successful issue. He had no doubt but that when the good day came is also by J. R. Wotherspron & Co., Meritary, 2nd January, 2nd

one. J. N. Bailey Mine Minager. The balance-sheet for the half-year The balance-sheet for the half-year luncheon hour, and Mr J. R. Hughes, the shows receipts amounting to £1048 143 8d, booth-holder, will only be too glad to snows receipts amounting to £1048 143 8d, and the expenditure to £320 11s 2d, thus showing a credit balance of £128 3s 6d. The principal receipts were—Five percent, of capital of company subscribed on its wood-chopping contests are sure to be the formation, £150; calls, £425 16s 8d; sale of head 2011 2s.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS,
Mr Chalk pointed out that the directors must go to the poll, as the two will be entirely suspended. No mails reseiving the highest number of votes will be made up nor letters, etc., were to be elected for one year, and the livered. emaining three for six months.

Mr Chalk said they must arrange previous night (after the arrival of the number of votes.

year was acted upon, with the result day and return the day following and that Messrs Troy and Eastwood were one of the days heing Christman Day, declared elected for 12 months declared elected for 12 months, and that day's portion of the service may be Messrs Welsh and Freeman and Pr. dispensed with. Mails which run Eadie for six months.

Seconded by Mr Eastwood, and carried. arrangements will be observed.

Mr Eastwood thought, before the BOXING AND NEW YEAR DAYS. meeting finished, they should place on record their sense of the fact that the public at noon. The first delivery only legal manager and mining manager had by letter-carrier will be effected. All assisted the company in carrying on the country mails will be received and work on a reduced scale of fees. As it despatched as usual. Money order was not mentioned in the report, it was business will be transacted from only fair that the shareholders at large a.m. to noon. Telegraph offices will be should know of it. Although the work open from 9 a.m. till ncon, and for shich was done at a lower rate of remuners open from 9 a.m. till ncon, and roughtion, it was not done any the less efficiently. Both Mr Chalk and Mr during the latter hours.

Bailey had worked with their usual proficiency, and their interest in the company had been kept up avery effect.

Postal and money order

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CHAPTER XXXIII

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But she was not to be stopped, now that her misery had at last found words. her nusery nad at last round words,
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again, anxious, if possible, to restore her to herself. "I see encual to with "Pardon me," interposed Mr. Ferris herself. "I see energh to pity you pro-foundly. But you must allow me to remark that your hand is not the only one which has been instrumental in hurrying this young man to his doom. The detectives

"Sir," she interrupted in her turn, "can you dare you say, that without my testimony he would have stood at any time in a really critical position?—or that he would stand in jeopardy of his life even now, if it were not for this fact I have to tell?"

Mr. Ferris was silent.
"Oh, I knew it, I knew it!" she cried. "There will be no doubt concerning whose testimony it was that convicted him, if he s sentenced by the court for this crime. Ah, ah, what an enviable position is mine! What an honorable deed I am called upon to perform! To tell the truth at the expense of the life most dear to you. It is a Roman virtue! I shall be held up as a model to my sex. All the world must shower plaudits upon the woman who, some than rob justice of its due, delivered

her own lover over to the hangman."

Pausing in her passionate burst, she turned her hot, dry eyes in a sort of desperation upon his face.

"Do you know," she gurgled in his ear, some women would kill themselves before

they would do this deed." they would do this deed."
Struck to his heart in spite of himself,
Mr. Ferris looked at her in alarm—saw her standing there with her arms hanging down at her sides, but with her two hands clinched till they looked as if carved from marbleand drew near to her with the simple hurried question of:
" But you?"

"I?" she laughed again—a low, gurgling laugh, that yet had a tone in it that went to the other's heart and awoke strange sen-sations there. "Oh, I shall live to respond to your questions. Do not fear that I shall

not be in the court-room to-morrow."

There was something in her look and manner that it was new. It awed him, while it woke all his latent concern. "Miss Dare," he began, "you can be-lieve how painful all this has been to me, and how I would have spared you this misery if I could. But the responsibilities rest-

stood before him, seemingly attentive, but the eyes with which she met his were fixed upon other objects than any which could have been appa-

which, to his excited imagination, threatened to lay her at his feet. He at once started toward the door for help. But she was alive to his movement if not to his words. Stopping him with a

gesture, she cried : "No-no! do not call for any one; I wish to be alone; I have my duty to face, you know; my testimony to prepare." And rousing herself she cast a peculiar look about the room, like one suddenly introduced into a strange place, and then moving slowly toward the window, threw back the curtain and gazed without. "Night!" she mur-mured, "night!" and after a moment added, in a deep, unearthly voice that thrilled irresistibly upon Mr. Ferris' ear: "And a heaven full of stars!"

Her face, as she turned it upward, wore so strange a look, Mr. Ferris involuntarily left his position and crossed to her side. She was still murniuring to herself in seem ing unconsciousness of his presence. "Stars!" she was repeating; "and above them God!" And the long shudders shook her fame again, and she dropped her head and seemed about to fall into her old abstraction when her eye encountered that of the District Attorney, and she hurriedly aroused herself.

Pardon me," she exclaimed, with an ill-concealed irony, particularly impressive after her tone of the moment before, "have you anything further to exact to me?"

No," he made haste to reply; only be fore I go I would entreat you to be

"And say the word I have to say tomorrow without a balk and without ar unnecessary display of feeling," she coldly interpolated. "Thanks, Mr. Ferris, I understand you. But you need fear nothing from me. There will be no scene—at least on my part-when I rise before the court to give my testimony to-morrow. Since my hand must strike the fatal blow, it shall strike-firmly!" and her clenched fist fell heavily on her own breast, as if the blow she meditated must first strike there.

The District Attorney, more moved than he had deemed it possible for him to be,

he had deemed it possible for him to be, made her a low bow and withdrew slowly to "I leave you, then, till to-morrow," he

'Till to-morrow." Long after he had passed out, the deep meaning which informed those two words haunted his memory and disturbed his heart. Till to-morrow! Alas, poor girl! and after to-morrow, what then?

CHAPTER XXXIV.

WHAT WAS HID BEHIND IMOGENE'S VEIL. The few minutes that elapsed before the formal opening of court the next morning were marked by great cheerfulness. The crisp frosty air had put everybody in a good humor. Even the prisoner looked less sombre than before, and for the first time since the beginning of his trial, deigned to turn his eyes toward the bench where Imogene sat, with a look that, while it was not exactly kind, had certainly less disdain in it than before he saw his way to a pos-sible acquittal on the theory advanced by

But this look, though his first, did not prove to be his last. Something in the atti-tude of the woman he gazed at—or was it the mystery of the heavy black veil that enveloped her features?—such a strange doubt in his mind. Beckoning to Mr. Orcutt, he communicated with him in a low

"Can it be possible," asked he, "that anything new could have transpired since ast night to give encouragement to the

The lawyer, startled, glanced hustily about him and shook his head.

"No." he cried; "impossible! What could have transpired?"
"Look at Mr. Ferris," whispered the prisoner, "and then at the witness who wears a veil."

With an unaccountable feeling of reluctance, Mr. Oreutt hastily complied. His first glance at the District Attorney made him thoughtful. He recognized the look which his expensat wors: he had seen it.

The close, black veil revealed nothing.
Mr. Orcutt impatiently turned back to his

"I think you alarm yourself unnecessarily," he whispered. "Ferris means to fight, but what of that? He wouldn't be t for his position if he didn't struggle to he last gasp even for a failing-caus

Yet in saying this his lip took its sternest line, and from the glitter of his eye and the close contraction of his brow, it looked as if he were polishing his own weapons for the conflict he thus unexpectedly saw before Meantime, across the court room, another

whispered conference was going on.
"Hickory, where have you been ever since lastnight? I have not been able to find you any where."
"I was on duty; I had a bird to look after." "A bird?"

"Yes, a wild bird; one who is none too fond of its cage; a desperate one who might find means to force aside its bars and

fly away."
"What do you mean, Hickory? What nonsense is this?" "Look at Miss Dare and perhaps you will nderstand.' "Miss Dare?"

"Yes. Horace's eyes opened in secret alarm.

"I mean that I spent the whole night in tramping up and down in front of her window. And a dismal task it was, too. Her lamp burned till daylight."

Here the court was called to order Byrd had only opportunity to ask:
"Why does she wear a veil?"

To which the other whisperingly re-"Why did she spend the whole night in packing up her worldly goods and writing a letter to the Congregational minister to be sent after the adjournment of court

"Did she do that?"

"Hickory, don't you know—haven't you been told what she is expected to say or do here to-day?"

"No."
"You only guess?"
"No. I don't guess."
"You fear, then!"
"Fear! Well, that 's a big word to a fellow like me. I don't know as I fear any

thing; I'm curious, that is all."

Mr. Byrd drew back, looked over at Im-Mr. Byrd drew back, looked over at microgene, and involuntarily shook his head. What was in the mind of this mysterious woman? What direful purpose or shadow of doom lay behind the veil that separated her from the curiosity and perhaps the sympathy of the surrounding crowd? It was in vain to question; he could only wait in secret anxiety for the revelations which

The defence having rested the night before, the first action of the judge on the opening of the court was to demand whether he prosecution had any rebuttal testimony

Mr. Ferris instantly rose.

'Miss Dare, will you retake the stand,' Immediately Mr. Orcutt, who, up to the last moment had felt his case as secure as if it had indeed been founded ou a rock, unded to his feet, white as the witness ierself.

I object!" he cried. "The witness thus recalled by the counsel of the prosecution has had ample opportunity to lay before the court all the evidence in her possession, I submit it to the court whether my learned opponent should not have exhausted his witness before he rested his case."

"Mr. Ferris," asked the judge, turning to the District Attorney, "do you recal to the District Attorney, "do you recall this witness for the purpose of introducing

fresh testimony in support of your case or merely to disprove the defence?" "Your honor," was the District Attorany which could have been apparent to her in his face; and her form, which she had hing not held upright, was shaking with long, uncontrollable shudders, which take excited the case was closed a fact has come to my knowledge of so startling and the court that since the case was closed a fact has come to my knowledge of so startling and the court that since the case was closed a fact has come to my nature that I feel bound to lay it before the jury. From this witness alone can we hope to glean this fact; and as I had no information on which to base a question concerning it in her former examination, I begt her in the fact of the state of the stat privilege of reopening my case to that ex-

> "Then the evidence you desire to sub mit is not in rebuttal?" queried the judge "I do not like to say that," rejoined the District Attorney, adroitly. may bear directly upon the question whether the prisoner could catch the train at Moneith Quarry if he left the widow's house after the murder. If the evidence I am about to offer be true, he certainly could.

Thoroughly alarmed now and filled with he dismay which a mysterious threat is always calculated to produce, Mr. Orcutt darted a wild look of inquiry at Imogene, and finding her immovable behind her thick veil, turned about and confronted the Disrict Attorney with a most sarcastic smile ipon his blanched and trembling lips.

"loes my learned friend suppose the court will receive any such ambiguous explanation as this? If the testimony sought from this witness is by way of let him be frank enough to admit it, that I may in turn present my objections to the introduction of any irrelevant evidence at

this time." "The testimony I propose to present through this witness is in the way of rebuttel," returned Mr. Ferris, severely. "The argument advanced by the defence, that the prisoner could not have left Mrs. Clemmens' house at ten minutes before 12 and arrived at Monteith Quarry Station at 1.20, is not a tenable one, and I purpose to prove it by this witness."

Mr. Orcutt's look of anxiety changed to one of ningled amazement and incredulity. "By this witness! You have chosen a peculiar one for the purpose," he ironically exclaimed, more and more shaken from his exclaimed, more and more shaken from his self-possession by the quiet bearing of his opponent, and the silent air of waiting which marked the stately figure of her whom, as he had hitherto believed, he thoroughly comprehended. "Your Honor," he continued. "I withdraw my objections; I should really like to hear how Miss Dare or any lady can give evidence on this point." And he sank back into his seat with a look at his client in which professional bravado strangely struggled with something even

deeper than alarm. This must be an exciting moment to the prisoner," whispered Hickory to Byrd.
"So, so. But mark his control, will you? He is less cut up than Occutt."
"Look at his eyes, though. If any thing could pierce that veil of hers, you would

think such a glance might.' "Ah, he is trying his influence over her at last."
"But it is too late."

Meanwhile the District Attorney had signified again to Miss Dare his desire that she should take the stand. Slowly, and like a person in a dream, she arose, unloosed he veil, dragged it from before her set features, and stepped mechanically forward to the place assigned her. What was there in the face thus revealed that called down an instantaneous silence upon the court, and made the momentary pause that ensued memorable in the minds of all present? It was not that she was so pale, though her close-fitting black dress, totally unrelieved any suspicion of white, was of a kind to

oring out any startling change in her com-plexion; nor was there visible in her bear ng any trace of the feverish excitement which had characterized it the evening be ore; yet of all the eyes that were the her-and there were many in ha upon her—and there were many in that erowd whose only look a moment beforehad been one of heartless curiosity-there ver none which were not filled with compassion

and more or less dread,
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the spot where she had taken her stand and her eyes, which in her former examination had met the court with the unflinching gaze of an automaton, were lowered til lashes swept her cheek.

many a time before this, and knew what it indicated. As for Imogene, who could tell us where you were at the hour of what went on in that determined breast? Income on the morning Mrs. Clemmens was repeated to the prisoner, who was probably the only noon on the morning Mrs. Clemmens was

Before she could answer, before in fact her stiff and icy lips could part, Mr. Orouth had risen impetuously to his feet, like a man bound to contend every step of the way with the unknown danger that menaced

him. "I object!" he cried, in the changed voice of a deeply disturbed man, while those who had an interest in the prisoner at this uncture, could not but notice that he, too, showed signs of suppressed feeling, and for the first time since the beginning of the trial absolutely found his self-command insuffi-cient to keep down the rush of color that

cient to keep duwn the rain of color char-swept up to his swarthy cheek.

"The question," continued Mr. Orcutt,
"is not to elicit testimony in rebuttal."

"Will my learned_friend allow the witness to give her answer, instead of assuming what it is to be?"
"I will not," retorted his adversary,
"A child could see that such a question is

not admissible at this stage of the case." "I am sure my learned friend would not | j wish me to associate him with any such type of inexperience?" suggested Mr. Ferris,

But the sarcasm, which at one time would have called forth a stinging retort from Mr. Oroutt, passed unheeded. The great lawyer was fighting for his life, for his heart's life,

ever. Turning to the Judge, he said:

"I will not delay the case by bandying truth a words with my exteemed friend, but appeal at once to the Court as to whether the whereabouts of Miss Dare on that fatal morning can have anything to do with the defence we have proved."

"Your Honor," commenced the District Attorney, calmly following the lead of his adversary. "I am ready to stake my renuta-

At this repetition in words of what she adversary, "I am ready to stake my reputation on the declaration that this witness is in possession of a fact that overturns the whole fabric of the defence. If the particular question I have made use of, in my endeavor to elicit this fact, is displeasing to my friend, I will venture upon another less by the Judge ceased his questions, and the horror of the multitude found vent in one long, low, but irrepressible murnur. Taking advantage of the momentary disturbance, by the state of the momentary disturbance, and the state of the state of the momentary disturbance, and the state of the momentary disturbance of the momentary disturbance of the momentary disturbance of the moment deavor to elicit this fact, is displeasing to my friend, I will venture upon another less ambiguous, if more direct and perhaps leading." And turning again to the witness, Mr. Exercis calculus, inquired.

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"Did you or did you not see the prisoner on the morning of the assault, at a time distinctly known by you to be after ten minutes to twelve?"

minutes to twelve?"

It was out. The line of attack meditated by Mr Ferris was patent to everybody. A murmur of surprise and interest swept through the court room, while Mr. Orcutt, who, in spite of his vague fears was anything but prepared for a thrust of this vital nature, started and cast short demanding looks from Imogene to Mansell, as if he would sak them what fact this was which through ignorance or presumption they had through ignorance or presumption they had conspired to keep from him. The startled look which he surprised on the stern face of the prisoner, showed him there was everything the stern face of the prisoner. thing to fear in her reply, and bounding again to his feet, he was about to make some further attempt to stave off the impeding calamity, when the rich voice of Imogene

was heard saying:

"Gentlemen, if you will allow me to tell
my story unhindered, I think I shall soonest
satisfy both the District Attorney and the counsel for the prisoner."

And raising her eyes with a slow and

heavy movement from the floor, she fixed them in a meaning way upon the latter.

At once convinced that he had been unnecessarily alarmed, Mr. Orcutt sank back into his seat, and Imogene slowly proceeded.

She commenced in a forced tone and with

a sudden quick shudder that made her words come hesitatingly and with strange breaks: "I have been asked—two questions by Mr. Ferris—I prefer—to answer the first. He asked me—where I was at the hour Mrs.

"I have no further desire to hide from you the truth. I was with Mrs. Clemmens

At this acknowledgment so astonishing and besides so totally different from the one he had been led to expect, Mr. Ferris started as if a thunder bolt had fallen at his

"In Mrs. Clemmans' house?" he re peated, amid the excited hum of a hundred murmuring voices. "Did you say in Mrs. Clemmens' house?"

"Yes," she returned, with a wild, ironical smile that at once assured Mr. Ferris of his helplessness. "I am on oath Ferris of his helplessness. "I am on oath now, and I assert that on the day and at the hour Mrs. Clemmens was murdered, I was in her house and in her dining room. I had ome there secretly," she proceeded, with a sudden, feverish fluency that robbed Mr. Ferris of speech, and, in fact, held all her auditors spell-bound. "I had been spend." ing an hour or so at Professor Darling's, whose house in West Side is, as many here know, at the very end of Summer avenue, and close to the woods that run along back of Mrs. Clemmens' cottage. I had been sitting alone in the observatory, which is at the top of one of the towers, but being sud-denly seized with a desire to see the widow and make that promised attempt at persuad-ing her to reconsider her decision in regard to the money her—her—the prisoner wanted, learne down, and unknown to any one in the house, stole away to the woods and so to the widow's cottage. It was noon when I got there, or very near it, for her company, if she had had any, was gone, and she was engaged in setting the clock

where .--Why did she pause? The District Attorney, utterly stupified by his surprise, had made no sign; neither had Mr. Orcutt. Indeed, it looked as if the latter could not have moved, much less spoken, even if he had desired it. Thought, feeling, life itself, seemed to be at a standstill within him as he sat with a face like clay, waiting for words whose import he perhaps saw fore-shadowed in her wild and terrible mien: But though his aspect was enough to stop her, it was not upon him she was gazing when the words tripped on her lips. It was upon the prisoner, on the man who up to this time had borne himself with such ironlike composure and reserve, but who now, with every sign of feeling and alarm, had started forward and stood surveying her, with his hand uplifted in the authorita

tive manner of a master.

The next instant he sank back, feeling the eye of the Judge upon him; but the signal had been made, and many in that court room looked to see Imogene falter or break down. But she, although fascinated, perhaps moved, by this hint of feeling from one who had hitherto met all the engences of the hour with a steady and firm composure, did not continue silent at his bidding. On the contrary, her purpose, whatever it was, seemed to acquire new force, for turning from him with a strange, un-earthly glare on her face, she fixed her

lances on the jury and went steadily on.
"I have said," she began, "that Mrs. Clemmens was winding her clock. When came in she stepped down and a short and angry colloquy commenced between us. She did not appreciate my interest in her nephew. She made me furious, mad. I—I turned away—then I came back. She was standing with her face lifted toward the clock, as though she no longer heeded or remembered my presence. I—I don't know what came to me; whether it was hatred love that maddened my brain-but-

She did not finish; she did not need to The look slie gave, the attitude she took, the appalling gesture which she made, supplied the place of language. In an instant Mr. Ferris, Mr. Orcutt, all the many and confused spectrage with a language apparent. confused spectators who hung upon her words as if spell-bound, realized that instead of giving evidence inculpating the prisoner, she was giving evidence accusing herself; that in other words, Imogene Dare, goaded to madness by the fearful alternative of either destroying her lover or sacrificing herself, had yielded to the claims of her love or her conscience, and in hearing of judge and jury, worldings harned to be the mur-

The prisoner, who was probably the only man present who foresaw her intention when

she began to speak, had sunk back into his seat and covered his face with his hands long before she reached the fatal declaration. But the spectacle presented by Mr. Oroutt was enough, as with eyes delated and lips half parted in consternation, he stood before them a victim of overwhelming emotion; so overcome, indeed, as scarcely to be able to give vent to the one-low and memorable cry that involuntarily left his lips as the full realization of what she had done smote

home to his stricken breast.

As for Mr. Ferris, he stood dumb, absolutely robbed of speech by this ghastly con-fession he had unwillingly called from his witness' lips; while slowly from end to end of that court room the wave of horror spread, till Imogene, her cause, and that of the wretched prisoner himself, seemed swal-lowed up in one fearful tide of unreality and rightmare.
The first gleam of relief came from the

judge.
"Miss Dare," said he, in his slow, kindly
way that nothing could impair, "do you
realize the nature of the evidence you have given to the court!"

Her slowly falling head and white face, from which all the fearful excitement was slowly bebing in a dead despair, gave answer for her

for the love and hand of Imogene—a recompense which at this moment her own unconsidered action, or the constraining power of a conscience of whose might he had already received such heart-rending manifestation, seemed about to spatch from his grasp forever. Turning to the Judge, he said:

"I will not delay the case by bandying words with my exteemed friend, but appeal."

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But Imogene, with white lips and drooped head, answered hurredly:

"I have nothing to consider. I have told, or attempted to tell, how Mrs. Clemmens came to her death. She was struck down by me; Craik M. nsell there is inno-

At this repetition in words of what she

agitated inquiry:

"Hickory, is this what you have had in your mind for the last few days?"

"This," repeated the other, with an air of careful consideration, assumed, as Byrdthought, to canceal any emotion which he into the property of t might eave felt; "no, no, not really. I-I don't know what I thought. Not this though." And he fixed his eyes upon Imogene's fallen countenance, with an expression of mingled doubt and wonder, as baffling in its nature as the tone of voice he

batting in its nature had used.

"But," stammered Byrd, with an earnestness that almost partook of the nature of pleading, "she is not speaking the truth, of course. What we heard her say in the

"Hush!" interposed the other, with a "Husn!" interposed the other, with a significant gesture and a sudden glance toward the prisoner and his counsel; "watching is better than talking just now. Besider, Orcutt is going to speak."

It was so. After a short and violent conflict with the almost overwhelming emotions that had grashed man with the woods.

ions that had crushed upon with the words and actions of Imogene, the great lawyer had summoned up sufficient control over himself to reassume the duties of hisposition and face once more the expectant crowd and the startled, if not thoroughly b

numbed, jury.

His first words had the well-known ring and, like a puff of cool air through a heated atmosphere, at once restored the court-room to its usual condition of formality and re-

straint.
"This is not evidence, but the raving of frenzy," he said, in impassioned tones. "The witness has been tortured by the de-He asked me—where I was at the hour Mrs. Clemmens was murdered."

She paused so long one had time to count her breaths as they came in gasps from her white lips.

The witness has been tordired by the tell mands of the prosecution, till she is no longer responsible for her words." And turning toward the District Attorney, who, at the first sound of his adversary's voice, had roused himself from the stupor into which he had been thrown and unexpected turn which Imogene's con-fession had taken, he continued: "If my learned friend is not lost to all feelings of humanity, he will withdraw from the stand

a witness laboring under a mental aberration of so serious a nature." Mr. Ferris, was an irritable man, but h was touched with sympathy for his friend, reeling under so heavy a blow. He there-fore forbore to notice this taunt save by a low bow, but turned at once to the judge.
"Your honor," said he, "I desire to be understood by the court, that the statement which has just been made in your

hearing by this witness, is as much of surprise to me as to any one in this court room. The fact which I proposed to elicit from her testimony was of an entirely different nature. In the conversation which

But Mr. Orcutt, vacillating between his powerful concern for Imogene, and his duty to his client, would not allow the other to

"I object," said he, " to any attempt influencing the jury by the statement of any conversation which may have passed between he District Attorney and the witness From its effects we may judge something of its nature, but with its details we have And raising his voice till it filled the

room like a clarion, Mr. Orcutt said: "The moment is too serious for wrang ling. A spectacle, the most terrible that can be presented to the eyes of man, is before you. A young, beautiful, and hitherto honored woman, caught in the jaws of a cruel fate and urged on by the emotion of her sex, which turn ever to self-sacrifice, has, in a moment of mistaken zeal or frantic terror, allowed herself to utter words which sound like a criminal confession. May it please Your Honor and Gentleman of the Jury, this is an act to awaken compassion in the breast of every true man. Neither my client nor myself can regard it any other light. Though his case were ten times more critical than it is, and condemnation awaited him at your hands instead of a triumphant acquittal, he is not the man I believe him, if he would consent to accept a deliverance founded upen utter-

ances so manifestly frenzied and truth. I therefore repeat the objection I have before urged; I ask Your Honor now to strike out all his testimony as irrelevant in rebuttal, and I beg our learned friend to close an examination as unprofitable to his own cause as to mine." I agree with my friend," returned Mr. Ferris, " that the moment is one unfit for controversy. If it please the court, there-fore, I will withdraw the witness, though

by so doing I am forced to yield all nope of eliciting the important fact I had relied up on to rebut the defence." And obedient to the bow of acquiesc he received from the judge, the District Attorney turned to Miss Dare and considerately requested her to leave the stand.

But she, roused by the sound of her name

perhaps, looked up, and meeting the eye of the judge, said: "Pardon me, Your Honor, but I do not desire to leave the stand till I have made clear to all who hear me, that it is I, not the prisoner, who am responsible for Mrs. Clemmens' death. The agony which I have been forced to undergo in giving testimony against him, has earned me the right to say the words that prove his innocence and my

own guilt."
"But," said the judge, "we do not consider you in any condition to give testimony in court to day, even against yourself. If what you say is true, you shall have ample opportunities hereafter to countrie and establish your statements, for you must know. Miss Dare, that no confes of this nature will be considered sufficient

without testimony corroborative of its truth. "But, Your Honor," she returned. with tastinony," And amid the startled looks of all present, she raised her hand and of all present, whe raised her hand ampointed with steady forefinger at the astounded and by no-means gratified Hickery. "Let that man be recalled," she cried. "and eaked to rement the com-

LOST CHILDREN. called Roxana, in Professor

observatory some ten days ago."
The suddenness of her action, tie calm assurance with which it was made, together with the intention it evinced of summening actual evidence to substantiate ier con-fession, almost took away the breath of the assembled multitude. Even Mr. Orcutt seemed shaken by it, and stood lowing from the outstretched hand of this woman he so the outstretched hand of this woman he so adored, to the abashed countenance of the rough detective, with a wonder that for the first time betrayed the presence of alarm. Indeed, to him as to others, the moment was fuller of horror than when he made has first self-country for what that her first self-accusation, for what at that time partook of the vagueness of a dream, seemed to be acquiring the substance of an

awful reality.

Imogene alone remained unmoved. Still with her eyes fixed on Hickory, she

ntinued:
"He has not told you all he knows about this matter any more than I. If my word needs corroboration, look to him."

And taking advantage of the sensation which this last appeal occasioned, she waited where she was for the Judge to speak, with all the calmness of one who has nothing more to feen on home for in this nothing more to fear or hope for in thi

But the Judge sat aghast at this spectacle f youth and beauty insisting upon its own uilt, and neither Mr. Ferris nor Mr. Or guilt, and neither Mr. Ferris nor Mr. Or-cutt having words for this emergency, a silence, deep as the feeling which had been aroused, gradually settled over the whole court. It was fast becoming oppressive, when suddenly a voice, low but mrn, and endowed with a strange power to awake and hold the attention, was heard speaking in that quarter of the room whence Mr. Orcutt's commanding tones had so often issued. It was an unknown voice, and for a minute a doubt seemed to rest upon the a minute a doubt seemed to rest upon the assembled crowd as to whom it belonged. But the change that had come into mogene's face, as well as the character of the words that were uttered, soon con-vinced them it was the prisoner himself. With a start, every one turned in the direction of the dock. The sight that met

their eyes seemed a fit culmination of the scene through which they had just passed. Erect, noblo, as commanding in appearance and address as the woman who still held and address as the woman was standard her place on the witness stand, Craik Mansell faced the judge and jury with a quiet, resolute, but courteous assurance, that seemed at once to rob him assurance, that seemed at once to rob him of the character of a criminal, and set him on a par with the able and honorable men by whom he was surrounded. Yet his words were not those of a belied man, nor was his plea one of innocence.

"I ask pardon," he was saying, "for addressing the court directly; first of all, the pardon of my counsel, whose ability has never been so conspicuous as in this case, and whose just resentment, if he were less magnanimous and noble, I feel I am now about to incur."

Mr. Orcutt turned to him a look of surprise and severity, but the prisoner saw nothing but the face of the judge, and continued:

"I would have remained silent if the dis-"I would have remained silent if the dis-position which Your Honor and the District Attorney proposed to make of this last testimony were not in danger of reconsid-eration from the appeal which the witness has just made. I believe, with you, that her testimony should be disregarded. I in-tend, if I have the power, that it shall be disregarded."

disregarded."

The Judge held up his hand, as if to warn the prisoner, and was about to speak.
"I entreat that I may be heard," Mansell, with the utmost calmness. "I beg the court not to imagine that I am about to imitate the witness in any sudden or ill-considered attempt at a confession. All I intend is that her self-accusation shall not derive strength or importance from any doubts of my guilt which may spring from the defence which has been interposed in my behalf."

Mr. Orcutt, who, from the moment the

prisoner began to speak, had given evidences of a great indecision as to whether he should allow his client to continue or not, tarted at these words, so unmistakably pointing toward a demolishment of his whole case, and hurriedly rose. But a glance at Imogene seemed to awaken a new train of thought, and he as hurriedly reseated himself.

(To be Continued).

DON'T TOSS THE BABY.

Inrowing a baby into the air and catching it is always a risky practice, certain though the tosser is of his quickness of eye and sureness of the hand. A sudden and unexpected movement of the child in his mid-air flight may result

in a cruel fall. A gay young father snatched up his baby boy one morning and tossed him to the ceiling. Twice the little fellow went flying through the air and came down nto the waiting arms. The third the excited child gave a spring of delight as his father's hand released him, plunged forward, and pitching over the father's shoulder, fell head downward to the floor. When the poor, baby came out of the stupor, in which he lay for hours, it was found that, although no bones had been broken, the brain sustained an injury that would in all probability render the child

an imbecile. Another baby snatched from the floor and tossed into the air received a fatal

wound in the top of the head from the pointed ornament of a chandelier.

Still another child slipped between the father's hands as he caught at her in her downward flight, and although his fren-zied grasp on the baby's arm saved her from falling to the ground, it wrenched the muscles and sinews so cruelly that the girl's arm was shrunken, and practically useless to her all her life. are extreme cases, but the fact of their occurring at all should be enough to warn one from the habit of relinquishing one's hold on a child when tossing it.

WISE AND WITTY SAYINGS OF WOMEN.

Immortality alone could teach this mortal how to die. - D. M. Muloch. Oh, keep us innocent, make others great.—Written on a window by Caroline

Matilda, Queen of Denmark. A man is not a wall, whose stones are crushed upon the road; or a pipe, whose fragments are thrown away at a street corner. The fragments of an intellect are always good. - George Sand. Patience is good, but joy is best.-Susan Coolidge.

THE WORLD'S GOOD WOMEN Good women are sentinels; in the darkest of earth's night

They hold with stout hearts silently, life's outposts towards the light, And at God Almighty's roll-call, 'mong the hosts that answer "Here! The voices of good women sound strong and sweet and clear.

Good women are brave soldiers: In the thickest of the fight They stand with stout hearts patiently, embattled for the right, And though no blare of trumpet, or roll of drum is heard. Good women the world over are an army

Good women save the nation, though they hear out sword nor gun; Their panoply is righteousness; their

The iron pen mention a by Jeb in the

book of that name in the Bible is sup-

po ed to be a steel graver used for in-

The following article, upon children lo n London, is from Cassell's Saturday Jour

The other day the present writer observed a very tall policeman kindly leading a chubby-faced, hatless little boy of about five years of age by the hand. The boy didn't seem to be at all afraid of his big quardian, but trotted along by his side, just as a little boy would trot along by the side of his father out for a walk. "What's he been doing to fall into your

hands?" we asked the policeman. "Oh, he's lost," was the reply.

"Where are you taking him?" "To the Union. We take all lost chil-

dren there," was the information obligingly offered by the policeman, who, just at the City of London Union, while we purthis point, turned up a court on his way to sued our way on to Holborn.

The foregoing incident led to our making a few inquiries on the subject of lost children, and we have been able to elicit some very curious facts. There are several kinds of lost children, and of these we shall take first the little child who has wandered from home in play, and has, with a audden sharp pang at its little heart, diceovered itself in a strange street, amid strange shops, and with strange people passing to and fro.

When anybody finds a child in this pain ful predicament, the best thing to do is not to pester it with questions that it doesn't understand, but to take it to the nearest policeman. It is usual, we know, for a crowd. of well-enough meaning people to collect round the little weeping straggler, and to level questions at it that only bewilder its uvenile brain and exaggerate the terrors of the calamity that has befallen it. The policeman takee it to the station, where it is being given toys to play with, and fed if tionary to be kind enough to open the book necessary. Meanwhile, if the parents have at the page which has been indicated missed their child, and go to any police namely 115. station, they will soon find the lost one; for all the stations are in telegraphic com-

munication with one another. If no inquiry be made for a child within a little while, the police then take a de-scription of it, and send it to the Union of the parish in which it was found: Here, again, after a short time, bills are issued to all the police stations and other places, where publicity will be given to them. These bills are headed, "Child Found," and answer the questions as to where found, when, sex, name if known, apparent age, complexion, colour of hair, particular marks on the person, dress and marks thereon, and any statement made by the child as to its abode. If these bills do not have the required effect, then, in all probability, the child has been purposely lost, or, rather, deserted; and this leads us to speak of the second kind of lost children.

These deserted children are, of course the children of very unprincipled parents, and are of all ages. Boys and girls selling matches and other trifling commodities, or begging, and seen to be in a neglected condition, are picked up by the police and taken before the magistrate. The magistrate has inquiries instituted as to the pathe child to a reformatory or other training manner described. and the girls go into service.

policeman from the pavement in Picea- impression there in imitation of blood. dilly. Children like this are brought up in and claim them, so that they may get their saved money, too, these worthless parents will seek to borrow it, with not the shadow of an intention of paying it back. The only way to defeat parents like these from shirking the responsibility of bringing up their. own children is for neighbours, who miss the child, to quietly tell the police. Every child so left is a burden on the rates. The neighbours are thus interested, from a pecuniary point of view, in having the burden transferred to the proper shoulders.

Perhaps the most peculiar kind of lost children are those who purposely lose themselves. If by any chance they do betray their abode, then they tell terrible on investigation, are found to be totally un. The next thing is to have the right word true. Children of this kind get lost in selected. different places at different times, thinking they will thereby be taken to a different Union. To manage this, they must. howver, get lost in a different parish, and this is not an easy matter to a child who doesn't know anything about parish boundarles, and has a vague idea of distances. The consequence is these children suffer a little surprise when, notwithstanding their little trick of getting "losted," as they call it, a few streets further away than on a previous occasion, they find themselves taken to the same Union and confronted with the same officials, who in many cases speedily recognise them, and do not extend to them the same kindness as before-

The highest number of lost children in the City of London Union at one time was eighteen, and this was on a fine Bank Holiday ; probably the number lost all over London on such a day would be eighteen hundred. Many lose themselves near parks and playgrounds. As to age, it is found that little children are lost during the-day, and

the bigger ones at night. The method of dealing with lost children in all big towns is pretty much the same. Of course, it is in London that the greatest number is lost, and consequently the method is seen at work there better than anywhere else. That the children are treated kindly is shown by the fact that children has themselves purposely. We have seen a big policeman buy an orange to pacify a crying child whom he was leading to the station. Of course, such kindness can be safely indulged in when the child is of such tender years, as to answer, as did this one, the question, Where do you live?" by replying, " In the nurserwy."

Brown (where prize St. Bernard has just anatched a fillet of yeal from a butcher's slah) . " Hi I come and take your confounded meat away from him! He's sating the skewers!"

Grace: "Awfully tiring it must be to be Bishop." Ida: "Think so? Why?" Grace: "My dear !-orly one style of dress all his

TRICKERY EXPOSED.

A writer in the Ludgate Weekly explains some of the tricks of clairvoyants, hypnotisers, and thought-readers. The following

is one of his explanations :-The clairvoyant, apparently mesmerised and being in a state of trance, is placed against a stand, with her left arm resting upon a pedestal, and there she remains completely unmoved. The conjurer, however, before leaving her, bares her arm to show that there is nothing upon it, and thereafter draws her sleeve down. The

reason of this will be apparent shortly. He then calls upon the man who keeps tl e door to bring in a Webster's dictionary, and he asks him to give it to anybody he likes in the hall. The book is received by one of the spectators who is asked to open it, and announce what it is. It is an ordibook in his hand-a book of travels or any other book-and a thin ivory paper knife. He goes with these to some other part of the hall, and says, "I have a book here and a paper knife; I shall be obliged if you will take this paper knife in your hand and place it in between the leaves of this book as I hold it to you, that the audience may see that you determine at what page I shall open this book, and that I do not open it at any page I choose myself."

The spectator places the paper knife beween the leaves of the book, and the conjurer immediately thereafter opens the place and displays the paper-knife. The gentleman who has put the paper-knife between the leaves announces that he did so at page 115, let us say. That having been done, and a note taken of it by any person in the hall who chooses, the book is placed on a desk in full view of the audience with the paper-knife in its place. The conjurer then asks the gentleman who holds the dic-

He then goes into the body of the hall with a bag of counters with numbers upon them. He asks any lady or gentleman to take this bag of counters and look at them. A lady examines them, and finds that each counter bears a number upon it, apparently from one upwards. He then says-

"Now you observe that the gentleman has indicated the page at which the dictionary is to be opened. The dictionary is open, and now I have to ask this lady to

select the word." He then opens the bag to the lady, and, asks her to take one of the counters, and only one. She takes out one counter, bearing, let us say, number 17. The counter is held up to the audience, and the conjurer requests the gentleman who holds the dictionary to count down the first column of the page which he has opened, and to put his finger on the seventeenth word, and to be sure not to name it aloud, although he may communicate it to his neighbours to show there is no collusion.

This having been done, the conjurer makes a few passes towards the clairvoyant, and brings her from an apparently somnolent condition to that of an awakened subrents. If they are found, he reprimends ject of mesmerism. When she has rethem, and binds them over to take proper covered partially, he asks her to bare her care of the child. Sometimes the parents left arm, and upon her doing so, the audiare of such dissolute character as to be ence sees to its amazement the word "mysunfit to have the rearing of a child, and in tery," or some other word, written in blood, these cases the magistrate usually sends which proves to be the word selected in the

institution. From these places they are sent out into the world after learning a trade! some join the Navy, others the Army, Now and then a baby comes into the which, in the act of pulling down the hands of the parish. For instance, an in- sleeve of the clairvoyant is unrolled and fant, perfectly naked, was picked up by a pressed upon the arm, so as to leave an

The word having been selected beforethe parish workhouse, and, when they arrive hand and the impression on the arm havat school age, are sent to the parish schools. ing been arranged for, the only thing There they receive a good education, and necessary to carry out the deception is to at the age of fourteen or fifteen are apprendiget the audience to select word 17 on page ticed to some tradesman. Sometimes the 115, or, rather, to think that it does so, for parents know all the time where their chil- of course it does nothing of the kind. The iren are, and purposely leave them to be first idea that occurs to one in this connecbrought up in this way so as to be relieved tion is a confederate, but there is no confrom the expense. Such parents, when the federate in the case. There are two points children are sent out to work, come forward in this trick that the audience knows nothing about. There are two paperlittle earnings. When the children have knives and two sets of counters. When the conjurer takes the book to the auditor whom he asks to select the page by inserting the paper-knife in the book, he takes care to keep the second paper-knife already in the book concealed from view. He keeps the book closed and the second paper knife disappears within the leaves. He next makes some commenplace observation and then opens the book at page 115, exhibiting the first paper-knife and keeping the second concealed. Obviously the auditor supposes he had inserted his paper-knife in the book at page 115. The page of the Webster's dictionary is thus very simply indicated at tales of the cruelty of their parents, which, the place desired by the conjurer. The

> This is also easy. The bag is a double bag having a division down the middle. In the one half are a number of counters bearing different numbers, and this is the half from which conjurer asks the auditor to take a handful. In the other half the counters are all of one number -- in this in-

stance the number seventeen. The conjurer, of course, will not have on every evening in that side of the bag counters bearing the same number. One time he will have 15, at another 20, at another 32, and so on. He will place in the ... bag the number of the word which he has already inscribed for the arm of the clair-

PUZZLE.

voyant.

Each horizontal line of this eryptogram represents a complete word; and either of the two diagonals, read from left to right. will give the name of a celebrated foreign statesman.

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The name of the statesman is Bismarck. The words to be substituted for the letters in the puzzle are as follows:-Bootjack. Biddance, Miscarry, Animates, Topmasts. Restored, District, Billhook. Mrs Lookhigh : " Mr Shortpures is

building a new house, and it's ever so nucl moer than this old thing of ours." Mr Lookhigh : "All right, my dear ; we'll watch our chance and sell this." " And build a new one ?"

"No, indeed. We'll buy Mr Shert-purse's at about half what it costs, when

Le Callinan's Ballarat Dran the Societies' Hall at doubt attract a bumper rformers have good repunost enjoyable time may iticipated. The prices of and la; children, halfal Department ARRANGEMENTS. ng arrangements have onnection with the post business during the New Year holidays :-STMAS DAY. money order business suspended. No mails p nor letters, etc., de-

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The Whistling

A SECRET SORROW.

PART 12.

A FASCINATING STORY OF

THE SEA. By Charles Barnard.

CHAPTER , VIII. -(Continued.)

For hours those whose business it was to sail and guide the ship, and who regarded the expected port merely as a starting-place for another voyage, had been looking for a change in the monotony of their daily work.

The pilot would bring a new face on board, or perhaps renew old friendships. He would bring news of the land—of events at home, or abroad. The drifting for lifted home or abroad. The drifting fog lifted occasionally and gave a wider outlook over the water, and the eyes on deck and bridge were strained to catch sight of the familiar achooner showing great figures on her main

Silly and empty minds, not having thought enough of their own to keep them from mental fermentation, also kept a sharp lookout for the pilot-schooner. With the weakness of vacant minds, certain creatures in the smoking-room had laid wagers on the number of the pilot-boat, and among these, naturally enough, was young Mr. Royal Yardstickie. Not being able to earn money, he tried to win it on hap-hazard chances,—thinking, like his kind that money won on bets was rightfully his, and not, as it is, a theft under a politer

name.
Suddenly there came over the smooth gray water a horn-like note. The steamer's big whiste spoke in reply, and then the horn spoke again. The few passengers on the wes decks peered through the mist, but could see nothing. The ship's people seemed to understand better what lay ahead, for the engine stopped, and the ship ploughed silently shead slower and slower and then stopped. Again there was a curious conversation between horn and whistle and then a long silence. At last it came—the sound of oars through the mist-and slowly a shadowy rowboat came out of the fog and presently lay beside the vast black mass of the steamer. A rope ladder rattled down the ship's side, and then an elderly man with bronzed hands clasping the rounds of the ladder came nimbly up to the deck, and the row-boat, with one man en board, drifted off into the fog. A number of young men crowded round the gangway to catch a sight of the pilot. The ship's captain stood by the ladder, and several sailors were near, so that the passengers were able to see the pilot, yet had no chance to speak to him. They wished very much to do so, as the mist had shut out the pilot boat and hidden the back figures on her sails. The only way to get the number of the schooner would be to ask the pilet. The captain knew this and at once spoke to the pilot, hidding him welcome with mingled surprise and pleasure and at once leading him away

One among the passengers stood apart and saw the pilot arrive. The instant his brown and smiling face appeared above the brown and smiling face appeared above the rail the passenger turned quickly away, as if not wishing to be seen. The ship resumed its way, and the passenger felt in its movement the approach of fate. His luck had turned. He had trusted too much it, and humiliation and disgrace were at hand. He did not know it pesitively, yet hand. He did not know it pesitively and the felt sure of it. He took out his note hand to a word to shake sight of the pilot and had not a word to shake what she is or where she came from."

Ford's corn trellises. He is a great believer in climbing, and it was a pretty what she is or where she came from.

That is true; but I have great hopes it that some day I shall find out. The only would appear that in gunnery the breat ting.

FOODY's corn trellises. He is a great believer in climbing, and it was a pretty which has a lion about to spring upon its and out. The only would appear that in gunnery the breat ting.

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FLOPPY, PUFFING PERSON

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FLOPPY, PUFFING PERSON

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Ford's corn trellises. He is a great believer in climbing, and it was a pretty which the fin.

FLOPPY, PUFFING PERSON

In the British Crown Colony of the trouble to find out. The only would be an unit to some the larger book and counted up his bets. Fifty pounds—twenty more than he could control. His faith in his luck had led him into this; and now Julie was on the same ship, and the man whom he had so deeply wronged, by some bewildering turn of the whilligig of time, was to guide this ship into port. Of course if luck had turned in one direction it had turned in all. He must pay his debte of honor-foolish twisting of words-before they landed, or be branded as a man withhonor by the honorable denizens of the smoking-room. So far, none of them knew the number of the pilot boat. If the number could not be obtained the debt would declared off-as if an honest debt could be declared "off" in any sense. He, for one, the schooner's number, for he felt sure it would go against him.

There would be many hours before the services of the pilot would be needed, and, as the bridge was wet with mist, the Cap-tain of the steamer invited his pilot to his chart-room behind the wheel-room.

"Come right in, Captain, and make yourself at home. I declare, I was never more surprised and delighted in my life. Must be six years since you used to take use in and out at Sandy Hook. Sit down and tell me all about it. What brought you back to piloting? All the family well at home? Let me see, you had a boy and a girl then. Quite grown up by this lime, I

The elderly pilot seemed to be pleased at the hearty welcome accorded him, and, opening his big jacket, ast down in an arm chair, put his feet against the radiator; and made himself comfortable in the native American manner.

"Cur'us, Capt. Floyd-most cur'us thing I ever seen. Very first trip out I make I run afoul e' you. Folks to hum well? Guess you had a girl 'n' a boy or twe. Spect they're pretty apry by this time. Been well long back? Got first-rate ship, haven't you?

"Yes, fine ship, but a powerful eater of coal. I'm senior Captain of the fleet now. Capt. Rusherford died and Capt. Perkins resigned."
"Shoo! Some changes on the line.

Youngsters comin' up. "Yes, there have been a good many pro-motions lately. Good thing, too." Give the youngsters a chance. "Telt" me about Captain. What brought you back to piloting? Thought you had a snug berth

at some light."
"So I did. I was 'p'inted keeper of Hedgefence Light. Things kinder went agin me last summer, and I quit and went back and got a place on my old beat at Sandy Hook. Couldn's live at the light any more after what happened; sides, some feller made a fuss at Washington 'cause I kinder forgot to light up just to a minute

one night."
"Indeed! What was the matter?"

"Trouble with my girl."
The old man fell into a revery, and Capt. Floyd wisely let him alone for a few min-utes. At last the pilot seemed to think it best to tell this old seafaring friend all that

was in his heart.
"I don't mind tellin' you 'bout it, Cap-Cur'us case, anyway, and mebby shall feel better and get at the rights o' things if I tell you. I ain't said a word to a soul since it happened.'

"Out with it, old friend. I'll help you, if I can; and if I cannot, at least you shall have my sympathy. Has the girl done wrong ?"

"Well, yes, and no. It warn't really her doin's. I don't know who was to blame, though I never could see why she didn't the folks she's with wouldn't let her. Guess they don't know anything about it. The hull thing is just a snarl, and I got upset thinkin' bout it, and so lost my place, kinder forgettin' the light a worryin the girl and my boy. Sam, too, was all broke up, and took to fishin'. Dare say he's en these banks now somewhere on a boat

The old pilot was, when "upon a yarn,"

as he expressed it, reckless of wards, ... more than an hour passed before he com-pleted the tale of his broken home and ruined hopes. meanwhis. below in the Jhe Whistling ruined hopes meanwhit. below in the fetid atmosphere of the suncking-room, Mr. Royal Yardstickie was meeting the first reverse in the change of his "luck." There had been a vigorous discussion among the holders of the so-called debts of honor as to what should be done. They had met the pilot-beas, but no one knew her number. By the common consent of greedy minds,



all who still had faith in their own personal "luck," an informal meeting had been called to consider the momentous question as to how the money in the several pockets should be redistributed in order to make some over and others richer according to the

silly laws of "honor."
Young Mr. Royal Yardstickie attended the meeting, but took no part in the un-seemly wrangle. He selfishly bided his time, hoping that some one would suggest that the wager be declared off. He would not make a motion to that effect himself, unless it seemed positively necessary. They wrangled thus over nothing for some time,

and then he ventured to speak:
"Gentlemen, as we do not know the num-

ber of the boat, it seems to me the beat way would be to declare all bets off."

A howl of indignation and derision greeted this speech, and instantly a dozen suggestions were made, which, as they were all made at once, were quite unheard. Finally a his follow avidently an American settled a big fellow, evidently an American, settled matters in the usual manner by calling the unruly meeting to order and asking that a with blessings on himself for playing the committee be elected to take the whole kindly Providence in the affair. It gave his matter in charge and see if the number of the boat could not be ascertained from the pilot. This was received with enthusiasm, and in five minutes Mr. Royal Yardstickie found himself chairman of a committee of the private supper in the chart-room. the boat could not be ascertained from the found himself chairman of a committee of three appointed to interview the pilot.

tound himself chairman of a committee of three appointed to interview the pilot.

In the chart-room overhead sat the two old seafaring friends. Capt. Breeze Johnson sat with his head resting upon his hands and his thin gray bair streaming over his brouzed and knotted fingers. His friend, Capt. Floyd stood beside him, with one hand on his pilot's shoulder, expressing more sympathy by the touch of his hand than by his words. The story had made a deep impression on him, though he confessed he could not understand it all.

At that moment there was a knock, and a sailor put his head in at the door to say

a sailor put his head in at the door to say that three passengers wish to see the pilot. "They want to know if you have New York papers, I suppose. Shall I let them

"In a minute. Wait till I get the bear-in's o' things a bit. There! I feel better now. Let'em come in."

now. Let em come in."

The honorable committee from the smoking-room entered. The first, who seemed to be the leader, shrunk back abashed at us; and a very good suggestion it was."

"You think so because yeu don't know "You think so because yeu don't know "You think so because yeu don't know "You think so because yeur life, Maria. It was your life, Maria. It was you

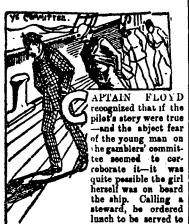
Gentlemen, I suppose you have come to ask the number of the pilot boat." One of the committee admitted that was

their errand. Well, gentlemen, Capt. Johnson is an officer of my ship, and as the Captain I forbid you to speak to him. You may settle your gambling debts as best you can, but vou shall not use my officers in any such

persons out." The sailor, with a grin, held the door open, and then slunk away, one, at least thankful to escape unharmed from the room. As the door closed upon them the pilet broke out in a terrible oath:

"That is the man! He tricked me out of my girl-a-beggin' his folks to invite her to travel with 'em, and then keepin' her away from me. Keep me on the bridge, Captain, keep me on the bridge, day and night, fer I might 'danger my soul if I had a chance to lay my hands on his mis'able

CHAPTER IX.



of the young man on ee seemed to corthe ship. Calling a steward, he ordered lunch to be served to Captain Johnson in the chart-room.

"11. ve ordered your innon nere, Captain, because I do not suppose you care to meet that young person in the salcon."

"No, Captain, I don't want to meet him again. I might do something I should regrat's long as I live. Much obliged to you, I'm sure. I'll take a bite here, and then go on the bridge awhile. Mebby the fog will lift by and by and we can get a notion where we be."

"The you know where your boat was when

"Do you know where your boat was when

"Exactly. Bout twenty miles south of Nantucket." "You are sure?" "Sartin as if the light was in plain sight."
If the fog lift to'rds dark we ought to make

Montauk; and then the course is easy to the Highlands."
The Captain left his pilot contented over a gorgeous lunch. and then went down the saloon. The passengers were assem-bling for the mid-day lunch, and, taking his seat at the head of the long table in the centre, he called to the head steward and asked him to bring the passenger list. The man brought a printed slip of paper, and the Captain began to examine it with some

interest.
"Smith, Smiley, Telford, O'Connor, Madame Potard,—odd name; some Frenchwoman,—Gearing, Judge Gearing and wife,

He read the name with a start. It was just as he expected, and yet the name gave a sense of amazement mingled with exulta-tion. If this should be his friend's daughter he would restore her to him and mak them both happy. No doubt there was some misunderstanding, and with a little tack he would clear it up and do both a good turn. There were twenty hours left ample time for such an affair. Calling the ateward again, he asked him quietly who this person might be, at the same time pointing silently at Miss Johnson's name on

"Thit person? O, she's sitting yonder, sir. Third table next the old gentleman: I believe he's a p dge, though you'd never know it, seeing these American judges don't year no wige."
"Judge Gearing, isn't it?"
"Yet, sir; that's the name. Perkins was telling he he's a liberal sort o' feller, and that gir ain't his daughter, but some potege a traveling with him." "Polege is good, Simpkins. That's all. Much obliged. Yes; give me a little soup

While waiting the steward's return, he waiting the setward's return, he glanced round the saloon to see if the young committeeman had appeared. He was not to be seen anywhere. Just as che soup arrived, a most singular scene took place at the third table. The girl and her elderly companion were quietly talking to elderly companion were quietly talking together in the pleasantest manner possible,
when two ladies entered the saleon and
came along the aisle as if to find seats. A
ateward offered two chairs directly opposite
the old gentleman whom the Captain began
mentally to call "the Judge." One of these
ladies was evidently a young Frenchwoman,
and was dressed with unusual splendor for

hipboard.
"Madame Potard, I dare **v," remarked "Madame Potard, I dare sav," remarked the Captain to himself. "A Well might he be surprised; for the instant the young girl caught sight of the Frenchwoman she rose and left the table going out at the door where the two ladies had entered. The girl's movements evidently created some excitement among the party, but it was instantly suppressed, and the two ladies sat down as if nothing had happened. The Judge rose, as if to go out, but seemed to think better of it and resumed his seat. sumed his seat.

"There is more in this business than appears on the surface. I must look into the matter before I take any steps."
"Steward." This aloud to the servant.

"Yes, sir."
"Go upstairs and tell Captain Johnson he's the pilot—not to leave the room till I come up. Tell him I want to see him." Just then he saw the committeeman enter by another door and calmly sit by the two ladies, speaking pleasantly to both of them as if on the best of terms. No further evidence was needed. By one of the strange meetings that are so common in travel, and that show how small the world really is, father and daughter were both on the same ship and quite unknown to each other. He would bring them together when he was sure of his ground. He would do it very soon, sending a servant for Miss Johnson and calling her to his own saloon on the hurricane deck and then putting her in the old man's arms. All would be forgiven, salted old heart a glow of fresh satisfac

"All right, Maria. You can only speak good of her. There, I'll shut the door. Now, what is it?"

Though the door of the little room was closed, Mrs. Gearing seemed to be fearful lest some one hear her, and spoke in a

dear. We should have paid the girl a few dollars and let her go."
"She saved your life, Maria. It was

knew well enough what she was. I can

"What do you mean, Maria?" "I mean she is the child of a former slave in Savannah—white father, perhaps, but negro mother."

"It is simple nonsense, my dear."

"Look at her black hair, her black eyes and dark skin." "May she not be Cuban-or Spanish?" His wife turned upon him quickly. There was a peculiar expression of mingled hope and anxiety in his face, and she said,

after a pause:
"You can't think that?" "No: I only begin to hope. That is all."
"It is wholly improbable, my dear. Besides, I have it from the best authority that
the girl is of African descent, and therefore quite unfit to stay with us. She must be sent away the moment we land. I shall never consent to open the house to a single guest while she remains in it. I should die

"Any guest who entered my house un-willing to recognize my adopted daughter would be shown the door. What authority nave you for these insinuations? make no insinuations. I only tell you

the truth.' 'Who is your authority?" Mrs. Gearing, shallow and narrow-mind-d woman that she was, recognized that her husband was an upright and honorable. man, judge among men, and one who would be master of his household. Being weak and shifty, she evaded the question.
"I had it from one who had it from the people who lived at the light."
"Who is it?"

"Who is it r"
"Why, how persistent you are, my dear !
It was Mademoiselle Rochet who told me." "Mademoiselle Rochet!" roborate it—it was quite possible the girl herself was on beard the ship Calling.

and now at lunch she refused to sit with r at tage. "There's nothing surprising in that. Mademoiselle is not the person whose society
I should seek. Singular she should be crossing the ocean and her name not on the st of passengers!"
"She told me about that herself when I

first met her this morning. She arrived on board just at the last moment, to late to be The Judge made no reply, but rose and ouched the electric bell.
"Mercy, Judge! Why do you call a

"Pll show you presently. What is the umber of Mademoiselle's stateroom:"
"I think it is 69. Yes, it is 69. I saked her, so that I could call her by and by to At this instant there was a knock at the

To BE CONCLUDED.

Real Modesty. Dribbler-In my opinion a man who writes an illegible hand does it because he thinks people are willing to puzzle over it. In other words, he is a chunk

Scribbler-Not always. Sometimes man writes illegibly not because he is conceited, but because he is modest. Dribbler-Modest! What about? Scribbler-About his spelling. -- Bos-

The Worst Sufferers Oily Oleson—Dear me! I wish de feller dat invented de chainless wheel had bin burned at de stake de day after he was born.

Dirty Ditson-Why? Oily Oleson-Why, some uv dese

NEWS FOR FARMERS. AT HOME WITH THE

SEVERAL POW JERSEY SETTLERS COMBINE ON A WONDERFUL IDEA.

James L. Ford, William Curtis Gibson and R. E. Munkittrick St.ocholders In a Company That Will Supply a Long The Bulgarians of Turkey, whose erful engines and certain machines of

ing a squash vine up a maple tree. He

company.
"No man," said he, sitting down on what you might term false instinct light figure. He is cobble to come forth and follow her."

hen on some green apples and she had submitted for his consideration. the eggs, she left them and gathering cattle carried off. But with it all together the apples that I had left scat- there is ever about him the indetered upon the barn floor she sat on

them again.

I told this experience to Mr. Ford, and he said: "If she'd had a few of our instinct powders before sitting, she would have repudiated the fraud at once. Is it instinct or the lack of it.' he continued, "that makes a heavy Light Brahma plant a ponderous and feathered foot upon her offspring and listen calmly to their expiring peeps? It's lack of it. She needs one of our powders.

I made a mental calculation of the number of chickens that I had seen sactragic whisper.

"We have made a fearful mistake, my rificed in that way by motherly and good natured hens who would have felt hurt if you had told them that they did not know how to bring up their young.

We had risen and were now walking as we talked, and we soon came to Mr. Ford's corn trellises. He is a great be-

easily understand why they never write to wasn't constantly running up against her. They are only too glad to get rid of this lack of instinct on the part of the fowls. If a hen had instinct, she'd know enough to keep her month shut when she laid an egg, but as it is she cackles away like a woman with a secret, and before she knows it her egg is on the way to the table. But the aim of our company will be to furnish each hen with a sufficient amount of instinct to render her profitable to her master. When she has that instinct, she will not set on her nest long after her eggs have been removed, she will not walk off through the long grass, calling to her brood to follow her, when the chicks have all been swallowed by the treacherous domestic cat, and she will not do the thousand and one things that

any hen, no matter what her breed or breeding, will do as it is." I told Mr. Ford, as I shook hands with him in parting, that there was not a farmer, either amateur or professional, in the whole Union who would not be glad to purchase a package of his instinct powders, and as I left the genial granger he was putting cushions under his water melons so that they would not get bruised by contact with

Tee Inquisitive.

the earth. — Bee.

Mistress-Why were you dismissed from your last place? Up to Date Servant Girl-Well. like your inquisitiveness. Did I ask you why your last girl left you?-Detroit News-Tribune.

Unfilled.

Mrs. Wallace-These summer days four life ought to be filled with sun-Perry Patettic-Mebbe it is. I know

nati Enquirer. A Barrier Tired Tootles-I'd enlist but fer one t'ing.
Soiled Sammy—Wot's dat?

I ain't filled with nothin else. - Cincin-

Tired Tootles-It's a standin army.-New York Journal. Mare to Digest. "Did you hear Cusser has dyspepsia?" "No. How did he get it?"

"Slugem made him eat his own

words."-New York World. The Harvest. Bobby-Pa, what grows if a man plants the seeds of discontent? Pa-One can only raise a rumima-

Sidowalks No Longer. Wheeler-Got good sidewalks in that mburb you live in? Walker—They used to be sidewalks. They are siderides now.—Cincinnati

An Unfailing Recipe. Jack-This weather is terribly hot. I wish a breeze would start up. Tom-Well, just try to light a cigar with your last match.-New York World.

A Minor Incident.

"Do you think," said the lady who is writing a book, "that woman ought to "Vote!" echoed the empress downger of

MACEDONIANS.

HOW THEY LIVE IN FEAR OF THE SULTAN.

A company has just been formed in satellites has brought South-East- they trained a battery so furiously New Jersey for the purpose of supply esn Europe to the verge of war, are against the walls that they made a interesting people. Their ignorprose of supply and interesting people of the verge of war, are against the walls that they made a matter supply and interesting people. Their ignorprose of supply and interesting people of the verge of war, are against the walls that they made a matter supply and interesting people. Their ignorprose of supply and interesting people of the verge of war, are against the walls that they made a better the walls that the walls that the walls that they made a better the walls that they made a bea are stockholders in it, and is wife, a ignorance. The women, in their to leave behind on being obliged to long felt want is all that is needed the scanty white serge garments, emerged to broidered skirts, and flowing sleeves, work in the fields from early morning till twillight, or trudge from distance on the scanty white serge garments, emerged to exhibition with some of the projectives.

No one who has ever dabtled in hems ing till twillight, or trudge from distance to the town.

The guns are of the kind formerly the scant willing to make the helicid their tributes. needs to be told that the gallinaceous tant villages to market behind their The gans are of the kind formerly birds have no instinct whatever. Some bords and masters, astride the small have blind luck, but a hen with in- be-panniered donkeys. Chivalry, it ferent sizes. The larger one has a stincts in good working order would be is needless to say, is not observed an anomaly.

I winded By Book and William order would be in the West venture to out here. We in the West venture to an anomaly.

Out here. We in the West venture to nat challent, and the longs to the I visited Mr. Ford at his extensive doubt that woman was made for or which 3ft. 4in. belongs to the consider powder chamber in the rear. farm in New Jersey in order to find out man; but here beasts of burden and smaller powder chamber in the rear. what I could about the project. I food women are in the same unfortunate It weighs very nearly six tons. The women are in the same unfortunate other gun weighs about a couple of condition of inderiority and neglect. At first one overlooks these and tons less, is of 15in. calabre, and greeted me cordially and asked me to similar details, and in the huge 11ft. 9in. long. These weapons are come and see his tomato trenches. He similar details, and in the nuge not cast but "built-up" guns, being which constitute an Eastern not cast but "built-up" guns, being should be a similar details, and in the nuge not cast but built-up and see his tomato trenches. also showed me quite an extensive area town one sees but the picturesque. covered with birch poles for his radientes town one sees but the picturesque. Sin wide, arranged like the staves on a cask, and bound round closely and willingly told me all about the company. cry and decay that lie beneath. The are the Dulle Griete at Ghent and old furbaned Turk, sleeping peace. Mons Meg at Edinburgh Castle. In one of his largest oucumbers and mo-tioning me to a seat on another, "who has ever kept hens but has wondered cross-legged in the gorgeous sunlight same period and the Michelets, as why they were not provided with a good placidly smoking his cigarette, they are called, as well as the others common sense brand of instinct. No though he does sometimes remove it are most likely of Flemish workmananimal needs instinct more than a hen. It was to supply this need that our comses, is a pleasant object to look uphe wn granite, and those for the larpany was formed. You know that if on: So, too, is his co-religionist, ger gun have been estimated to you put a hen on cobblestones she will the Mussulman Albanian, with his weigh 300th apiece. The powder of this curious place one meets wild brood over them with all the devotion gun over his shoulder, his white chamber is capable of holding 40lb. possible, and if at the end of three weeks fex, and broad red cummerbund studyou put a baby chicken under her, her ded with cartridges, and his slim will cause her to cluck and call to the A TERROR TO ALL POPULATION

Isometrous and torse and his remark Christian and Turkish alike, when he because when a boy I had once set a is roused, or when "reforms" are

lishment is usually supported by Al- the target. banians, who, in return for the meal or bread which form their simple

simple and effective method of re- shooting fleet. form for Turk and European alike in Macedonia. One's cook spoils one's dinner once, twice, three times, according to the length or otherwise of the Bey's natience, or as the perquisites have too long exceeded even those allowed by the easy-going European master. Then the kavass is called, mysterious words are muttered, followed by the accompanying deferential shake of the head, which out here denotes assent, and the kavass disappears below. Immediately aiterwards

LOUD THUDS ARE HEARD

from that region-few or many as the digestion of the master has suffered little or long, or as the accounts have for a longer or shorter time been forgiven. The next day the cook-probably a capable but unreliable Greek or Bulgarian-sends up an excellent dinner, and for some weeks his menu is altogether irreproachable and his accounts only permissably fanciful. In any case, nowever, it is inadvisable to spare the rod for an unlimited period. In the East kindness and expostulation are looked upon with contempt as evidences of fear. No "high person" wastes time in remonstrating, and though we might be tempted to call them bullying, his methods of reform are the only respected and effectual

the Macedonian East the Roman Catholic Albanian is on the whole the best. He usually, thanks to the elementary church schools scattered about, can read and write, and he possesses also

A CERTAIN SELF-RESPECT which one hardly ever sees in the other Christian races either Greek or Slav. He marries, or rather is married at an early age. Every Albanian or Bulgarian mother thinks it den." That means that after 12 or 13 she is considered marriageable, and owing to Turkish influence and example it is then considered immodest for a girl to be seen with uncovered face. Even then she is not allowed to go out except to church, when she must be accompanied by her mother. As for the Bulgarian girl she never goes to church except once a year at the Easter festivities. It is a little difficult en passant for the uninitiated European to know when a thing is correct, except that the Duke of Buccleuch for a large was rudely disturbed however, by the in general what is proper and con- trat of land in the south-east of arrival of the brown rat at the be

cycle maniacs are goin so far as ter China. "I don't see why she should want take de chains off der dogs.—Up to co bother about a trifle like that."—Wash—east count of Sicily rise fully 4it. Transval in character ... still be found.

1385.

ENGLISH ARTILLERY TROPHIES IN NORMANDY.

In 1427 when the English in Normandy made their last assault on Mont St. Michel, under Lord Scales, they attacked it with "several powoppression by the Sultan and his war," with which, says an old writer,

formed of longitudinal bars about

SHOOTING OF THE CHINA SQUADRON.

The prize-firing returns for the per year. Among its exports are covered them without a murmur for a From his native mountain haunts China Squadron in 1902 gives the week, when I took pity on her and re- come grim stories of long blood order of merit of the first six ships this remote country, which the popuplaced them with real eggs. The folfeuds, carried on from father to son
lowing day, not liking the feeling of
of Christian villages pillaged, and
Goliath, Terrible, and Blenheim.

a vast waste, the abode of frost, and The comparatively low place of the snow, and misery, is becoming talkscribable attraction of the freeman Terrible is due to the fact that she ed of as a possible competitor with who has hardly felt the oppressor's fired in bad weather, with a heavy the well-known cereal-producing sea running and rain falling, so that countries of the world. In the towns a great Bey's estab- at times the men could scarcely see

The Ocean made 17 hits out of 25 rounds with the 12in. gun or 71 hits -a garden is not often seen out per gun per minute; with her 6in. here—ready at any moment to render guns she fired 163 rounds and made service. They "eat his bread" and no fewer than 117 hits, or 4.8 hits acter is Henderson, and he has just live in their Bey's "shadow" and per gun per minute, which is admirthe accompanying obligations are able abouting. Her crew fully devarying. The harem has to be served the thanks which they receivwatched carefully at all times, and ed from the Admiralty on their rewhen the great man goes out his turn to England this summer. The white-capped attendants are in wait- Glory made 7 hits out of 21 rounds ing to support him to his carriage. with her 12in. guns, and 80 hits reminiscences of the days of his This is literal. A great Bey is, or out of 115 rounds with her 6in. youth, when railways were nonshould be, stout—the greater the per- guns; while the Goliath made 8 existent in England, and journeys sonage the larger the person—and hits out of 19 rounds with the 12in. now accomplished in a few hours ocled upon to inflict corporal punishar guns than both of the others put intended to take the place of ment on any foes either in or out of together and only 34 fewer hits with Chinese "cash," which is now one the establishment, and, when, the her 6in guns for which the extra third of a penny, and is in general Bey's temper is a short one, or he hits with her heavy weapon would use among the coolies in the colony has happened to take an extra dose fully compensate in battle. It is to The mil is one-tenth part of a cent. of raki-a strong spirit-the night be hoped that the China Squadron one-thousandth part of a dollar, and before, that last duty is in consider- will continue to maintain in 1903 as the silver dollar in use in Hong able request. The correcting rod is a its high reputation as the best Kong is worth about 1s. 7d., it in

CARRIED OUT.

Mark Twain settled the great servant question some years ago, so far as concerned his own domestics. When the famous humourist was building his house he quite astonished the architect by insisting that the kitchen should be placed on the ground floor, on a level with the entrance door, and with windowsgood large windows-facing it.

"But-a kitchen facing the hall door? I never heard of such a thing," protested the surprised architect.

"No, I daresay not," observed Mark Twain ; " you see it is my own

original idea." "But what is the idea?" "Oh, that's very simple. I want the cook and other servants in the kitchen to see everybody that calls. Directly the bell rings they look out of the window, without leaving their work and see who it is and what they are wearing. The work will get done, the dinner won't be spoiled, time will be saved, and the maids will be happy and stay with us. Under the old plan the poor souls were always running up and down the kitchen stairs to allay their curiosity. That wasted time and spoiled everything."

And the humourist's famous home t Hartford was actually built with the kitchen on the ground floor overooking the entrance.

TALLER THAN THE EIFFEL

An American in Paris was one day looking at the Eiffel Tower, when he was accosted by an enthusiastic her duty to get her daughter off as Frenchman, with, "Ah! my friend, soon as possible after she is "hid-that is a beautiful tower, and I Frenchman, with, "Ah! my friend, doubt very much if you have anything to beat it in America." "Wal, stranger," replied the American, "I guess it's good for Irance but in America we have a tower that's so high that we have to lower the top at night." Lower the top at night," replied the Frenchman, "for what reason?"

Wal, I guess it is just to let the meon pass, stranger; good-day." ventional in Europe is the reverse in Scolland for manoellyre purposes ginning of the the eighteenth century the shadow of the Sultan.

Scolland for manoellyre purposes ginning of the the eighteenth century nearly complete. In all Wherever he came—hig, strong and

GENERAL INFORMATION

Nearly 30 per cent of all flowers

There are sixty-two miles of tunnels in the fortified rock of Gibral-

The temperature of a swallow's body is extraordinarily high, no less than 112deg. Fahrenheit.

It is stated that about one in eighteen of the population of Paris lives on charity, with a tendency towards crime. The oyster ranks as one of the ten

earth. When this dainty shell-fish is in its prime a force of nine hundred times its own weight is necessary to force open its shell. France gives the largest subside to shipping of any Power. The total amount, including postal sub-

strongest things to be found on

sidies is £1,700,000 a year. Japan comes next with about £600,000: and then Germany and Russia. Sir Hiram Maxim, without whose guns no army of to-day could hope for success, started life with less than the provesbial half-crown in his

and he earned his first week's wage

as a decorative painter. The strangest menagerie in the world is on an Ohio farm. Through all the gardens, orchards, and fields fashioned out of roots, trunks, and the branches of trees. It is a veritable toy Noah's Ark grown up.

Under encouragement of the Russian Government it is said that Siberia is gaining 200,000 farmers cereals, butter, wool, leather, and dried and preserved meats. Already

A Melbourne paper has discovered in a suburb of that city the "last living link with the foundation of railway locomotion, the sole surviving pupil of George Stephenson. The name of that historical charentered on his ninetieth year. Half a century ago he emigrated to Australia and settled in Melbourne. where he practised his profession as an engineer for many years. He enjoys excellent health, and is full of

lows that the mil is worth about one-sixticth part of a penny. This. therefore is the value of the smallest British coin.

The proprietors of a Chicago drapery store have hit on a novel and effective method of insuring the sale of toys. The firm has set up a miniature park and playground on the premises, where children may enjoy themselves while their mothers make purchases. The little ones can play on the grass, dig in the sand. and sail boats on the pond. The firm supplies all toys free of charge: and this is how the playground pays for when the mother comes to take away her child the sweet sorrow of parting with the toy asserts itself with the result that, for the sake of peace, the toy is conveyed to the child by the usual means of purchase

The Administrator of British New Guinea reports that a tribe has been found which is virtually incapable of walking. These people inhabit a marshy district which is too soft to admit of being traversed on foot, and too solid to allow of navigation in a canoe. Locomotion of any kind is thus impossible, and they have become a purely sedentary race leading a stationary existence in the dwellings which they have built in the trees just above the level of the swamps. They cannot walk on hard ground without causing their feet to bleed with the unusual exercise Their extremities have shrunk, while the trunk has become bloated. The effect would be to produce a certain resemblance to the figure and gait of apes, and the discovery will, therefore, be of great importance to anthropologists.

The fact that the French Government has now declared war upon the whole race of rats as spreaders of the plague, recalls the fact that the most sanguinary civil war has long raged among the two great tribes o rats themselves. The two great European tribes are those of the blacks and the browns, of which the black rat was the first comer though both alike reached Europe originally from Asia. The black rat is also the smaller, and if such words are applicable the most aimable and better looking of the two. His immigration is said to be dated from the fall of the Roman Empire and to have been assisted by the Crusades The War Office negotiations with His comparatively peaceful existence 25,00 acres are being acquired, hungry-he drove out the black rat furnishing a ground fully ten miles before him, and now they have be-It is not true that the Mediterran- long and several miles wide. The come a rarity in towns; though in still be found.

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The Federal Elections GRAMPIANS ELECTORATE.

The following are the final returns :-Voters on Roll, 21,467.

Archibald Ritchie, draper, St. Arnaud Albert Andrews, chemist and dentist,

Patrick William McGrath, secretary, 24 Perry-street, Collingwood (L.). *Thomas Skene, grazier, Marnoo Rupanyup (O.).

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Totals... ...

SENATE RETURNS.

The following	returns	are practically
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Trenwith	•••	103,035
Best	•••	100,211
Findley	•••	88,113
Sryles	•••	85,202
McIntyre	•••	84.095
Derham	•••	82,032
Solly	•••	80,161
Barker	***	75,625
Templeton		73,208
Lemmon		72,622
Smith		70,433
Dow		68,038
Barrett		65,082
McCulloch	•••	58,064
Goldstein	•••	51,279
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ELECTION EXPENSES LIMITATION BILL. This bill, which limits the expenses of an Assembly election to £100 and the Council were adopted good men would be of the State Assembly and sent to the

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RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1903 Local Government Act 1902 THE NEW MEASURE.

Under the above heading a new Local Government Act bas just received the assent of the Governor in Council, and now becomes the law of the land; its object being to consolidate and amend the State of Victoria is singularly fortunate in having the best form of local government of any of the Austraffen States,

Previous to the present Act coming into force councils were working under the consoliusted Act of 1890, which superseded the Act of 1874 and the Burgughs Statute of 1869, so that it may be said there have only been thre material amendments in local govern-... 126 1219 792 1109 ment law 108 the past 35 years.

commendation of a Royal commission workings of municipalities and to report as to alterations considered necessary in the law relating to local government.

The commission was assisted in its undertaking by the Municipal Association of Victoria, and Mr C. H. Meaden

In the new Aut provision is made for amalgamation of contiguous municipali ties irrespective of the size of such dis tricts, by an order under the hand of the Governor-in-Council, and also that reduction of the number of councillors shall not necessitate the retirement of the whole of the councillors, but only those for the subdivision affected Nomination of councillors is to be made 14 clear days before any election, so that all municipalities will have the same nomination day. No plumping will be allowed, and the Governor-in-Council may apply the provisions of Voting by Post Act to municipal

In future municipal clerks, like engin-eers, will require to hold certificates of qualification or competency. The mayor will have a second or casting yote; except in the matter of the selection of a chair man. Business at ordinary meetings is man. Business at ordinary meetings is defined, and if any councillor objects that any motion moved without notice does not deal with ordinary business, such motion shall be of no effect unless the same shall be agreed to at such meeting by a majority of the whole council. No extraordinary business shall be transported extraordinary business shall be transacted unless due notice of such has been given to each councillor. To preyent deadlocks a call of the council may be made by the najority instead of a two-thirds unajority

of a council. Minutes of council meeting previously sacred are now to be open to inspection by ratepayers. Purposes for which by laws may be made have been extended, and amongst other things provides for prohibiting the use of barbed wire on fences adjoining streets, prohibit-ing cringe peel or banana peel on the footways, prohibiting writing advertise-ments on footpaths, and for regulating abmen's shelters, merry-go-rounds, &c. Ratable property now includes land the property of private persons such as police stations occupied or leased by the Crewn, and exemption is made for the property of the Commonwealth. The rate year in all municipalities will now end on 30th September. Separate rates may be made upon a petition reduceting the same for special works or undertakings, subject to onfirmation of the Governor-in-Council. Interest on arrears of rates, at the rate of £6 per cent., is to be charged, and may be recoverable in the same way as rates. Restriction to overdrafts at the end of the financial year has been removed, and a limit made of the overdraft to one-half, of previous year's revenue, so that there will be no necessity of annual indemnifying Acts. Councillors concerned in borrowing money in excess of their powers to

be personally liable.

The office of logal auditor is abglished, and Government auditors and inspectors and inspectors and inspectors. of accounts alone to audit the books and

Power is given to councils to plant trees and erect tree-guards, statues, &c., in or upon streets, and to make tree reserves in argets. Where compensation is to be given provision is made for determining the amount before a police magistrate, when the amount is under £200, and where over before a County Court or Supreme Court index. Supreme Court judge. The provisions of the Width of Tires Act and also the Act for regulating traffic of traction engines are embodied in the new Act.

most favorably disposed to Messra Rest, are not decidedly unpleasant. Dow, Styles and Mckntyre. The voting Persons who are subject to such attacks will be pleased to know that prompt relief may be had by taking a dose or two of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoa Remedy. For sale by J. B. WOTHERSPOON & Co., Merchants Beaufort.

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HIRROF BIRON ALTERATION OF DATE OF MEETING

Notice is heraby given that the next ordinary Meeting of the Council of above Shire, will be held on MONDAY, 11th JANUARY, 1904, and the following Meeting on EEBRUARY. J. M. CARROLL, Shire Secretary.

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RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE. Notice to Advertisers.

W. H. HALPIN begs to notify the public of the surrounding district that he has ceased to be agent for Lorimer & Baird, and that he will hold MONTHLY SALES in connection with DIXON BROS, at their Yards, REAUFORT. The FIRST SALE will be held during JANUARY. DIXON BROS, solicit the patronage of the public in their new undertaking. Sales of Land, Stock, Furniture, etc., conducted at lowest rates. be made tilt the tollowing taste.

In future this rule will be strictly enforced, in fairness to our employees.

Correspondents are also requested to send reports by Thursday.

A. FARKER, Proprietor,

To be held in the BEAUFORT PARE, on OXING DAY, DECEMBER 26th, 1903.

218 ENTRIES RECEIVED, £85 IN PRIZES.

Beaufort Sheffield Handicap run under Vic-torian Athletic League, and a league handi-capper appointed. Ricycle Races run apart from L. y. W. rom L. y. W.
Two-mile Bicycle Race, £20.—1st, £15; 2nd,
4; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.
Une-mile Bicycle Race, £14.—1st, £9; 2nd,
4; third, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, Is.

One-mile Bioycle Race, £14.—1st, £9; 2nd, £4; third, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s, Half-mile Flutter, £10.—1st, £6; 2nd, £8; 3nd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 1s. One-mile Pistrict Bioycle Race (20 miles radius), £6.—1st, £4; 2nd, £1 10s; 3rd, 10s. Nomination, 1s; acceptance, 1s.

Beaufort Sheffield Handicap, 130yds., £20.—1st, £15; 2nd, £4; 3rd, £1. Nomination, 2s; acceptance, 2s.

Firemen's Alarm and Rush, 130yds., £1 10s.—1st, £1; 2nd, 10s. Nomination, 1s. Six entries or no race.

Handicap Wood-chopping Contest (18-inch logs), £7.—ist, £6; 2nd, £2. Nomination, 1s; acceptance, 1s.

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ENTRIES for the above events CLOSE on TUESDAY, 1st DECEMBER, 1908.

Open Walking Match, £1 10s and 10s; Girls' Handicap Walking Match, £1 and 5s; District Miners' Race, £1 10s and 10s; Siamese Race, 10s. All postentry.

Admission to Ground, 1s; children, half-price.

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Beaufort Jockey Club. A GENERAL MEETING of Members will A beheld in the MECHANICS'INSTITUTE on WEDNESDAY next, 30th list., at 8 p.m., to fix date of annual Races. A. PARK R. Hon. Secy.

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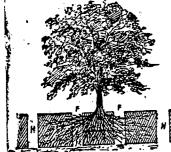
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would leave an excessive amount of earth in the ball, which would render removal very difficult, and there is also the danger of the ball splitting in two, and thus a portion of the fibrous rootlets are torn off. Practice teaches us that a smaller ball is better, and if the trench be made as at F a sufficiently large ball will be left.

The error usually made is in merely cutting down at the point F, by which method the ends of the roots are ent eff. and the natural result is that there is too much leaf transpiration for the reduced roots to cope with, and the tree becomes sickly. When trenched, as at H, the soil should be removed, and with a steel fork the soil is gently pulled away from the roots, leaving them comparatively uninjured, and the tree is lifted with the same sized ball of earth as in the other case, but the fibrous roots are retained beyond it.

These roots can be bundled together as their ramifications will allow. Then such string of roots, being covered with moss, mats or bags, as circumstances demand, is tied up to the trunk. The roots may by this means be kept damp

In replanting plenty of sharp sand should be on hand to work among the rootlets as you proceed, as this induces the formation of fresh rootlets. Fine leaf mold is also advantageous. We usually run it through a riddle to get it fine enough to work in among the rootlets. The roots should be laid out radially from the main stem of the tree on a prepared bed of soil, only laying enough roots to slightly cover the ground, then working in among them a little of your sand and leaf mold as they seem to require; then cover all over with a few inches of soil and prether bed; then lay the roots out again as you did before, thus spreading tier above tier until all the roots are firmly replanted in as natural a manner as possible, finally beating or treading down the soil, but being careful not to injure the roots in so doing.

Palms In the House.

It is an easy matter to keep a healthy palm healthy, but it is a difficult matter to recuperate a sick palm. Give the palms lots of water at the root, not a little drop, but enough at a time to scak the whole ball and begin to run out at the bottom, and if your room is warm do this every day - that is, if your palms are healthy. Once in two weeks or three weeks in mild weather take the palms out to the back kitchen or woodshed, or down cellar and sponge the dust off the leaves, using plain soap and wa-

'In a greenhouse palms are usually grown in a temperature of 50 degrees to 65 degrees in winter, and the atmosphere is moist, and they are watered liberally. But on account of the moisture laden benches or floors on which the pots stand and the moisture in the sir the necessity for frequent watering at the root is not nearly so great as it is in the case of palms in a dwelling house, where the temperature is usually 6) or over, and the atmosphere dry.

T to Many Varieties.

The fault with many apple orchards is too many varieties, says Rural New Yorker. A few standard varieties well grown and prepared for market will make a farm's reputation, while, if the lot is split up into 20 or more varieties, there will not be enough of any one kind to establish a reputation. The same "is equally true of a township or larger section of country. Let the farmers make a specialty of a few standard things that are best suited to that olimate and locality, and they will soon make a reputation for the place. It is true that newer varieties should be grown in a small way for testing, for if that be not done we cannot know when improved varieties are brought out. For business farming the main crop should consist of a few varieties only.

Treatment of Hedges. The following from Meehan's Month ly is worthy of attention: Hedge plant that were set out last spring should not be cut down the coming season, but be allowed to grow for another year just as they like if a strong and vigorous hedge be desired. The plants cut back when two or three years old will then spront vigorously the next season, and during the summer following may be trimmed to the shape desired. It must not be forgotten that trimming in a measure weakens the roots. By letting plants grow for two or three years as they will we get these roots strong before the weakening process of trimming is reported to.

CHAMBERLAIN'S STOMACH AND

LIVER TABLETS if taken according to directions, c'ear the omplexion, brighten the eye, sharpen the gappetite, remove muddy and blatched condition of the skin and cure heatache to progress, result in serious Putmary and Ashmaric Affections. See that the world although the Brown's Brownia Troches' are on the same of the skin and cure heatache to condition of the skin and cure heatach



How This May Be Accomplished Withen Loss of Fertilizing Material.

Raw manure is not in condition for the market gardener's purposes except in rare tases. It may do for sweet corn and somes in play for heating hotbeds or forcng melons, but for general garden crops t must be composted and made as fine as possible. There need be no loss of fertilizing materials or elements in the compost keap is properly made, as shown in the illustration. Pile is up in a square heap with perpendicular sides and fist top, four or five feet high and as wide se long, as may be required; advises Greiner in his How to Make the Garden Pay." He further directs:

Let it come to a head and forth the mass over from time to time until it is in the desired condition. It takes time and labor, adding to the original cest, and in



COMPOSTING STABLE/MANURE. ding on the price he can afford to pay for raw manute originally the gardener with have to take this feeture in er will have to take this feature in

consideration. These hears may be made during anturn and garrly winter right on the arable land, and the material will generally be mady to be spread upon the soil where wanted when the time for planting it with spring crops has arrived. It is absolutely necessary that these heaps be of considerable depth, not less than four feet, in order to prevent the rainwater from leaching clear through and washing away valuable food elements.

The compost heap while in process of construction is the most appropriate dumping place for vegetable rubbish of all sorts, the carcasses of animals (larger ones cut in pieces), house and kitches alops and other waste materials. Refuse matter of this kind often adds greatly to the value of the compost.

For general garden crops this manure, when in the right condition (well rotted), is applied broadcast and thoroughly mixed all through the soil, generally by plowing under in lap furrow style and by thorough harrowing.

The Average Age of Queens. 1. How many seasons should a queen be kept laying? 2. What is the average age of queens if left alone? was a query answered not long ago in the columns of

The American Bee Journal. C. H. Differn replied as follows: 1. queen begins to fail after the second year, and the most successful honey producer will see that his queens do not get much older than that. 2. If left entirely alone, they would probably average

about 8 years. G. W. Demarce said: 1. I now after long experience leave that to the bees. They will make fewer mistakes along clip the wings of my queens, and in this way I keep pretty nearly up with them.

The average is about 3 years. Many queens are superseded at 2 years old:

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Tonic made me as fresh and energetic as ever I had been. I was congratulated ever I had been. I was congratulated ever I had been. this line than I am likely to make. nany more at 8, and nearly all at 4.

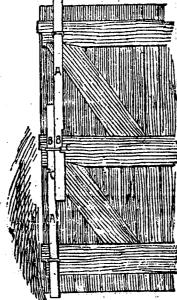
Mrs. Jenny Atchiey of Texas answered: 1. Taking everything into consideration, it might be best to keep queens only ? years, and, to answer the second part of the question, I will say that 2 years is about an average life for queens in this locality, but good queens often do good service even the fourth year. 2. It really would be hard to average up, as so much depends upon circumstances.

Door Fastening. Here is a sketch of a door fastening that was originally illustrated and described by an Ohio genius in The Ohio Farmer. He says:

When doors are required to be fastened at the top and at the bottom, I have seen nothing that excels it. When the doors are closed, they cannot possibly open of themselves by either wind or storm, and when open there is nothing to catch should they blow shut. The cost is comparatively small. It

consists of two seven-eighths inch lath,

of elin or other light lumber, 8 inches



DOOR FASTENED AT THE TOP AND BOTTOM wide at A A, 21 inches wide at B B and 2 inches wide at CC. A iron clip slightly larger than the lath at a point of contact holds them in position on each arm of door. The middle clip is slightly middle clip, then push the upper lath to | walls, 8.50; Bu rumbest, 9.16. the left and let it drop down on B. To close, vice versa. The point of excel-lence is that the lath must be raised up

SAFELY THROUGH DANGER. LIFE IN JEOPARDY. NOW FRESH AND ENERGETIC AS EVER

The Case of Mrs. M. RICKARD.

There is in most of us a feeling of gratitude that we have been brought safely through past dangers; but some safely through past dangers; but some-times people forget the manifold mercies which have been extended to them. Not so, however, with Mrs. Marion Rickard, of No. 118 Lygon-street, East Bruns-wick, who stated to a reporter that by divulging the ensuing facts she would be rendering the best possible service to those whose lives are in jeopardy. Pursuing her opening remarks, Mrs. Rickard said: "Unfortuately for myself, I was not

born with a silver spoon in my mouth, and I have had a lott of worry and a and I nave had a lots of worry and a considerable amount of hard work in my time. So many adversities culminated in a complete break-up of my health, I felt as if I wanted to work, but I had not enough strength to do it. I got your restless at night alsoning and y restless at night, sleeping only short stretches, and waking up with for short stretches, and waking up with a start from the most awful dreams you could think of. When it was time to arise from bed I never felt inclined to do so, being troubled with a sense of weariness in my limbs, as if I had been walking about all night; and my brain seemed equally overworked, for I was too tired to think of anything. I went on in this miserable style for a white and then I was attacked with neuralization the side of the face. The tortune of a this complaint were located in the face the side of the face. The tortures of this complaint were located in the face for a few days, but afterwards the pains shot up to the roof of my head, nearly driving me out of my mind. I am sure I was a trifle insane with agony at times, for I used to go about like one in a trance. My nights became more sleepless than ever, as I could do nothing save pace my room like a mad woman. It was impossible to eat any solid food, but what little milk diet. I did take caused me no end of suffering. A cup of milk made me feel uncomfortably stuffed out, as though it had turned to wind, which I believe to be the case, for I used to belch for such a long time afterwards. Very often I womited everything up again, and the vomited everything up again, and they nasty taste of the sour milk was always in my mouth. Besides losing nearly all my flesh, I got to look very old and haggard, and my eyesight was so had that I could not see many yards in front of me. The action of my howels was of me. The action of my bowels was

or me. The section of my however were irregular, the consequences being that I had a white covering over my tongue, and an offensive breath."

"What did you get to cure these allments?"

"Medicines and pills from my doctor; but they did not have the right effect upon me. They made me worse, in fact, because I got weaker, and easily frightened, besides contracting horrible sharp pains in the shoulders and in the small of my back. I tried medicines from chemists, but no good resulted. A little while longer and I would have died, for my system was completely wrecked. It chemists, but no good resulted. A nutree while longer and I would have died, for my system was completely wrecked. It was Clements Tonic that pulled me out of danger, and I would never have regained my health had it not been for that medicine, as everything else was perfectly incapable of curing me. But I had not quite taken a bottle of Clements Tonic when my neuralgic pains ceased, and my nervous system was built up by the same remedy. After that I slept soundly, and then my appetite came back. The pains in my body melted away by degrees, and I had no difficulty in keeping my food down. Clements Tonic did everything needful, even to brightening and strengthening my eyes, besides making my mouth and tongue sweet by restoring regularity. It was thought the same remedy and the same remedy and the same remedy and the my same remedy. on all hands at making such a rapid and on all hands at making such a rapid and unexpected recovery, and my experience shows how greatly superior Clements. Tonic is to all other medicines, as it cured my complaints when all other physics failed. I desire everybody to know these facts, which you may publish in any way."

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STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I. Marion Rickard, of No. 118 Lygon-street, East Brunswick, in the State of Victoria, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have carefully read the annexed document, consisting of two folios and consecutively numbered from one to two, and that it contains and is a true and faithful account of my illness and cure by Clements Tonic, and also contains my full permission to publish in any manner my statements, which I give voluntarily, and without receiving any payment; and I make this solemn declaration conscientionsly believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Parliament of Victoria rendering persons making a false declaration punishs able for wilful and correct perjury.

Marin Richard Declared at Brunswick, in the State of Victoria, this second day of May, one housand nine hundred and one, before me, THOS. STRANGER, J.P., A Justice of the Peace in and for the Cen-tral Balliwick of the State of Victoria.

Railway Time-Table.

The following is the new railway time. table, which took effect on Thursday, 2nd July, 1903 :- A mixed rain leaves Ballarat at 11.20 a.m., Trawalia at 12.7 p.m., reaching Beanfort at 12.22, and taking its depirture at 12.30. Its leaves, Middle Creek at 12.54, and Buangor at 14. The Adelaide express still leaves Methourne at 4 40 p.m. (Saturdays and Sundays excep-ted), Ballarat at 7.50, and Beauf. rt at 8.44 (arriving here at 8.39). On the return journey to Melbourne (Sundays and Mondays excepted) the express leaves Beaufort at 6.25 a.m. (arriving here at 3.20). The afternoon mixed train from Stawell to Ballar: t runs every week day. It departs from Buangor at 4.45 p.m., Middle Creek, at 4.55, Beanfort at 30 (atriving here at 5.20), Trawalis a 5 54, and Burrumbeet at 6.9. A mixed train will also leave Ballarat and intervenng stations to Stawell on Tuesdays, Chursdays and Saturdays at 5 15 p.m. Burrumbeet at 6.9, Trawalla at 6.35. Beaufort at 7 (arriving here at 6.50), Middle Creek at 7 30, and Buangor at 7.42. Thmorning mixed train from Stawell to Ballarat has been put on again, and is more than 41 inches wide. The cut timed to leave the district stations are closed. To open, pull up lower lath till notched C catches and holds on to the district stations are closed. To open, pull up lower lath till notched C catches and holds on the state of the catches and holds on the state of the catches and holds on the catches and holds on the catches and holds on the catches are the catches and holds on the catches are catches and holds on the catches are catches and holds on the catches and holds on the catches are catches are catches and holds on the catches are catches and holds on the catches are catches are catches are catches and holds on the catches are catches are catches are catches and holds on the catches are catches are

before they can either be opened All suffering from fritation of the thront and hoarseness, will be agreenly surprised at the same timefalter filled afforded by the use of Brown's Brouchial Troches." These famous locking serving a serving surprised at the locking cough, a similar trouble, it allowed to progress, result in serving Pulmonary and Asthmatic Affections. See that the world Asthmatic Affections. See that the world Stamparound each box.—P, spare. THROAT AFFECTION AND HOARSENESS.

Important to Applicants for

Applicants for leases within the district covered by The Riponskire Advocate Wotherspoon, and Rear-Admiral Bridges. Fourth Tuesday. Messrs are invited to peruse the following The New Mining Regulations require M. Flynn, G. Topper, and T. Beggs.

that when a lease is marked out the applicant "shall insert in a news-PALOT PUBLISHED IN THE DISTRICT WHERE THE EARD IS SITUATED, OF IF HO SUCH newspaper, then in the one published nearest the district, in advertisement or notice in the form marked A in the schedule prescribed." Ten days are allowed, after marking

ont the lease, in which to lodge the Chemists and Perfumers everywhere. Wholesphication with the Warden or his sale depôt 33, Farrington Road, London, clerk, and forward a duplicate to the England. application with the Warden or his Minister of Mines. The Word "district" in the regulations

has been defined by the Crown Solicitor to be read as locality, and not as mining district, and the lease should therefore be advertised in the paper nearest the land for which application is to be made, As TEN days (not seven as formerly) are given in which tocomplete the application, no valid excuse can now be urged for failure to advertise the lease in the district paper, though it has only a weekly, and not a daily

This is borne out by the following memor from the Mines Department received by Mr. H. A. Adams, Grenville Standard, Linton .- "Sir, -Referring to your communication, I have the honor to inform you that the Warden's clerk at Smythesdale has been instructed to. advise intending applicants for mining leases, where opportunity offers [i.e.; for fendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising their applications should be STRICTLY ADHERED TO. -I have the honor to be, etc., P. Cohen, for Sec. of Mines and Water Supply."

Police Magistrate's Fixtures.

The following are the police magis trates permanent engagements in the Ballarat district, with the necessary proviso, added by Mr Dickson, " unless otherwise engaged":-

Ballarat-10 a.m., daily. Ballarat East-10 a.m., 3rd Wednes day and fourth Thursday. Beaufort-1.30 p.m., 1st Thursday and fourth Tuesday.

Bungaree-9 a.m., 4th Monday. Buninyong-3.15 p.m., 3rd Friday. Carngham-2 p.m., 2nd Wednesday. Gordon-9 a.m., 2nd Monday. Linton-2 p.m., 1et Saturday. Learmonth-12.30 p.m., 1st Tuesday. Kaleno-11 a.m., 2nd Tuesday. Scarsdale-Noon, 3rd Thursday. Sebastopol-3.30 p.m., 2nd Thursday. Skipton-10 a.m., 2nd Wednesday. Smythesdale-Noon, 3rd Tuesday.

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