

NG WOOL	n: de a speciality of. All sizes and an progs and stock. My annual sales in weiding rings and		suffering and being disfigured for several years.	stamps and postal noise from 9, a.m. this 6 p.m., and from 7 p.m. till 8 p.m.	Arte was the rou okins, ec., ec.	held, who are dying or who are marry	accorded him by giving the Latest possible
LES.	keepers would exceed that of any shop of any hand city in Australia. Standard qualities	neighbour or friend asks for the loan	I am alle, to follow my employment, and and very pleased to think, there is such a valuable remedy obtainable for such a small sum, 1 should be pleased to answer any inquiries con-	MONEY ORDER BUSINESS.		ing, who are moving in or who are moving out, court proceedings, who	teresting and instructive information.
		of the local paper, tell him or her that	should be pleased to answer any fuquiries con- cerning my case."-July 17, 1903.		We have resolved to REDUCE te SUB SCRIPTION to "THE RIPONSEIE	wants to buy or sell farm or land	"The Advocate,"
N 1904-1905:	stock. Upwards of 1000 different designs of Ring- i		ANOTHER PERMANENT CURE OF BAD	9 s.m. to 5 p.m.	ADVOCATE" (with which is nublished	produce, in fact hundreds of things of which it might be of particular import-	PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY MORNING.
EHAG <b>UE&amp;Co.</b>	stock. Gold necklets, muff chains, lockets, medals, gold crosses (a very fine stock), silver thimbles,	for the small sum of	LEGS AND ABSCESSES	From 10 n in 10 3 h ni. Saturdays, 10 to	tad reading matter) to 3r new superior	ance for you to know. If you can	CIRCULATES in the following districts
ekly Wood Sales as usual:	in a second description hand tings, (Per 1	20 non Quartor	Mr James Waring, of Clay Coton Lodge, near Rugby, writes : It is with great pleasure	12 s.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. for receiving deposits only.	trust that this concession will be argel taken advantage of.	afford to take only one paper by all	Boaufort, Stockyard Hill, Lake Goldmith, Sailor's Gully, Main Lead, Raglan, Chute,
iay during the coming: ould call - pecial attention.	and field pla-ses, gold and silver toothpicts, pencils, alarm clocks, wood and marble clocks.		that I write to tell you of the benefit I have derived from taking 'Clarke's Blood Mixture,'	REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS,	The Advertising Rates have also have	means take the one that is published in the country or district where you	Waterloo, Eurambeen, Buangor, Middle Creek Shirley, Trawalla, Skipton, and Carngham.
	silver-back hair brushes, silver-mounted comb- silver teapots, cruets, biscuit barrels, egg frames.		For a long time I suffered with bad lega and abscesses. I was under a doctor for five months.	From 10 s.m. till 8 p.m.	considerably reduced, and advertisers will find it to their benefit to avail themselves of	live: It will cost you less, and thereby	With every issue of the Paper is gives
E WAREHOUSES, in the storage of Wool,	A magnificent stock of Silver-mounted Pulses		and, not gotting much better, I went as an out- patient to the local hospital for nine weeks. The doctor then told me I should have to go		the columns of " The Riponshing Advant, "	you will be assisting yourself and Leoping the money in the district.	A FOURTEEN-COLUMN
OW ROOMS	to select from ; 5s and all prices up to 7s 6d. A very fine stock of Gold Photo. Pendents to	regularly.	The doctor then told me I should have to go inside before he could do anything for me. I	9 s.m. till 3 p.m. G. M. CREAGH, Postmistress.	which is the only newspaper that is printed and published within the boundaries of the Shire. As the advocate of the interests and		
d, and unequalled in the oper display of Wool.	when you want your watch repaired so that it will be a pleasure for you to carry it, bring it		went in and stayed for thirteeu weeks, and after undergoing two operations, I got a little better,		for the welfare of this district, it has a claim	NEWSPAPER LAW.	SUPPLEMENT,
upping right as the doors.	here where repairs are made a specialty, and		Refore I had been out of hospital a week I	The Man Who Doesn't Advertise	for a considerable amount of support, and has a greater scope for extended usefulness	1. Subscribers who do not give	Containing and
IERS" CLIPS	where only skilled hands are employed. Up- wards of 12,000 watches have passed through	In addition to complete and impartial	hecame worse than ever, so my wife told me to try 'Olarke's Blood Mixture.' I did so, and after taking five bottles and using four bots of	Wanthes there a man with soul so dead	than any other journal or journals within a	express notice to the contrary, in	Amusing Anecdotes.
rsonal attention, and no-	my workshop since starting business in Ballarnt. Jewellery repaired or made to order. Stones 16-	eports of all local meetings, an	your salve I was completely cured, 1) have waited twelve months to see if my legs broke out	That to himself he hath Dot said.	Job Printing, plain and ormemorial	writing, are considered as wishing to continue their subscriptions.	Pastoral News, Poultry Farming
	st or mounted. Gilding and engraving done.		again, but, thanks to your 'Clarke's World."	the enother ten-inch ad.	every description, is executed with neathess, accuracy and despatch, and on the most	2. If subscribers order the discon	Agricultural Intelligence,
CAL CONSUMPTION 3		interesting	have ever been in my life. You can make what- ever use you like of this letter."-Oet. 15, 1908.	it spon shere be, go mark him well, For him no bank scopurt shall swell-	reasonable terms. We take this opportunity of that king our	tinuance of their newspapers, the	Gardening Items.
es_	Address-		and the second sec	No angel watch the golden star	patrons for past favors, and while respect- fully soliciting a renowal of support, desire	publisher may continue to send them until arrears are paid.	Etc., Etc., Etc.
sest ruling in the colony. and Proceeds rendered	ATADAT AAVAIT		seen hosts of letters from all sorts and conditions	To such a man the noisy din	to state that increased attention will be	3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to	
ays after sale. Selling Brokers only.	GEORGE PAYNE,		benefit they have received from Clarke's Blood	For bargain hunters by the score	given to all matters of local and general interest. As a record of news we will	take their newspapers from the post- office to which they are directed, they	REGADINE A
Practical English and Colonial Experience in	WATCHMAKER and JEWELLER,		Lico bight optimator attoo if alather and lice		always endeavour to 'make your columns' as	are held responsible until they settle	Business Men, Read
(-)			the blood from all impurities, and reteres and reteres the blood from all impurities, and restores it to its normal condition." This a good testimonial	And on some barnyard gate a sorawl	ments, is fact, we will aim at improvement, and, therefore, confidently appeal to the	their bills, and ordered the newspapers	
if required, directly on into store	BALLARAT	Is presented to Regular Subscribers.	from the Ramity Doctor, the popular medical weekly, which goes on further to say :* It is certainly the finest blood purifier that science	to propie and the read the fance.	L DUDIE FOR LICTORICE SUDMORE	4. If subscribers move to other places	"What steam is to machinery, adver- tising is t "usiness."
	(Two doors down Sturt-street from the		and skill have brought to light, and we can with the utmost confidence recommend it' to our	The man who never asks for trade hy local line or ad. displayed with the	ARTHUR PARKER, Proprietor	without informing the publishers, and	And another wer has said that
it leaves	Post Office.)		subscribers and the public generally."	Literan more for rest than worldly gain	<ul> <li>Martin and Article and Articl</li></ul>	the papers are sent to the former direc- tion, the subscribers are responsible	"He who in his "biz" would rise, Must either 'bust' or advertise."
	<b>A</b>	ORDERS FOR	Sold by all Chomists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the World.	And miranary but sives him pains Area lightly, friends, or nerude sound Disturb his solitude profand	Business nisn-"You remember that	5. The court has decided that	And advertisers cannot do better than make t
vel.			Ask for	1	ad. I had in your paper, and took out	is refusing to take periodicals from the post-office or leaving them uncalled for,	Riponskire Advocate the medium for their announcements.
		Plain and Ornamental	Clarke's Blood Mixture	Unsugat except by men he over.	have it put back again.' Editor_	"prime facie evidence of intentional	
1.		Flam and Vinamonius	and beware of worthless imitations and sub	And when he dies, go plant him deep That naught may breat his dreamless sleep	"Why, I thought you said no one noticed it while it was in." Business	fraud." 6. Any person who receives a news-	
		and the second second	stilutes, see a set of the set of	Where no rude tiamor may dispet	man (humbly)-"They didn't seem to	naper and makes use of it, whether he	Arthur Parker;
		IOD - DDINTING	RE MINING LEASES.	And that the world may know its loss Place on his grave a wreath of moss	uptil I took it out." The mere fact of	has ordered it or not, is held in law to	Printer and Publisher,
	FUNERAL REFORM. Established 1860.	+JOB * PRINTING +	It is notified for general information	And on the stone above, " Here lies	your advertising lets people know you are still in business; also that you'	المتقدمين والمتحد و	LAWRENCE STREET, BEAUFORT.
ASPATENT DISC.	A. H. SANDS		that applicants for Mining Leases ar required, within seven days previous t		business is sumciently inportant to	HINTS TO FRIENDLY READERS	1
	(Late Wm. Buker),	Executed with Neatness and	lodging the application, to insert in		stand sdvertising. If you are in busi- uese you cannot afford to do without	successful institution.	JUB PRINTING
	UNDERTAKER,	Despatch.	newspaper published in the distric where the land is situated; or if no suc	IL DENIS MOTHS, BERTLES, and all other inserts	advertising, as it is too much of an	Talk about it wherever you go Mention it to the tradespeople with	OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,
	Opposite the State School,		newspaper, then in one publishe	Whilst quite harmless to domestic animals. I	a traction an interview with a name ha	whom you do business.	ADDRESS & BUSINESS CARDS
r.	NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT. Hearse and other requisites supplied in		nearest the district, an advertisemen	this extraordinary. It is perfectly clean i	B have made and have and have a statistical and the statistical of the		
RAMED DISC,	town or country.		or notice in the form marked "A" i the schedule relating to Mining Lease	application. See the article vou purchase "S.B.ATINGS," i.e., with the signature THOMAN KEATING on each tin, as initation	The greatest and you can give your newspaper is your job printing; if you	It you are induced to buy anything	BILLHEADS, POSTERS, DELIVERY BOGES
ork done. Leads Everywhere.	Funerals of all classes furnished at the lowest possible charges.	2 A set of the set	Justices' Fixtures	B. THOMAS KEATING on each tin, as , imitation are noxious and inametrual." Sold in Tius, 6 and 1s. sach, by all chemists.	and a stand was a stand was a stant on a sta	tiom what you have road in fact, to the	
Trada 70.01	Post, Telegraph, and Telephone Mes-	Bear in mind that	all a start the start of the st	Of you dry to do pesunis mitow	t aurely you can afford to give the	tradesman	&C., &C ,.
DISC	sages promptly attended to.	دی. 1993ء میں معامدہ میں اور ان ایک میں میں اور	Lattend the Beaufort Courts of Pett	oladvertising, you will find yourse	t heads, fetter-lieads, envelopes, and all	Don't lend your paper to any person	
Orchard Cultivator,	A. H. SANDS,	ADYERRISING	Sessions as under : Second Tuesday		business printing to execute. The	who can anora to become a subscriber	AT MELBOURNE PRIORS.
- Simple and easy	Cabinet Maker, Upholsterer,		Messrs F. Beggs, J. R. Wotherspoon, and Bear-Admin	dese tifferences : ven you dou't got som	him to pay his printers for secting up	priso.	Office :- Lawrence Street, Beau for t.
			Bridges. Fourth TuesdayMeen	an somedimes shenerally always mak	the thousand and one free hotices he	A country paper kindly supplies this	Plain & Ornamental Frinting
DOT,	and Picture Framer	ALWAYS PAYS.	M., Flynn, G. Topper, and T. Begg	for advertising come right avay outo	ALAGRACHT AUG ADDISCOMM 2 DAT ADD	beautiful simile : "Xou might as wel	Of Every description executed at the?
s, Small Orchards	A well-assorted stock of Softword		THROAT APPECTION AND HOASSENERS.	of, all der year rount, mit some money	" utice that can give you nu auch return	thimbleful of scapsude as attempt to de	D WAITONSHIKE ADVOCATE "
xtension Principle.	Timber, Picture Framing, Painta, Oils	Business men should note that as the	e All suffering from irritation of the throat a	A DATOR TO MOTHERS!-Are you broken	and is spending neither time, noney	Butiness and ignore advertising.	<b>OFFICE</b>
UES.	and Window Glass kept on hand.	7	HURT BERGER ALL SCALE AND ALL	it your, rest by a sick child authoring with the pa	in ut town. The time may come when	for drops of the liquid " Floriline	
		Local Puppi is extensively read in the		Senir. It will relieve the joprauferer ine	NG anewspaper can tive simply upon th	Sprinkled, bu; which thorough, cleanade th	
R, 22	Give your orders for JOB PRINTING t the newspaper in your district, because i	it district, it therefore affords a splendi	o with a "hacking cough," a "slight" col	a line of produces) atural, quint chard	to obserintions, but no ordinary news	the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives	The state of the s
ORY,	prints thousands of reports and notifications for which it receives no payment	8-	too soon, as similar troubles, it allow	d relieving the child from path, and the fit	tle paper in any ordinary town can exis	the steeth a peculiar pearly whiteheas, and the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteheas, and delightful fragmance to the breath. It remove delightful fragmance to the breath it set	ALNING SCRIP, CALL RECKIPT
BOORT.	whatever. It is always spending its tim	ne advertising meanim.	Asilmatic Affections. See that the work	de sollienthechild, it soltens the gums, slinge	the paper in any ordinary rownican exist at wishout the suxillary support derive all wishout the suxillary support derive is from job printing? ("before," if you if want a good newspaper	delightin in bidour arising from decayed teor all unpleasent idour arising from decayed teor or tobacco smoke. ' The Fragrant Floriline,	BELIVERY BOOKS, &
IXON BROS.	and money to benefit and improve the prospects of the place through which	ie it State and a second	Government Stamparound each box. Prepar	ad the best known remedy for hysentery	nu want a good newspaper that can	being composed in parts of Honey and sive	
	urculates. It gives you value in retur	B State of the second	Burojean Depet, 33, Farringdon Road, Londe	be, other chuses Ars Williow shouthing Sy	or still fuither help you and your town-	- United discovery of the age. Of all Chemig	(4) The second s
the office of The	fer your printing or a	<ul> <li></li></ul>	Rugland, CHARDER COMMON	Constraints and share a difference of the	The second state of the se	Boad, London, England.	
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SEVERAL LINES OF SHEEP FOR SALE.

Measure Dixon Bros. (per Mr W. H. Halibin auction: - Farm property, stock, zc., at 2 p.m. of the farm property, stock, zc., at 3 p.m. of the

formers were distinctly above the average (Cr. Pickford) asked him if the creek was the were distinctly above the average (Cr. Pickford) asked him if the creek was who supplies the comic clamate the out of the super clamate the out of the supplies the comic clamate the out of the super clamate the super who supplies the comic element, is a host hold the connection responsible, and he said in himself, and is well supported by the yes. Nothing prevents the scouring of the members of his company, prominent among whom are Miss Ehje Linder, Miss Mary Clive, Mise Laura Keene, Messra Ordell, Clive, Miss Laura Keene, Measre Ordell, Williams, Llewellyn, Stuart, and others. The company is certainly one of the best and most talenated seen here for some time past whole amount, or about \$200, it was don afacted they should get half of the whole amount, or about \$200, it was don sidered they should get half the water, and on the steps. A very impressive su farewell service was held. (S turday) evening the popular drams. Tamsar Oourourn, of 38 years' proven efficiency, for Coughs, Colds, Asthma and Rounchitis, sc. No time will be lost by the Minister for Market and the one of the best of the steps. No time will be lost by the Minister for

No time will be lost by the Minister for Mines (Mr McLeod) in bringing into opera-tion the provisions of the Mines Act passed by Parliament during the session just closed. In accordance with his instructions, the sec-retary for Mines (Mr Anderson) has prepared the necessary regulations: These remissions retary for mines (or Anderson) has prepared the necessary regulations. These regulations deal principally with the new mining boards cre-ted under the act. The old mining boards consisted of 10 elected members. The boards consisted of 10 elected members. 'Ine new boards will consist of seven members-two each will be elected by the companies operating in the district, by the branches of the A.M.A., and by those holding miners' rights in each district. In addition, the in-

rights in each district. In addition, the in-spector of mines is to be a member of the board, . Mr McLeod will also at once take into consideration the question of the ap-pointment of the Sludge Abatement Board which is to be established under the provms of the act.

ments outside their own church, and their and adouted. leparture will be sadly felt.

At Watchem the last survices were very largely attended—the Mechanics Hall being full. The committee meeting was held and each member spoke fielingly of yes. Nothing prevents the scouring of the creek now but the stone crossing. Already the councils had spent £500 in defining the creek above the "V," bringing the water down from the mount, and as the vote the singing of "God" be with

Raglan Methodist Church Anniversary Services and Con- banded round.

Beaufort Fire Brigade.

1904

The monthly meeting of the above A public meeting was held in the Me was held on Thursday night; Captain Sinclair in the chair, and II members present. Mr H. M. Stuart was also chanics' Institute on Friday night, 21-t ult., to devise means of raising funds tor the Beaufort Brass Band. Dr. G. A. Eadle, president of the Band, occupied present. The minutes of the previous Correspondence. -From Secy. Country The Chairman, on being called upon to Fire Brigades Board, forwarding badge explain the object of the meeting, said he for presentation to Foreman G. Hell that the meeting had been called to try and the the band over its temporary diffithought they were all pretty well aware service. From same, re new uniforms, culty. Certainly it was not anything very stating that 9s was the usual price in serious, but the expense was greater than The owner way and he has provided in any difference of the Advanced of the State of Victoria for making coats, and could the revenue. The contributions did n t

ton. An account of 2s was passed for the cause or 10, as well as the fact that payment. The secretary read the they had now only 20 paving members, balance-sheet for the year ending 31st inst., showing a credit balance of ments coming off shortly, there was no balance-sheet was received possible means of the Baud enderstance possible means of the Baud running an enter ainment. They wanted the money Captain Sinclair said he had a very at once. He felt sure that if they started

pleasing duty to perform-to present a subscription list they would soon get £5, Foreman Hellyer with a long service which would tide them over till funds badge. Foreman Hellyer had been from engagements came in. He underconnected with the old volunteer bright Bridges would engage the Bind, and there and the present one for 20 years. He was the £5 from the B xing Day sports. thought it was a most deserving case. In answer to Mr E. W. Hughes, Mr He was pleased with the badge and was Jones said the Band wanted " tiding over

sure the foreman would feek greatly for about a month. pleased with it also, and congratulated him. He had, by his long service, shown his loyalty to the brigade and to Beaufort. He thought the brigade in the brigade in the bast institutions in the mised 2s 6d. was one of the best institutions in the

A Voice—" We'll get it to night." Mr Cochran moved that the secretary town. Foreman Hellyer had always town. Foreman Hellyer had always that outstant moved that the secretary been one of the first at fires and the be authorised to take up a collection in last to leave. He hoped the foreman would be a member of the brigade for Mr Robertson did not think it was a

seconded the motion, which was caired, The return match between the Ararat and Baaufort Cickie Claus was played at Ararat on "Saturday," and resulted in a win for the home team by 10 ran's Ararat sooring 244 to Beauforts 63. For the victors, Daiah (67 obt ot 0), Graham (63), Thurgood (37), Molloy (35), Webb (32), and Lang (18) were the principal scorers. Have y a collection, and a number of musical items were so and a number of musical items were at a cost of 36 runs, Hoper 1 for 10, and Webb 1 for 16, 10. Molecular 10, and 10, and

by Mr Bicoowan and Mrs McGowan were held. The foreman was one of the volunteer brigade. Mr Robertson explained that such te-and expressed sincere sorrow at their members of the volunteer brigade. Mr Robertson explained that such te-plied, thanking all for their kindness. He had joined when the speaker was Refreshments, provided by the ladies, were captain, and the assured them he had all ways found the foreman to work like matter should first be properly discussed by the Band.

sions of the act. It is just as well that all publicans should clearly understand that the provision in re-gard to the probibition of sale or supply of liquor to children, under the age of sixteen in actual force. The licensing inspector for the district is anxious not to take any under advantage of any licensee, and therefore On Tuesday, the 15th, a farewell the far any fire. He was pleased on Tuesday, the 15th, a farewell the far any fire. He was pleased on Tuesday, the 15th, a farewell the far any fire. He was pleased on Tuesday, the 15th, a farewell the far any fire. He was pleased by the Band\_ The chairman said that had already been done, and that this meeting was the conducted on Sunday afternoon and even-in actual force. The licensing inspector for the chairman, Mr Mocowan engaged, in advantage of any licensee, and therefore He considered the fire brigade the inest then. institution in the world, as they were then. Mr Robertson said he was out of the. in actual force. The disconting inspector for any locanese, and therefore the distribution and to keeke any undige the distribution is a solution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take any undige the distribution of the amount of take and the one of the amount of on Wednesday evening a concert was 14 I will feed my fock." Mr Williams ( The badge, which has a circular cen-congregation joined in singing "Farewell faithful friends," to the tune of "Home Sweet Home." Mr McGowan then unopposed at last meeting, Captain public of Beaufort were under the impres-Sinclair declared them duly elected. pronounced the benediction, and at a late sion that the Band were continually hel re nour the meeting broke up. He thanked the brigade for their conthem-begging, as it was calledfidence in him and other officers, and Last Thursday, at the Mechanics' Hall fact, there had been a letter in the paper hoped it would long continue. The cert since "'90," (1902 was evidently meant), and only a collection hal been a public farewell was tendered to Mr and Mrs McGowan, Cr. Lockwood, J.P., pre-nding. The ball was full, several of the farming community from some consider-ble distance being procession. the D. Sinclair; lieutenant, F. Glenister ; taken up on the eve of New Year's Day 10. secretary, L. Hains ; foreman, G. Hell- help defray the expense of going to the able distance being present. Mrs Lilburne Ararat competition. Mr Robertson said that was quite corplayed an overture and the accompany monte; Mrs Turner, Misses Blyth, E. Cotta, Matthews, and Measra Macqueen and Turner sang soles, and Mr. Hosking, in a An enjoyable hour was spent after action is greatly approximately app the business had been transacted, and light vafeshments was about allowing called by the Band a fortnight ago had A start of the start o Mesars Hillgrove, Grantly, and Williams, they could have. He congratulated the been supported. all of whom apoke mest highly of the public officers on the position they were in and the computing at large; especially in all the way they carried out their duties; the community at large; especially in all the way they carried out their duties; been supported. Mr Robertson said he had only hear is a see of slokness and trailers, and the construction with the band was to on the code. He was to be band was to the code. He was the band was to be been supported. He was the band was to be ban assurance, and rearry with a skilful assistance tributed by Brigadiers W. Baker, J. tributed by Brigadiers W. Baker, J. In replying, Mr. McGowan, on behalf of his wife and himself, thanked the public yery bordially for their beautiful presents, and reciting. After the singing of "Auld said that where'er he was situated he could lang syne," the gathering dispersed. move an amendment. Mr Robertson did not want to do that. He had got an offer voluntarily the ther night of 6d per week. Mr Cochran was very glad to see a mem-ber of the Band so independent. If they LINUM CATHARTICUM PILLS' . of "Monnta could manage without assistance, he would Flax. Agreeably Aperient. Worthy of trial be glad to withdraw what he had promised. Personally, he was one of the first to come to their assistance, and was sorry to see the Band's position to-night. PHOSPHOL Certainly they had been a great pleasure and benefit to the town, and through them a memorial to the Queen had been built. He did not see any reason why they should not take without demur a shilling from **EMULSION** whoever offered it. Mr. Robertson was (Finest Norwegian Cod Liver Oil, wi only a young man, and there were slways a few growlers. He advised them to wipe Hypophosphiles of Lime and Sode). off their little overdraft, and said that they could not expect to get on without a little expense, as their tutor came from Ballarat. He did not mind giving snother A Very Valuable Remedy for DIBEASES of the CHEST, MINERS' COMPLAINT & CENERAL WEAKNESS 28 6d if they were not too proud to accept A Free Sample Bottle will be sent

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PART 5.

"Yes, certainly !" res doctor, with nervous have only to explain bert. I am pledged and carry out your particular. minutest should I not be?' warming as he went you the poor child's have not you and Lad a deeper interest in her all the rest of the wo Emphatically gether. Emphaticall now, Sir Robert, acc gies, I entreat you. champ so amiably explains, I did not lightest suspicion tion would prove The breathless flow eloquence was silenced by a touch on his arm Beside him stood Mr little salver with two port upon it. Lady Beauchamp profuse in her thanks bert gratefully drained glass to the last drop. As Lady Beaucham to the salver she aga the doctor, gently bert with a touch Your proposition suming her seat, and inviting the doctor to d proposition was your iatural

But Sir Robert views ous event not only as To provide for our deal fort, and at the same dreadful truth from a is now the one thought his tortured mind. "Yes, the one thoug thought !" echoed Sir Re

echoed Sir Re groan and a pitcous g doctor. Dr. Jeffries looked fro other, and then blurt question in his mind. 'But how is it to

cried. "The grave along sorrows as this, and cannot be permitted to Great Heavens "No ! Lady Beauchamp man test with raised hands and then answered the

quiry. "How ?" she repeated. ing i among friends wi her secret and protect h tenderest care from hers A faint smile showed the doctor's mouth. 'If such friends could

Is a Bevelation.

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Mr. Robertson replied that Mr Cochran a receipt of 4d. to cover Postage. had to ken it up wrongly. Mr Jones did not see the difference beween permanent and temporary collecions, as someone would have to go round

A collect them. Mr Cochran sold be would withdryw his motion with the consent of his seconder, if better one could be brought forward.

the will and the power. and I have the former latter. And Heaven where they Lady Beauchamp gent

cd him "Sir Robert and I know That statement mad paused.

Her heart was swell mingled triumph and fear ed her to silence. Whic be-success or defeat? move in the deadly ga playing would bring he In a sudden scorn of he she answered the questic Yes, success ! How cou it? What had she not complished ? Yes, the in the game and the tra-

> warily prepared for pecting feet would be sprung. She thought that, rais ing lids for a moment her eyes, and-made the

> > -----•!•-----CHAPTER 1

With swift speech, dul and luminously anxiou Beauchamp dashed heart of her plan. "We have the friends "Will you and Mrs. Je your invaluable assistant our afflicted one in their ing ?-assist us without

suspicion of the true journey ?" Lady Beauchamp put so vitally important. of her plan, and then strange dread of the an

on. "Dr. and Mrs. Alli friends to whom 1 al only held in the highes teem by Sir Robert an are particularly qualifie sponsible task which

kindly undertaken to 

composure, broke in at "Yes, Jeffries he cried have undertaken it have promised it. Lac thought of everything blind to all the mut had awakened her al quietly, with aching hea bing brain, doing what soften the calamity sh sooner or later, be un And oh, Jeffries, the ters penned by this l gently covering with the dainty member chair-the sublime, with which she kept sight, and a hypothet

Dr. Allingham, till as and his mother would the friends we need ! mirable ! But some read the whole corresp riends. I have it in f of Lady Beauchamp's le noble responses they tor, in what an abys misery I should this de

but for the wife who He paused, too much say more. Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries shower of admiring ( Lady Beauchamp li Lips quivering, eve turned her tender gaze bert's face and looked

and his wife. "Ah." she said, v trenulous sweetness, know, as others never has suffered in the pa



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flattery-

dear

for me to say who our representa-tive would be. I could only state

The charming grace with which

Both flushed with gratification and

"And Mrs. Allingham ?" presently

both expressed it in suitable phrase.

asked Mrsy Jeffries. "Will she also meet us at Baden Baden ?"

Nina should make her acquaintance at once, 1 think. And it is a great

Mrs. Jeffries, will find a delightful

pleasure to know that you,

she bowed to the doctor and his wife rendered her meaning plain.

"MY LADY'S SIN."

SUMMARY OF OPENING

CHAPTERS.

Old Sir Robert Beauchamp marries

One day she questions her father a-bout the will, and tells him how Isa-

dore is building hopes on the possi-

bility of her death, which Lady Beau-

by their Christian names, and both seem to be working for the same ob-

ject Nins has a narrow escape with

her life. Sir Robert and Lady Beau-

chainp consult Dr. Jeffries regarding

Nina, wio is represented as being

OF THE GLOBE.

Baden Baden.



THE WICKED PLOT THAT FAILED. 約

The Author of "The Exchanged Will." "The Secret of the Grace Cup," "Counterfeit Claimants," Etc., Etc.

-----PART 5.

by a touch on his arm.

class to the last drop.

bert with a touch.

his tortured mind."

question in his mind.

hatural

doctor.

'No 1

test

ed him.

paused.

spræig.

more.

and his wife.

Beside him stood Mrs. Jeffries, a

little salver with two glasses of rare

port upon it. Lady Beauchamp was winningly

profuse in her thanks, and Sir Ro-

ert gratefully drained the generous

As Lady Beauchamp returned hers

to the salver she again addressed

"Your proposition," she said, re-

suming her seat, and by a gesture

inviting the doctor to do the same-

your proposition was the most

But Sir Robert views this calamit-

ous event not only as an immeasur-

ible sorrow, but a bitter disgrace.

To provide for our dear Nina's com-

fort, and at the same time hide the

dreadial truth from a gaping world,

is now the one thought that occupies

thought !" echoed Sir Robert with a

groan and a pitcous glance at the

Dr. Jeffries looked from one to the

other, and then blurted out the

'But how is it to be done," he

serrows as this, and meanwhile she

cannot be permitted to kill herself."

Lady Beauchamp made that pro-

Hew ?" she repeated. "By plac-

"The grave alone hides such

Great Heavens, no !"

with raised hands and eyes,

and then answered the doctor's in- light.

one that could be made.

the one thought-the one

the doctor, gently silencing Sir Ro-

e sufficient funds to enable "Yes, certainly !" responded the ong for a little while, the the sports and other erald tide the Band through, ley wanted to consider the and carry out your ideas to the raising funds for that purminutest particular. And why should J not be?" he continued, was found to be such a suggestion had been made warmine as he went on. a be taken up, as the secre-£5 note would carry them. you and Lady Beauchamp have not re revenue came in. He deeper interest in her welfare than sed to hear any suggestions all the rest of the world put to-Emphatically yes. And gether. Emphatically yes. And now. Sir Robert, accept my apoloues, secretary of the Band, suggestion of taking up a gies, 1 entreat you. As Lady Beauchamp so amiably and intelligently I was the en lest way to tide difficulty for the time being explains, I did not understand. The slightest suspicion that my suggesmate for the Band to be m tion would prove objectionable but the large donation they The breathless flow of the doctor's ards the band rotunda was eloquence was silenced at that point

t, as well as the fact that only 20 paving members, uses were 24s per week. being so many entertainoff shortly, there was noof the Band running an They wanted the money sure that if they started list they would soon get £5. tide them over till funds actual in the underongage the Band, and there m the B xing Day sports.

ablic ....ceiing.

re present.

eeting was held in the Me-

tute on Friday night, 21st

means of raising funds for

Brass Band. Dr. G. A.

ent of the Band, occupied

about 20 persons (principally

in, on being called upon to

ject of the meeting, said he

were all pretty well aware

ting had been called to try

and over its temporary diffi-

inly it was not anything very

ie expense was greater than

The contributions did n.t

ense of bringing the band-

n Ballarat; the revenue was

illings short each week. If

ight have to offer.

and wanted " tiding over" chran thought there should puble in raising £5. in said he would be pleased and Mr Cochran also pro-

Well get it to-night." m-ved that the secretary o take up a collection infunds. Seconded by Mr on did not think it was a

a public meeting to inary of the Band to take and as a Band member ly of ject to it. As long n Beanfort he had he rd I the Band being nothings

a said he should not takeat sort of talk, as it was

explained that such reby people of intelligence\_ secretary being in-"eadging" again. The list be properly discussed

an said that had already

let him suffer one pang more again. champ with soft, inelsive if by any act of mine, he could be "of course it was quite impossible spared that pang? I would rather 'That vehement declaration made my wishes and hopes on that point"

Lady Beauchamp return to the point from which she had been diverted. "] was about to state," she said, her voice still tremulous, "that Mrs. Allingham's son is not only an experienced physician but one who has made the treatment of diseases of the brain, a special study.' "Ah !" softly ejaculated Dr. Jeffries to himself in pleased accents. Lady Beauchamp caught the eja-

Beauchamp.

am sure it must."

culation with a thrill of exceeding vicie} ⊙ By ⊙ **}?** satisfaction, but composedly proreeded. tirement at their own Castle in the grandest, wildest, and loveliest por-tion of the Diant Porest "

"Are not

tion of the Black Forest." Dr. Jeffries here interposed upon the colloquy, rousing himself from For the second time Dr. Jeffries breathed a gratified ejaculation. the momentary reverie into which he "Their permanent residence at the castle." Lady Beauchamp continued; had fallen.

"In my judgment," he said, "there "is due to a heavy stroke of misshould be no unnecessary delay in fortune, by which the bulk of their carrying out this desirable and most property was almost entirely lost. humane project. Mrs. Jeffries and I actor, with nervous haste. "You the late Mr. Allingham's, remained have only to explain them, Sir Ro-tert. I am pledged to assist you the late Mr. Allingham has ever since to them, and to that they retired. He turned from Sir Robert and Lady Beauchamp, and looked ques-to the Dr. Allingham has ever since to the turned from the swile. The castle, a fancy possession of devoted himself to the completion tioningly at his wife.

champ.

mother first, and now the daughter. I have had heavy sorrows," says the baronet. Meantime, it is evident She acquiesced promptly and posiof a voluminous work, which he She hopes to publish in the course of a tively. that Lady Beauchamp and her maid,

Beauchamp could scarcely warmine as ne went on. Are not hopes to public in the Mrs. Allingham Lady Beauchamp could scarcely rou the poor child's father? And year or two, and Mrs. Allingham Lady Beauchamp could scarcely has devoted herself to the happiness conceal her exultation. Such desof her son, and the culture of her patch she had not so much as hoped flowers, in which she delights. Sir for. As she knew there was nothing Robert and I spent a most charm- to hear from Nina in the way of obing week with them while making stacless and her satisfaction was our bridal tour-a week, I fancy, complete, which neither of us will forget." Some time was spent in the carc-

The baronet turned a fond look up-on her but before he could speak Dr. ful consideration of the various de-tails of the plan, after which Sir Robert and Lady Beauchamp took "Allingham ! Allingham ! Eng-lish I judge ?" said the doctor, From Harley-street they were

driven to a telegraph-office where a ooking interrogatively at Lady telegram was despatched to Dr. Allingham, mentioning the date at "The late Mr. Allingham was an

Englishman; Mrs. Allingham, a which the travellers might be ex-German-a German lady by birth- pected at Baden Baden. Lady Beauchamp drew a breath of

and what a lady !" "A matchless woman !" exclaim-relief as the horse ed Sir Robert. "Accomplished, high- Grosvenor-square. relief as the horses were headed for Everything that be done that day had been bred, regal in air, and though past middle age, extremely beautiful." done. It was late when they reached "And."

continued Lady Beauchamp feelingly, as he paused, "a being fit home, the dressing-bell ringing for canonization in her heavenly the seven o'clock dinner as they sweetness of temper and her kindness crossed the hall.

of heart. Her companionship alone Sir Robert stopped a minute in the should prove a valuable remedial library before going to his dressing agent for our poor Nina; but when room, leaving Lady Beauchamp to combined with delightful opportun- go up alone. ities for excursions, near or remote, She had mounted but a few steps, it must prove wholly restorative. I when she caught sight of Nina on the

second flight. am sure it must. "Think !" she continued. "If at any time diversion should be con-sidered desirable, Baden Baden, with was too quick for her.

its amusements, and neighbouring She overtook her at the head of places of interest can be easily the stairs. reached. Then other charming ex- She addressed her; the suave ascursions which might be made de- perity of her tone expressive of the lightful to her-Mannheim, Heidel- deepest vexation and disapproval, in Fair. Not until the strongest asberg, Frankfort, Mayence, Wies- spite of the words she uttered. baden, and even Berlin and Vienna. "You must allow me to com-"You must allow me to congratu-Everything fresh, everything new- late you." she smiled. "I am the

ner diseased mind. "Yes, yes," muttered the doctor, sometimes favour poor mortals your in thoughtful soliloquy, caressing wishes are about to be gratified. In his round rosy chin, and nodding short you are to go abroad."

paling. 'Yes, yes !" she echoed joyfully. "Cicerone and chaperone have both "I told you so dear Robert. I told been discovered," continued Lady you it would do her a world of Beauchamp, "in the persons of Dr. good. Oh Robert, we shall have her and Mrs. Jeffries, who have some-

**VENEZUELA'S STRANCE MOUN-**TAINS. 

## OUNTONIP IN THIBET

LIKE HUGE CUBES OF ROCK. AND MATRIMONY.

While Africa has drawn many and many a British adventurer, natural-Old Sir Robert Beautiful young a second wife-a beautiful young Spanish widow with a daughter of her own-and makes a new will, by is hardly known as an exploring ist, explorer, and missionary to the foraging expedition on a weaker depths of its marvellous forests, tribe, and by seizing as many wo-

her own-and makes a new will, by America, espectively before the as may be defined, however, is which, in the event of his own is hardly known as an exploring the usual method, however, is which, in the event of his ground to Englishmen. "Oh yes," exclaimed Lady Beau-daughter, Nina, dying unmarried, his ground to Englishmen. hamp. "It is highly desirable that stepdaughter, Isadore, becomes his But at least one Briti But at least one British subject, a with the glory of martial life destepdaughter, Isadore, becomes his naturalist named Andre, recently in-sole heiress. Nina suspects her step-naturalist named Andre, recently in-sites a wife he waits upon the father of the girl of his choice, and makes mother of sinister motives, and vestigated the forests on the borders of the girl of his che of the caura River, a tributary of an offer of marriage. The father, after weighing the matthe mighty Orinoco, and his book, "A Naturalist in the Guianas," con- ter carefully waits in turn upon the

taining a description of his exper-iences and discoveries, makes most priests and acquaints them of the pature of the offer, at the same time champ is trying to effect by means of fascinating reading. One of the most paying them a munificent bribe in poison. Unknown to Nina, Lady interesting features of his work is Beauchamp overhears this converties the information concerning the so-sation, and advancing from behind a called inaccessible mountains. pre-sation, and advancing from behind a context of the information concerning the so-sation.

sation, and advancing from behind a called inaccessible mountains. pre-curtain she whispers something in cipitous and flat-topped which extend her husband's car which affects him far and wide over the southern part visibly and arouses Nina's anger. of Venezuela. The best known of Her ladyship's plan is to convince them is Roraima, on the border be-tween British Guiana and Venezuela. Sir Robert that his daughter is not responsible for her actions, and she is slowly poisoning herself. "The mother first, and now the daughter. able mountains are scattered far to the west. Andre discovered a num-luxuries, and must be on guard ber of them 250 miles to the west of against rival suitors. At the end of a month the chosen

Dolores, have an understanding be- Roraima. tween them, for they call each other All of the . I All of these mountains are of the one is invited to a grand feast by the father of the girl, where the be-throthal is sealed by each cutting a same type, and the only important difference between them seems to be that they vary in size. Roraima has small incision in the arm and mingbeen known for many years as preling the blood which flows from the vounds. senting The function of blood-brotherhood

UNCOMMON PROBLEMS FOR GEOGRAPHERS.

mad, and a journey abroad is sug-gested. It is agreed that Nina shall In appearance it is most unusual accompany Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries to for it is practically a cube or rock, standing apart, rising to a height of nearly 3,000it. the upper 5,000it. of which is apparently a precipice which is thought to be impossible of ascent THE OLDEST KNOWN INHABITANT

But Mr. Im Thurn found a way up the mountain in 1884, and three mon have since reached the summit, two of them spending the night on the

Several years ago, when the sonsurface. These mountains are all that is in-law of Karl Hagenbeck, the animal trainer, was looking for inter-esting specimens, he learned of the left of a very high sandstone plateau that, countless ages ago, covered the whole of that region, so that its existence on the island of Scychelles off the coast of Madagascar, of a giant tortoise, that was celebrated surface was much higher above the sea than it is to-day. The many among the natives not merely for streams have cut away nearly all its great size—it weighs 970lb.— but for the fact that there was docuthe plateau, leaving only these strange mountains as memorials of mentary evidence that it had been living on the earth for over 150 the incalculably distant past. years, and probable evidence that it In every case the upper p In every case the upper parts of

had been from 100 to 150 years the walls are older than that.

After careful investigation he was satisfied of the truth of the state-ment, and set about to secure the against the foot has made slopes by loan of this animal (which, by the which the eminences may be partly way, is held in the highest esteem ascended. Only the top of Roraima and respect on this island), for exhibition at the St. Louis World's surances were made that the vener-able curiosity would be returned to

the Seychelles did the native populasurely it would prove beneficial to bearer of welcome tidings. By one tion consent to part with him for spired him with such a sense of her diseased mind." "Yes, yes," muttered the doctor, sometimes favour poor mortals your formed by Mr. Hagenback (says the spired these mighty and unscaleable "Scientific American") that when the tortoise reached America, it was

his shiny, bald head. My lady threw up her hands in de- Nina, her lovely face flushing and growing from the back of the crea- by the ascents of Roraima. The ture. The tortoise loves the mud,

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QUEER CUSTOMS IN A LAND INTERESTING DISCOVERY MADE THAT NEVER MIXES ROMANCE

· VINEYARD. ----------•]•-----Scientists in Adelaide are interest-Wives are sometimes secured by a ed in a discovery made by Peter Salotti, an Italian, who dug up in his vineyard, what is claimed to be

the body of an aboriginal girl. The figure is 4ft. 3in. long, and is covered with a crust of limestone. Where this is broken away, the un-derlying material has the appear-

ance of fine marble, the surface of which is indented as by the action of weather. The discovery was made in land which became a vineyard 50 years ago, beneath the main roots of a gum-tree Scientists who have inspected the

specimen point out that all doubts as to its genuineness can be removed by taking out a thin section from one of the limbs to show if the bone is present.

FOSSILIZED ABORIGINAL.

IN A SOUTH AUSTRALIAN

Salotti, who has been in South Australia for 31 years, has refused £10') for the fossil.

### HOW WE SEE THINGS. \_\_\_\_\_

### THE EYES ARE MERELY WINDOWS.

How do we see? Did you ever chance to think? The majority of people imagine that they see with their eyes, but this is wrong. Did you ever realize how much of your having been finished, the girl is then brought forward, smeared with vision is mental? We see nothing properly and definitely until the mind grease and other various coloured

pigments, adorned in all her finery, lends its perception. We may gaze steadfastly at a picand with a rope tied round her neck ture, yet be unable to see anything Then cnsues a scene of the shrew-dest bargaining, the father dilating but a confused mass of colour, he cause the mind is seeing faces and scenes imprinted on the brain years on the good points of the girl much before. Call the mental vision back in the manner that a connoisseur of and the figures on the canvas take while the their proper places. At once we see the picture.

Shut your eyes. Can you not see the faces of those you love or hate as clearly as you ever saw them with the physical means of sight? consulted but the bargaining goes on How many times one glances at his for days, and even weeks, until a watch, yet when asked the time as he replaces it in his pocket is unable The requisite price having been to tell, simply because he looked

potent influence over her welfare. By the sale of a girl to one man, however, the father does not relinquish his claims upon her, but may sell her to another suitor or more who come afterwards, until she may



COSTS ALMOST AS MUCH AS IT DOES TO FIGHT.

whole appearance of this 12 square The enormous indemnities which and it is evident that the soil was miles of surface is weird and fantashave been paid to end strife between washed into a deep scar on his back tic. Oblong stones appear mounted and that the seed of the palm, mixed like cannon; others on short stems nations in the past make evident that the cost of stopping a war is only little less than the cost of waging it.

Celestial Empire was compelled

TRYING TO FIND IT.

During a severe engagement an Irish pirvate was espied by his cap-tain in the act of beating a hasty retreat. The man had been a favourite with his superior officer, and when the latter approached him on the subject the following day it was in a spirit more of sorrow than of

anger. "I must confess, Pat," he said, "that your action in the engagement yesterday surprised me." "An' what's the rayson of that,

sorr ?" "Reason enough, Pat. Didn't you promise me you'd be in the thickest the fight, and didn't I see you actually running away, you rascal?' "Running away is it? 'Dade captain, but ye desave yourself. It was in remembrance of me promise, sor, that Oi was runnin' round troyin' to foind out jist where the foight was thickest !"

paid, she is led to the house of her only with the eyes and not with the husband, where she is subjected to a mind also. severe heating, in order to properly humble her spirit, and made to run round the village loudly proclaiming the merits and valour of her hus band, meanwhile touching those ob-

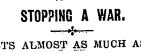
as a badge of subservience.

blooded stock would expound good points of an animal, suitor, having calculated how many cattle he is willing to give, strives to secure her at the lowest possible price.

The wishes of the woman are never

ects which are supposed to have a

have half a dozen husbands.



compensation for the destruction of

SHEER PRECIPICES,

has been reached. Andre spent days in the vain endeavour to get to the summit of Ameha, and it is doubtful of better success would have reward-

ed him on the flanks of Arichi or Arawa. None of the lofty peaks inspired him with such a sense of

Curiosity as to what would be found at the top has been gratified

At the conclusion of the war between England and China in 1840,



this meeting was the concrision was not present self he was out of the,

stood only three members. and a good number were

mortson was losing sight. the Band had no engageconsidered the Bandi

in a husiness way, and, uld do, make the incomeiture. He repeated the as beyond the province of ig to instruct the Bord's. a sub-cription list, and ing the meeting could do that step being taken by

t the supporters of the e any resolution they d had been blamed for one ; that was to say the were under the impreswere continually bef re 14 it was called—and in en a letzer in the paper Band had not run a con-(1902 was evidently a collection had been e of New Year's Day to.

said that was quite cored that the public meetand a fortnight ago had

pense of going to the

uned that the meeting. ng to members and supv at the South Street the races.

id that the relief from ld only be temporary, ed to see how they were e Band was worth any public they should get

can't gainsay that whene to the public we have

aid he had only heen ut was alw ys hearing t'on the cadge." manent voluntary subto go round and ask

lvised Mr Robertson to

d not want to do that. voluntarily the other

very glad to see a memindependent. If they out assistance, he would aw what he had prohe was one of r assistance, and was und's position to-night. een a great pleasure wn, and through them en had been built. He ason why they should mur a shilling from Mr Robertson was and there were always advised them to wife draft, and said that to get on without a heir futor came from t mind giving another t too proud to accept

### lied that Mr Cochran

ngly. see the difference bed temporary collecould have to go round

e would withdr w his ent of his seconder, if brought forward

'but I dare not believe it !" the will and the power. Mrs. Jeffries and I have the former, but not the latter. And Heaven only knows his hearty voice. where they "-

Lady Beaachamp's beautiful. glow-Lady Beauchamp gently interrupting face clouded, and her eyes dropp-

his shiny, bald head.

"Sir Robert and I know," she said That statement made my lady "Well!" she sighed, musingly, "we shall still have one precious That statement made my lady Her heart was swelling with a comfort. Our beloved sufferer will be sheltered from the cold, curious gaze of a mocking world. Nor is mingled triumph and fear that warned her to silence. Which was it to that all; we shall be spared all disbe-success or defeat? The next tress in satisfactorily accounting for her absence. Her own choice has move in the deadly game she was playing would bring her-what? rendered that trouble quite impos-In a sudden scorn of her own doubt sible. A simple truthfulness and a she answered the question. Success prudent reticence will suffice for the Yes, success ! How could she doubt protection of our sad secret.' What had she not already ac-"Her own choice?" asked Dr. complished? Yes, the next move a the game and the trap she had so Jeffries, in surprised accents, 'Her own choice, doctor," answerwarily prepared for Nina's unsused Lady Beauchamp. "And a choice I firmly believe made with the sole pecting jeet would be ready to be purpose of escaping me." She thought that, raised the veil-

My lady buried her face in her hands. Sir Robert sadly explained. ing lids for a moment dropped over her eyes, and-made the move. The doctor startled them all by springing to his feet. -----

#### With swift speech, dulcet utterance CHAPTER X.

and buninously anxious eyes, Lady The doctor surprised them still Bauchamp dashed into the very further by seizing Sir Robert's hand and shaking it with vigorous carbeart of her plan.

"We have the friends," she said. Will you and Mrs. Jeffries lend us nestness. "Her own choice !" he echoed exyear invaluable assistance in placing citedly. "The very happiest comour afflicted one in their tender keepbination of circumstances it has its 2-assist us without exciting her ever been my good fortune to ensuspicion of the true object of the counter Furney ? Sir Robert interposed, and tremu-

CHAPTER IX.

Lady Beauchamp put that question lously put the question Lady Beau-champ had put, but failed to press. so vitally important to the success of her plan, and then in a sudden, "And you and Mrs. Jeffries will strange dread of the answer, hurried consent to travel at my expense, and place my poor child in charge "br. and Mrs. Allingham, the friends to whom I allude are not only held in the highest personal es-

"I know-I understand !" exclaim-"I know-1 understand. ed the doctor, huskily, as the patheteem by Sir Robert and myself, but tic voice suddenly died away. are particularly qualified for the re-Jeffries and I will go to the world's end, with Nina, if necessary !" "And twice over !" supplemented Sponsible task which - they have so kindly undertaken to perform. Dr. Allingham "-

Mrs. Jeffries with a sob. For a moment Sir Robert was Sir Robert who had recovered his ouposure, broke in at this point. too much overcome to speak. When Yes, Jeffries he cried, "yes, the he did it has to say, simply : have undertaken it. Already they "May Heaven for ever bless you, have promised it. Lady Beauchamp my friends." "I am fully conscious," continued thought of everything. While I was blund to all the mute signs which

had awakened her alarm, she was the baronet after a pause, "that I guildty, with aching heart and throbabsolutely inexcusable but for the bin brain, doing what she could to extremity "-"No more, no more !" broke in soften the calamity she knew must,

sooner or later, be met and borne, Dr. Jeffries, with the quavering echo And oh. Jeffries, the admirable letbits penned by this little hand "- of his wife's tearful voice. Sir Robert smiled faintly at the sently covering with his own hand warm-hearted interruption, but perthe dainty member resting on his

sisted. chair-the sublime, loving wisdom "I must explain," he went on, with which she kept Nina out of "that Lady Beauchamp and myself sight and a hypothetic case before br. Allingham, till assured that he would assume the burden of this and his mother would prove to us sad task were"-

and his mother would prove to us The doctor's hearty voice interthe friends we need ! It was adfriends. I have it in full—the copies of Lady Beauchamp's letters, and the hole responses they elicited. Doc-tor. in what an abyss' of honelers yours. But just how to begin the friendship I don't at the present moment, just see." miscry I should this day be plunged but for the wife who has '-Lady Beauchamp came to his as-

He paused, too much overcome to sistance "That," she said, "is a difficulty Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries burst into a shower of admiring ojaculations. Lady Beauchamp lifted her head. already foreseen and provided for by

Dr. Allingham. "He suggests," continued Lady Lips quivering, eyes dim, she turned her tender gaze from Sir Roturned her tender gaze from Sir Ro-Beauchamp, "meeting our chosen re-bert's face and looked at the doctor presentative at Baden Baden, when the acquaintance can begin, and

won, and the matter arranged." of life. The fact that 150 years ago My lady paused to utter an impat-the Sepchelle natives began to take butterfles and other insects, but the goodly portion of this indemnity won, and the matter arranged." "And I hope so," said the doctor, an anmistakable ring of doubt in ient exclamation. In viciously drag-tient exclamation. In viciously drag-tient exclamation. In viciously drag-tense of its are, makes it certain

ment she went on again. "I say it is arranged; that assertion needs modifying. If you can be

ready to start for Paris to-morrow it is arranged, otherwise it is not. abnormal size. Of course my services are quite at your command, and Dolores can assist Lucy, if you wish. And permit me to say that I am very glad Lucy

is a woman of mature years. I should not have been at all pleased to have had you flying off to the Continent with a flippant young maid."

Having expressed herself in these decided tones my lady moved has-tily away without waiting for an answer.

Nina looked after her with troubld eyes. "How angry she is !" she thought

"I hope she will not throw any obstacle in the way between this and to-morrow.'

As that thought framed itself in her mind, Sir Robert's step was heard on the steps below. She waited till he came up. "Papa," she said, half-timidly.

have kindly consented "---"Yes, yes, child, I have consented" nervously interposed the baronet, bringing more earth. In a moment "and Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries will drop in this evening to talk the matter over. Paris, to-morrow, you know, and then Baden Baden, by way of Chalons, Nancy, and Strasburg. You are to travel leisurely and I and then Baden Baden, hope you will enjoy the change, my dear. You shall have carte blanche in time and money. So, if the Jef-

ries's stay should prove disappointingly short, you can make other arrangements—a bired chaperone, you know, or the escort of suitable parties: Of course, the Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries will attend to that before leaving you."

The baronet was hurrying off with the same nervous rapidity with which he had spoken, when Nina gently detained him. The tears suffusing her eyes, and a

strange pain at her heart, she said softly : "Thank you, dear papa, You are very kind; and I pray you may know a minute's pain. Will never you let me thank you with a kiss,

papa, as in the old times?' With a pretty grace, half sad, half bright, she raised her mouth.

(To be continued.) 1434.

### A NEW WAY TO CATCH RABBITS. -----

When off duty Professor Richards, of Yale College enjoys a joke, and his pupils often come to him when they have heard a new one. He adds ceed as follows ;to the fun sometimes with a witticism of his own. Such was the case when one of the students perpetrated

the following antiquity :--"Professor, wouldn't you like a good recipe for catching rabbits ?" is a crater. "Why, yes," replied the professor. "What is it ?" "Well, you crouch down behind a thick wall and make a noise like a

turnip," answered the youth: Quick as a flash came the reply. and his wife. "Ab." she said, with plaintive, the acquaintance can begin, and "yourde as have can build the topy. "Ab." she said, with plaintive, ripen into an invitation for you all "Oh, a better way than that would be for you to go and sit quietly in how, as others never could, all he "Admirable !" exclaimed the doctor a bed of cabbage heads, and look bay suffered in the past? Would 1 "Of course," went on Lady Beau- "natural." cano.

ging at her glove she had burst off cause of its age, makes it certain half a dozen buttons. The next mo- that he must have been at least 100 years of age at that time. This is borne out by the condition of the shell, which is a guide to determin-

ing the age. Further evidence is its

INSECT MECHANICS.

The deliberate use of a tool by a little sand-wasp might well be sup-Rapid progress is now being made with the construction of the Cape to Cairo Railway, and the route posed to indicate reasoning power. well-known naturalist watched a which the line will traverse towards

wasp dig a hole in the earth and de- Khartoum has been tentatively de posit therein an egg, together with a cided upon. At present the line in is process of construction on the north side of spider, which she had stung into paralysis, to feed the grub which should be hatched in due course. Victoria Falls towards Kalomo, while the work of erecting the huge

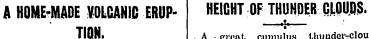
Then she filled up the hole with sand or earth, and jammed it down bridge which will cross the falls is proceeding from either side. The with her head. "When at last the filling was level bridge is expected to be completed with the ground, she brought a by the end of the year, and the sec-quantity of fine grains of dirt to the tion to malomo-150 miles in length tion to malomo-150 miles in length spot, picked up a small pebble in her

mandibles, and used it as a hammer in pounding them with rapid strokes mo line is finished that arrangements thus making this spot as hard and will have been made for extending the railway another 250 miles to the firm as the surrounding surface. Be-Lady Beauchamp tells me that you fore we could recover from our ascopper district north of the Kafue tonishment at this performance, she River, and then the project is to had dropped her stone and was carry the line to Lake Tanganyika. The railway will traverse the north we saw her pick up the pebble, and of Eastern Rhodesia to the south of again pound the earth into place this lake. It has not yet been dewith it. Once more the whole procided whether the line will follow the cess was repeated, and then the liteastern shore of the waterway, or whether steamers on the lake will tle creature flew away."

"The whole of this performance," be employed to continue the means of communication. writes Sir Herbert Maxwell, in The railway, however, will be jain-'Memories of the Months," is so unexpected that even Dr. Peckham's ed with the Uganda line, and then

high reputation as a scrupulous ob-server might fail to convince sceppushed northwards past Fashoda to Khartoum. tics that he had not been deceived Until the country has thoroughly surveyed, however, it is impossible to estimate the length of but similar behaviour on the part of a wasp of the same. species has

recorded independently by Dr. overland communication between the Williston, of Kansas University. Cape and Cairo.



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A great cumulus thunder-cloud, towering up on the horizon like a huge flamboyant iceberg, is often higher than the highest Alps would INTERESTING EXPERIMENT FOR LONG EVENINGS.

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be if they were piled on top of the Place at the bottom of a large these clouds to measure five, six,

flat glass vessel a little bottle con- and even eight miles from their flat taining some red wine. The bottle dark base, hovering a mile or two is sealed with a cork having only a above the earth, to their rounded, small hole bored through it by means glistening summit, splendid to the of a red-hot wire in the direction of sunlight. And in these eight miles the axis. We know that in conse-guence of their densities wine will great as those over many thousand ascend into water, and accordingly miles of the earth's surface. These we shall soon see the ruby liquid clouds contain strata of temperature escaping in a small, but slowly narrow belts of freezing cold, alterwidening, thread that ascends to- nating with large distances of rainy wards the top of the water. Pro- mist and frozen snow and ice particles. Hail stones which are formed from a snow particle that falls from From sand or earth fashion an imitation mountain at the bottom of the upper strata and is frozen hard the vase. In this miniature moun- in the freezing belt, and coated with added ice on the wet belt, are often tain conceal your bottle of wine, found with a series of layers in their taking care to allow a small hole formation, showing that they have on top for the wine to escape. This

passed through this succession of cloud strata more than once on their Now gently pour water into your way from the upper air to the earth

Now genuy pour water into your vase until nearly full, and giving the water a circular motion with the hand, the red wine making its escape In Cuba, two hours before a paper a thin thread will give you a is distributed a copy must be sent, splendid imitation of an active volwith the editor's name, to the Government and one to the censor. When the paper is returned with the

The custom of throwing rice at censor's endorsement the paper may weddings originated in Ohima. go to the public.

their property by the Chinese. Conhas had a chance to be modified by sidering that the war cost considervery few of the forms of animal life. ably over £2,000,000, it cannot be described as a very profitable bargain. CAPE TO CAIRO. tween China and Great Britain, the

vegetation is scanty and insignifi-cant. This is a bit of nature that

former country had to pay an indemnity of £2,000,000. HOW THE GREAT LINK OF cost England £7,000,000. AFRICA IS PROGRESSING.

'At one time Schleswig-Holstein belonged to Denmark, and Bismarck, having cast covetous eyes on the

harbour of Kiel, situated in Holstein caused Jutland to be invaded by the Prussians. On his forces being rout-ed, he cunningly inveigled Austria into supporting him, and the added

troops proved too strong for their adversaries. The victors, however, quarrelled between themselves as to the dispos-

and

ition of the spoils, and this gave rise to the war between Austria Germany in 1866. The latter Power victorious, and insisted on proved the Austrians paying as war indem-

nity a sum which, with the amounts -a few months later. It is hoped by the time the Kalolevied on the five small states that them, reached helped £6,500,000.

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But that did not anything like ap-proach the severity with which Bis-marck treated the French at the conclusion of the Franco-Prussian War of 1870-71.

In the £200,000,000 which he extracted as indemnity he compelled France to pay the dearest price that any nation ever gave for peace-a price that astonished the world.

When Russia administered a crushput in operation at Niagara Falls, so that the cataract may be obing defeat on Turkey, after suffering severe reverses herself, in the strugserved at night-time by passing gle of 1877, she consented to accept the sum of  $\pounds 32,000,000$  as the price travellers on the railways.

of peace, after demanding a much larger sum. This was little more individual of his class in Europe. He than the actual cost of the campaign receives for daily rations 16oz. of and the victors would not entertain bread, 12oz. of meat, 2oz. of rice, any lower terms, as the damage in-Soz. of dried vegetables, 16oz. of potatoes, and once a week he reflicted by the war on their subjects and commerce was such as to fully ceives 20z. salt, 40z. coffee, and 90z. large

equal those figures, large though they were. So far Turkey of sugar. has paid little more than half of The colour of the sky at particular the indemnity, and there is not times affords a wonderful good guide much likelihood of Russia ever re-to the weather to be expected withceiving the full amount. in the coming twenty-four hours. Not Like her former enemy, Turkey a few years back was compelled to substantially reduce a claim for indemnity. The Sultan claimed £10,000,000 from Greece as the conclaimed the evening indicates wind; a pale

yellow rain. If in the morning the dition of peace ; but, by the inter-vention of the European Powers, he sky is of a neutral grey colour, the indications for a good day may be was compelled to accept just oneconsidered favourable. fifth of that amount. As Greece was speaking, it may be said that any deep or unusual practically in a state of bankruptcy t would have been impossible for tokens either wind or rain. that country to have complied with

the original domands of Turkey.

In order to secure peace after the

war with Japan, eight years days China had to pay a considerable sum by way of indomnity, though

not nearly so much as the Japanese

would have extracted had they been allowed/a free hand. Not liking the idea of the Celestials being despoiled by anybody but themselves, the Russians interfered, and Japan was obliged to be content with the cession of Formosa and the Pescadores and the payment of a cash indem-

nity of £87,000,000.

In the kitchen of a house recently cause the pound did not weigh so incarthed at Pompeii was found a much as the pound in use at that fireplace with a kettle on its grate time in England. Hence arose the just as it was left by some Pompeiian housewife over eighteen hundred medium between the French and the

years ago.

**\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$** GENERAL INFORMATION. 🗴 **\*\*\*** 680.000 acres of Lincolnshire is land reclaimed from the sea.

To close the second war be-British lifeboats save, on an average, 550 lives a year. The war

Russia has the largest standing army; Great Britain the strongest navy.

A German chemist has hardened aluminium by a chemical process, and called the product "metcorit."

Australia has more places of public worship in proportion to the population than any other country.

Electric power, chiefly derived from water, is now employed upon 1,625 miles of Italian rail and tramways.

The average human body contains 31b. 13oz. of calcium. Pure calcium is at present worth nearly £60 an ounce.

nearly Cape Town has the most cosmopolitan population of any city in the world, almost every nationality being represented.

The most valuable feathers are

those of the mirasol, a bird of Ar-

gentina. They are worth about

Powerful search-lights have been

The British soldier is the best-fed

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1484.

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The origin of all weights and

measures in England was derived

from a grain of wheat. According

to the old statute, thirty-two grains,

well dried, and gathered from the

middle of the ear, were to make one pennyweight, twenty pennyweights

one ounce. It was afterwards thought better to divide the penny-

weight into twenty-four equal parts,

called grains. William the Conquer-

or introduced into England what

was called Troy Weight, from Troyes

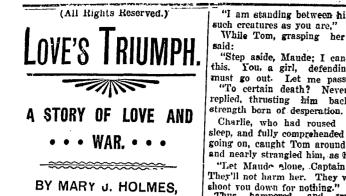
a town in the province of Cham-pagne, in France. The English were dissatisfied with this weight, be-

term Avoir du pois, which was a

ancient English weights.

 $\pounds 220$  a pound.

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such creatures as you are,"

said:

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Author of "Lena Rivers," "Edna Browning," "Tempest and Sunshine," Etc., Etc. -----

PART 21.

"But I gave her up to Jimmie. Annie will be my sister, and I know now why it was so appointed. God had in store for me a gem as beautiful as An inous sounds were heard in the distance -sounds as of many horsemen riding nie Graham, and better adapted to me. I mean you, Maude. God intends you for dear life, with shouts and excited voices; and Maude became aware of for my wife. Do you accede willingly! Have you any love for the poor Yansome sudden influence working upon the kee soldier who has been so long de-pendent upon you?" crowd around her. Then a band of cavalry dashed into

sight, and all was wild hurry and con-He had ber head now on his arm, and with his hand was smoothing her hands of satin hair, while he wanted for ner sternation. But, above the din of the strife without, Tom Carleton caught to sneak. He had dealt honestly with her. She could be equally truthful with and, springing forward past Mande do him, and she answered at last: Vere, he exclaimed:

"Oh, Mr. Carleton. you don't know how much it pains me to tell you what I must. I might have loved you once, but now it is too late. I promised Arthur if he would be kind to the poor prisoners and help the escaped ones to get away, and,--oh, I don't know what, but I am to be his wife when the dreadball cut throught the sleeve of Maude's ful war is over. Pity me, Mr. Carleton, diess, and, grazing her arm enough to but don't love me. No, no, don't make me more wretched by telling me of a draw blood, lodged harmlessly in the rocks beyond.

love I cannot return. "Could you return it, Maude, if there were no promise to Arthur?" Tom spoke very low, with his Hps close to her burning cheek, but Maude did not reply, and Tom continued: "Maude, was the getting me here in

safety any part of the price for which you sold yourself?" She did not answer even then, but the

low, gasping sob she gave as she shed back from her hot brow the heavy hair, told Tom the truth, and to himself he said, "It shall not be." And then from his heart there went up a silent prayer that God would give him the brave beautiful girl who drew herself away from him, and leaning over her sleep ing brother, sat with both hands clasp ed upon her face. They did not talk together much more, and once Tom thought Maude was asleep, she sat so rigid and motionless, with her face turned toward the entrance of the cave. Maude de Vere bending over the pros-But she was not asleep, and her dark eyes were fixed wistfully upon the one bright star visible to her, and which seemed whispering to her of hope. Perhaps Arthur would release her from her promise, and perhaps, - but Maude started from that thought as from an

evil spirit, and her white lips whispered faintly, "God help me to keep my promise.

The night was very still, and as the heurs wore on, and the faint dawn of day came over the mountain tops, Maudo's quick ear caught the echo of the fierce shouts in the valley below, and laying Charlie's head from her lap she went out of the cave, followed by Captain Carleton, who wondered to see He saw her, and tried to make his voice how that one night had changed her.

scene, and one which those who wit-While Tom, grasping her nessed it never could forget. The broad, level plat on the mountain side, the "Step aside, Maude; I cannot endure mounted horsemen, the group of pri-soners, the beautiful, queenly girl, this. You, a girl, defending me! must go out. Let me pass." whose lap pillowed the head of the dycertain death? Never!" Maude ing soldier, while her brilliant eyes wept floods of tears, which, with quick, replied, thrusting him back with a nervous movements of her fingers, she had tendered him when he lay sick in Charlie, who had roused from his swept away. Beside her was Charlie sleep, and fully comprehended what was his face whiter than that of the dying going on, caught Tom around the neck, man, and his muscles working painfully, and nearly strangled him, as he said: as if he was forcing back some terrible "Let Maude slone, Captain Carleton pang or cry of agony. Tom Carleton, too, and Paul Haverill, who had later They'll not harm her. They would only shoot you down for nothing." Thus hampered and importuned, Tom stood back a little, while Maude joined the group and stood looking sadly on, while toward the south the smoke and flames of his own house was held a parley with her besiegers, threatascending, and in the east the carly ening to shoot the first man who should morning was bright and fresh with the attempt to pass her. She did not think summer's golden sunshine. And there

of danger to herself, and she stood firmon the mountain side they waited and ly at her post; while the men consulted watched, while the young lieutenant together as to the best course to be purtalked faintly of his distant home sued And while they talked, and Maude stood watchful and dauntless, where the news would carry so much sorrow. the flames of Paul Haverill's house ros "Tell father I died believing in our higher in the heavens, and strange, om-

cause, and were I to live my life over I wrong about the prisoners. We ought not to abuse these who fall into our hands. I've loved you, Maude, so long. Remember me when I am gone, not for arything brilliant there was about me, but because I loved you so well, and died in carrying out the work you gave me to do. "Oh, Arthur! Arthur! speak some

sounds which made his heart leap up, word of comfort to me or I shall surely die. It was a mistake," Charlie whispered, as he crept close to Arthur's "Tkank God, the Federals have come! side. The dying man's eyes rested inquiring-As his tall form emerged into view,

ly for a moment on Charlie's face, then lighted up with a sudden joy. "Charlie! Charlie! come close," he whispered. "Bend your ear to my lips, Maude must not hear me." His head was still lying on Maude's

lap, but he spoke so low to Charlie that she did not hear the question asked. She only knew that Charlie started quickly, and throwing one arm across her neck as if to save her from some evil, said, promptly, energetically: "No, no, Arthur; no."

Then the quivering lips went down again to Arthur's ear, and Maude caught the word "mistake," and that was all. She did not know or think what it really meant. It was all a mis-

take, the terrible war which had brought her so much pain and suffering. "I die easier now. It was so horrible before. Poor Charlie! Don't let it trouble you. Care for Maude. She would have been my wife. Stick to our

> faintly from Arthur, and his eyes, when again they rested on Maude's face, had lost the strange, frightened look which she had observed when she first came to his side. He was dying very fast, and his mind seemed groping for some form of prayer with which to meet the last great foe.

"Pray, somebody," he moaned, and trate form of a soldier, whose head she Paul Haverill, who, wholly overcome with all he had passed through during the last few hours, had stood dumb and motionless, replied in a choking voice: "I am not a praying man, but God

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be with you, my boy, and land you safely on t'other side, where there's no more fighting.'

leton kuclt beside the youth whose path earnest entreaty commended the part-Maude held the entrance to the cave. ing spirit to the God who deals more gently, and mercifully, and lovingly face and the brightness to her eyes. I

each other.

"I am standing between him and just a death like that. It was a strange, authority of a friend and brother, in- eyes opened for a moment and were fixsisted that she would take the rest she ed upon her face. There was no conneeded so much. And Maude gave way sciousness in them,- no recognition of at the sound of his soothing, quieting her presence, nothing but the strained voice, and, with a flood of tears, did hungry, despairing look Annie had seen in the eyes of so many of our prisoners, and which to a greater or less degree what he bade her do. And then Tom sat by her and bathed her throbbing head, and smoothed her beautiful hair, was peculiar to them all. Annie saw this and paid back in part the services she look, and then underneath it all she saw something more,-what it was she Squire Tunbridge's house. eculd not tell, but it brought back to her those moolinght nights upon the

Maude was not ill,--only exhausted .-both physically and mentally, the exbeach at New London, and that other haustion showing itself in the quiet, night of more recent date, when she sat listless state into which, she lapsed, with Jimmie Carleton beneath the Rockpaying but little attention to what was land sky and heard his passionate words of love, and saw his soft, black eyes passing around her, and offering no suggestion or remonstrance when told of kirdle with earnestness and then grow her uncle's plan to accompany Captain sad and sorrowful with disappointment. Simms and his men to Knoxville. There was no kindling in them now .-Over Paul Haverill, too, a change no ardent passion or heat of love, -but had passed. The attack upon him by a certain softness and brightness, and his old friends and neighbors, though even sauciness, lingered still, and told long expected, had been sudden and Annie at iast who it was terrible when it came, and as he watch-"Oh, merciful Father! it is Jimmie!" ed the burning of the house which had she said, and unmindful of any who

been his so long, he felt that every tie might be looking on, she bent down and which bound him to the old place was kissed the sunken cheeks from which severed. Then came swiftfully the fearthe flesh was gone. would join the Southern army; but it's | ful tragedy of the mountains, when Ar-She had expected him so long, and thur was brought to him dead. Stungrown so weary and hopeless with exned and bewildered by the startling pectations unfulfilled, that she could events which had followed each other scarcely believe it now, or realize that so rapidly, Paul was hardly able to the half-dead wretch before her was counsel for himself, and assented readionce the lively, humorous, teasing Jimly to the plan which had really originmie Carleton. How she pitied him, and ated with Captain Carleton, who had anhow her heart throbbed as she thought other scheme underlying that, but' who of the suffering he must have endured suggested both so skilfully that Paul erc he reached this state of apparent. Haverill fancied they were his own

imbecility. Then, as she remainbered what the physician said about his ideas, and gave them as such to Maude. They would go to Knoxville mind, she dropped upon her ances, and clasping her hands over her face, preywith the soldiers, he said; thence to Nashville. They had some relative ed carnestly that God would remove living there, and, after resting for a the darkness and wholly restore the ittle, they would continue their jourman whom she loved so dearly. neyings North, going, perhaps, as far

as New York. "I always wanted to travel North," he said, " but my affairs kept me at ed Mrs. Simms, who had come for a moment to her side home. Now I have no affairs. My ing that an old woman like me should neighbors have relieved me of such comsee clearer than you. I mistrusted from modities, and I want to get away from the first," Mrs. Simms answered, and a spot where I have witnessed such then to Annie's eager questioning she dreadful things. We all need change, replied, "It will be almost a miracle if

the best we can."

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(To be continued.) 1434.

"SOUP."

At an excellent hotel they were one day

short of a waiter, when a newly-arrived

"Now, Barney," said mine host, "mind

"Bedad, I'll do that same," said the alert

you serve every man with soup, anyhow."

Soup came on the table, and Barney

"Soup, sir," said Barney.

"No soup for me," said the guest.

You, Maude, more than I, and Charlie more than either. I don't know what has come over the boy. That horrible night and morning were too much for

Maude knew that so far as Charlie was concerned her uncle had spoken truly. Charlie was greatly changed, and his eyes had in them a scared look, as if every detail of the horrors of the fight on the mountain had stamp-Hibernian was hastily made to supply the ed itsolf indelibly upon his mind, and place of a more expert hand. was never for an instant forgotten. He needed a change of place and scene; and as she could not return to Arthur's desolate home, whither the sad news had been sent at once, Maude assented to the Nashville arrangement, and in three weeks was comafter helping all but one guest, came upon fortably settled at a Nashville hotel, the last one. with Lois as her attendant. Her uncle Charlie and Captain Carleton were with her, the latter constantly putting off his journey to Rockland, where they were

"But you must have it," said Barney, "it s the rule of the house." so anxiously waiting for him. He had written to Rose immediately on his ar-"Hang the house," exclaimed the guest, rival at Nashville, telling her of all that highly exasperated; "when I don't want had transpired, and speaking of Maude soup I won't have it-get along with you." de Vere as one whom he hoped to make "Well," said Barney, with solemnity, his wife. This time the letter went all I can say is jist this-it's the regulasafely, and Rose replied at once, urging Tom to come, and insisting that Mr. Haverill, Maude and Charlie should accompany him. "They saved Will's life as well as yours," Rose wrote. "I have a right to was gobbled.

them all, and especially to the noble Maude. Bring her to me, Tom, and let me coax back the color to her dear



BY JOS. BAUGHER.

My landlord's manner was far rom cordial, when I alighted from he train at Monkton. He took my grip and in silence followed me to the hotel. I had not willingly given offence during my last visit, but knew too well it was useless to ask mestions.

The Monktonians had heretofore been friendly, but now they merely odded their heads or were oblivious 16dol. to my presence. The same reticence continued

throughout supper. My landlord thawed a little, but when I offered him a cigar, he jerked his thumb over his shoulder and said :

" Come with me-store." We walked in silence. People hurried to and fro, taking no notice of my greetings, and even ignored my for money to git home. "Carrots runs the ticket and oft-extended hand.

Curiosity and anger getting the better of me, I blurted out : "What in the name of "----, but was silenced by a warning look. I found the store filled with an excited crowd. My presence had a quieting effect, for what seemed to be a heated argument on my entering fell to the silence of the grave. It was embarrassing, and turning to leave the room I felt the grip of "Do you think he will die?" she askmy landlord's restraining hand.

"You know him, then. I was wonderthe committee," he said, "this man ain't no stranger-'pears like your memory's had-if that's so git acquainted again," and he jerked his thumb at me and then at the men. we do get any sense into that brain. or flesh upon these bones, but we'll de

Eager to show my appreciation for his confidence and gain the good that got him out of the town. will of the men, I said : then

will it be, gentlemen ? " I raised my glass as high as I could reach and gave the regulation toast, "Monkton and Prosperity."

Their glasses clinked, and the many hearty slaps on my back told me I was winning them over, though not a word was spoken.

the barkeeper's eyes glitter with almost fiendish glee as I passed him would have to do some telegraphing a silver certificate, none the less so when he gave me my change, cight

northbound train. postage stamps. "Better stay and see it out," The men took no notice of my in said the Mayor. dignant, inquiring looks, but were as dumb as Henry Hudson and his

ghostly crew. I thought of the effect of the wire me the result. damp murky atmosphere on my newly acquired postage, and wish ing speedily to rid myself of some gave me my ticket he said :

tions of the house, and the divil a drop of it, 1 said : else ye'll get till ye finish the soup." "Set 'em up again, barkcoper,' The traveller then gave in, and the soup and signed to the landlord to propose the toast. "Monkton and Prosperity ! " he shouted, and all was quiet again. SAGACITY OF A CAT. 4.50dol. in paper wrappers. Carefully separating my stamps ] I thanked him for his consideraplaced the exact amount before the In a suburban town, near a large city, a barkeeper. young man residing with his part "Wot's them for ?" he asked. the success of their enterprise. "My treat, you know," I replied in an off-hand manner. "Them things don't do here, mister," he said, grave as an owl. of "Monkton and Prosperity ! " "Didn't they went here?" asked with a faint pink smile as 1 looked in vain for the crowd to laugh at my feeble jest. -Receiving no encouragement pocketed my postage with my chasir." grin and passed a note of small denomination and increased to a proportionally small extent my stock in stamps. postal twos or Malinaones. "Where can I get some small currency ? " I asked timidly. "Not in this town, Mister," said the Mayor. read : "How about the postmaster? ventured. "Wouldn't advise you to try it cavoc with the vermin for a few days, but one Monday morning the young man found stranger." Throwing caution to the winds that the food left for her on Saturday asked if they would buy some of my stamps at a fair discount. "Not at 50 cents on the dollar," they answered. themselves.-Carrots." I seemed to be living in the 'Mysteries of the Udolpho," and THE EYE. started to leave the room, when again I felt the restraining hand of my friend who mounted a barrel. "Your Honour and gentlemen of prosperity of Monkton ! " follow him to the warehouse. While under guard I tried to converse. I told them my best stories, praised Monkton, I blasted this is of no nse. Stockton, nothing could draw them On the Safe Side out of their lethargy. I was shunned as a culprit, I was a prisoner waiting for the verdict. It grew insufferably hot; but bodily discomforture was nothing to my mental disturbances when thought of the adhesive properties of those stamps. Then with solemn visage the commitee headed by the Mayor filed in. "It's against me," I thought. "Stranger," said the Mayor in a hollow voice, as he seated himself 'on a barrel, "we have decided and we will now proceed to- (pronounce sentence I thought)-to tell you all "

tion whereupon he produced a flask and insisted that I should drink to I had just time to board the train which pulled out of the station 'mid the waving of hats and shouts About 12 o'clock two nights after my wife aroused me saying there was someone pulling the door bell. I looked out the window, and a voice said : "A telegram for you, There was 2.70dol charges which had to borrow from my wife not having had time to realise on my I turned up the light and as my wife looked over my shoulder, I "Sir.-I have the honour to in form you that the enemy has won. We were not aware till the last moment that 'mail handled' would cut any figure. Old Hobbs blew in his pension for postal cards, and for two days and nights had all the galoots in Stockton writing to When you get a cinder or speck of dust or other offensive particle in your eye, don't rub it. Don't touch it. Don't pull down the committee ! " he exclaimed, "I the lid. Don't put your hand near it. Let have jest told you that my guest it alone. This is very hard advice to fol ain't no stranger. Have you for- low, and in nine cases out of ten you will gotten the interest he took in our find yourself rubbing your eye before you last conflict ? Have you forgotten know it. But if you can refrain from touch that yell he gave for the school- ing your eye at all, the action of that organ house ? Tell him, your Honour, tell will itself cast out the offending mote in him of our gigantic enterprise, on much quicker time, and with far less irrit the success of which depends the ion, while your efforts would only hinder and perhaps fasten the intruder so that "We will confer," said the Mayor ; will stay a long time. Of course if it is and he beckoned the committee to a particle of metal you will consult a surgeon or oculist at once; but ordinary substances are best treated as above indicated. Some people say, " rub the other eye," bu;

places were using their best endeavours to secure the prize, and that he had no doubt Stockton would try to spring one of their Mr McDougall suggested low, snide games on them. names of business people willi "Is your rival pursuing your 3d or 6d per week. If they go ness people at 1s per month it big help. No exception could i

that. The Chairman pointed out

was only temporary, but if

men to bind themselves over to

s good many would not care

a good many it was not wanted. Mr McD ugall then agreed

suggestion to open a subscriptic a good one, and added they

Mr Jones considered there

little ways to raise funds. The Chairman thought it would

for the Baud to be self-supporting

monthly subscriptions they wou a public band. Up to now the

had paid 1s per week each an

their own instruments, which w

Mr Robertson contended that

a public band, as shown by the the first time they were in a they went to the public to get

of it. Mr A. L. Wotherspoon supp motion. They really only want pounds till they got a few me take the places of the three or take the places of the three or

had dropped out. If they enough to tide them over the

difficulty, with the engagement

difficulty, with the engagement on they might not have to cal public again for a long time. Mr J. Jackson thought Mr Re ideas were right. If the Band c

without help he thought it wou

the better for them. There ha

lot of complaints, particularly

Band not coming out in the ro

they were far enough advan-

should come out on Sunday

and have a sacred concert, as

That would tide them over the

They should also, if possible, g

members to join. Mr R. Jackson thought they remember it cost from £6 to £10

the band and get an instrument

voluntary subscriptions. He w to see the Band go shead, as it w

institution for the town. Mr Cochran would talk very against Sunday practices. If t

thought sacred concerts a bette

raise the money, let them have t

don't ask him to support it, as entirely opposed to any Sunday

a sacred concert being only a

they could not carry on withou

work they would be far better the band. [Mr Cochran then ret Mr Jones thought Mr Coch

Mr J. Jackson said people would

too pleased to hear sacred mus maintained that this was a better

raising funds than by handing

around, because people were "Good heavens, they're always

In other places the hat was n

around every time the Band ca

He much preferred a sacred c

running round with the hat. Mr McDougall thought they

over the difficulty by sticking

motion and coming out often

trouble was that the young fello

Band were connected with ev

but if they came out oftener the

laboring under a delusion.

Mr J. Jackson said they sh

to them.

Mr Jones said that as soon as

nlight concerts in the Park

methods to obtain it ? " I asked. " She air." "Have you any idea as to the relative standing of the 'Twin Cities ' regarding this matter ? " " Which ? "

"Who's ahead ? "

"Don't know, stranger, Stockton's going to push us pooty close. She's got old Hobbs, and he's the richest man in these parts; why mister, that old sinner draws a pension every three months of over

"Business ain't been so peart of late," he pursued ; " heaps o strangers used to light on this 'ere town, but when they couldn't git no change 'cept in stamps they didn't stay long, and now they don't stop

at all, A chap did stop over yesterday; he came nigh bursting the post office, and had to telegraph

telygraph office, and when the people telygraphed or bought tickets, he gave them their change in stamps, and then scooted with the cash up to the post office for more postage. "Carrots kept things a hummin" for a spell till he sent in his report to the railroad company; he didn't have no cash, so he sent 'em two cigar boxes full of two-cent postage stamps. The next day the general agent came down and wanted to Your Honour and gentlemen of know what the h--- struck this town ! Carrots came nigh losing

his job, but we fixed it up all right and things went long jest lovely till the landlord thar, gave the agent 7dol. change in postal cards then he jest riz; yes, sir, he riz, and his pass was the only thing

Things is slowed up a leetle since "Set 'em up, barkeeper; what "Then the post office boss he

comes down and wants to know if we was tryin' to corner the stamp market; he went over the books and found both towns doin' things on the square. We tried the stamp racket on him but the railroad agent must have told him for the mean

onery skunk didn't have nothing I was not a little startled to see bigger than silver quarters." I felt if I stayed over night I

myself, so I said "good-bye" and and a half dollars in two-cent told them I would take the evening

I thought it best to go while I had

the chance and told him he could The Mayor, the committee and the landlord accompanied me to the station. As the illuminated Carrots

"I'm sorry I ain't got no stamps, and the post office is closed (thank the Lord) I murmured) so this is the best I can do.' And he handed me my change.

just after the rebels had left it. At first they had tried to extinguish the flames, but finding that impossible, they had followed the enemy, most of whom were made prisoners of war. Some months before, John Simms had been transferred from the army of the cause. You never forsook it," came Potomac to the army of the Cumberland, and he it was who led his men to the rescue, doing it the more daringly and willingly when he heard who was in dauger. He was a captain now, and he stood grasping Tom Carleton's hand. when a piercing shrick rose on the air, and, turning round, the young man saw

Th

gently lifted up, as she moaned bitterly: "Oh, Arthur, Arthur! how came you

We are saved! aude, we are saved!"

brutal soldier, maddened by the sur-

prise and unavoidable defeat levelled

his gun and fired, recking little whether

At that sight all Charlie's fire was

roused, and the shot which went whiz-

zing through the air made surer work

eton. Tom was out upon the ledge of

rocks by this time, grasping the hands

of the blue coats, who were a part of

company sent out to reconnoiter, and

who had reached Paul Haverill's house

than did the one intended for Tom Car-

Iom or Maude was the victim.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

He had kept his word, and piloted safely across the mountains the prisoner left in Hetty's cabin. His arrival at Paul Haverill's burning home had pre-from the white lips, and then Tom Carceded that of the Federal troops by twenty minutes or more, and when he had crossed his own so often and so heard of Maude's danger, he followed strangely, and with deep reverence and our soldiers up the hillside to where

cheek, which looked haggard and pale, as faces look when some great storm of sorrow has passed over them. Her hair had fallen down and lay in masses upon her neck, from which she shook it off impatiently, and then intently listen-

ed of the sounds which each moment grew louder. Shoutings they were, and ones of command, mingled with the distant tramp of horses' feet, while suddenly above the tall tree-tops which skirted the mountain side, arose a coil of smoke. Too dark, too thick to have come from any chimney where the early morning fire was kindled, it told its own tale of horror, and Maude's eyes grew so black and fierce that Tom shrank back from her, as, pointing her finger

toward the fast increasing rings of smoke and flame, she whispered: "Do you see that, Captain Carieten': It is Uncle Paul's dwelling; they have set it on fire. I never thought they would do that, thought I have watched more than one burning house

in these mountains, and have almost felt a thrill of pride as I thought how dearly we were paying for our love to the old flag; but when it comes to my own home, the pride is all gone, the fir burns deeper. and one is half tempted to question the price required for the

Union ' Tom was about to speak to her, when she turned abruptly upon him, and said: "Captain Carleton.do you believe your

Northern women,-your Rose, your Annic. would bear and brave what the loyal women of the South endure. They may be true to the Union,-no doubt they are, and they think they know what war means; but I tell you they do not. Did they ever see their friends and neighbors driven to the woods and hills like hunted beasts, or watch the kindling flames devouring their own houses, as I am doing now? for I know that is my Uncle Paul's, and whether he still lives or is hanged between the earth and heavens, God only knows,

and perhaps He has forgotten. I sometimes think He has, else why does He not send us aid? Where are your hordes of men? Why do they not come to save us, when we have waited so long, and our eyes and ears are weak and weary with watching for their coming." She was talking now more to herself than to her companion, and she looked a very queen of tragedy, as, with her hair floating over her shoulders, and her hands pressed tightly together, she walked hurriedly the length and breadth of the long flat rock which bordered a

precipice near to the cave. Tom was about to answer her, a ball went whizzing past him, while the loud shouts of the men, whose heads were visible beneath the distant trees,

told that he had been discovered. To return to the cave and take Maude with him was the work of a moment, and amid yells of fury the drunken mob came on to where Maude, forgetting everything now except Tom Carleton, stood waiting for them. They would not harm her, she knew, and, like a lioness guarding its young, she stood within the cave, but so near the entrance that her face was visible to the men, who at sight of her stopped suddenly, and asked what she was doing there, and whom she had with her.

"My brother Charlie and Captain Carleton, the man whom you sought at ' your wife." Uncle Paul's," she answered fearlessly, as she held with a firm grasp the dan-so doing ehe was seeking to atone for of Lois's cubin. how to use.

Manda ?

"And pray, what may you be doing

and noise of the conflict, and she only knew of his presence, when Charlie, with chattering teeth, and a face as white as ashes, clutched her dress frantically, and said: "Come, sister, come this way to

Arthur,—somebody—shot him. Do you think he will die ?"

Quick as lightning the remembrance of the thought, which had yet scarcely kind of motion, and Maude been a thought, of just such a contingency as this, flashed over Maude, sweeping away all the pain, the terror, the shrinking she had felt when she contemplated the fulfilment of her promise to Arthur Tunbridge. He was Arthur's face.

lying there at her feet, and the grass beneath him was all a pool of blood, while his dim eyes showed that the objects around him were now but

Of all Paul Haverill's comfortable faintly discerned. He saw Maude, buildings, house, stables, barn and ne though, and when her loud cry met his gro quarters, there was left him only ear he smiled a glad, grateful smile, one cabin which the fire had not conand said to her, as she knelt beside him sumed That stood a little distant from and took his head in her lapthe rest and had been occupied by "You are sorry, Maude. It was Lois before her husband died. It was mistake. You did love me some." superior to the other cabins then; it was

She pressed her quivering lips to his, neat and tidy now, and there they laid and said again, the dead lieutenant, in his gray uniform, "Oh, Arthur ! Arthur ! how came you with a little flag of stars and bars

here ? across his breast. This was Charlie's Arthur knew he was dying, but, shakthought, and it was very mete that he

ing off all thought of his own pain, he who to the last had believed in the explained to Maude how he came where. rightcousness of the Confederacy should "The man,-you remember. I got have her sign above him. There was him through, and I am not sorry, for

no other spot except the cabin where he told me of a blind mother and six Maude could stay, and the entire day little children dependent upon him away and night she sat by her dead Arthur, off somewhere among Ohio hills. Think whom, now that he was dead, she cherif they had been left without support. ished in her heart as a martyr and a I am glad I saved him even if it cos hero, questioning even the ground on my life. And still it is hard to die, which she had hitherto stood so firmly, Maude, just as you are beginning to and asking herself if, after all, the love me, for you are, and if I had lived South was so very far out of the way,

you would have kept your promise to or if the Union were worthy the fearful price the Southern people were paying "Yes. Arthur, I would," and Maude's for it. Maude did not know herself in white fingers threaded the bloody hair this mood. It was so unlike all her the knew there was waiting to welcome and moved softly over the ghastly face. "Who did it, Arthur ?" she former theories, and more than once she pressed her hot hands to her still hotter asked, and Arthur's face flushed to a head, and asked if she was going madpurple hue as with a moan he said : Crouched beside Maude, with his blue to stay till from that foul Southern pri-"Don't ask me,-there was a mis eyes fixed upon her with a pitying, retake. I had taken no part in the fray, morseful look, was Charlie. except to knock down the ruffian who

"Poor Maude,--poor sister! I am so sorry. I never thought,--I did not fired at you. I was standing right be hind him. Yes, there was a mistake. know; you used to laugh about him so Oh Maude, it was a mistake." to Uncle Paul. I'd give my life to He kept repeating the words, while bring him back for you. Did you love vain. Maude trid to stop the blood flowing se him so very much?" Charlie said, in freely from the wound in his temple. broken sentences, and then Maude shiv-

The ball had entered there, but had not | ered from head to foot, but made no repenetrated to the brain, and he retained ply. his consciousness to the last, smiling She had not loved him so very much. once kindly on Charlie, who, half franbut his violent death and all the hor tic, bent over him, and said : rors attending it had shaken her terri-"Yes, Arthur, it was a mistake, ob bly, and could he have come back to

Arthur, oh Maude, and you two wer life she would have tried to love him, engaged. I did not know it before." and with her iron will would have Then a bright flush-crept into Maude's crushed that other love, the very knowwhite face, for she knew the tall ledge of which had made her heart shadow on the grass beside her be longed to Capt. Carleton, and he, she throb with so much joy. But the dead come not to life again, guessed, was thinking of last night in and the next morning they buried Arthe cave. He did not think of it, but thur Tunbridge in the grassy enclosure only for a moment, and then his

where Paul Haverill's wife was sleep thoughts were merged in his great ing with the infant son who, had he lived, would have been just Arthur's anxiety for Lieutenant Arthur, who he saw was dying. Arthur knew he was age. The blue-coated soldiery, who had there, and smiled when he asked if he been his deadly foes, paid him every felt much pain. "None with Maude beside me. She military honor possible within their means, even marching to his grave be

poor fellow.

was to have been my wife, wern't you. hind the stars and bars which lay upon his coffin; but when they came back "Yes, Arthur. I was to have been from the burial, they bore the national flag, whose folds that peaceful summer She spoke it openly, frankly, as if by night floated in the breeze from the top

an error. But she met only pity in Tom's looks Tom's demeanor toward Maude. Dur-

-pity for her, and pity for the young ing the day and the night, when she "And pray, what may you be doing with the Yankee?" asked one of the coarser of the men; and Maude re-that soft, summer morning, when the whole world meaned as at variance with whole world seemed so at variance with | was over, he went to her, and, with the

heard, but it was lost amid the strife with His children than they dealt with shall come myself and get he refuses.' Tom thought of Isaac Simms, and the Maude had never known the compan-

moisome, filthy room in Libby, where ionship of a sister,-had never had a he had first learned to pray, and the single intimate girl friend except Nettic of being destroyed or rendered unsaleable. thought gave fervor to his prayer, to Tunbridge, who died. Independent, which Arthur listened intently, his lips strong-willed and self-reliant, she had motioning the amen he could not speak, cared but little for any society except for he had no power of utterance. Once again they moved with a pleading that which she found with nature in the wild mountains of Tennessee; but now, broken and shocked, and shorn of stooped over to kiss them, her long hair falling some of her strength, she longed for across the pallid brow, where the blood sympathy and companionship, and stains were, and when she lifted her something in Rose Mather's sprightly letter made her heart yearn toward the head up, and pushed back her heavy locks, there was the seal of death on little lady who had written it, and the pleasant home which Rose described as

beautiful with the summer bloom. "I will think about it by-and-bye," she said to her uncle; "but for the present it is nice to rest here in Nashville.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

"This seems to be one of the worst coses we have had. I doubt if his mind will survive the horrors he has endured. even if his body does. Poor fellow! his mother would not recognize him now." This was what the physician at An-

napolis said to Mrs. Simms of a miserable, emaciated skeleton, which had come up from Andersonville with the last arrival of prisoners.

While we in the mountains of Tennessee were tracing the wanderings of Will Mather and Captain Carleton, Mrs. Simms and Annie had stood untiringly at their posts beside the sick and dying soldiers who had learned to bless and watch for the stern widow and to love and worship the beautiful Annie Graham. And well had she earn-Al such appreciation, for she had been most faithful to the wretched ones committed to her care,-faithful both to

lometimes stranger than fiction. her more than one, whose darkened mind she had led to the fountain of all light. And Annie had made a vow ion, where 28,000 men had died, there

came to her the one for whom she al ways looked when new arrivals came, her blue eyes running rapidly over each wested form, and then filling with tears

when the scrutiny was found to be in "made in Germany." James Carleton had never been heard from since that letter sent to her so ong ago, and hope had died out of Annie's heart, when at last, with Widow Simms, she stood by the cot where lay the insensible form of which the physician had spoken so discouragingly. It was the figure of a young man, who nust once have been finely formed, with

handsome face, and hair, and eyes. The latter were closed now, and only the sible. lids moved with a convulsive motion, as Annie bent over him. The dark hair, matted and coarse and filthy, had curled in rings about the bony forehead, but had been cut away when the bath was given, and the closely shorn head

was like many other heads which Annie Graham's hands had touched, genammonia should be added. tly, tenderly, as they now moved over this one, trying to infuse some life into

the breathing skeleton. He was to be her charge,-he was in her division, and Mrs. Simms's keen gray eyes scanned Annie curiously as she bent over the

He was helplese as an infant, and Annie nursed him much as she would have nursed a baby whose life hung on a thread. He had been there four days, and only a faint, moaning sound had given token of life or consciousness But at the close of the fourth day, up Annie sat chafing the pulseless tiugers, where the stay skip bung to boosely, the simple statement.

pied a position in a large book store in the city. This store was infested with rats to such an extent that the stock was in danger The young man, knowing that in his home a cat and two kittens were wasting their time in sleeping and playing about, requested his mother to give him one of the kittens to take to the store; but she refused, thinking that the kitten would surely be killed among so many rats. He then asked for the loan of the mother pussy. He said he would take good care of her, and bring her back in a few days. The mother, knowing that the old cat could hold her own with an army of rats, consented. He put her in basket that had a cover, tied the cover lown, and took her to the city on the top of an omnibus. When he reached the store be let her out in the cellar. She made sad

night had not been touched, and she could not be found on the premises. He wenn nome very much disturbed that he had los: the valuable house cat. After about two weeks the cook in the family early one morning opened the kitchen door, and there at poor pussy, worn almost to a shadowto emaciated that the girl was not sure if it was the family cat. There was another sor in the family, who had always petted this favourite, and he came and called her by aame. She seemed perfectly delighted

There was no longer any doubt of her iden ity, and she was taken into the house and sared for, and in a few days became domes icated and very happy. She lived to a good old age, but it was always a mystery how the found her way home, as she could not ell. This is a true story, and truth is

A NEW WAY OF THE

LAUNDRIES. -----•<u>f</u>e-----

The ill effects of soda on linen has given rise to a method of washing which is said originally to have been

The operation consists in dissolving two pounds of soap in about three gallons of water as hot as the hand can bear, adding to this one tablespoonful of turpentine and three of liquid ammonia. The mixture must then be stirred and the linen steeped in it for two or three hours, taking care to seal up the vessel containing them as nearly hermetically as pos

The cloths are afterwards washed out and rinsed in the ordinary way. The soap and water may be re-heated and used a second time, but in that case a half-tablespoonful of turpentine and a tablespoonful of

Newton's law of gravitation, which

gation by Professor E. W. Brown. His calculations show that Newton's

Mayor-What did you mean by let-Though greatly relieved my ting one of the prisoners in the station thoughts still lingered on the connouse escape? tents of my inside pocket.

Police Officer-Well, you see, there His Honour began by saying that were just 13 of us at the station and Monkton and Stockton had separate I'm so superstitions. post offices, but owing to the small

population and the close proximity Patron-Here are \$10 which I wish of the towns, the 'High Monk-a-Monk' at Washington had decided to present to messenger boy No. 999. Agent-I am glad to hear that one of our boys has been of so much service.

When was it? ally decided that the one showing Patron-Yesterday. I sent him to the the greatest postage sale at the exchange with an order to my broker end of the official year should have to buy 10,000 shares X Y Z stock, but before night the whole bottom dropped

A Valuable Service.

The decree had gone forth but of X Y Z. I rushed around to may month prior, and it now lacked but broker and was delighted to learn that two days to the end, of the term.

the boy badn't got there yet .-He concluded by saying that both

The motion was then put in t - " That a subscription list be aid of the funds of the Ba carried unanimously.

get on better.

Mr Jones was authorised to co subscriptions, on motion of D Jackson and A. L. Wotherspo last-named suggested that the tion close at £6.

The Chairman thought they make any stipulated sum, bu time for it to close. Mr McDougall moved that the

that day month. Seconded by Wotherspoon, and carried. Apologies were tendered for t of Messrs J. R. Wotherspoon an Stuart.

A vote of thanks to the chair te the meeting.

### Mining News.

Mr J. Skewes has resigned as mine manager of the Sons of Junction at Ragian. The Minister of Mines (Mr Mc pects to be in a position to alloc Christmas the money set aside in the Revenue Act for mining develop poses. A sum of about £20,000 distribution. The claims assistance far exceed that sum. department can deal with the clai have to be of tained on the vari and "shows" for which assistant sought. It is hoped that all the

will be forwarded to the departm December 14. As scon as they received a departmental board them and make recommendation Minister without delay. All Nations Consols .- D. F.

party's tribute-Driven reef drive in advance of No. 1 shoot. Dri wash drive to 95 feet; payable back north drive, as same dipped Yield, 29 z. 6dw's. Grant a tribute-Blocking back south width of 30 feet; payable. Adumthweile and party-Driving ine drives north and south ; about Yield, 5er. 94dwts. Morris au tribute-M king good progress erection of wieding plant. Sad 1 z. 5dwts. Fult yield, 410z. 0.1

Daughters of Freedom, Main Yield for week, 9oz. 18det Sam Slick, Beaufort -Jaen ch -Sunk n. w shaft to 32 feet in c

soakage. Truck-roading and blo the wash in No. I shaft with good Yield, 41cz. 13hdwtr. ons of Freedom Junction.—Se skidded and drive put in. Driva

12 feet ; total, 22 feet. Ground hard, The following are the reported 1 for the week ending Saturday last : Co. Jaensch and party's tribute, 3 All Nations Consols Co.-Troy tribute, 20oz. 2dwt. 18gr.; Gran tribute, Soz. 14dwts.; Adamthwait tribute, 10oz. 15dwt. 6gr.; Beaufe 15oz. Odwt. 12gr.; Daughters of 1oz. 5dwt.; Last Change, 3oz. 14dwr

UNKNOWN FRIEND There are many people who Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Remedy with splendid results, unknown because they have besit giving a testimony of their expe publication. These people, hor none the less friends to this remhave done much towards making hold word by their personal retions to friends and neighbo good medicine to have in the hor widely known for its cures of dia all forms of bowel trouble. For R. WOTHDESPOON & Co., Mercha

states that two hodies attract each other with a force inversely proportional to the square of the disance between them, has been made the subject of an exhaustive investi-

laws represent the motion of our moon to within one-millionth of one per cent. and that no other physical

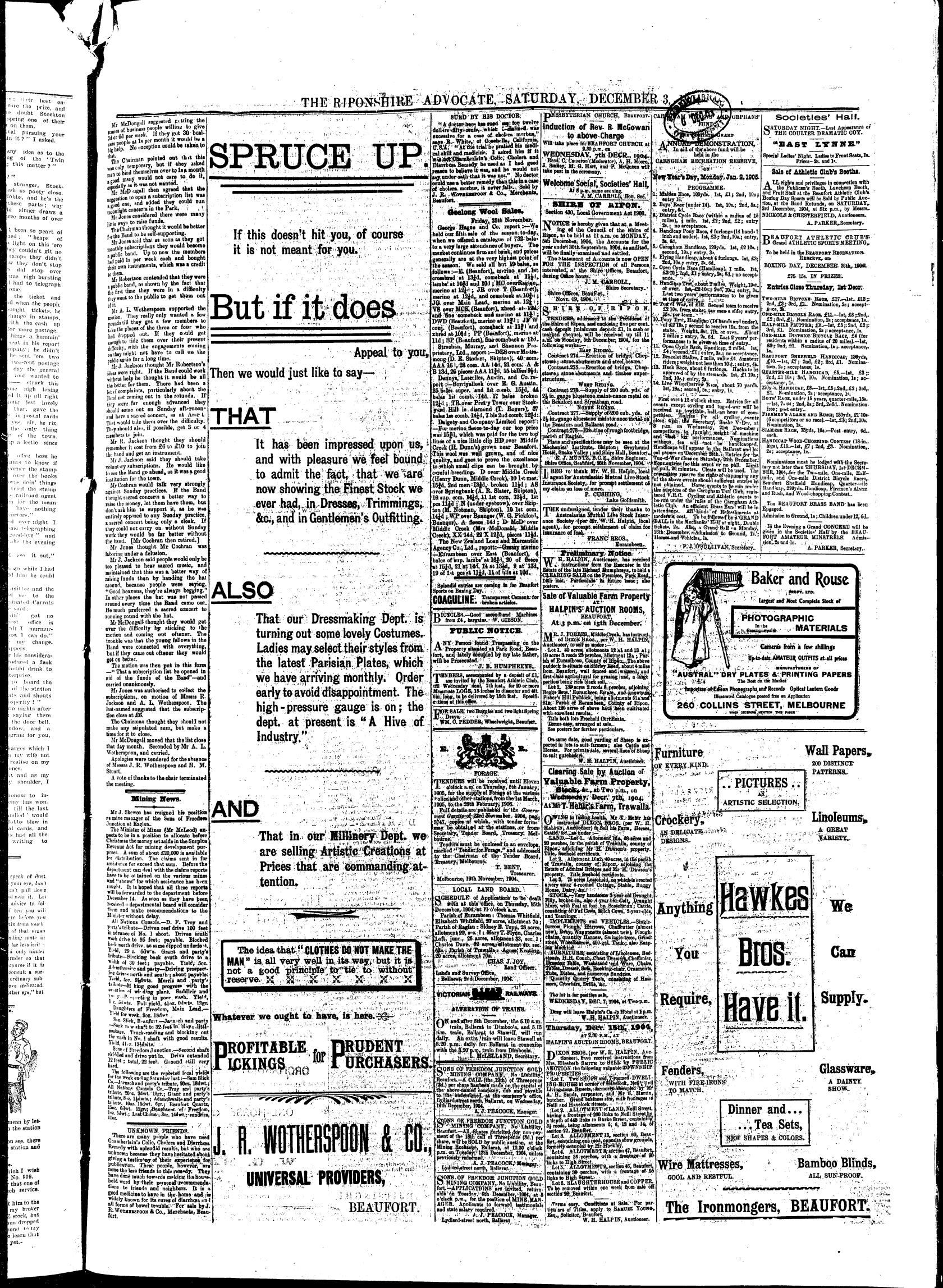
thing like the precision of this

to consolidate them.

law has been expressed with any-

Their Congressman was at a loss which town to recommend, but fin-

the office.



#### THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1904. 1.20 Our Parliamentary Repre-FARMING LARGE AREAS. Ten days are allowed; after marking | CHOOSE THE Railway Time-Table. F. G. PRINCE sentative. out the lease, in which to lodge the It is not surprising that in application with the Warden or his Begs to intimate that he has STARTED SURE REMEDY. country, where large tracts of fertile land can be cheaply secured; the ta-dency should be towards the occupa-tion of more land than can be success-fully cultivated. We have improved The following is the new rulway time-BUSINESS as a BUTCHER in premises in clerk, and forward a duplicate to the Daving the debate in the Assembly The Safe Road Indicated. Minister of Mines. The word "district" in the regulations and May, 1904: A inved fain leaves Bal (next door to Mr. T. Sands), and house by strict larst at 11.29 a.m., Trawalls at 12.7 print. Weat, to be read as locality, and notes mining district, and the lease should therefore district, and the lease should therefore departure at 12.30. It leaves Middle Say 1 ast week on Railway Construction, Mr Oman endeavored to get the question of running a line from Leigh Road to fully cultivated. We have improved agricultural implements, equal to any in the world, and if it were possible anywhere for men single-handed to till large numbers of acres it would be pos-sible here: After a fashion, our average farmer akims over large areas of ground, but Wickliffe Road referred to the Standing Committee. be advertised in the paper nearest the Greek at 12.54, and Buangor at 1.4. The No. No one can read" these lines without realising that they will have a decidedly Mr Oman .--- I did not intend to dis cus this motion, but my district has good induence upon the lives of many, for they convey a message such as akims over large areas of ground, but every year it is becoming more evi-dent that this method of farming muits give way to the painstaking and care-ful cultivation that is found in the best tarming centres of the old world. Instead of trying to rob the land of its virgin fertility, the settler from the very start should commence to farm rationally, strive to make the land richer it possible by a judicions rote. been drawn into the question, and must cheer even the most dejected of mortals Miss Mary Ann Grant, of No. ANNUAL Simmons-street, Prahrangetells the now be urged for failure to adverted leaves Beaufort at 6.20 a.m. (arriving nere the lease in the district paper, though it has only a weekly, and not a daily issue. Stawell to Ballarat runs every week NEWS AGENT, &c., &c., it has only a weekly, and not a daily issue. This is borne out by the following day. It departs from Boangor at 4.45 memo. from the Mines Department 're-ceived by Mr H. A. Adams, Grenville 5.30 (arriving here at 5.20), Trawalla at Standard. Linton.—"Sir.—Referring to in will also leave Ballarat and interven-things are many. ney, some seven years ago," my health was anything but good, and for a con-siderable length of time I knew what it was to feel the want of a few words of advice such as will lead to the terricher if possible by a judicious rota-tion of crops, and avoid the cultivation extension of our railway system. pointe d out that we had a very large auvie such as will read to the ter-sunation of one's sufferings." "Why? Could nobody tell you what to get?" asked the writer. "I mean to say that for long enough railway system. and I said that the of a larger area than he can cultivate of a larger area than he can he throughly. It is true fortunes have been made by wheat-growing on a large scale with the most superficial kind of tillage in this country, but these were, after all, ANNU Premier was in favor of extending that honor to inform you that the Warden's Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 5.10 a.m. system, but that he believed in loading clerk at Smythesdale has been instructed (arriving here at 6.50 a.m., and leaving L. BRAVO m\*\*\*\*NO nobody told me the right remedy to get, which meant that I had to suffer on and clerk at Smythesdale 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 structury and structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising their applications should be structury and structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising their applications should be structury and structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising their applications should be structury and structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising their applications should be structury and structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising their applications should be structury and structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that the regulation relating to advertising there at leaves structury offers intend of structury and structury offers (structury offers) structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that structury offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that structury offers structury o he land. The honorable gentleman helieves to-day that any railway which on till Clements Tonic came my way through the recommendation of a rela-tive, and up till then what I had gone exceptions to the general experience. will run through private property should For every farmer who succeeded by such a system of farming, twenty have be built by the owners of the private through was awful to relate." property; and that when a line runs The only way to overcome the low price of wheat is to increase the yields. through Crown Lands, no matter how "I would like to hear it if you don't mind." "Well, you may. I found myself dreadfully weak and run down to an extent which almost makes me shudder to think of it,"for I could not do my housework without feeling it to be the greatest hardship going. Right through my body there was such a scarcity of strength and such a profusion of aches that I can honestly say I did not like moving about at all. If it were only the sickening headsches I had to hear my afflictions would have been great enough, surely; but to them I have to add many ailments, not the least of which was an excessive unrousness which caused me more trouble whan I like to recall. Almost without resson I grew timid and agitated several times a day, and at night I was more nerv. ADHERED TO.-I have the bonor to be, larat leaves Stawell at 6 a.m. instead o SHAVING, 3d.; HAIRCUTTING, 6d. GEORG inferior those lands may be, the cost We must work the land better, grow etc., P. Cohen, for Sec. of Mines and 6.15 s.m.; and is timed to leave the district larger crops per acre, and make more should be met by loading the Crown CHILDREN, 3d. Water Supply," profits from a smaller area of land. In the farming of the future more ac-count will be made for the richness of stations every week day as follows :- Buanlands. I ask, is that a fair proposal Every satisfaction guaranteed. Cleanliness Jev gor, 7.48; Middle Creek, 8; Beau-fort, 8.37 (arriving here at 8.27); Trawhen we remember that, throughout and Civility. the land than of the acreage under till-age. It is evident to anyone what studies current events that the whole-sale method of farming as practised in the colony, railways have been built CLARKE'S 41 B PILLS are warranted to cure Sturt Street CHARKE'S 41 B PILLS are warranted to cure in either apx, all acquired or constitutional Dis-charges from the Urinary Organa, Gravel and Psins in the Back. Free from Mercury. Retablished upwards of 30 years. Sold by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the world. Proprietors, The Lincoln and Midland Counties Drug Com-pany, Lincoln, England. walla, 8.50; Burrumbeet, 9.16. A Good Assortment of Papes, TOBACCO, an through the pick of our land, and the CIGARS kept in Stock. and has not been loaded. Surely it EASY TO TAKE, PLEASANT IN would be perfectly fair, if we were now this colony no longer pays. Of course there is a medium in this respect which applies to each locality; but the idea of large areas—larger GEORG introducing the loading system, to load WM. C. PEDDER. EFFECT. the land which has been held by men When troubled with constitution try Wheelvoright and Blacksmith, Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, but the idea of inrge areas ingon than is necessary—predomirates every-where. Men have got into it through the fact that land by cultivation for a time tends to increase in value. This rise in land has made many rich, and, on the conjust of all wave to make since the time the railway went there. They are easy to take and produce no grip-ing other unpleasant effect. Sold by J. R. Begs to thank the public of Beaufort and Mr Thomson .- It would be a job to surrounding district for their patronage during the last 15 years, and to intimate that he is still carrying on business at the same old address, ad some of them. I am afraid. WOTHERSPOON & Co., Merchants, Beau-Mr Oman. — I admit that it would not be fair to load people who had bought that land at the enhanced value, and who paid £40 and £60 an acre, but it is folly to commence loading the but it is folly to commence loading the land now, when we have made it a national policy to build our railways at the expense of the State. Why should these people in the districts which are now entitled to railway communication be asked to pay towards building the lines, and also bear the burden imposed through the extravagant railway legis. fully into the railway question, and I admit that I am somewhat reassured by the statement which the Premier just admit that I am somewhat reassured by the statement which the Premier just that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it may be a long time before any that it was often almost stupified with agains ance of 75 miles, there is a strettor of country 60 miles wide, which is capable of producing the very best wheat. Mr Oman .-- I admit that it would fort. NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT, as it is the easiest of all ways to make money, thousands have bought and se-lected lands they did not need, hoping to profit by their increase in value. The J. A. HARRIS, with a staff of skilled mechanics and up-to-date TO STAND this Season, at the TRAWALLA HOTEL, TRAWALLA, the Trotting Pony, with sound of skilled mechanics and up-to-date machinery, and is prepared to execute any orders entrusted to him with promptness and despatch. Prices as low as gossible, consistent with good workmanship. Horses as usual arefally shot. In thanking his numerous customers for past In manking his numerous customers for past of patronage, begs to announce that he has pro-cured a FURNITURE VAN, and is prepared to to remove Furniture to any part of the country r at exceptionally cheap rates. Having had the services for the past 20 years of an experienced furniture packer, customers can rely upon safety of removal. Picuic and Shooting Parties a specialty. Office at Railway Station (Broadbent Bros.; Permewan, Wright & Co.) value of produce, however, is lower, and decreasing fertility has brought many holdings below profitable produc-TOMBOY. TOMBOY is a brown or black pony, foaled in 1889, stands 14, hands, high, with a flowing mane, and plenty of bone, and is a fast trotter in saddle or harness. His sire, BRIGHAN YOUNO, is a jet black, with a long flowing mane and tail, standing '135 hands high, 'possessed of great atrength, and is a very fast trotter; he has taken over, 100 first prizes, including the grand champion prize of Australis at the 'Melbourne' Exhibition of 1880, also the first grand champion prize at the Geelong show in 1889. TOMBOY'S dam, 'MAGGTE, who by ST. GROKGE, the well-**BEDUCED** PRI tive capacity W. EDWARD, Farms that have been properly managed and improved are as good pro-perty to-day as could be desired, but places that have been abused and no-glected are really worth less than in Painter, Paperhanger, and Giazier NEILL STREET. BEAUFORT. Dealer in Paints, Oils, Colors, Paperhangings Window Glass, Varnisbes, Brush-s, etc. All sorts of Vehicles Re-painted. Estimates given in town and country. All Painters' Requisites kept in stock. their primeval condition. Under a system of farming that means continual decrease in fertility farming lands soon change from the very best to the very worst forms of New Zealand Insurance Established 1859, prize at the Geelong show in 1889. TOMBOX's dam, MAGGIE, who by Sr. GEORGE, the well-known pony of Mr. Bell's, late of Bealesville, and which was bought by Mr. Lee, of Tarwin, about nine years ago, and who has been breed-ing from him ever since. St. George's ponies fetch the highest prices of any sire coming to Melbourne. TOMBOY'S grand dam was by a Welsh pony, owned and bred by Mr. Ware, of Barwidjie. very best to the very worst forms of security. Land cannot run away, but if badly treated it is apt to become a burden the owner is glad to get rid of. For farming purposes, fartility is the main thing that makes land valuable, and fertility is as volatile as ammonia. Smaller farms with thorough tillage is the effectual remedy for this state of things; and it is comforting to know that with skill and energy it is easier here to restere poor land to fertility than it is anywhere else in the world. The soil may be abused and ill-med. SPECIAL NOTICE. PREMIER COLONIAL COMPANY. In thanking the public or the support accorded me for the past 44 years, I beg to announce that I have taken the Dwellings, Farm Buildings, and Hay Stacks Insured at Curren; Bates, Golden Age Hotel. Barwidiie All mares removed or sold to be paid for as if in foal. Mares paddocked from a distance, with Prompt Settlement of Losses. dis ance of 75 miles, there is a stretch of country 60 miles wide, which is Local Agent-John McDonald. Beaufort. plenty of grass and water. TERMS-£2.2s; £1 1s to be paid when mare Lative advised me what to do." "With .Clements: "Tonic-splendidly. Before starting with-that medicine I MIDDLE CREEK. Ballarat Branch Franklin Chambers, And trust by keeping the very capable of producing the very best wheat is stinted, and the remaining £1 1s when mare proves in foal. Guarantees as per agreement. H. W. JAENSCH, Trawalla. Best Liquors in Stock. in the S ate. We know that the estates The soil may be abused and ill-used, but fortunately it cannot be destroyed. Lydiard Street. BOBT. J. SPARROW to receive a share of public patronage. which have been resumed for closer Local Manager. but fortunately it cannot be destroyed. There is a recuperative power inherent in it, as there is in the skin of an ani-mal. It may be worn off by rough usage, but it grows again, and by good treatment the old scars disappear. It recovers and is as good as before. So with the soil as long as any of it resettlement are returning a greater I will be in possession on and after Saturday, annary 30th. was thin and gaunt, and nothing but a shadow of what I once had been, but in a little while a wonderful alteration cause over me, and to the end of my days I shall thank Clements Tonic for TO STAND AT MIDDLE CREEK THIS amount to the railways than the whole R. G. KIRKPATRICK. L. SEASON, and travel the surrounding district, the celebrated ROADSTER STALLION. MEALS a Specialty, from 1s. of the net value of the wool which was BLARNEY STONE. produced on these estates. We should A careful Groom always in attendance GENERAL CARRIER. treatment the old scars mappear. It recovers and is as good as before. So with the soil; as long as any of it remains there is hope for it that it may be revived, and again blossom and bear with railway lines and not collectively, and any line that it may will stand scrutiny, and which can be the soil as the solution bear with hope, for Clements Tonic for the solution of the solu Stands 16 hands 1 inch high; is a very fast trotter. C. W. JONES. BEAUFORT. BLARNEY STONE'S dam, Talkativo, by Talk of the Ring, by Lucifer, dam, Mermaid, by Fisherman: Talkative's dam; Nauny the Knitter, tock. My annual said Lespers would and and city in I e justified should e built at the only kept in stock. 700 different designs

### Woman's World.

THE BEST AGE TO MARRY The question -- Which is the best age for a woman to marry, has been dis-cussed over and over again without the least probability of the knotty question being solved. Undoubtedly the best age for a woman to marry is from twenty-five to thirty. Before she reaches that age she is unformed, both mentally and bodily. An immature girl of sighteen is unfit for the duties of a mother, and altogether too inexperienced to be ontrusted with the management of a home. Moreover, a girl who has been brought up to the age of eighteen in the seclusion of home life has but a superficial knowledge of the world. The greatest experience of a woman's life i generally gained in the few years which between eighteen and twentyintervene

five. When we consider the large number of women who marry when they are still of women who marry when they are stu almost children, we need scarcely pause to wonder why so many infants die young-the only wender is that any of them live, and doubtless were it not that the natural instinct of every woman is love for box wild which prompts has is love for her ould, which prompts her to act on its behalf in a manner which she considers is for its benefit, infant mortality would assume even greater ing and care that is bestowed upon the greater number of them. A woman of more mature years demands better things for her child, bestows upon it better care, and looks into the chemistry and hygiene of its food much more scrupulously. She is also in every way more capable of attending to its physical development and in looking after the details of its life in the most beneficial manner

OTHER PEOPLE'S OPINIONS.

Strange as it may sound, it is certain that the regard we universally pay to other people's way of regaiding our cir-cumstances and surroundings puts us to more trouble and expense than almost anything else. What sums of money are squandered away, whether they can be afforded or not; what trouble, what be afforded or not; what trouble, what toil, what fuss, what vessation, are sub-mitted to, for no better reason than be-cause our neighbours possess the power of looking at us! As if other people's eves did not already tax us sufficiently in the way of what is called "keeping up appearances." Many even double or treble that tax in order to exaggerate appearances, and show themselves to the world in an expensive masquerade, till, perhaps, they end by becoming really poor, merely through the pains they take to avoid the imputation of being thought so; or, rather, through the mirplaced ambition of being considered far wealthier than they really

The keeping up appearances is laud-able enough, but che art of doing so is not understood by everyone, for, instead of regulating appearances according to a scale which they can consistently and a scale which they can consistently and uniformly adhere to, a great many per-rens set out in life by making appear-ances far beyond what they can afford, and beyond what they can "keep up" --at least, not without constant\_effort, pain, and apprehension. Society abounds with such titto people-as they may wear enough be describedsince they assume the uncasy attitude of walking upon tiptues. Had people but resolution enough to be, not absolutely indifferent to or cynically re-gardless of, but less solioitous about, what others may think of their con-cerns, what *p* load of trouble might they at once relieve themselves of; for one half of the teil, the anxieties, and

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one half of the toil, the anxieties, and the fatigues of life is occasioned by the struggling to cut a figure in the eye of the world.

WOMAN'S SIDE IN THE WAR. There was a dinner in Paris very recently, and conversation very natu-rally turned upon the war. Opinions were divided, some holding that the inglish were working for civilisation, and others maintaining that the Boers were fighting for independence. "And which side de you take?" said one of the guests to a fair young girl, who had been listening attentively without taking any part in the discussion. She replied: "I am for the wounded."

#### THE POPULAR GIRL.

One characteristic of the popular girl is repose. She has thorough command of herself, and steers herself calmly through any and all situations. She is restful in these days of excitability, when animation is defined to mean a series of nervous twiches and meiningless grimaces and laughs. The popular girl has a pleasing, low-pitched voice, which makes even commonplace is a high-pitched, sharp voice. But the popular girl knows how to t k. That does not mean that she

taiks whenever she finds an opportunity, but that she uses discretion in her thoice of subjects, and talks just long enough and often enough to carry the impression that she is a brilliant contor for getting the butter fat out of a given weight of everyday milk. versationalist. She must be a good listener to do this.

The popular girl is sure to be well dressed. There is a wide difference dressed. There is a wide difference between a woman elaborately dressed and one who is well dressed. The for-mer may not have a single mark of good taste, and the latter may cothed in nothing more expensive than a serge skirt and cotton blouse. We noted that difference in a car yesternoted that difference in a car yester-day morning. The passengers were ostly feminine, and pretty gowns and bats were not lacking. Yet there was but one woman to whom the title "well-dressed" could be applied, and she wore a crisp, white blouse, neat shirt and plain sailor hat., But she literally "stood out" from the group for sleekness and crispness and a gen-crally faultless appearance. "Even her for sleekness and crispiess and a gen-crally faultless appearance. Even her skin seemed different from that of the other women, although you would not have said that it was a very good one. II r hair was smooth and plain, and not hearly as pretty in colour as some near her, and with all these drawbacks she rande the other women look dowdy and careless.

A popular girl always carries a wholesome, sweet expression on her face. A preat many good hints might be taken oin actresses, who are trained to have Partly from habit and partly because they take some degree of pride in mak-ing themselves attractive to the pub-lies an actress is almost always very line to look upon in pure to the future to the ne an accress is simulate silvays very pice to look upon in private life. That is one reason why they retain their youth and whatever beauty they hav autil late in life.

### NO COMPETITION.

The uniform success of "Chamberlains " Un. Cholers and Diambosa, Ramaty in the relief and cure of bawel complaints both in children and aduits has brought it into lmost universai us , so that is mustically " 'hout a rival, and as everyone whe feas u al it knows, is without an apal. For sale by J. R. WOTHERSPOOR & Co., Merchauts, Beaufort.

Anyone who attempts to cultivate a larger area than he has strength or capital to trock thoroughly must of necessity farm carelessly, and will soon find himself a poor man. There is no evenue for its ill more a excuse for its ill-usage. On the con-trary it should be cultivated kindly. It should have every opportunity of doing what it was made for. It is a posses what it was made for. At is a possession to be cherished, and the man who does his duty by it loves it as his home for his life, and for his children after him. And the farm that is so thought of, and so well used, is never worm value.

THE SEPARATOR.

The story is told of a dairyman who skimmed his milk at home by hand, and satisfied himself that there was not enough butter fat left in it to give even a smell of butter. A separator man challenged him to bring a sample of his skim-milk for analysis. The challenge was accepted, and the test chaining was accepted, and the test showed that two per cent. of butter fat had been left in the milk; in other words, nearly one-half of the butter in the milk had been fed to calves and pigs. This is pretty expensive pig feeding, even at the present low prices for butter. It was, certainly, an eye-opener for that dairyman. The human hand is superior to many machines, but when it comes to chimping with but when it comes to skimming milk, no hand-skimmer can beat the separa-

THE DENMARK EGG TRADE.

Under the system of co-operation the butter and bacon trade of Denmark has been greatly developed, and equally systematic and successful are the lines on which the Danish egg trade has been fostered. In the first instance, national association was formed for the promotion of pather for the promotion of poultry farming, and es-pecially for the improvement of the breed of fowls; and in connection with this organisation traveling lecturers were sent about the ...untry, and set-tings of eggs supplied from various branches. Out of this movement even tually arose a co-operative union of close on 20,000 members, which collects the eggs, marks and sorts them into classes according to size, and sends them. specially packed, to England Here. specially packed, to England Here, amin, the members have nothing to do but to supply the eggs to the society, which may cash for them, does the marketing, and distributes the profits pro rata at the end of the year. The value of the eggs imported into Eng-land alone from Denmark is now close on £700,000 per annum.

Opinions differ as to whether the man who said that what can't be cured must be endured was suffering from rheumatism or dyspepsia.

Some folk are so intent on putting by something for a rainy day that they get little or ne enjoyment out of pleasant weather.

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cost of the Sate. It is a mistake build any line unless it can to be shown that it will pay. The people of this country look to the preent Government for economy. How have they practised economy? They have spent half a million with a liberal hand, and have obtained the sanction of Parliament for a railway to Walhalia, although the majority of honorable when he wants to acquire the land before he puts a railway through it. I do not believe that the land owners should obtain the enhanced value, but rather that we should hold our hand at this period, and not rush rashly into expenditure on railways, because I believe that we should make the railways that we have at present pay. Is it fair to place pefore the House a proposal in which some twenty honorable members are interested and expect to get an unbiassed vote ? I say that you cannot get such a vote, and that twenty men will have to support the proposal or vote against their own constituencies. hope that the Premier will not per aist in, referring so many lines to the Railway Standing Committee. Thelieve it would be a wiser policy to refer the

lines individually, so that honorable members could vote on the merits of each individual line. I do not think that we should refer a large number of ines to the committee simply to keep the committee employed. It will be much better to have the committee employed for a reasonable time, and allow them to do their work well. If we refer a large num er of lines to the committee, the committee will not be able to give to each line the attention it requires, and I hope that the House will not agree to refer all these lines to that body. When we remember that a

number of lines have alr ady been referr d to the committee, I think the House should hesitate in this matter; and should now go slowly. I may say that I am opposed to any extension of our railway system at present, but if every constituency is to have a line

hen I heg to move-"That the question of running a line from Leigh Road to Wickliffe Road be also referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Bailways for

consideration and repor. Mr Bent .--- And be loaded ? Mr Oman .-- I am opposed to loading ltogether. Mr Co echin .-- I second the amend-

ent. Mr Omen's amendment was negatived.

gradually drove them right tortures and gradually grove them right away, and after taking about three bottles I could eat my food quite heartily. As for sleeping, well, I never slept better in all my life, and, oh! believe me, I was so thankful for all the ease and strength which Clements Maria heavent and I connectly hone tortures and the ease and strength which Clements Tonic brought, and I earnestly hope other sufferers may read my story for-their own sakes. Nervousness left me-thank heaven, and so did the pains and aches about my body, and what pleased me immensely was to find I could digest all and every kind of food with ease. although the majority of honorable members questioned the wisdom of that policy. I voted against that line, and I would vote against the present motion, even if it included the line to Wickliffe Road, because I feel confident that within a few years that land will be under the closer settlement system, and that the line will then have to be built, I think the Minister is on sound lines remarks in any way."

STATUTORY DECLARATION. I. MARY ARE GRANT, Of No. 7 Simmons-sirest; Prahran, in, the State of Victoria, do solemniy and sincerely declare that T have corefully read the an-nexed document; consisting oil four follow, and con-soutively numbers! from one to four, and that it, and cure by Clements Tonic, and also containing my full permit-sion to publish in any manner my statements-which is view roluntarily, and without receiving any payment; and I make this solemn declaration con-wichiculty believing the same to the true, and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Parliament of Victuats rendering persons making a false declaration puniabable for willful and corrupt perjury.

mportant to Applicants for Mining Leases.

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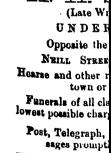
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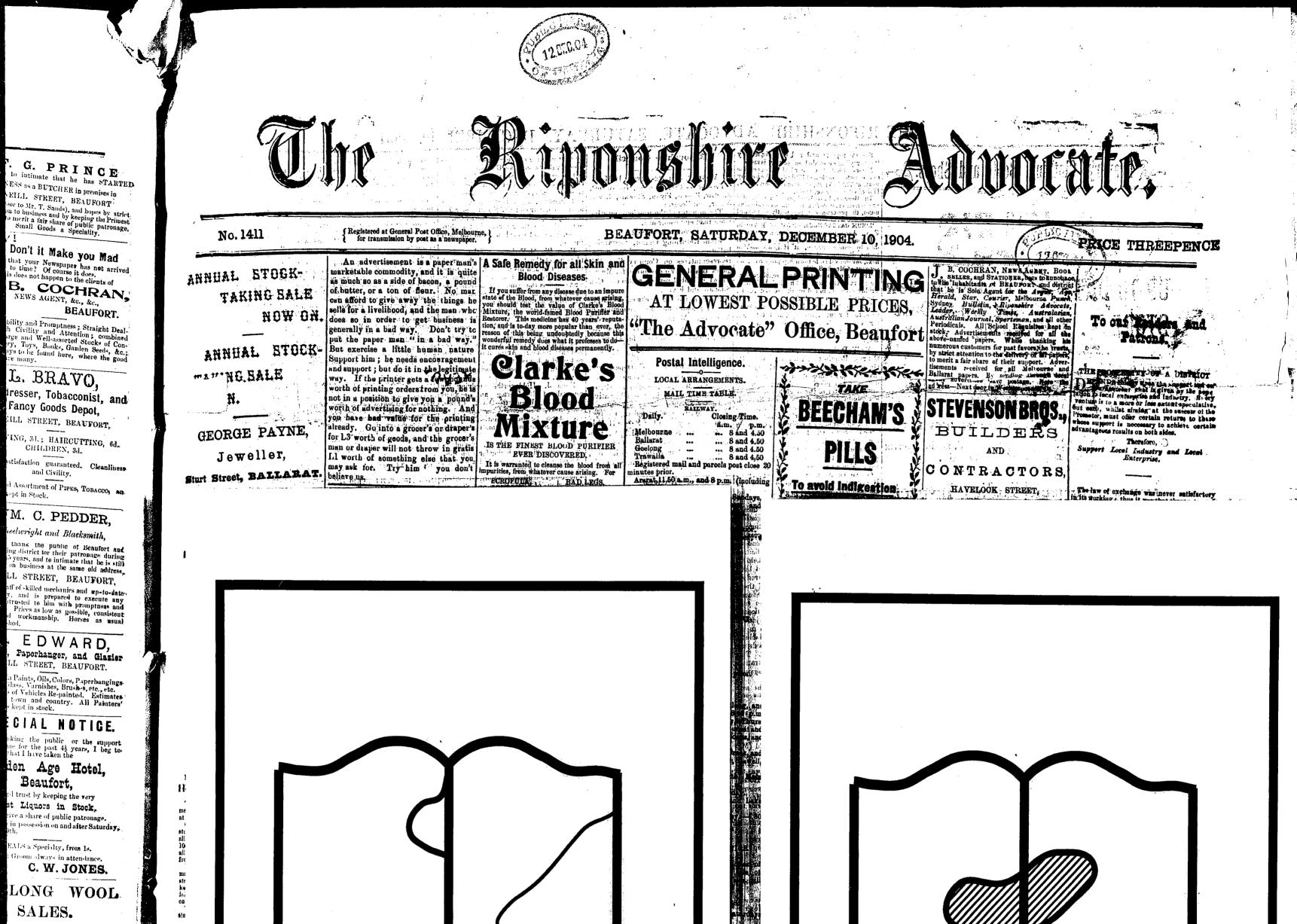


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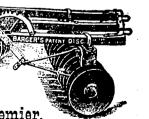
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CORRESPONDENCE.

Beveral reports and a letter signed by "Liberty" are crowded out of this issue. Measer Nickols & Chesterfield announce the sale by public auction, at Pitfield, on Wednesday next, at 12,30 o'clock, of several bouses, shop,

Present - Crs. Douglas, (president), Sinclair, Rottdis, Flynn, Stewart, Lewis, Millard table, tencing, tanks, dc. The Beautort Bruse Band played a delightful programme of music from the rotunds on Monday alght, the performance being greatly appreciated Slater, and Beggs.

were read and confirmed. "LINUM GATHABTICUM PILLS' of Mountain TIMUM CATABATIOUN FILLS of Mountain Finz. Agreeably Aprints. "Worthy: of trial Diron Bros. (per Mr Halpin, anotheneet) will offer by public auction, at Halpin's auction rooms. Beaufort, at 330 p.m. ou Thurday Hert, several valuable township properties, on From Returning Officer, forwarding future. ballot-paper for election of municipal epresentatives on Country Fire Britext, several valuable townnip properties, on account of Mrs. E. S. aith. The Wate loo State school scholars give concert in the local Machanics', Hall next Ariday evening, in aid of the school fund. The tender of C. Browdbent has been and the tender of C. Browdbent has been gades' Board, --- Vote recorded for Mesars Crawford and Casey, on motion of Crs. Sinclair and Flynn.

From Arnall & Jackson, soliciting der for copies for each councillor, of accepted for supplying logs, at 3. 6d each. Victorian Municipal Directory and as convenient. --Referred to Araratshire for the wood-chopping contest at the Waterworks and I rightion Trusts Re-Braufort Athletic Club's sports on Boxing control 1905 -- Usua order for 11 contest by Or. Beggs the latter understanding cord, 1905 .- Usual order for 11. copies to be given, on motion of Crs. Flynn

Mr.W. Dickson, P.M., sat as a Warden and Stewart, Court at Beaufort on Tuesday, Wm. Bi From Public Health Department, Greenwood proceeded against Henry Norsking whether council has agreed with property. analyst of Maldonshire to act for Ripon-shire. Replied to in the differentive. Tenewale of slaughtering and noxicus bird action whether an of appointment man for the cancellation of a residence are, entered in Norman's name in the ing register of the Ragian division of mining district of Ararat and Stavelly and acknowledgement. of appointment is the ground that Norman had ceased to of Mr Mitthews as analyst received he the holder of a miner's right. Mr S. from Secretary Board of Public Health. Young appeared for complainant, who gave "From D. S. Oman, M.L.A., inti Floon and Stewart. vidence to the effect that as the holder of mating that the Government have situated near the Beanfort goldfields reser also Food Adulteration Bill, with the voir. There was about an acre in it. He view of introducing both measures early and a conversation with defendant on 24th next session .--- Received. November, and asked him if he would From F. E. Allen, chief inspector ilow him (Greenwood) to go on the land under Vermin Destruction Act, fornd take out the gold. Norman said, warding copy of acts relating to for "Yes; the gold is no good laying there; take it out." C. W. Minchin, registrar, gave evidence as to the registration, Norman's residence area, the last occasion being on 29th March, 1896. Defendant receipts of buyer of skins must be forwarded, or subsidy cannot be slowed. aid the land was now included in a license -The secretary said he could not keep the tible for a month, and engineer to reinder the 47th section (produced), held by Mrs M. A. Franc. Mr Young said they the skins very long, and had sent 23 port; on motion of Cry Lewis and Sinvanted to get the registration removed so away for a net result of 68 3d. Or.

as to be able to go in and mine. If there Flynn thought that considering the were any other claim it must be produced condition of the skins this was a very in the proper place. The Warden told defendant he did not see how the license good return. Cr. Sinclair considered the skins should be brought in in in in a said it was beautor light, and an of the opinion that the marketable condition, and said it was like to be the skins in the officers to keep the skins to the sector that the the states to see if he can improve it. Though the "Best" that it can be made better that kerosene. Details helped him at all. Mr Young, in justice to his client, said they did not wish to do Norman any harm, but they were liable to not conducive to the good health of the a penalty if they mined on a residence ea. They did not want possession. The The other day when he was there the Warden made an order for the registration to be cancelled, with £1 3s 6d costs against said he was impressing the necessity of the surveyor about road in King Charlie Gully

bringing the skins in good order upon 'LINSEED COMPOUND,' for Coughs and olds. Gives instant relief to Asthma and the people as they came in. Cr. Flynn pointed out that the matter was in the

The right to the booths at the Beauhands of the secretary. The skins had to fort Athletic Club's Boxing Day sports have all objectionable matter removed, was submitted to public auction at the band rotunda on Saturday evening last by Mesers Nickols and Chesterfield (Mr and if the secretary exercised his authority he could soon prevent skins from coming Chesterfield, auctioneer), and brought in bad order. The skins could be taken about £4 10s more than last year. The to the stable. The secretary having ublican's booth was knocked down to stated that several good skins were Mr E. H. Welsh, of the Beaufort Hotel, raken away upon people finding out for £18 10s. Mr J. R. Hughes secured that only 2s 6d was paid for them, Cr. the luncheon booth for 25s, and Mr H: Trompf the fruit stall, for £1. Prior to the booths being offered, Mr H. M. Stuart, the president of the club, announced that He was agreeably surprised at the secrethe president of the club, announced that itery getting aby return from the skins, the summer. (6). Several estimates asked for send away to Melbourne for steel beams. about 300 were expected—simost a record received. It was understood that in for the supply of timber and from one of the supply of timber and from the skins, the supply of timber and from one of the supply of timber and from one of the supply of timber and from the second was that steel was ever-entry for the club. The membership this futnite the second was to refuse to pire this month. I would like instructions from that ought to be sufficient for them, and year had also largely increased, and in take objectionable skins, and that the the Council -Becaived. act was one of the largest, if not the largest lact was one of the largest, if not the largest skins, for which a bonus was paid showing that the installation of 10 lamps the club ever had. This showed that the should be put by the surfacemen in a Beaufort cost £16 17s 9d; maintenance the club ever nad. This should be put by the surfaceman in a term of the stable and supply of figuid; etc., for 26 weeks, as much of their money as was possible in expenditure, pointing out that in the year as well as in the town and district. A very satisfactory clearing sale was con-

chraper and much better. Cr. Sinclair con- the weather would have upon it if it were while the office expenses for the same

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opened. The North Riding an. even if only for on eeting held on 7th ulti, Crs. Flynn, Sinclair lated an instance a cost of £27 10. and Beggs being present, it was reso engineer prepare estimate of sheeting -That year to clear land of thistles, and state that if the atjoining landholder had als ind milli attended to his thistles it would not have a front of Cougle's shop to Woth. ming and draining from T. Thomas's to D. bore out what he said, that each landhold cost him £5. Cr. Bezgs considered th at,; also cleaning out should take care of himself, contending water tables in front of Mensi holes on west side of Speke-str clear if he chose. He was a fr +-ir dirte begin with, and if his neighbour grow ruh the rotunda be levelled bish it meant he would have to forfeit h ted ; that a for land, and some other man would come Havelock-street in a line with the tw and make better use of it. , Cr. Sincla rees, and enclos 80Wn with thought it most unfair of one man to gr thisties to the annoyance of his neighb nd Lewis; Cr. Sinclair stating that Mr Wo Cr. Stewart had alwing allaved in cuttin thistles on rich land, and the to cut h rapson held a sum of money donated by falcoin McBacharn and Admiral Bridges vel and also saving. in rewards the reser four times last y ar to get them down, bu Cr. Beggs, the expen left to the counc e had

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nditions, on motion of Crs. The following accounts were passed for From Senior-constable A. Nicholson payment on the recommendation of the ummoning officer, applying for permission inance Committee:-Salaries, £3911, 8d; to issue a summons against William Miles of Waterlöo, for riding a biorcle: withou Mrs Hil, £1 10s; A. Champion (flag), £2 fox rewards (advance to secy.), £5; ( Carver, 15s; F. Eilie, £1 104; W. G. Steven a light on 19th ult. at Beaufort. Granted "motion of Crs. Beggs and Stewart £5 1 + 8d ; J. Whitla, 10s ; F. Williams, 13a From W. R. Greenwood? Beaufort A. C. Welsh, 16: 3d ; T. Martin (audit fees), £16 13s 3d ; A. Parker, £4 3\*; J. R. Cochapplying on behalf of a company of working miners, to mine under the road at the ran, £4 19s; C. Wrigh', £9 3s 5d; J. Whitsubsidy, with declaration forms, and foot of Mopoke Gully and on the eastern field, £8 88; C. Ball, £8; E. Schlicht, 18-pointing out that accounts, sales, or inclafic and southern boundary of the Beaufort 9d; H. F. Watkin, £3 103; T. Nug-nt, £4 goldfields reservoir, the road passing the 8s; P. Corrigan, £2; J Wilson, £3; T. Greenbank, £3 154; W. Shields, £3 3: 4d; esidence of Mr H. 'Norman' and intersect-. Cl-veland, £2; J. G lespie, £8 8s; J. ing with Like Goldsmith road .- To lie on l'ait, £7 6+ 8d; B. Ward, 15+; A. M. Hannal £7; insurance on band rotunds, 14s 10d ; C. Pedder, £1 8 3d; Hawke: Brog. £2 in inestige s; H. M. Stuart, £4 0s 51; S. George, £3. payment\_H. F. Watkip, £42

The engineer (Mr E. J. Montz, B.C.E.) Total, £218 38 6d. 

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that £564 13s 2d had been received and to keep them in check. Winze or furz ras also in a disgraceful st te on roads i banked since last meeting, that £239 12s 3d had been paid away during November, that the balance now due to the bank was he E st riding. The motion was carried Cr. Beggs stating he would not vote against it, but those of them who were-£237 4s, as against £562 5s at last report, alive in 10 years' time would see thistles and that the credit to the vermin destrucas bad as they were to-day. A forther tion account was £6 14: 9d.-Received. discussion took place as to enforcing the TENDERS.

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With reference to the alternate tenders optional with cor uncils, as they were the for steel beams or timber superstructure best judges of the requirements of their Cr. Sinclair own district, not being seconded. It w moved that H. F. Watkin's tender at also decided that the act should apply t £143 17s be accepted for the timber superthe list submitted, and the inclusion structure, and said that while they could horehound was recommended, on the m get box timber, and thus encourage labor tion of Crs. Slater and Lewis.

The secretary submitted the anus statement of accounts, with the anditar certificate, showing correctness and good or ler of same. Particulars of the account have already been published. The balance sheet and auditor's report were received. on motion of Crs. Lewis and Sinclair.

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advised when a decision has been arrived a.—Received. From D. F. Troy, Besufort, complain-ing of, the channel running through Market Square heing in a very had state in laying with brick, so that the stag-nant water can be curried away, and asked that the contract for give it their earnest strention.—Referred to North Riding members, on motion of Cr Flynn, bis observation, at more than market rates.

There was no reason to state quantities.

of years ago. In one of his paddocks the

opinion as to the Spore thistle; the the mass of the through back as originally surveyed, and it was ocuncil's views regarding it were thought back as originally surveyed, and it was perticularly desired.—Consideration de ferred till Cr. Lewis's motion by notice There was a motion in the minute book, the bad meant a saving of £20. had meant a saving of £20. Seconded by Cr. Lewis. and carried. Contract 276.—Supply of 200 cub. yds. of Gr. Sinclair said there was a doubt in rate-payers' minds whether Monier uping was the Beaufort and Streatham road.—J. Car-the Beaufort and Streatham road.—J. Carcheaper or hetter than bricks, chael (accepted), £46 13s 4d; W. B. engineer, in reply to a query, said the pip-Madden, £59 11s 8d; J. Corbett, £66 13s Madden, £59 11s 8d; J. Corbett, £66 13s ing was cheaper, but not for channels. In reply to Cr. Flynn as to whether In reply to Cr. Flynn as to whether Contract 277.-Supply of 200 cub. vds. of there was any truth in the statement that as Monier pipes were surrounded by steel bands the contraction caused the joints to 24 in. gauge bluestone maintenance metal on the Beaufort and Ballarat road.-J. Car-

break, Mr Mun z said that in his experichael (accepted). £49 13: 4d : D. Madden. ence, extending over five years, he had £67 10s; W. B. Madden, £67 10s; H. F. The not found that to be the case. Watkin, 280. Contract 278-Erection of rough footbridge, balance-sheet was then adopted, on the parish of Raglan.-J. Carmichael, £20 3s; motion of Crs. Lewis and Stewart. Cr. H. F. Watkiu, £21 10s.-Struck out, the Flyon moved that the balance-sheel at Inwest tender being considered too bich

submitted and finally ex mined be sllowed owest tender being considered too high. as just and true. Seconded by Cr Roddis, MOTION BY NOTICE.

Or. Lewis, pursuant to notice, moved and carried, that the Thistle Act be enforced in its en-GENERAL BUSINESS. Cr. Sipclair moved that the next meet tirety throughout the shire. Seconded by Or. Boddis. Cr. Beggs said they were going to cast # burden upon the rate osyers. ing be held on the second Monday in January. Seconded by Cr. Slater, at for which the end did not justify the carried. Cr. Reddis mentioned that Mr Jas. Russell, who had recently returned from the old country, intended means. They would be worried into spending money, while the thistles would be the same 10 years hence as at the pre- giving a treat to the school ch been enforced 15 years ago in Riponshire, and to his not being, able to see any differ. Seconded by Cr. Roddia. Cr. Sinclair and the president endorsed Cr. Flynn's that. Cr. Beggs thought it was of no use remarks, and the motion was carried. From Secretary Postmaster-General's Department (per Hon. T. Skene M.P.) acknowledging receipt of letter from secretary Riponshire relative to alter ations to the Bsaufort post office build ings, and stating the matter will receive consideration, and Mr. Skene further that if the "V" wer, lowered it would trict, and that if not destroyed it would cause the drain to scour 6 ft. deep, and yel

the thistle of to-day was worse than that

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cept down by enforcing the act, but at t same time it would not do to be too sever on landholders at the present time, he anse 15 years ago the council had allow the act to lapse, and it was their fan that the thistles were so plentiful to-day Cr. Roddis thought landholders were only tonding in their own light to allo tistles to grow. He would like to see th napector carry out his duties in a prope namer, and thistles cut on reserves and mmona, even if only for one year, and he act made compulsory. Cr Sloter re ated an instance of a cost of £27 10. teer to clear hand of thistles, and stated hat if the stjoining landholder had also hat it the algorithm gamma has been as a set of the se nould take care of himself, contending hat every landholder could k ep his land lear if he chose. He was a free-tr der to segin with, and if his neighbour graw rub sh it meant he would have to forfeit his and, and some other man would, come in nd make better use of it. Cr. Sinclair rought it most unfair of one man to grow hought it most untair of one mail to grow histles to the analyance of his neighbour or. Stewart had always believed in cutting histles on rich land, and find to cut his our times last y ar to get them down, but the bad changed his mind with regard to be Shore thistle, and seeing how these histles were spreading at Stockyard Hill e thought they should be ent. Cr. Flynn lieved that thistles had a good deal t , with the cutting up of p.rt. of Ercilonne est ite into small farms, and it would a good thing if they led to the catting p of other large estates. The surveyor-rad to cut thistles to get a line on Erciloune. He did not think thistles were od things for neighbours. Cr. Biggs id he never let thistles grow about brandag yaids. C. Lewis remarked that Cr. eggs knew well enough that thistles did ot increase on poor find, but took porways been opposed to thi tles. Graziers ere not affected so much by them as irmers. It was a miserable thing to see nistles in hay, and steps should be taken keep them in check. Winze or furze as also in a disgraceful state on roads in te E st riding. The motion was carried, r. Beggs stating he would not vote-gainst it, but those of them who wereive in 10 years' time would see thistles bad as they were to-day. A furtherscussion took place as to enforcing the et at once, it being considered that some secretion should be used to avoid harshss. and it was decided on the motion of s. Lewis and Slater to serve notice on idholders to cut their thistles. The questions submitted by the Mnni-

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### THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1904.

good result, and she waited anxiously, while Bill said cheerily: "Hallo, old corp'ral. Rather nicer prejudice against them. He liked the northerners, he said, but he was loyal uarters here than that sand bank to the southern cause, and listened, with own by that infernal nasty stream." flashing eyes and crimson cheeks, to all Bill Baker's voice was the last which he continually neard of the sure defeat in the far-off prison had sounded kindly and disgrace of the Confederacy. in Jimmie's ears, and now as he heard

Matters were in this wise when the it again his face lighted up, and his eyes kindled with something like their day came on which Annie was expected home with Jimmie. Great preparations had been made for that arrival. In "You know me, corp'ral. I'm Bill.

Rockland there was more than one pri-We've been exchanged. We're up to soner who had been nursed by Annie Annapolis, and Miss Graam is nussin' Graham, and her name was spoken with you," Bill continued, and then Jimmie drew a long breath, and burst into a reverence and love by the veriest vagabond that walked the streets. They had passionate fit of tears. "They'll do him good. They allus did to 'Andersonville. not made a demonstration in a long, long time, but they were going to make He'd hold in till he was fit to burst, one now, and the honors which poor and then he'd let 'em slide, and feel George saw in fancy awarded to himself better. He'll know you, Miss Graam, were given to his wife. Jimmie, too, whose terrible sufferings had excited

Annie was called away just them, to attend to another patient, and Bill was so much commisseration, was to have left alone with Jimmie. There were a his share of consideration. Bill Baker, who had been home for a week, and few broken sentences from the latter, was as usual the most active spirit of and then Bill Baker was heard talking all, suggested that when they flung out rapidly, but very gently and cautiously, the banner on which was inscribed, and Jimmie lifted his head once and "Honor and welcome to Annie Gralooked across the room where Annie ham." they should give three cheers for

Mr. Carleton, too. "Bein',' as he said, "Better leave him alone a spell, till "that they are about as good as one." he thinks it out, and gets it arranged," Prompt to the moment when it was Bill said to Annie. "I made him under due, the train swept round the Rockstand where he was, and that you was land curve and stopped at the depot, tere, and all right on the main question; where a large concourse of people was and though he like to have bust his gathered. They had not expected the biler for a minute, he'll come all Vidow Simms, and when her green veil and straw bonnet appeared on the plat-It was more than an hour before An

form, the foremost of the group looked a little disappointed, while the widow's nie went to Jimmie again, but when she did the eager, joyful look in his eves face darkened as she saw the waiting told her that she was recognized. "Don't speak to me,-don't talk," she said, laying one hand lightly upon the multitude, and guessed why they were there.

Annie appeared by this time, and at lips, which began to move, while with the other she smoothed the short curls sight of her the tongues were loosened and deafening shouts of welcome greet-He kissed the hand upon his lips, and ed her on every side. The flag bearing her name was held aloft, the cannon in the adjoining field sent forth its bellow-"Tell me first, was it true, he told ing roar, and the band struck up the He did not finish the sentence, for sweet refrain of "Annie Laurie;" while

Annie understood him, and bending so the voices of the Andersonville prisonnear to him that no one else could hear, ers, who had been Annie's charge, sang the last line: "And for bonny Annie Graham I would

He seemed satisfied, and something of lay me down and die."

Surely this was a coming home which his old manner came back to him when, later in the day, Annie tried to Annie had never looked for, and with straighten the clothes about him, and her face flushed with excitement, and her eyes shining with tears, she stood

"Look like a hippopotamus, don't I?" in the midst of the shouting throng, gaz he asked, touching his thick-skinned ing wonderingly from one to the other,

face. "Not half as much as you did," An firm clasp of her arm. nie realizing notating total of the first smile her face It was Jimmie's hand, and Jimmie him-her as the crowd had worn for weeks glimmered around self leaned upon her, as the crowd her lips, for she knew now the danger coupled his name with hers, and hurwas past, and Jimmie Oarleton would rahed for "James Carleton and Annie Graham.'

"And the Widder Simms,-I swan if it's fair to leave her out. She did some The warm, bright November day was tall nussin' down to Annapolis," Bill Baker said; and then the widow was rearing to its close. The purple haze cheered, and she acknowledged the comof the Indian summer lay around the hilltops, and the soft, golden sunlight pliment with a grim smile, and wondertell softly upon the grass, and the few ed when "folks would quit making fools autumnal flowers which had escaped of themselves, and if Susan wasn't up Of the recent storm. The grounds around there, somewhere, in the jam. the Mather mansion were looking alcourse she was; 'twas like them Rugnost as beautiful as in the early sumgleses to go where the doins was." And while she shook the hand of her mer, for the grass, invigorated by the rain, was fresh and green again, and neighbors, she kept her eyes on the the brilliant foliage of the trees which watch for Susan, and felt a little chadotted the lawn made up for the loss gined that she did not find her-Susan was at home in the neat little

of the flowers. Even these last were house which John had bought with his not lacking indoors, for the hot-house captain's wages, so carofully saved. The had been robbed of its costliest flow same house it was at which Annie Graers, which filled the whole house with perfume, and made Maude de Vere start with surprise when she first en-

ooking as pandsome in her black uress with her coquettish drab hat and long drab feather tipped with scarlet, that she reminded Annie of some bright tropical lower as she came into the room with the sparkle in her brilliant eyes, and the deep, rich bloom upon her cheek She had regimed her health and spirits rapidly within the last few weeks, and even Jimmie, who seldom saw beyond Anuie's face and soft blue eyes, drew a breath of wonder at the queenly girl who completely overshadowed those around her so far as size and form and physical development were concerned. But nothing could detract from the calm, quiet dignity of Annie's manner, or from the pure, angelic beauty of he face, and as the two stood holding each other's hands and looking into each other's eyes they made a most striking tableau, and Mrs. Carleton thought with a thrill of pride, how well her sons had chosen.

That night, as Maude was walking back to the hotel accompanied by Tom, he asked her again the question put in the cave of the Cumberland. "I understand about Arthur," he

said: "but he is dead; there is no promise now in the way. I claim you for my own. Am I wrong in doing so?" That Maude's reply was wholly satsfactory was proved by the expression of Tom Carleton's face when at last he stopped at the door of the hotel, and by the kiss which burned on Maude's lips long after he had disappeared down the street.

The next afternoon, while Tom was with Maude, and both Mrs. Carleton and Rose were out on a shopping expedition, Annie sat alone with Jimmie in the pleasant little room which had been given to him as a place where he would be more quiet than in the parlor. Annie had been playing with Rose's boy,the little Jimmie, a handsome, sturdy fellow of nearly a year old, whom the entire household spoiled. He was already beginning to talk, and, having taken a fancy to Annie, he tried to call her name, and made out of it a tolerably distinct "Auntee," which brought a blush to Annie's face, and a teasing smile to Jimmie's.

"Come, sit by me a moment, Annie," Jimmie said, when the child had been taken out by his unrse. Sit on this stool, so,-a little nearer to me,-there, that's right." he continued, in the tone of authority he had acquired since his convalescence.

He was lying upon the couch, and Annie was sitting at his side, and so noar to him that his long fingers could smooth and caress her shining hair, while his saucy eyes feasted themselves upon her face, as he asked "when she would really be the auntie of the little boy who called her now by that name.

"Not till you are able to stand alone," was Annie's reply, and then, for the first time since his return from Ander sonville, Jimmie spoke of that episod in his life at New London, when little Lulu Howard had stirred his boyish blood, and filled his boyish fancy. Perhaps he wanted to tease Annie

for he said to her: "I did like that little blue-eyed Lu,that's a fact. I used to think about her all day, and dream about her al night. 1 wonder where she is now." "What would you do if you knew?" Annie asked, and Jimmie replied:

Annie had only been waiting for Jim

"Did Lulu look any like me?"

"Why. yes. I've always thought so

woman, but I was a girl of fourteen

once, and went with my Aunt Belknap

so kind to the orphan girl, that she be

for his coming after his school hours

He was a saucy, teasing boy, but Lu

"I believe I would go miles to see her, just to know what kind of a wo man she has developed into. I trust she is not like her aunt. I could not endur her. She struck me as a hard, selfish ham had looked with longing eyes, in the commencement of the war; and in the gleasant chamber which overlooked the world generally should not think Across the high-arched bridge. Scott Belknan thought herself to be Annie's cheeks were very red by this " Clickity, clickity, clack "time, and imputing her heightened col-'Tis thus the wheels' song goesor to a cause widely different from the " From the green hills of Vermont,

traits of three wives in his handsome house at Meriden; but then, for each pertrait, he counted over two hundred thousand dollars, and half a million cov ers a multitude of defects and a great mony wives. I would not marry that man, and as the result of my persis tent refusal, my life with my aunt be came so unhearable that, when Providence again threw George in my way, and he asked me to be his wife, I consented, and I never regretted the step.

him so much that, when the died. I thought my heart died too, for he was my all." Annie was very beautiful in her exdeceased husband, and Jimmie saw that big hotel, a score of cottages, a she was beautiful, but felt relieved like an angel of light, and made the

He was very kind to me, and I loved

burden easier to bear. "I had no suspicion that she was the soi-disant Dick Lee's sister, or that my Rose prevented me, and I am glad now that she did."

"And I am glad, too," Jimmie said. "Your staying has been the means of untold good to me, darling,-it was the memory of your sweet, holy life and character which led me, a wretch at Andersonville, to seek the Saviour, whom you have loved so long. God has led us both in strange paths. We have suffered a great deal,-you mentally, I physically, and only what I deserved; but let us hope that the night is passed, and the morning of our happy future dawning upon us. We are hoth young yet,-you twenty-three,and I only twenty-six. We have a long life to look forward to, and I thank God for it; but, most of all, I thank Him for giving me my darling Annie,-my dear little Lu-Does Rose know that you are Lu-

Mrs. Carleton had thought it better not to add to Rose's excitement by telling her who Annie was, while Jimmie's fate was shrouded in so much gloom; then, after his return, she decided that Annie should have the satisfaction of telling herself, and thus Rose was still in ignorance with regard to Annie's identity with the Pequot. But Annie told her that night, and Rose's eyes were like stars, as she smothered An-

nie with kisses, and declared it was all like some strange story she had read. (To be continued.) 1435.

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"Clickity, clickity, clack," This is what the iron wheels say-" Clickity, clickity clack," Away, and away and away, And the day turns into night, And the night turns into day. Thro' the tunnel and cut. Over the wooded ridge. Climbing the mountains high

gether plebian. The columni ment in Hero's Sister. with a rush, captured the fort and held it for three or four days, and then went down with a thud. When an ex-judge from Bombay had taken

BY JOE KERR. his place the colonel joined the little The Himalayian summer resort ring of broken-hearted and said : was just comfortably crowded.

"Egad, but I don't believe that When the hot weather comes to In- cad ever saw a tiger outside of its tia the thing to do, if you have cage ! " noney to do it with, is to retreat

The canal man and I joyfully to the cool and fashionable resorts agreed.

located on the range. We have "And his sister is a woman who there-generals, colonels, captains, don't know her own mind three commissioners, nabobs, minutes at a time. Fairish looking judges, bankers, and my lady and her maid but only fairish, and devilish eccencitement, as she paid this tribute to her and seventeen trunks. There was a tric."

More joyful agreement, after which youth renewing mineral well, and the colonel seemed to want to say when she left George Graham and walks, drives and flirtations on the something further, but checked himlong verandah. I had been there a self. Had he admitted that he had week when the hero arrived. He been robbed the night before of came unannounced but not alone. money and jewels to the amount of His sister was with him and he had £500 the canal man would have reboy-hero was not Dick Lee, until just also a native valet. It just happen- lated his experience as a victim and before you came home for the first time, ed that the hero got a handsome I should have reluctantly stated my and then I thought I must go away, suite of rooms on the second storey, case. The ex-judge had the same for I did not care to meet you. But and there happened to be a crowd luck as the rest of us. He carried about when he arrived and was car- brother Charlie up and down, and ried to his rooms in his servant's played chess with him and shuddered arms. As he looked the picture of over the tiger story and looked with health, but was evidently a cripple ianguishing eyes on the sister and curiosity was naturally aroused, but then came the cold-storage business. it was the hero's sister who satisfied He went to bed hugging delusions it, though she did not go into full and he awoke to find himself one of

narticulars. the outs. He was out and the dia-"Brother Charlie," she called him mond dealer was in. He made up though his name was down on the our quartette. He wasn't so fiery as register as Charles A. Caldwell. the colonel, although just as hard She and brother Charlie were Eng- bit. There was deliberation and lish globe-trotters, and a few weeks profundity and judicial dignity in previous, while they were visiting a his tones as he observed :

friend near Fyzabod, the brother "Gentlemen, we are told there had had the luck to save three was a tiger, but who beside the deladies from being killed by a tiger fendant has come forward to swear which was skulking upon them. he saw the tiger? We are told of While none of the three even got biles and scratches, but who of us scared enough to faint away, brother cau locate them? As for the sister Charlie was badly mangled by the way this friendliness at the outsetheast after the fatal wound was these smiles-these soft hands-folgiven. That was why we saw him a lowed after a brief interval by sudcripple. He had been bitten and den and appaling frigidity? knocked about until it would take a

queried the "Egad, but why?" year to put him on his feet again. colonel, and the other pair followed It was the doctors who had ordered him.

him to the hills, and the sister The diamond dealer had just renaturally came along as nurse and ceived the icicle stab and was companion. knocking at our circle for admit-At that date when I had fewer tance, when we were interviewed

grey hairs than now I admired a by an outsider. The outsider, the man who had killed a tiger. I was manager, the five rejected and two willing to take his word that he had gentlemen who had neither made and to worship him above a nabob love nor been rejected gathered in a who wore a peck of jewels. I no room, and the outsider made a sooner saw Miss Caldwell than I speech. He was a detective. He realized that I could also admire a wanted to know what had happened tiger-slayer's sister. I might as to each and every one of us in conwell own up that I was smitten on nection with the Caldwells, and he sight. Brother Charlie was the chap told us plump straight out that he to be worked first, however, and I believed them a pair of thieves. found him ready to meet my ad- The diamond dealer had been robbed vances half-way. Before he had been of valuable gems and had gone to in the hotel thirty-six hours we the manager about it. The other were good friends. He had dis- four of us had to admit that we covered my admiration for tiger- had been made victims, and in each killers, and I had discovered his case the robberies had been commitrespect for intellectual murit. I ted in the evening while we were think that is what he called it. playing chess with brother Charlie. Charlie was no boaster. I had to There seemed to be a connecting airly draw the particulars of his link and it was one to make us idventure from between this teeth. gasp for breath. We were all sworn By removing some of his garments to secrecy, and the detective assured he could have shown me the bites us that icicles wouldn't be in it and claw-marks, but I was satisfied when he had worked out his clue. with his word. The sister also gave The diamond dealer had been dropped for a Lucknow mil ne greeting and set my heart t jumping with the soft touch of her on the third night of his reign, as hand, and at the end of three or he sat listening to the particulars four days I had become a sort of of that tiger story from brother outside brother to both. Of course Charlie's lips. Miss Caldwell entered they didn't call me brother Ben and his room with a skeleton key and talk over family affairs with me, had made up a nice bundle of but I was satisfied with my begin- plunder when the hand of the law was laid upon her. There was some ning. Each and every day brother Char- confusion and she managed to pass lie was carried from his room down the plunder to her brother's valet, to the verandah, and after the who was suspiciously near at hand. second day it was my strong arms In turn he managed to reach which bore him up and down. I al- brother Charite and the man who ways sat with him as long as he had been mauled by a tiger suddencared to remain from his room, and ly recovered from the bites and there was ever a group of outsiders scratches and lowered himself from a hanging about to hear that tiger window by a rope and got safely of story. Brother Charlie put them off with a little fortune. for three or four days but finally Miss Caldwell was a high-flying yielded. He not only yielded to adventuress. That is, the detective public pressure and told it once, said so, but I for one couldn't bebut it came out two or three times lieve it. I had been robbed and iilta day when he got started. Our ed, but I hoped there was some mistiger hero was surely the hero of the take. I was ready to defend her hour. More or less of the reflected with my purse-what was left of it glory fell upon myself, and I tried to 'till next quarter day-my counsels bear myself modestly if not humbly. and my oratory, and the detective Brother Charlie always kept his grinned and offered me the chance of coom after nightfall, and it came an interview with the fair prisoner. about that I devoted my evenings My heart throbbed as I accepted. I to playing chess with him and mak- entered her presence, protesting ing the evenings as lively as possible against the vile outrage, and was This left sister free to mingle with about to offer my services on her bethe gay after-dinner throng. She half when she laughed a tinkling mingled, but my sacrifices were re- little laugh and said : warded with smiles which no money "I told Charlie you were the bigvalue could replace. I knew that a gest fool of all, and this proves it.' native prince, a British Commission-"Then, then you confess to your er, two military officers and a diaguilt?" I stammered with sinking mond dealer were my rivals, but heart. with these smiles on my side I felt "Why, you donkey, I was caught with the plunder ! ' secure. Eight or nine days had gone by "But perhaps it was a case of when I went to my room one night somnabulist ? '' after leaving the tiger-killer to find She laughed long and merrily and that I had been robbed of £400. said it was so refreshing to meet an Instead of placing the money in the innocent-hearted man. hotel safe I had kept it in my "But your - brother Charlie-he trunk. Some one had opened the surely killed a tiger ? " I insisted as trunk with a skeleton key. I didn't my knees grew weak. rush to the office and proclaim my A look of pity came to her eyes, loss and create a sensation. I and her voice was soft and symsimply swore softly to myself and pathetic as she advised me to call decided to keep quiet. I would not in the hotel physician at once and even tell my hero or my angel. see if it was too late to check soften-Next day when I went to carry the ing of the brain. With that I left invalid downstairs at the usual hour her. I believe that some of the I found that he had accepted the others also had interviews, but we services of a canal contractor. Not never came together to compare only that but his greeting lacked notes. On the contrary as we met the brotherly warmth I had a right we looked coldly into each other's to look for. When I had hunted up faces and continued as strangers to the sister I found more frigity. A the end.

enditure, pointing out that in the year-If the income was about £8649 in 1892 462, in 1893 £7990, and in 1904 £5050: ile the office expenses for the same ins were £44 15, 44, £47 18, £39 64 and £46 18, 41 ie poctively. The Secary said there was £18 for office-cleanfor a start and £27 for postage. Cr. onn said the reason he brought it up s that though there was so much difence in the income the office expenses at about the same, and an endeavour ould be made to reduce them. If edules for stationery and requisites the office were obtained a saving ght be effected, and moved that the retary provide schedules and call forders for twelve months' supply. The tetary said with reference to postage at although the revenue had decreased a matter of fact the number of riteers had increased. Cr. Flynn said he it on good authority that the prices stationery were more than they should e b en in the past. The motion was onded by Cr. Lewis. and carried. Sinclair said there was a doubt in rateers' minds whether Monier piping was aper or hetter than bricks, and the incer, in reply to a query, said the pipwas cheaper, but not for channels. reply to Cr. Flynn as to whether was any truth in the statement that Ionier pipes were surrounded by steel is the contraction caused the joints to ik. Mr Mun z said that in his experiextending over five years, he had found that to be the case. The nce-sheet was then adopted, on the ion of Crs. Lewis and Stewart. Cr. on moved that the balance-sheet as nitted and finally ex imined be allowed ist and true. Seconded by Cr Roddis, carried. GENERAL BUSINESS.

. Sincl ir moved that the next meetbe held on the second Monday in uary. Seconded by Cr. Slater, and ied. Cr. Roddis mentioned that Mr Russell, who had recently intended rned from the old country, ig a treat to the school children and le of the Soake Valley district on inst. to celebrate the coming of age s son, and moved that steps be taken we the day proclaimed a public holi-Seconded by Cr Stewart and carried. Flynn asked if there was any correslence from Araratshire Council with rd to the "V" at Middle Creek. He y the paper that the council met on sday, and the account in the paper ioned a statement by Cr. Pickfor if the "V" were lowered it would the drain to scour 6 ft. deep, and yet same breath he said if Araratshire alf the water he would support it, was rather a peculiar position up. Councillors should take a note As they had not got the matter e them officially they could not take ction. The meeting then closed.

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They were constantly expecting Tom from Tennessee, with Maude de Vere and her friends, and so they remained at home the more willingly, enjoining it apon Annie to write them every day just a line to tell how Jimmie was. had ever seen. The sumer rain was falling softly up on the streets of Annapolis, and the cool evening air came stealing into the coom, where Annie Graham sat by her patient. There were not so many now in her ward, and she had more time for Jimmie, by whose bedside every leisure moment was passed. She was sitting by him now, watching him as he slept, and listening breathlessly to his low murmurings as he seemed to be talking of her and the dreadful prison-life. Then he slept more soundly, and she arranged the light so that it left his face in shadow, but fell full upon her own. Half an hour passed in this way, and Annie's head was beginning to droop from languor and drowsiness, when a sudden exclamation startled her, and she looked up to see her pa tient's eyes fixed upon her, while with his tinger he pointed to the window opposite, and whispered: The star, it's risen again, when I

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A STORY OF LOVE AND

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PART 22.

Her words were not very encourag

ing, and Annie's tears fell like rain upon

the face of the man who gave ro sign

that he knew where he was, or who was bending over him. Oh! how he

had longed for the air of the North, as

his face daily grew thinner, grayer and

more corpse-like, while his flesh seemed

shrivelled and drying on his bones. Bill

Baker had done what he could to ame-

liorate his condition,-done too much, in

fact, and as the result he had suddenly

found himself shorn of his privileges,

and an inmate again of the dreadful pri-

son. Even then he clung to and cared

for Jimmie, until the pangs of starva-

tion and the pains of sickness made him forgetful of all but himself. And there

they pined, and wept, and waited until

the day of their release, when Bill was

too ill to be removed, and was left in

charge of a humane family, who kindly

promised to care for him until he was

better. From a Rockland soldier who

had been taken prisoner at the battle of

th Wilderness, Jimmle had heard that

Mrs. Graham was at Annapolis, and

then! oh, how he longed for the time

when it might be his fate to be tended

and nursed by her. She would do it

so gently, and so kindly, and in his

dreams the walls of his postilential pri-

son stretched away to the green fields

of the North, where he walked again

with Annie, and felt the clasp of her

little hand, and the light of her blue

eves. She was always present with

him,-she or the little Lulu, of Pequot

memory. Somehow these two were strangely mixed, and when his mind be-

gan to totter, as the physical strain on

it became too great, the two faces were

united in one body, and both bent lov-

ingly over him, just as Annie Graham

was doing now when he was past know-

ing or caring who ministered to him. A

that in some respects there was

change, that his bed was not the filthy

sand bank, nor his covering the piti-

less sky. Gradually, too, there came a

different look upon his face; the color

was changing from the dingy gray to

little beneath the skin, and the dark

hair began to grow, and Annie watered

the tiny curls with bitter tears, for, as

will never half be written, the one

black hair was coming out streaked

with gray. They knew in Rocklam

that he was at Annapolis, but Anni

had peremptorily forbidden either Mrs.

Carleton or Rose to come- "They could

do no good," she wrote. "Jimmie would

not know them; and they might be in

the way.

proof of the terrible life whose horrors

a more life-like hue; fiesh was

vague suspicion he had at intervals

lden fire.

after this."

was.

of -hair.

she said:

live.

tered the parlors.

showing

me? Do you--"

straight. I reckon.'

vhispered, through the fingers:

"Yes, Jimmie,- I do."

wet and brushed his hair.

OHAPTER XXXVII.

thought it had set forever. I take it as a good omen, Bill. I shall see her face only be paid to his fiancee. again.'

Did he think himself in prison still, with that star shining over him, and did he take her for Bill Baker? The thought was not a very complimentary one, but Annie forgot everything in her pects to Maude. joy, at this evidence of returning rea-

"Jimmie," she said softly, and she bent her face so close to his that her lips touched his forehead, "Jimmie, don't you know that you are in Annapolis, with me, with Annie Graham. You ren.ember Annie?" She had many a time said these very

words in his ear, hoping somehow to impress them upon him, and now she had succeeded, for he repeated them after her slowly, and with long pauses, like a schoolboy trying to say a halflearned lesson.

I,-it's Annie.'

P'ral."

"Jimmie-don't you-know-that you -are here-in-Annapolis-with mesaved from by this heroic girl came over with-Annie-Graham. You-remember her, she sprang toward Maude, and Annie?" vinding her arms around her neck, And as he said them consciousness sobbed hysterically, but never began to struggle back,-the black eyes one word.

fastened themselves upon Annie with a wistful look; then they took in her "What is it? What are you crying for?" Maude asked, petting her as if diess, her hands folded in her lap, the she had been a little child. decent covering on the bed, the furni-"Oh, I don't know. The sight ture of the room, and then throwing up you who have done so much for the war his hands he felt of his flesh, and exand been so brave, makes me seem so unined his linen, and patted the pillow.

little, so small, so mean, beside you, while still the look of wonder and per-Maude de Vere," Rose replied, broken plexity deepened on his face. Sudden ly, and then Maude's eves filled with ly he let his arms drop helplessly, then ears, and she hugged the sobbing little stretched them feebly towards Annie creature, whom, from that moment, and while both chin and lip quivered she loved so fondly. She, too, had dreaded this meeting, touchingly, and the tears streamed from

his eyes, he whispered: for she knew that Rose Mather and her "Clean face, clean hands, soft pillow mother were both women of the highest and bed, with the hunger and thirst culture, and she felt that they might and home-sickness gone. This is,-yes, criticise, and perhaps condemn, one who this must be God's land, and she is had lived so long among the pines of there with me." North Carolina and the mountains of He fainted then. The shock of com-Tennessee. But Rose's manner divesting back to "God's land" had been too ed her of all fear, and in a moment sh great, and for a week or more he paid resumed that unconscious air of superibut little heed to what was passing ority to all else around her. which was

around him. a part of herself. Queenly was the "Don't you know me, Jimmie? It's word which best suited her looks and I. it's Annie," Mrs. Graham would her manners, and Rose paid homage to say to him, as his restless eyes turned her as to a queen, and told her that she upon her, and he would repeat after loved her, and how much she had thought of her, and how anxious her

"Don't you-know-me, Jimmie? It's mother was to see her, and how happy they would all be when Jimmie and An-This was a peculiarity of his, and it nie came home.

continued until Bill Baker, who had be-There had been daily visits to the come strong enough to be moved, came Moneteur since then, and Mrs. Carleton had met the beautiful Maude, and mento Annapolis, and asked to see the "cortally approved of Tom's choice.

At first the physician refused, but Charlie too had been petted and ca-Aunie approved the plan, hoping for a round, and his blue eyes opened with

"It takes me back to my Southern | the town there was a little boy who had home," she said to Rose, standing on been in Rockland only a week, and tip-toe, fastened a half-open lily in her whose existence was as yet unknown to hair, going into ecstasies over the effect, the widow. They purposely kept it from her, so she had no suspicion that he and thinking to herself that Maude de Vere was the most regal creature she was expected; and the first genuine feeling of happiness she had known since said:

Maude had been in Rockland three Isaac died she experienced when she was ushered into Susan's room, and the reeks, and Rose was already as much when I went after little Lu. in love with her as if she had known little red-faced thing was laid in her her all her life. At first she had lap. She had looked askance at the not," Annie said, while Jimmie looked lreaded a little to meet the fearless new house, and neat furniture, and the inquiringly at her. neroine of the mountains. A girl who pretty curtains, as so many proofs of had held a revolver at the heads of "them Ruggleses'" extravagance; but mie to speak of the little Pequot, before both Federal and Confederate; who, in she was not proof against the white face making her own confession, and she which, from the pillows, smiled so kindthe night, had ridden twenty miles on now said to him abruptly: ly upon her, and called her mother. And horseback to conduct a party of refugees to a place of safety, and had she was guilty of kissing her daughterguarded the entrance of the cave in the in-law, even before she saw the baby, only she was younger and had short ace of a furious mob, must be someher first grandchidl, whom Susan called hair, you know, and short dresses, too thing very formidable, or, at least, some-Isaac, although she hated the name, Annie, Annie, tell me,-was she,--do thing unlike all Rose's ideas of what a and had tacked on to it Adolphus, with von -are von."-Jimmie hegan raising ady gently born should be; and both the hope that the future would adjust himself upright on the couch, as some and her mother had waited nerthe name into Adolph, or something thing in Annie's expression began to vously for the arrival of one who, they more fanciful than the good, plain Bible puzzle and mystify him. "Am I what?" Annie asked. "Am I felt sure, was to be the wife of Tom. Isaac. And while the widow kissed Nothing definite had been said upon the and wept over her grandson, and felt little Lulu, of the Pequot House? My subject since Arthur died, but it was herself growing young, and soft, and name was Annie Louise Howard before tacitly understood by all parties that gentle again, the crowd around the de-Maude de Vere was, sometime, to be Maude Carleton; and Tom was allowpot had dispersed, a part going to their I married George. My aunt called me own homes, and a part following the Louise. You never inquired my maiden name, I believe. I suppose you ed to pay her attentions which could soldiers and band which escorted Annie thought I had always been a married Graham and Jimmie Carleton to the

In a great flutter of spirits, Rose had Mather mansion, where everything had heard of Maude's arrival at the Monbeen made so beautiful for them. It was a pleasant coming home, and a most ample compensation for all the called himself Dick Lee, and who was tear House, and immediately after dinner had driven down to see her, accompanied by Will, who, if possible, was weariness and privation which Annie, as hospital nurse, had endured, and gan to think of him all day, and watch more anxious than herself to pay his reshe felt that far more was awarded to She was kneeling by Charlie's couch her than she deserved.

"Mr. Carleton was the one to be hon- lu liked him, and when one day she when the party entered, but she rose at once and came forward, with the most ored," she said, and her soft, blue eyes | waited for his promised coming till it rested upon the pale, tired man, who, grew dark upon the beach, and the exhausted with his journey and the great hotel was lighted up for the evenbeautiful carnation staining her cheeks. and a look of modesty in her brilliant eyes. She wore a long, trailing dress ing festivity, and when other days and excitement, lay down at once upon the of heavy silk, and stood so erect, and sofa, and pitied, and cried over his poor nights passed, and he neither came nor held her head so high, that she seemed white face, and long, bony hands, which sent her any word, and she heard at taller than she really was,-taller than were almost transparent in their white-Tom, Rose feared; but as he stepped

up to her, she saw that he had the ad-Maude was not one of the party at all this came about, she began to think vantage of her by at least four inches, the Mather mansion that night. and thus reassured, she drew a long breath of relief; then, as thoughts of "You ought to be alone the first night," she said when Rose insisted that all her husband and brother had been she should join them. "To-morrow I will come around and call on Mrs. Gra- Lee-" ham and your brother."

She had been greatly interested in all nie stopped him, saying: spoke the arrangements, and was curious to see the woman who had almost been

her rival, while Annie was quite as curious to see her, the heroine of the Your mother knew who I was before mountains. In her letters to Annie. Rose had purposely refrained from mentioning Tom's name with Maude's, so that Annie was ignorant of the real state of things. But she did not remain so long. did suffer for a time. There was so

"Is she so very beautiful ?" she said little in the world to make me happy, to Rose, when, after supper, they were all assembled in the parlor, and Maude and you had been so kind, that I fully believed in and trusted you; and when was the subject of conversation. I found I was deceived, my heart ach-"Ask Tom; he can tell you," Rose ed as hard, perhaps, as the heart of a replied, and by the conscious look on gir! of fourteen can ache from such

Tom's face, Annie guessed the truth at | cause." That night, when the two brothers

were alone in their room, Tom said to hands in his own, and his voice expres-Jimmie: "Well, my boy, I've kept my word-I've waited a year or more. I've given you every chance a reasonable man could ask. Have you made a proper use of your privilege? Would it do me any good to try and win Annie now?

'You can try if you like," Jimmic aid. with a smile-And then Tom told him of his hopes concerning Maude de Vere, and Jimmle said to him, saucily:

"Don't you remember I told you once you had had your day? But some lucky dogs have two, and you, it seems, are

one of them." CHAPTER XXXVIII.

Where the sweet arbutus grows, real one. Jimmie drew her face down To the bluffs and marshy lands. to his. and, kissing the burning cheeks Where Mississippi flows. O'er prairies vast and grand, "Of course I should take you with me Thro' fields of waving grain Across the burning desert tract, "You would hardly find her if you did Where falleth no drop of rain."

> Conductors come and go. Some dandified and small, Some jolly and fat and loud, Some sour and lank and tall . But the little pilgrim for 'Frisco gets A fatherly word from all.

> " Clickity, clickity, clack," Sing the wheels ; " away are we, O'er arid alkaline tracts, Where sigheth not one tree O'er the rocky mountains grand Where the winds blow wild and free Thro' the state of wine and golden sand, To 'Frisco by the sea.'

The smooth-faced, dudish youth, The man in business gray, The matron in silk and lace. The stylish maiden gay, The drummer alert and brisk,

All have a word to say To the little maid for 'Frisco bound, And help her on her way.

Why do they stroke her hair, And gently pull her car? Why does this little orphaned one To young and old seem dear ? ove the song of the whe These words they plainly hear, As the little one for 'Frisco bound, Journeys onward to the sea; 'As ye have done it to one of these, Ye have done it unto me."

Some Result Certain.

Vea CI

to tell me what I had done to de-"Well, talking with pa is bound serve icicles in return for my affechave some good result, dear.' tion, and she passed on and left life "Yes, that's just what I was thinking. If I don't get your hand, I shall a desert. It is due to my character however, to say that it did not take get his foot, that's certain.' me long to rally. I got out of that

ON HIS DIGNITY.

tiger-killer and the tiger-killer's Jack-" Is it true, Harry, that you have sister who thinks to break my heart given up all thoughts of making Maud your by rejecting my love makes a sad wife ?" Harry--" Well, I should say so." mistake.

Jack-" That's strange ; I thought you were That canal contractor lasted about be kind, I suppose, and in a certain way making a dead set at her." Harry-"So I three days, and then gave place to a was, but I've changed my mind in that colonel who had the reputation of quarter. I tried to get her to give mea kiss, being careless with his money. The and she refused, but in less than ten seconds contractor and I were mutually atafter refusing to kiss me, she kissed that tracted. We did not give our full wretched pug dog of hers at least a dozen confidence, but whispered in each

times. I tell you what it is-when a woman other's cars that Brother Charlie prefers the wet nose of a dirty pug to the had probably been kicked by a dontidy mouth of a live man, there is a screw key, instead of being mauled by a solute monarchy?" "Wait until you get She preferred that I should marry a loose somewhere, and I congratulate myself tiger, and that his sister had a narried, my son, and than you'll soon and souint to her eyes, and a nose alto- ""

cold wave had suddenly set in. With breaking heart I entreated her Not Within Reaching Distance.

desert in about an hour. I am not a

A southern jobber was lunching at the Hardware club the other day during his vacation visit to New York and ordered cold lamb and mint sauce. When the meat was set before him, the jobber looked about and then called out, Waiter!"

man to force my friendship upon a "Yes, sir."

"Where's the mint?" "In Philadelphia, sir."

"Was your elopement with Miss

Goldberg a success ? " " Hardly."

"What went wrong ? '3

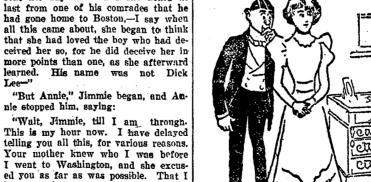
"Her father, the millionaire sent us a telegram saying 'Do not rereturn and all will be forgiven."

"Pa," said a little boy. " what is an ab-

"Poor Annie! poor little Lulu!" Jimmic said, as he clasped one of Anuie's sed all the sorrow and tenderness he felt for Annie, who continued: "Such childish loves are usually shortlived, you know. but mine was the first pleasant dream I had known since my parents died, and I went to my Aunt Belknap, in New Haven. She meant to

she was. She gave me a good education. and every advantage within her means. She took me to Newport and Saratoga and the New York hotels, and she turned her back on George Graham, whom we met at Long Branch, where he was making some repairs upon an engine. A mechanic was not idea of a busband for her niece, The next day brought Maude de Vere, man of sixty, who had already the por- on my narrow escape."

have promised to be your wife is proof that I have forgiven the pangs of disappointment I endured; for, Jimmie, I



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in the name of Heaven, are you thinking of, to permit Lucy to continue in attendance on Nina? Inez Beauchamp accomplished the act no will never do for her to go to one present could have declared; but when the stir of arrival had sub-Baden Baden ! I had left the whole plot so entirely to you that the thought of Lucy had new once en-tered into my mind. Bu as I stood listening to you, at the joudoir door my blood fairly ran col-

At that point my udy suddenly threw herseli upon a couch, and peal of musical laughter. "Oh Dolly, Dolly !" she cried when she at last regained her breathoh, Dolly, what a diplomate you Beauchamp. would make ! Send Lucy to Bader vere those of shocked surprise. Baden ! Send Once more the humour of the idea threw her into a convulsion of laughter. Then, suddenly recovering her gravity che started to her foot her gravity, she started to her feet, you doing to yourself ?" and came close to the wondering -----Dolores. "This," she said, speaking in rapid FATAL WORDS. significant tones, "this is where Lucy For a moment Nina sat quite will go !' silent, her eyes dropped to the floor and the blood flowing in a pink, She paused, reached up a hand to each of the woman's ugly shoulders, and looking her straight in the eyes, sluggish tide to her pallid face. "I fear I am ill," she admitted, went, hurriedly on,

test. Desiring and endeavouring to conduct the war in the most humane

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but when the stir of arrival had sub-isided, Mrs. JLady Beauchamp was a brilliant conversationalist, and she sparkled so wittily and intellectually that no one thought of the isolated pair: her babyhood. one thought of the isolated pair; "There is no reason," he said "why I should not speak plainly, and every reason why I should. In panese soldiers and presented the save the anxious baronet and Lady The doctor's first words to Nina plain words, then, Nina, you, are greatest possible difficulty to the killing yourself! Already there is growth of the movement. None the killing yoursell! Already there is an alarming action of the heart. Persist in meddling with drugs and your fate is scaled! No human power can save you! Then, for Heaven's sake, child, let me prevail Heaven's sake, child, let me prev 'Nina," he exclaimed speaking be-CHAPTER XII. upon you to cease these dangerous nese of the bona fides of the Red

were in the drawing room at the moment the rosy little doctor and himself violently back in his chair. his wife were announced By what neat legerdemain Lady

CHAPTER XIII. Dr. JEFFRIES'S WARNING.

plained he was the victim of a shipwreck. His explanations were not received, and the victim of red tape When the war with China broke

turned from his military career to out Japanese patience and ideals of one of adventure. charity met the severest possible Turned from India, young Brooke

Borneo is the pearl, "rite nearborn and the commanding officer of which the value of the products from them 14 days' "cells" for an offence which

tected.

about 5in. apart.

cells for warmth.

\*\*\*\*\* feared that his presence was de Bees cat 20lbs. of honey in making 11b. of wax.

The colour of the eyes of newly-A BRITISH SOLDIER'S ADVENTURE born infants is invariably blue.

A "hand," the term used in measuring horses, means four inches.

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CHAPTER XI.

A CONFIDENTIAL CHAT.

take me away !' Dolores listened with suspended breath. She listened to the last self more unfortunately. word, and then expressed her opinion 'Good ! Excellent !" she exclaimsuppressed voice, the swift, shudder-

ed, "and in every way worthy of your abilities; but-is there not a ing glance unconsciously flashed to-wards Lady Beauchamp, were so many proofs in my lady's favour. little danger that Sir Robert and the Jeffries will suspect that the "--Lady Beauchamp mockingly inter-"A monomaniac."

pitvingly. He lifted the thin, transparent "My good, cautious Dolores," she posed. hand lying in her lap. He looked at it. He tried the light, fluttering laughed, "is there not a little dan-

ger the heavens may fall.' pulse. He raised his eyes and looked again at the flaxen whiteness of the The more timid but no less scrupulous maid doubtingly shook her exquisite face and throat. Then, throwing himself back in his

"But," she mused, "it seems to chair, he exclaimed hurriedly, alhappen so conveniently." most sternly, in his great anxiety : Lady Beauchamp waxed impatient.

"Nina, it is quite eight weeks "And if so," she cried, "did I not since I saw you last. In those weeks map out the plan? Was it not my a marked change has taken place in pronounce it horrible, monstrous, to your appearance—a change that is stantly. separate Nina from the maid to due to a cause. Child, what is the "I shall be far from Lady Beauvoice that lauded Lucy ? Did I not whom she had been accustomed from infancy ? Did "-

"Ah !" quietly ejaculated Dolores, if you acknowledged it in so many tidily putting aside the elegant hat and mantle my lady had just cast off. "That gives quite a different as-

is too late, tell me, that I may "pect to your project.' Lady Beauchamp

white, shaking hands. "I will confide in you," she cried, 'Lucy,' answered, 'is faithful, thoroughly trustworthy, her suppressed breath hoarse and and passionately devoted to her mistress. Consequeatly, Lucy is the with you as with me. I thought most desirable person that could be never to utter the dreadful words, employed. Permit her, my dear, to accompany Nina. And, at the last doctor moment let Dr. Jeffries enlighten her She stopped, silenced by her ter-

as to our darling's condition. And rible emotion. Then she went on. even more violently moved than beat the same time inform her that, in at the same time morn not solve fore. view of her increased responsibilities fore. "Doctor," she repeated, every sylyou have doubled, or if you so de-

cide, trebled her salary." "An admirable proposition for Nina, that !" laughed Dolores, in Ah, you will never be able to answer that question, Dr. Jeffries. "By the

high anusement. "Certainly," nodded my Was not my whole soul old father has crowned with his love gravely. "Was not my whole soul old lather has crowned with the one anxious and gitted with his honoured name i thought for Nina's happiness, and By-Lady Beauchamp, Dr. Jeffries." As she spoke she turned her gaze Nina's comfort, and did not my every word express the anxiety ?" from the doctor's face, and fixed it. Dolores's laughing voice broke in with shuddering loathing upon her

upon the mocking tones. 'But how did Sir Robert intend stepmother. The doctor shivered, and involunto manage about the foreign maid? tarily his gaze followed hers. De-Nina would naturally expect to take spite his preconceived opinion, he

that was easy enough. He ation. There was something in the progress. "Look here, cabman," said his was impressed as by a sudden revel-Lucy ?" "Oh. would have made it the condition of girl's look and tone that paled his his consent on the ground of im-proving herself in French or Ital-an awful ring of truth.

But that one glance at Lady Beau-"Are you sure-quite sure," asked champ was enough. He could have Dolores after a pause "that the Allaughed outright.

linghams have never been mentioned My lady poison anyone ! That bright, pure, saintly-looking creature her presence ?' That was the very question that in her filmy white robes and deli-Dr. Jeffries put as we said good-bye cate roses !

Even Nina felt the preposterous-Set your mind at rest. The immen-sity of the stakes for which I play sity of the stakes for which I play ness of the accusation. has kept me sleeplessly watchful, not Her eyes travelled sadly back to like the wind."

only of myself, but Sir Robert. Be- the doctor's face, and rested there The cabman won the half-crown.

experiments. And let me also pre- Cross movement. vail upon you to tell without delay the name of the drug "---

burst into tears. "My dear child !" he exclaimed, nenitently. confused by the unexpectedness of the She quickly regained her composure doctor's question. "Oh doctor, thank Heaven you are coming to question. "Oh doctor, and attempting neither apology or explanation, she smiled faintly, dried her eyes, and quietly answered the question she know he was about to She could not have expressed her-The darkening eyes, the quick, ask.

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Nina.'

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The doctor listened, looked at her puzzled consideration a moment in and then asked : "Anything else ?" "Excepting three times."

"And then ?' Nina told him. He brought his hand down upon his knee in a quick, noiseless way. "Just as I feared ! Just as I feared !" he ejaculated in low tones. "Promise me," he presently cried "promise me that you will stop this

jewelery. Girls dressed in cotton often wear gold and silver bracelets terrible tampering with drugs-that and ankles, and many a bare-footed you will stop it at once-this hourpromise me for your own take, her toes. She gave the required promise in-

cause? Confide in me, I entreat you That you are dosing yourself in some way is as clear to my mind as

Dr. Jeffries received the desired anwords. But how am I to say what swer; with the profoundest relief, drug you are using? Nina, before it and then made another demand. "Immediately on leaving here, Nina suddenly interposed, leaning he said, "I will send you some continued, "was in favour of a forward and seizing his wrist with medicine which you must foreign maid, unacquainted with white, shaking hands. strictly according to directions the instant it is received.' "I could never be so ungrateful as

rapid. "I will, You are my father's to refuse," answered Nina. friend. His honour will be as safe - "And now," continued N "let "And now," continued Nina, us leave this distressing subject," adding anxiously the next moment 'of course, doctor, you will regard

The English have realised this for long time. They have attempted my impetuous confidence as sacred? The soul of truth and honour, Dr. to remedy it, but in vain. They Jeffries met the clear gaze of the tried to get the horded gold into cir-culation by offering high rates of insoft hazel eyes with a miserable sense of criminality and wickedness. tcrest for money, but the natives But some answer was absolutely necessary, and he made a prompt would not respond.

compromise with his conscience (To be continued.) 1435.

ON HIS METTLE,

A gentleman who was anxious to catch a certain train hailed a handsome, gave instructions as to the

wooing. Among the gipses of Morastation to be driven to and jumped inside. But the horse made terribly slow young man of her choice. This she "can't you make your horse go fasdoes by using a cake as a love-letter

ter? I wish to catch the 8.45. The cabman winked knowingly, and then replied : "Yes sir, he can go faster. But it's when he is alone.

like this, sir. My horse is an old racehorse, and the best way to make him go faster is for you to het me, half-a-crown he won't catch the 8.45 That will put him on his mettle directly he hears it, and he'll fly other

rant of the work of the Red Cross to England, his mind was made up-Society, and their unjust and bru-

he had decided on a life of adventure In 1838 his father died, and James Brooke succeeded to a fortune so handsome that his life of adventure selected with the care of a pirate chief. He wanted none but trusty,

lusty, and true men aboard the The Red Cross Society of Japan Royalist. Finding a crew to his liking, he weighed anchor and set out for the China Sea. When he cludes 327 physicians, 24 apothereached Singapore he decided to caries, 700 nurses, and 612 manatake a look at Borneo. gers servants and other workers. When he arrived there a rebellion The Royal Family are the most

was in progress, so he simply noted generous supporters of the Red Cross the possibilities of the land and sailmovement, and the examples thus ed away. He returned in 1840, and set is loyally followed by the nobles and other prominent people, who at the request of the Rajah took a thus strengthen the patriotism of the hand in the subjugation of the rebels. His conquest was so complete

that it was proposed to transfer the government to Brooke, and he, nothing loth, accepted the situation WHERE COLD IS TO BE FOUND BY proceeded to organize a government, and eventually declared the independence of Sarawak, and set up a new

dynasty of rulers. KNIGHTED BY QUEEN VICTORIA An enormous amount of gold is locked up in India, says "Spare Mo-The commerce of Sarawak improvments." The people seem miserably poor, but they have quantities of ed, and then the question arose of Brooke's nationality. Here he was, a British subject ruling an independent State. It was a nice case for girl has gold rings and gold bells on a constitutional lawyer, and Brooke apprehensive' lest he should be "annexed" against his will, wrote to

For ages the East Indians were ophis friends in England to get legal pressed. They did not dare to loan their money for fear they would lose advice as to his status. Later a British Commission was appointed it, and they preferred to put it into rnaments. This custom prevails to to inquire into. Borneo. affairs, and day, even though there is now, under Brooke, who had put down piracy, was denounced as a pirate as

he English, security of property. Among the chief horders are the nineteenth century Captain Kidd But he came through the inquisitor Indian rajahs, who wear the most expensive jewelery. Sir David Bar-bour estimated the amount of gold ial fires without a blemish, and later he was knighted by Queen Victoria In 1857 a Chinese society laid ela horded in India during the half-cenborate schemes to, assassinate, him, tury ending with the year 1885 at £130,000,000. This was the accumubut he ignored their desires by visit ing England, where he died in 1868 lation of over fifty years. He esti-mated that £160,000,000 worth of

By his will; he confirmed the ap pointment of his nephew, Charles silver was horded in this time, and Johnson Brooke, as Rajah, and this states that nearly all the gold and silver which came into India in reone in turn has now called on his son to assist in discharging the return for its exports were thus kept. sponsibilites of regal state.

> bread : THE CZAR'S HUNDRED PALACES "Get out of my shop ! " \_\_\_\_

head went round the corner. The Czar has 100 palaces scatter ed throughout the length and breadth of his dominions. These Imperial There are about 300,000 native bankers in India, who lend to the residences have a staff of 32,000 serpeasants, but the most of their busivants, and the wages bill amounts to £800,000 per annum. His private tess is done in kind, the moneylender advances so much grain, with the un-derstanding that he shall receive so stables contains 5,000 horses, and he can have lunch."

is the owner of 50,000 head of catmuch back when the crop is harvestle which graze on the pasture lands of his private farms. It is said that he has never even seen more than half of the palaces that are his, and Not everywhere do the boys do the he has seen only the outside of 25 of

via, for instance, none will dare to the remainder. Still, all the Im-presume to court a maiden until she perial residences are kept fully kept fully has notified her readiness to the equipped and staffed all the year round.

baking therein a coin, and throwing Among modern weapons the bay-it within his tent door at night onet has undergone the fewest last words?"

It has been remarked that most Of every 1.000 inhabitans of the Italians of the poorer classes are globe 846 are Christians, seven Jews noted for their general good health. 114. Mohammedans, and 533 hear This is said to be due to the fact thens. The Christian religion is that the working people of Italy spreading more quickly than any cat less meat than those of any other European nation.

in civil life would not be taken Britain. notice of.

These cells, which stand separately Russia is said to own 3.000.000 are about 14ft. high, by 12ft. square. horses-nearly one-half of the whole There are no windows, but one side number in existence. is composed of iron bars which will 

reach from floor to ceiling, and are In England only one person in 200 is a landowner. In France nine in In the monsoon season it rains 100 own landed property. there for three months and then

snakes are liable to crawl into the In Southern China the air is so humid in summer that, despite the One night, as the soldier lav in his intense heat, clothes cannot be dried solitary confinement, a large cobra in the open air.

snake, one of the most deadly reptiles in India, crawled between the Telegraph-wires will last for forty bars into his cell, and wriggled on years near the seashore. In the his bed to get on to the blankets manufacturing districts the same for warmth. It curled itself upon wires last only ten years, and somehis breast, and he was just about to times less.

turn over, when he opened his eyes and saw the snake's glittering eyes In some parts of Siam flies become staring into his face. He dare not so pestilential during hot weather move, for one movement would have meant death, and so he had to lie that every soldier is compelled to in that position for four hours, in kill a certain number of them daily

terrible agony. At eight o'clock when the sergeant A caterer gives it as his experience came his rounds; he saw the that, where the guests at a small position the prisoner was in; and at gathering know each other well, at once drew back and went for a long least 20 per cent. more food is eatstick. With another soldier he en- en than would otherwise be the case. tered the cell, and together they

CETTING A MEAL CHEAPLY.

He turned submissively to obey.

'Here, take your money,"

"Well, Bill ? " said he.

ime," replied the man.

hung.

please, mum?

of my shop."

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Restaurants on wheels are the drove the snake into a corner, where latest idea at Stockholm. The cars, they killed it. The commanding offiwith a variety of hot dishes, peramcer released the prisoner the same bulate the streets. On a customer coming a little table is let down, on day, as he thought he had suffered enough punishment in the terrible exwhich the meal is served and eaten perience he had gone through. The with rapidity. Intoxicating liquors man's hair had turned quite white cannot be sold from the cars. with the great mental strain which he had endured.

What is claimed to be one of the largest clocks in the world has been placed in a new tower at Elizabeth. New Jersey. It is 38 feet in di-ameter, with 18it. hands. The tower which is 330 ft. high, was built ex-A tramp entered a baker's shop shivering and trembling piteously. "A loaf, please, mum," he said, depositing the money on the counter. pressly for the clock, which will be lluminated at night, and will be

visible for many miles round.

'Where's the nearest hospital, For a centrepiece for the table, that will be permanent and always "The nearest hospital ! " she ejabeautiful, place slips of the English ivy(in a rose bowl. They will take "Yes, mum; I'm feeling very bad. root in the water and grow. Their rich, dark-groen leaves will look well I believe I'm sickening for something like scarlet fever, I think." "What!" she shricked. "Get out on a white cloth, and make a beautiful ( background for any bright coloured flowers you may wish to add for any special occasion. The water will need to be renewed iron she time to time, but that is the only He did so, and humbly offered the care that will be required.

A West-end agency has originated He crawled, out, and with bowed system of "good conduct" prizes is the hope of doing something to solve the perennial 'servant problem. Presently a twin monument of vretchedness came towards him. To domestics seeking situations, the manageress intimates that, in order "Right O, 'Enery," came the anto encourage her clients to give swer. "It worked A1, mate. Now, satisfaction to their employers, will present a gold watch to any you do it for a bit of bacon, and we servant engaged from her agency who remains in the same situation for two years; and a brooch to these who have served in the same WHAT FATHER SAID.

house for one year. "Did your father give you any parting admonition?" asked coun-sel of the witness in a disputed will By a series of experiments conduct-"He never gave much away at any. "I mean to say, What were his ast words?" "They don't concern you." "They not only concern me, sir," Bright pins took nearly eighteen Bright pins took nearly eighteen to disconcern weliebed steel remarked the barrister, severely, months to disappear; polished steel out they concern the whole Court." months to disappear; polished steel "'Oh; all right," was the reply. Brass pins had but little more en-"Father said: 'Don't have no durance: steel pins at the end of trouble when: I'm gone, Jim. 'cos lifteen to the pins at the end of

ed in his back garden, a gentlemen has discovered an answer to the con-undrum, "What becomes of pins?" He found the pins were resolved into dust. Hairpins which he watched

trouble when I'm gone, Jim, 'cos fifteen months had uearly gone while lawyers is the biggest there we have their wooden holders were still intect

### ION OF ITALY'S CORK FORESTS.

ndustry, which is an im-will receive a frest ime "Scientific American" having been discovered pieces can be made ones, so that cork utilised in large quanis all the more imporprice of cork increase: h on account of the and and the lessened raw material.

taly was a large pro-, but a great part of cork-oak forests has destroyed. In some proees have been felled and arcoal making and in ces they have been cut unt of their high potash

1 still furnishes 32.800 annually, the produce lecreased to 4,000 tons of the Spanish export unts to 6,000,000 dolar, against less than ars for Italy. It seems tible that this distrucan age of 200 years. cork in their thirtieth ntinue to do so every Seventy-five years ago demand for cork was sively from Italy. The of the remaining forests nobody seems to try t or plant new forests, the fact that Italy posost favourable soil and the cork-oak, the most onditions for its growth in the volcanic soil

### HE TOCK THEM.

lemen in the smoke-room ing the joys and sorrows vice in Korea. been with the Japanese here, and had a very in-me," said one of them. et really alone near the somebody asked. I once took two officers at day I took seven sol-

get hurt?" light scratch, that's all. a lot of transport wagollowed that by taking a

said a disagreeable man, state that I consider you finest specimens of a lier od this earth !' natured gentleman looked moment; but then an stole over his face as

I'm not that ! You see grapher !

AL INFORMATION. 

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nd," the term used in means four inch

## THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10\_1904

The steps leading up to the settlement

to conform to the doctrines and

### INDUCTION OF THE REV. ROBERT McGOWAN.

charge), T. R. Cairne, Elder Gray, M. of the Chuich.

G. Hart, and Mesers D. McKenzie, G.

and was recently unanimously chosen thing to have a good theme, to know

by the various congregations in the what to say and how to say it. The Beaufort Presbyterian charge as the minister had such a theme in "the un-

Brain, J. Draffin, and W. Surman. In of the parish were briefly narrated by

addition, Mr McGowan, conr. (of Bella- the Rev. A. H. Moore, after which the rat) and Rev. S. McGowan (of Merino), congregation acceded to the call and

the father and brother respectively of promised to support that minister, the Revs. J. Smilly Then the Rev. Mr McGueen (of Lasrmonth) and F. McGueen (of the support the doctrines and

to eliminate selfi-hness from their dis Subacqueutly the Presbytery held al Thomail, UNE MILE, UNE MILE, BIOYCLE position, and junt in proportion as self meeting, and the Rev. R. McGowan way BACES, for prices of £17, £11 and £8 re-was eliminated, Christ would use them. other business transacted that of locality in the and Half-mile is each. Beaufort Presbyterian Charge. to eliminate selfishness from their dis-

The Rev. Robert McGowan, who has visit to church on Sunday to hear their ensuing year. given devoted service as the Presby- minister preach, but they were to help terian minister at Birchip for six years, him and stand by him. It was a good

At night the Societies' Hall was crowded he occasion being a public welcome extended by the congregation and people of sor of the Rev. J. A. Barber upon searchible riches of Christ." No matter Mrs McGowan. The stage was transmogthe latter accepting a call to Humilton, what their capacity or position in life, rified into a perfect bower of loveliness. Was on Wednesday last inducted a Christ offered his riches to them. Al-Gaban, Prahrau Burniston, Drouin G Walker, Camberwell minister of the Beaufort Presbyterian though they could not reach the value, decorating it with art curtains, baskets of Warmburn, Camberwell Praetz, Ballarat C. Maurer, Highten F. Wilson, Ballarat T. Manson, Warrambool charge. The Moderator of the Ballarat yet they were open to every man for flowers, pot plants, everyreens, etc. The Preebytery (Rev. Chas. Cameron) was the asking, whatever was necessary to The proceedings commenced by all join-

A. H. Moore (who has officiated as the and their minister would be able to draw interim moderator in connection with from this vast store, and that großt McQueen, engaged in prayer. Then the filling the vacancy in the Beaufort things would be done here for the Head ir, Parwan, Parkons, Moonee Ponday. W. Partons, Moon Kelley, Teraug Woodward, Ballar vard, Ballarat Skelton, Koringa, Drouin Ogg, South Melhourne

wishes from the Revs. A. Adamsand J.A. wieles from the Ravs. A. Adamtand J. A. Barber (formerly ministers of the charge), Rev. A. J. Peerce, Messie. Thos. and J. G. Robertson, and Real-Admiral Bridges. An enjoyable minister programme was con-tributed by Mr. J. R. Wotherspoon, Miss Amy Andrews, and Mr. McLeod; Mr. Wothersposis ster supersecting success with some fine selections on bis phono-F. Jenson, South Melh Walker, St. Kilda m Ryan, Metropolitan Farm via Werribee via. Werribee ... Pearce, Beaufort Forbes, Colae ... J. Nebill, Terang Hebir, Paring Goed, Ballarat Listberger, Beaufort ... Sewell, Ascot Vale .F. Driver; Beaufort Williams, Yarraville ark, Ararat R gers, Ballarat Westmo . Naylor, Lexton

red in very kindly tones to the splendid services rendered by them in the Birchip

quite an ovation. On behalf of his wife and Application for a Gold Mining Lease himself, he thanked them most heartily for their splendid welcome and for all the TT is intended to grant the undermention lease, subject to such excision

modifications, and reservations as may ABARAT DISTRICT, RAGLAN DIVISION. No. 1934; H. Harvey; 393 acres; parishes Beaufort, Livingstone, Trawalla and Brewster.

for them to say good by a to the people of Birchip-a very loyal people, with whom they had been associated in troublous times. Melbourne, 1st December, 1904. The splendid welcome given them now led them to believe that they had taken a wise The welcome had almost taken his SPECIAL NOTICE. step. breath away. In referring to the places where he had spent a considerable part of his W.H. HALPIN will offer at the Yards, ou THURSDAY next, on behalf of Mr. F. Beggs, fine bred Jersey Bull, 20 months old; also two Jersey Springers, 31 years old, perfectly quiet, and good milkers. ing with the letter B, he re life as commen

marked that he was born at Bal arat, and afterwards went to Beechworth, where he wa- fortunate enough to win his wife. then was forculate enough to which where the his first charge was at Birchip, and now his lot was east in Beaufort. He sincerely trusted that as a minister and a people they would be drawn closer, together, and that God's richest blessing would even be their

not be disappointed in him. "Trust no future, howe'er pleasant, Let the dead past bury its dead; Act, act in the living present, Heart within and God o'erhead," shosen sentences. Light refreshments were provided by the ladies of the congregation, and the Rev. Mr and Mrs McGowan were introduced to each adult in the hall. A very pleasant gathering terminated with the pronouncing of the benediction. Beaufort Athletic Club. The following are the handicaps for the above Club's Boxing Day Sports, Crockery, to be run in the Beaufort Park on Monday, 26th Decr., 1904. Accept-DESIGNS. ances positively close with the Secre-ary (Mr. A. Parker) on Saturday next, 17th inst. Competitors who have not sent colors are requested to do so when their patience and forbearance. Mr notifying acceptance. First race to McGowan came to them with a splendid. reputation through his noble conduct and start at 12 o'clock sharp. Events to find in him an angel in disguise, and if they found spots on the sun, he asked ticket office on the ground, to competithem not to proclaim it from the housetors only. DISTRICT BIOYOLE RACE, £4. Acceptance, 1s. J. Pearce, Bentfort A. C. F. Driver, Beaufort A. Listberger, Beaufort W. Naylor, Lexton J. Meenan, Lake Goldsmith J. Pope, Waterlöo M. Tyrrell, Beaufort A. Ramsay, Beaufort A. McCracken, Nerring. A. McKagrall, Beaufort. W. GIBSO .... 100 .... 120 .... 120 W. GIBSON, Handleapper. Beaufort, 8th Decr., 1904. BEAUFORT SHEFFIELD (190YDS., £10), (£5) P. J. Scown, Terning Theo: W. Schlicht, Beaufort J. Brown, Maryborough H. W. Rittock, Geelong F. A. McNulty, St. Arnaud A. Ditchburn, St. Arnaud J. C. West, North Essendon U. Bloburn, Lotton 15 Briody, Lexton & School & Phelas, Balarat North & C. Lillingston, Ballarat W. 7. Thompson, North Fitzroy . 7. Graham, Skipton & ... \*15: 12 Donald Baxter, Merodith .... W. Robertson, Ballarat .... T. A. Brudenall, Ballarat .... J. McPherson, Ballarat ..... better for a word of praise. The minister, too, wanted their prayer. It would 25 McGrath, Trawalla 4111 13 20 The Ironmongers, BEAUFORT

R. J. KIRKPATRICK, Handicappi

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TENDERS are called, saturnable to the un-dersigned by 15th inst., for the right to GRAZE for one year ou 778 acres of first-class grazing land, well watered and wall fenced, patish of Buangor, about one mile from railway station. Inspection invited. SAMUEL YOUNG, Solisitor, Beaufort.

PITFIBLD.

Wednesday, December 14, 1904.

SALE BY AUGTION, on the Premises, Main Street, Pitfield, at 12.80 o'clock sharp.

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the whole year the Presbytery had been having quite a series of festivities, and iot the least pleasant of their many trips was this one to Beaufort. The old phase of the austere Presbyterian clergy would appear to have been a long way off, if it had not disappeared altogether. (Dr. Elder Gray asked if it ever existed.) Some people thought so, but he assured them that there were Presbyterian ministers who could be as facetious as others. He asked Mr Carroll to convey to the board of management the thanks of the Presbytery for the hospitality

hown to them. Mr Carroll, on behalf of the board of anagement, thanked the Moderator for

Moderator, who then formally performed the induction ceremony. The Rev. J. M. Hart, who addressed the newly-inducted minister, had, he said, by a strange coincidence, selected the same text as the Rev. J. Smiley. He Ballarat Presbytery to welcome the Rev. to give himself to the service of God as R. McGowan in their midst. During the result of a remark made by him (Mr the result of a remark made by him (Mr Hart) at St. John's, Ballarat, many years ago. He spoke of Paul as being dazzled by the splendour of his theme, and said that what was wanted in our day was con-tidence; preaching must not be so much sound, but an accent that manif accent sound, but an accent that would come home to the hearts of men. They must not be heaitant. He would like his brother to note that God gave them a strong faith and belief in their message, and if they believed in their message they

could stand four square to all the winds of the earth. There could be no divine equipment without grace. He believed Mr McGowan had been called by the Lord. He was not a novice, having served the Lord as a minister for six or seven years, and coming here with a good name he believed he would be the means of turning many from darkness unto light.

W. instructions from the Executor in the Estate of the late Richard Humphreys to hold a CLEARING SALE on the Premises, Park Road, management, thanked the moderator for his kind expressions, and assured bim that to entertain the members of the Presbytery had given the committee the hoped it would not often occur-not that they objected to entertain the Presbytery, but that vacancies in the bit astic the the congregation of the people, and on the presbytery had as a minister. They had not ofly set, their the word of od in their knows in the hands to the call in tokens of albrerooc, but had stood up as a suppression and Beaufort, on 21st inst. Particulars in future issue ; also posters. Presbytery, but that vacencies in the charge would be few and far between, but had stood up as a gangregation and Now that the pulpit was again filled he promised to provide suitable means for their minister, come, because they did not like chang-ing their ministers, and they hoped to keep Mr. McGowan for a long time, and that all that had been said of him would be fully realised. The induction ceremony took place in table, the numbers of homes of a long time, and that all that had been said of him would be fully realised. the church, where a very large congre-stable, the purchase of books, and the gation had assembled, and the Rev. A. gation had assembled, and the Rev. A. to, and the expenses of a country charge H. Moore officiated as chairman. The were so wide and varied that what looked H. Moore culculate and start of the Assembly, Rev. Dr. Gray, like a large stipend would only be found Clerk of the Assembly, Rev. Dr. Gray, ssked for the third and last time if there was any objection to the settlement of Mr McGowan, and, taking silence for consent, said he was glad to see that the congregation acquiesced in their opinions and views. Hymn 541, "Praise the Lord, His glories show," having been sung, the should remember that every minister had Rev. A. H. Moore offered up prayer, a personality of his own, and must work and then read the 100th Psalm. The 122nd Psalm, "I joyed when to the that a new man's teaching should be en-122nd Psalm, "I joyed when to the that a new man's teaching should be en-House of God," was sung, and the Rev. Saml. McGowan, of Merino, read, as the New restament lesson, the 4th chap-ter of the Epistle of Paul to the Ephe-No man was perfect, and while a minister. No man was perfect, and while a minister. ter of the Epistle of Paul to the Ephr-sians. A prayer by the Rev. T. R. Cairns was followed by the singing of hymn 198, "Glorious things of Thee are spoken." The Rev. J. Smiley, of Learmonth, preached a thoughtful sermon from the text, "Unto me who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, subject of his text was the minister of devotion to his work in the past, but on Christ : his preparation and his theme, that account they should not expect to It was generally admitted that the find in him an angel in disguise, and if Anostle Paul stood easily first amonger that found anote on the and to ache and the admission ticket, obtainable at Workny of all acceptation that Christ Jesus came into the world to save ain-ners, of which I am chief." The service of Christ consists simply of a progress of humility. In order to serve Christ it was necessary for them to eliminate the haars and shadd the order of the order o it was necessary for them to eliminate would look to the Une over all who was R. Herbert, Dallarst Dasting self. Everyone had it clinging to him in a greater or less degree, and until he eliminated it he was not fit for God's service. He exhorted the congregation banediction, and as the congregation with level herediction. service. He exhorted the congregation benediction, and as the congregation T. Whelan, Mawallok not to expect the minister to do all the passed out of the church the right hand of Dave Adams, Beaufort work, but for everyone to take a share, fellowship and welcome was extended to W. J. Kelly, and the way to fit themselves for it was ' the newly-inducted minister.'

graph. Mesers. Menzies, Carroll, and D: Cochrane (Waterloo), on behalf of the congregation, ohurch organisations, and

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charge, and prayed that God would bless them in their work at Beaufort. Mr McGowan, on rising to respond, received

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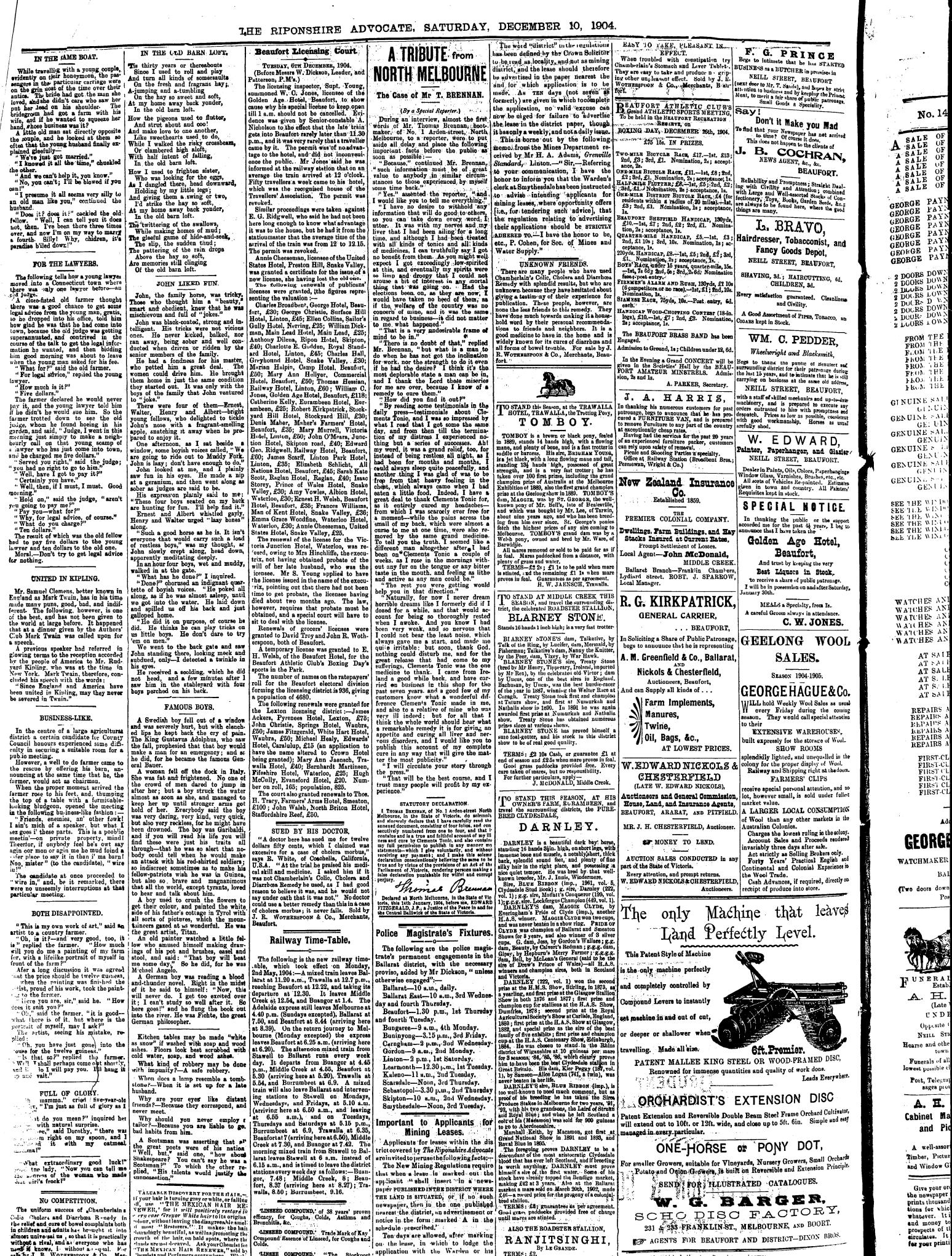
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that I should preach among the Gentiles 'he unsearchable riches of Christ." The subject of his text was the minister of It was generally admitted that the Apostle Paul stood easily first amongst the ambassadors of Jesus Christ. He them not to proclaim it from the house-was permitted to do more work than anyone else. Had he chosen a secolar oareer, he might have made for himself a great name and position. Nothing torted one for Christ matter than the visiting. Besides ordinary visiting. the ambassadors of Jesus Christ. He tested one's love for Christ more than there were so many claims on a man? the sacrifices they made for Him. It time that he had not she time to spare to was an easy matter to say they were visits from house to house; and if a min-Christians, but if they understood the ister gave himself up to tea drinking, tennis text and the reality of being a Christian, they would ask themselves what sacri-form had they made or ware willing to brought their forefathers to dourd by which the sacrifices they made for Him. It time that he had not the time to spare for fices had they made or were willing to brought their forefathers to church in all make for Jesus Christ. If they studied weathers was not to be found to-day. In the history of the Apostles, they could these days of crises men's sermons must be make out a grand history from Paul's lorcetor and inspiring, and to meet these life. His training for the ministry was a training for humility. The preacher dealt with Paul's three stages of humil- the by regular attendance. The success of a church depends more on the loyalty of its church the built built with the state of the success make out a grand history from Paul's forceful and inspiring, and to meet these ity—"For Lam the least of the Apostles, and not meet to be called the least of them, because I persecuted the Apostles of Christ." That was the first step. The undertakes; give him their heartiest support, and prove themselves loyal of Christ." That was the first step. The second was when he said, "Unto me who am the least of all the saints is grace given." And when he stood on a higher level than others, having seen Christ in the fiesh and received his many and wanted their sympathy. Don't be afraid to give him a word of praise commission at Christ's hands, Paul be afraid to give him a word of praise. said, "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation that Christ too. wanted, their prayers. The minister,

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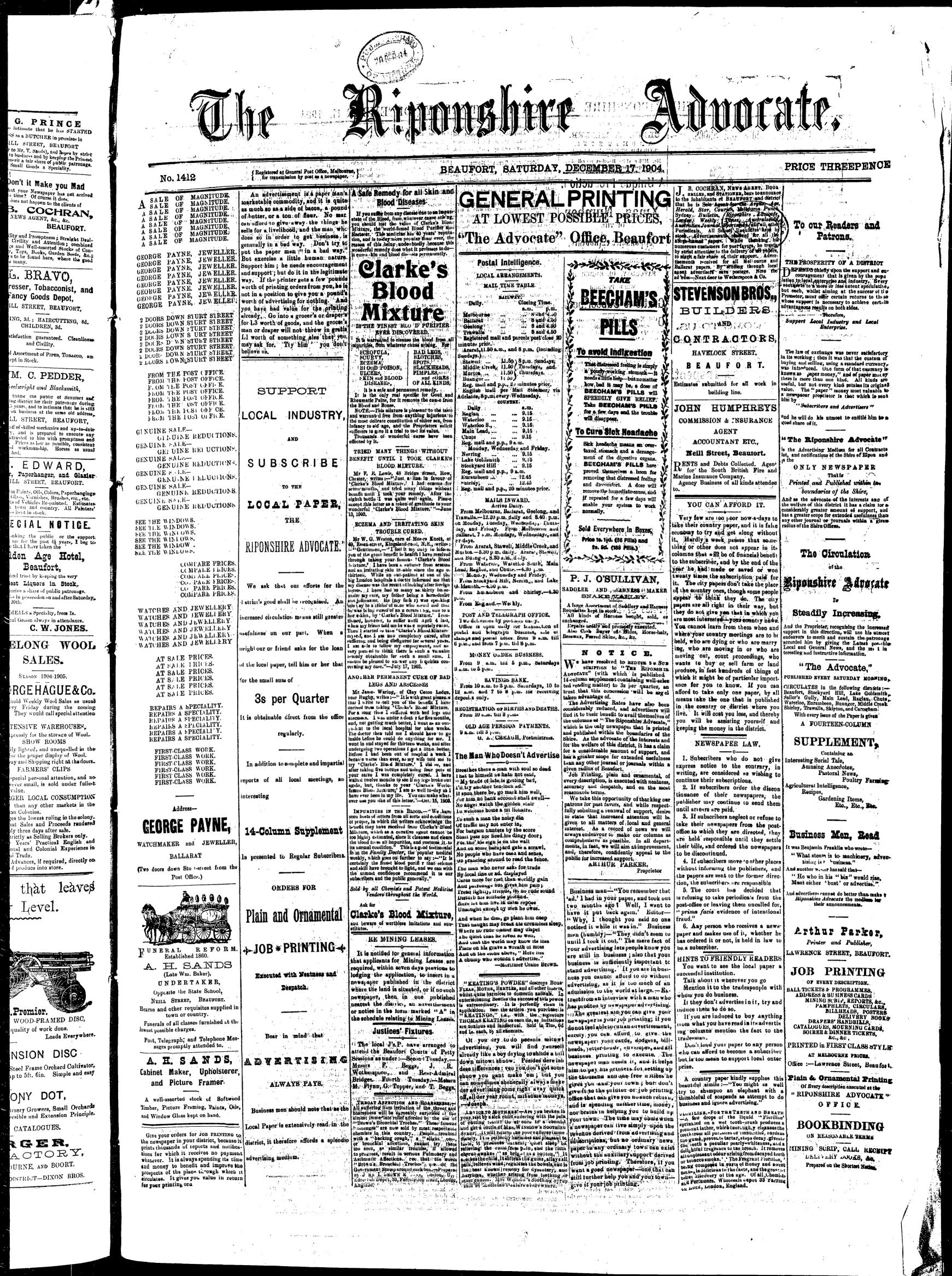
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of the Common weath. It will be a The Rigonshire balance sheet is siter. The champion ram, Royal O.k, cought a the last Melbourne sheep s les for six bundre minage died best night at Corrangellar estatu "A fire occurred at Rear-Admiral Bridges' and acted on that the national interes s Trawalla Estate on Saturday, but was for- Beaufort railway station was made by the will not be advanced by party policies. untely extinguished before

noby emage roudmissioners' Mesers Tail, Fispatrick, was done. It seems that the dry twige and Hudson, yesterday. They travelled and needles from the pines in the old by special train and only stayed h re a homestead garden were being burnt, and few minutes. They found everything Local and General News. Patrons and visitors to the sports in the Beaufort Park on Boxing Day, will find, J. R. HUTERERS, Cateror, in charge of the Inschoon booth. A good unstantial dinner for a shilling. Alternoon Bin, 61. [Abyr.] homestead garden were being burnt, and few minutes. They found everything during the absence of the men at dinner satisfictory. a spark ignited an old hur and quickly de-molished it. Abdur half at hur and quickly de-homestead garden was also hadly conclude. Plenty of water was available, and the fire was seen set under control. oon got under control.

The usual forthightly meeting of the Beaufors branch A.N.A. was held in the logs-room. Societies Hall, on Tuesday, the ninutes of the previous meeting wire the ninutes of the previous meeting wire read and condition. An appeal was re-devied from the Austin Hospital for In-At six this morning the door was still looked, but the chaft have were on fire our Mr. Coolirand, news agency. The supple-ment includes, am ng other the illustrations. a large double-page colored plotur, entitled "A social to Paradise." The social ques-ourables. I was decided, on the apoint for in-the social it or Paradise." The social ques-ourables. I was decided, on the apoint for in-locked, but the chaff bags were on fire on locked, but the chaff bags were on fire on the social to Paradise." The social ques-ourables. I was decided, on the apoint locked, but the chaff bags were on fire on locked, but the chaff bags were on fire on locked, but the chaff bags were on fire on the flow of the stable, and several sets of large a number of stories by Austrilian of the flow for the presi-tion is treated by Austrilian of the flow of the presi-tion a number of stories by Austrilian of the flow of the presi-tion of stories by Austrilian of the flow of the presi-tion a number of stories by Austrilian of the flow of the presi-tion and the stable at the time.

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with the A.N.A., and he requested the item to be placed, on syllabus for forth-Demetery. The Rev. R. McGowaii con-ducted the Presbyterian service at the coming half year ; received. In the mat-ter of the postponed discussion on the motion reholding competition, Mr Halpin. Rear-Admiral W. B. Bridges and Mr. moved that the subject be discussed on

J. R. Watherspoon, J's.P., presided over the Beaufort Police Court on Tuesday. 17th January n.zt : seconded by Mr R A. Baker and carried. Treasurer's report. Three debt cases, in which there was no appearance of any of the parties concerned were struck out. W. P. Schlicht obtained 250 6. 11d. The meeting then terminated The half-yearly meating of the Beaufort Lodge I.O.R. was held on the 2nd inst. in a verdict for £7 4s., with 5s. costs, for rent against Chas. Broadbent, junr., in defaul the Societies' Hall .: There were 40 memstress. A vaccination c e sgainst Maria

hompson was adminined till 5th Jany Cornelius Green was proceeded against by Constable Deeley for neglecting to have and confirmed. The receipts for the night was effected. For the 99 acres on the his child vaccinated. Defendant gave as were £16.5s ; disbursements £3. The fol-Surley road the bast offer was £3 10s an

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been vaccinated before was because his secretary; Bro. G. Pringle ; assistant sec-wife was not fit to look after her. The retary, Bro. Ohesterfield ; Levitee, Sister elisirman (Admiral Bridgee) asked defend. Rose Mitchell and Bro. J. M. Prentice ; apt if he knew the importance of vaccina, Gaard, Bro. A. Rogers ; Writing Steward, tion, and in reply he said he would not Bro. C. H. Grant ; Money Steward, Bro. have the child vaccinated, as he did not R. Sitter ; Auditors, Bros. J. D. Cameron

appears to me to be nonsense, and is no appointed juvenile superintendents. A advised the parties to effect a settlement. appears to me to be nonsense, and is no journing the case so that you and your with some important lodge business, but tendered a few words of advice to the adjoarning the case so that you and you will sold the sold amicably. whe san think it over?" Defendant mid was eventually settled amicably. he did not think so. Admirs! Bridges The Postal authorities have made the saidut was a great pity, as defendant was

not looly doing harm to his child, but to others as well. The maximum penalty of 40s, was inflicted. William Lucardie was similarly proceded against. He plead ed guilty, stating that the little child's gailty, stating that the little child's In telegraph offices Sunday art ingements there was dead; that the child was living will be observed. Tuesday, 27th Decemwith her aunt, who was greatly exainet will be coserved. I useday, and January, with her aunt, who was greatly exainet is r. 1904, and Monday, 2nd January, vaccination; and that he had promised his 1905.—All Post-offices will the closed to h Detr. at wife, if anything happened to her, that he the public at noon. The first delivery the presents were distributed, each willams, would not get the child vaccinated. The only by latter-carrier will be effected, ing three gifs, and many others were distributed were the child caught Money order business will be transacted ing three gifs, and many others were

her on the calf of the log, making an ugly wound fully an inch in length. At the Suake Valley Polize Court J on Wednesday, Henry Hayward, H have the child vaccinated, as no the use IE. Sitter; Auditor, Dies. J. Campion, believe in it altogether. Admiral Bridges and C. H. Grant; Preas correspondent, - "Then you would set yourself up Bro. C. H. Grant (in place of Bro. G. against the opinion of those who have Pringle, resigned). Bros. H. Cheeseman, made a life study of the subject. That J. P. Rogers, and J. M. Breutige were woodcutter, proceeded against Archi bald Chisholm, farmer, for unlawful assight on 25th November. After hearing the evidence, Mr Dickson uair, advising them to be more careful. **LINSEED COMPOUND**, of 38 years' proven efficacy, for Coughs, Colds, Asthma and Bronchitis, &c.

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skill and medicine. I asked him if it was not Chamb rlain's Colie, Cholera and Diarrhoe: Remedy he used, as I had gool easou to b. leve it was, and us would not say under on h that it was n uld use a better remedy than this in a case cholera merbus; it never fail. Sold by WOTHERSPOON & Co., Merchante associated with the church for some con-Beaufort Athletic Club.

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The following are the handicaps for the above Clubs Boxing Day Sports, to be run in the Beaufort Park on Monday, 26th Decr., 1904. Acceptances positively close with the Secreary (Mr. A. Parker) on Saturday next, "LINUM CATHABTICUM PILLS' of Mountain 17th inst. Competitors who have not Flax. Agreeably Aperient. Worthy of trial. sent colors are requested to do so when At Thursday's Beaufort stock sales, conducted by Mr W. H. Halpin on behalf of notifying acceptance. First race to Dixon Bros., crossbred lambs sold at 16. start at 12 o'clock sharp. Events to at a loss of 7a 5.] The receipted being 22 and arbeinditure 22 76 5. Accounts to amount of 25 wire passed for payment. The President reported that the written agreement reference of 1.0.R. ; re-tained from the trattee of 1.0.R. ; re-defved and approved, on the motion of Measure Breen and Prentice. Mr J. W. Presidier approved, on the motion of Mrs E. Smith, but owing to the high

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BALLARAT LIVE-STOCK MARKET. Fat Cattle-233 head came to hand for to-day's supply, fully one-third consisting of quality ranging from good to prime, remainder chiefly middling to useful descriptions. The attendance of the trade was an average one; for best de crptions, more especially heavy weights, the demand was hardly equal to last week, prices ruling slightly essier; middling qualities being in better demand; for such prices

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good £6 to £7. Calves-A large supply forwa d, including a fair proportion of good to prime vealers, which sold fairly well; best to 864. Sheep--4158 was the supply penned for to-day's sales, consisting principally of middling descriptions, a fair proportion ranging from good to prime. There was a large attendance of the trade and graziers, notwithstanding competition lacked animation, and though a few extra pens of jr me quality met; a brisk demand prices on the whole show a slightly ensier tendency. Towards the close comp etition brightened, prices, if anything, hardening.

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ward williams (elder son of Mr Henry Williams, of Lawrence, near Allendale). Under the heading of "In Musing and Misa Alice Prince (youngest daughter Monds," Neil Grey thus writes :---" The of the late Mr George Prince), of Ragian. new Presbyterian iminister of Beaufort, The ceremony was performed by the Rev. the Rev. R. McGowan, filled the pulpit in A. J. Pearce. The bride (who was given the church of my boyhood, St. John's THE Senate showed its discretion last week when it decided not to insist on its smendments to the Arbitration Bill, regarding the inclusion of agricultural laborers and domestic servents. The measure was sent up to the Senate with these provisions carefully left out, and the Senate, hy a small majority, but which made a large show of virtuous which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with was dressed in cream volle, with williams was dressed in cream volle, with which made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with with charts at bound the extended to williams was dressed in cream volle, with with made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with with made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with with made a large show of virtuous williams was dressed in cream volle, with with charts at bound the extended to williams was dressed in cream volle, with with was dressed in cream volle, with williams was dressed in cream volle, with with was dressed in cream volle, with w THE Senate showed its discretion last away by her brother, Mr F. G. Prince) Presbyterian Church, Peel-street, last this legislation should be extended to Paris trimmings, and the two little maids priste, and his sentences are constructed in cream silk ; and each carried shower with grace and power. Judging by the bouquets of scarlet carnations and aspara two sermons I heard, there will be no unall over the land, and the absurdity of gus fern. The Bride's mother wore a certain sound about Mr McGowan's expo-bringing in the agricultural laborers lovely dress of black canvas wolle, with sition of the Gapel. In all faithfulness, was seen by all except the politically vest of cream alls and hoe. The bride- and love, the minister-elect of Beaufort

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spectively. Acceptances-T mile and Half-mile, 1s each. tes was provided for them. After F. Hendy, Ballarat ...... George De Grandi, Warruambool F. Millard, Prahran H. Mangefield, Ballarat..... S. T. Parkins, Shepparton .... spending a happy afternoon they dispersed to their homes. 'LINSEE COMPOUND,' "The Stockport

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tened, he grew interested in Isaac Simms and the grass-plot by the well, " No. no. not that. We did not do and the box hidden in the barn, and he that." Charlie cried, with a look of expressed a wish to be present when horror in his blue eyes when he heard was burned. Maude, too, had heard the dreadful story, and that the South of Isaac Simms before. She knew that ern leaders were suspected of complia he had been captured by Arthur Tunity in the murder. bridge, but she did not know the par-"It would make me a Unionist, if I ticulars of his prison life, or how genbelieved my people capable of that ; bat ercusly Tom had sacrificed his chance they are not,-it cannot be," Charlie of liberty for the sake of the poor, sick kept repeating to himself, while the reat drops of sweat stood upon his white forehead, and his pulse and heart boy, until Annie told the story, to whick she listened with swimming eyes and a heart throbbing with love and respect beat so rapidly, that Maude summoned the attending physician, who shook his head doubtfully at the great change for

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Maude and Annie, and Haverill and

At Maude's request they buried him

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for her lover, who had been so noble and unselfish. She would go to the bonfire on the grass-plot, she said; and Charlie should go, too. He had wept passionately at the recital of Isaac's sufferings in Libby, but still found some excuse for the South generally. "It was not the better class of reo-

ple," he said, "who did these things; it was the lower, ignorant ones, whose instincts were naturally brutal." And neither Maude nor Annie contradicted him, though the eyes of the former flashed indignantly, and her nostrils quivered as they always did when the sufferings of our prisoners wers men-

tioned in her presence. That night, when the stars came out sident who had been murdered." over Rockland, a party of twelve or more were congregated at the house of Widow Simms, where, but for the ad memory of Isaac, whose soldiercoat hung on the wall, with the knapsack carried into battle, all would have been joy and hilarity at the prospect of and the world to which so many thoucertain peace. But death had been in sands had gone during the long four the household, just as it had clept across many and many another threshyears of strife and bloodshed. old; and mingled with the rejoicings said, "and then perhaps I shall know were tears and sad regrets for the dead why all this has been done, and if we of our land, whose graves were everywhere, from the shadowy forests of were so wrong." Maine, and the vast prairies of the Tom Carleton watched him through the West, to the sunny plains of the South, night, and just as the beautiful Easter where they fought and died. There morning broke, and the sunlight fell were twenty-five buried in the Rockland upon the Rockland hills, the boy who graveyard; and others than the party to the last, had remained true to the assembled at Mrs. Simms's thought of Southern cause, lay dead among the the vacant chairs at home, and the people who had been his foes. sleeping dead whose ears were deaf to the notes of peace floating so musically by the side of Isaac Simms, and Capt. over the land. Charlie's face was very Carleton ordered a handsome monu white, and there were tears in his eyes ment, on which the names of both the as he laid his thin, white hands rever boys were cut. Issac Simms, who had ently upon the box, examining its make, died for the North, and Charlie de

and bending close to the name and date Vere, who, if need be, would have given and words cut upon it,-"Isaac Simms, Rockland, April 25th, 1861. This box to be burned-", There was a blank which the boy, who had cut the words with his jack-knife, could not supply. He did not know when the box would be burned. Then it was April, 1861;

now it was April, 1865. Four years of strife and bloodshed, thousands and thousands of d'solate hearth-stones, and broken hearts, and lifeless forms both North and South, and the end had come at last. But the boy Isaac was not there to see it. It was not for him to fill up that blank; but for the Southern boy. Charlie de Vere, who took his pencil from his pocket and wrote, "April' 3rd, 1865, to celebrate the fall of Richmond, and the end of the Confederacy. Charles de Vere."

"Who shall light the pile?" Tom asked, when all was ready. And Charlie answered, "Let me, please. Surely I muy light the fire!' And he did light it, and then, with the

rest, looked on while the amole and testimony to what men's passions will the flames curled up toward the starry lead them to do when roused and unheavens where the boy Isaac had sone, and where Charlie in his dream that night saw him so distinctly, and grasped his friendly hand. After that night, Charlie failed rapid-

ly, and often in his sleep he talked to acres of highly cultivated land, was some one who seemed to be Arthur, and offered for mie-

ceremony, and Annie's "boys" whom she had nursed at Annapolis were the first to offer thir congratulations to Mrs. James Carleton, who looked so fair and oure and lovely, while Maude, whose beauty was of a more brilliant order. seemed to sparkle and flash as she bent her stately head in response to the

greetings given to her. Upon Bill, who had turned hackdriver, devolved the honor of taking the party to and from the church, and his orses were covered with the Federal flag, while conspicuous in his buttonhole was a small one made of white silk, and presented to him by a girl whom he called "Em." and who blushed every time she heard Bill's voice order-"I had hoped at least to keep him till the warm weather, but, I am afraid ing the crowd to stand back and his those bells will be the death of him," borses to "show thir oats" as he drove from the church with the newly marrihe said, as he saw how Charlie shivered ed people and noaned with each sound of the Their destination was Nashville

where in Maude's beautiful home. Jim-"Perhaps they would stop if you mie and Annie passed a few delightful vere to ask them, and tell them why,' weeks, and then returned to Boston to Annie suggested to Maude ; but Charthe old Carleton house, on Beacon lie, who heard it, exclaimed, "No, let them toll on. It is proper street, which had been fitted up for heir reception. they should mourn for him. The South

Mrs. Carleton, senior, divides her would do the same if it was our Pretime between her three children, Tom limmie and Rose, but her home proper So the bells tolled on, and the public is with Annie in Boston, where there is buildings were draped in mourning, and now a little "Lulu Graham," six months the windows of Charlie's room were old, and where Rose and Will often go, festooned with black, and he watched while each summer Tom Carleton comes the sombre drapery as it swayed in the ap from Fair Oaks with his beautifu April wind, and talked of the terrible Maude, the heroine of the Cumberland deed, and the war which was ended, Mountains.

THE END.

Testing His Eyesight.

"Just sit down in that chair," said the oculist to the patient, whose reputation for financial procrastination and repudiation was well known to him. will test your eyes." Then he held a printed schedule of his prices with 'No trust" line at the bottom in front of his eyes and asked, "Can you read that?"

"I am afraid," replied the patient, reaching for his hat, "that my case is beyond the reach of human skill."

Life Made Comfortable. completely. Borem-Still live in Jersey, eh? Hustler-Yes; I have no thought o coming back to the city. Borem-But it must be very incon Marie did not stop him. He dogvenient, 40 minutes by train and 15 by boat every day, and you've got to catch both right on the minute.

and where we who now see through a glass darkly shall then see face to face, Hustler-That's what I like about it and know why these things are so. You see, when people buttonhole me The Englishman laughed merrily. and get to talking all I have to do is to It was an amusing little comedy to jerk out my watch, mutter something him, this love affair between the Six months had passed since Charlie about train time, and I get away with fair milkmaid and the village artist de Vere died. Paul Haverill, Will out giving offense. See!

Mather, and Captain Carleton had been Borem-Ha, ha! That's good! That together on a pilgrimage to Paul's old neighborhood, where the people, wiser reminds me of a little thing Saphead

grown, welcomed back their old friend | was telling lastgrown, welcomed back their old friend was telling last-and neighbor, and strove in gratuin term ways to atome for all which that then cruel and harsh in their transformed ling toward him. The war had left them destitute, so far as nearest and had they had they freely offered Paul thereing him there him stupid. Perhaps that it to stay in their midst and they had homestead, whose blackened runnetter to stay on their midst and they had homestead, whose blackened runnetter to stay on their midst and they had homestead, whose blackened runnetter to stime to what men's passions will

testimony to what men's passions will an insect that can count. Is this re, Surely this Englishman was both

narkable? Many insects multiply very brave and kind. controlled. But Paul said no ; he could apidly. never again live where there was so

u.uch to remind him of the past. A Self-made Millionaire (to beggar); "Ah, Here's a ha'penny for you 1"

madame, excitedly; " and, a handsome lad. But sh ! Here comes Marie Gaudet. She and Antoine are -what you say-fiancee eh? That is it." "Aha ! " laughed the Englishman.

jealous without reason.'

and I.'

chateau."

"The pretty mfikmaid with the glossy black tresses, and the cheeks of rose, and-well, my young friend here "----Antoine is no fool. I could love

that girl myself. Our young Antoine makes a good choice, madame.' . The English artist had been a them underfoot. week in the village. He had been to

the cathedral. He had spoken with Antoine, and had made friends with

In Perigonne the mad painter the latter in spite of himself. Moreover he had given Antoine several moments of uneasiness for the attention which he bestowed upon Marie Gaudet. But Marie only laughed demurely and her eyes sparkled mischievously. "Oho it will serve Master Antoine right to tease him. He must needs be jealous. Well' then I will give him cause; for, in faith, he is madly "Antoine," called the Englishman from the door of the inn one mornrom ing, "what is the sketch this morning-the chateau again? Well, folk.

then, we will work together-you village folk point with pride.

Antoine came swinging along, his knapsack over his shoulder, and a soft hat crushed over the luxurious Strange! head of curls. But the dark face

was ugly with a frown. He had begun to fear this English friend, for not only had his laurels been assailed but Marie had tantalised him the livelong day. Why should she tell him of the Englishman's broad shoulders, of his fair hair and fine eyes, while he himself was smalland dark. So he was in no humour for the Englishman's banter. "What say you-shall we sketch, Monsieur Antoine ? " called the strong Saxon voice. A rougish face peered over his shoulders and the painter of Perigonne lost his temper "We will," he replied curtly and

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gedly continued his tramp, tramp up the stony path, and nursed his Throatly-Funny, isn't it, the Browns on't ask me to sing? ill humour the while. Marie shuddered for she knew this humour wel Well Meaning Pal-It is funny | Espesially so as they haven't heard you

Papa Wanted to Know.

"Uppish is he, the young dog,' "I couldn't help it, papa !" She looked up into his face with her frank blue eyes, and it was impossible to doubt her. "But you didn't seen to be protesting very much," asid the old geatheman. "But it was so sudden, papa, that ] couldn't," she insisted. "Tell me about it," he said. "Well, he adopted a very clever ruse, you iee. He got me to look the other way; then, before I knew it, he kissed me on the check." said he. " If those white hands had to till the soil as his fellow villagers he would lose their suppleness and some of his fine airs and graces These, there," to Marie- ".do not cry, pretty one. We'll teach him a

lesson, never fear. Ah, the rascal. Come, we will follow him to the fore I knew it, he kissed me on the cheek." The scoundrel !" It was wrong of him, of course.'

The girl looked up in silent ad-miration at her sturdy companion. What did you do then What did you do then ?". I was very angry. I told him it was s piece of gross impertinence on his part." "Indeed it was, and you should have wdered him to leave the house. Did you ?" Normon not exactly "

Antoine in the shade of the chateau was painting furiously. Every dab of the brush was as a dab at my poor fellow, I've known what it is myself the Englishman's heart and an oath to be without food and a night's lodging, for Marie Gaudet's black eyes. Those eyes could gleam fire he well nd saw him."

tarted off alone up the rugged road

to the chateau. Even the cry from

want the girl." He said it with brutal force. "I never wanted her. Here. fool, take your prize, and walking-stick--out of doors. learn to treasure her more highly."

I met Jones on Sunday morning. How He was already at the door when fresh and bright and spruce he looked. The a wailing cry came from the little world is such a pleasant place, and Jones has figure huddled before the altar rail. helped to make it so much more pleasant. You are not going to-leave-me-Of course there is no skeleton in his closet.

says Jones, is his skeleton in the closet. It

strikes me that before long she will retire

The Deaf Children of Deaf

Parents.

I am not quite certain. In it-the closet, I The face of the painter of Perimean-or rather, in the drawer of Mrs. gonne was ashen. He slashed at the Jones's escritoire, is a bundle of letters from canvasses with a palette knife and the son who went to Australia. It is rather tore them asunder. He trampled odd that he committed suicide; it is rather odd. I think, that Mrs. Jones is not so

The Englishman was gone. So was strong in her intellect as she might be. This, the mind of the unhappy Antoine.

to the calm seclusion of a private lunatic Antoine roams the village highways asylum. She has good settlements, and and byways. You may see him dear, good Jones will go to the Royal Courts about the cathedral ever sketching of Justice and make affidavits that his wife as quickly destroying. Marie Gauis still living and a lunatic, and will draw det has silver threads in her luxurthe money quarterly. "The world is such ious locks and her mouth is set with firm hard lines. She is ever discon- a pleasant place," says Jones. And really the ladies of Jones's acquaintance all agree solate. For her there are no little with him, and among themselves, that he is chubby arms to clasp her round and a dear, good man, and he positively advises whisper sweet childish confidences them in their investments with marvellons into her willing ears. For her there skill. Dear, dear, what disinterestedness. s only pity, given ungrudgingly what charity characterises his every action ( the simple-hearted village Dear, good man

And in the cathedral there are still many paintings to which the

From Hartmann's statistics we gather that every fifty-seventh or fifty-eighth shild born in marriage contracted by leaf persons inherits the deficiency Mygge finds in the marriages of deat arents, including those in which both or only one parent is deaf, that every sixty-second child is so affected, which s certainly much greater than the proportion in the general population. From other sources the fact has been elicited that the probability of congenital deafness is nearly seven times greater when both parents are deaf than when only one is so. Another interesting state ment. the outcome of observations by Turner, of the Columbia Institution, is

that one-tenth of the children born o parents of whom one was a deaf mute were afflicted in the same manner, onethird of the children being deaf mutes when both parents were the subjects of that condition. Thus the proportion of deaf children when both parents are so affected is more than three times greater than when only one parent is; and we may conclude that congenital deaf mutism is the result of hereditary influences, which are intensified when coming from both parents. There are often several deaf children in a family it has been found that about 40 per cent of congenital deaf mutes had deaf and dumb brothers. With reference to this point-namely, the relationship of the deaf, Mygind says that deafness is comparatively frequent among the relatives of deaf mutes. It is least frequent in the direct ascending line (parents, grand-

parents), more so in the collateral branches (uncles, sunts), but most of

all amongst the brothers and sisters, and therefore one is justified in suppos ing that the manner in which deaf mutism appears in different generations a result of certain qualities appertain-ing to its congenital form. Consanguineous marriages are believed to play part in favouring congenital deafness. Tuberculosis and drunkenness also appear as causes : about 11 per cent of the

N-no; not exactly." Well, what did you do?" I told him that he must take it back." And then !" He was taking it back when you came in

southed destroyed.

hine-there's yer money, oppressor. I'll change the names of them twins soon's his son neck and crop-I mean neck and I git back from Grand Island.

CLERKLY'S VACATION.

And How Cruel Fate Intervened \$ Spoil It.



Olerkly gets a week's holiday from his firm. He decides to take his family to the Adirondacks.



He rushes off to the tailor's and buys a new lawn tennis suit, intending to catch an early afternoon train.

Just as he and his family are leaving the house a messenger arrives with a summons to serve on the jury.

### Cold In Mis Back.

Mrs. - O'Leary-An how's all yer family? Mrs. McCoy-Will, Moikel hos cold in thor ragion av his bock. Mrs. O'Leary-Indade Oi'm sorry to

parents of deaf nutes were found by Mrs. Mygee to be addicted to drink, and 8.7 hear it. of the parents of children suffering from Mrs. McCoy-Yes, he droives an oice mart.



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The Author of "The Exchanged Will," "The Secret of the Grace Cup," "Counterfeit

hämp.

and asked :

effective tears.

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he door.

up to Nina."

doctor.

tasted lit.

xiety and impatience.

dismissed the man.

That done, she crossed the

"I thought," she said, a tender 'an-xiety in her eyes—"I thought it

A's she spoke she tore off the wrap-

per and handed the Nottle to the

The doctor rose to receive it. He

"Let me do all I can for the dear

and approached the doctor.

ling

Claimants," Etc., Etc.

PART 7.

"My dear, dear child," he flustered "to whom on earth do you think I would feel like mentioning the sub-ject? Rest easy, child, and let me tell you how pleased we are to have your company to Baden Baden.' Guileless as a dove, Nina was per-fectly satisfied. Her answer, how-ever, was not quite what the dotter expected.

With the loathing shiver with which she often looked at her stepmother, she cast a quickly-averted glance upon Lady Beauchamp. But you do not believe my state-

ments doctor ?' Not wishing to commit himself to a direct yes or no, the doctor hesi-

"No," Nina went on. "No, you an excellent one, the doctor acquies-do not. And as I said before, who ced and Lady Beauchamp summoned could? Doctor, papa has kindly promised me carte blanche in time and money and I shall remain on the Continent till Lieutenant Norman Devereux returns. I am not only

fond of art, but possess, I am told some talent, which can be cultivated by a residence '--A slight stir heralding the departure of the guests who had preceded plete mistress of herself. Dr. Jeffries and his wife, interrupted

her at this point. She hastily arose.

cannot remain ! I cannot,' she said nervously. "I am too much agitated. Let me slip away unnoticed. Pray make my apologies to Mrs Jeffries and thank her for her kindness. Say I am not well." Speaking these hurried words she

glided unobserved behind the silken would be better for you to see that hangings scharating the great drawhangings separating the great drawing rooms from the smaller one be-Indeed, thanks to my Jady's guile-

ful wiles and equally guileful attentions, the departing guests wholly forgot her

She went straight to her boudoir. She found it already stripped of the various triffes she had directed Lucy to pack. She glanced sadly around, then proceeded to her dressing

room. The maid was there, making the smiling assurance that there was swift and steady progress with the nothing to fear, and a polite offer to ring for the footman. My lady gracefully declined the labours which had so unexpectedly fallen upon her. But secretly Lucy was in anything

offer, begging him to return to Sir Robert and Mrs. Jeffries. but a sunny temper. A little while before, Dolores had

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presented herself in the dressing girl, while the opportunity lasts,' she said, with swimming eyes. room with an oily proffer of her She turned hastily away and movreally valuable services.

In somewhat acrid tone Lucy stat- ed to the bell, Dr. Jeffries resuming his seat in a glow of fresh admirathe fact to Nina, although careback to her room," Nina thought. fully abstaining from any hint of tion. The woman's previous intrusion. She had determined not to trouble her said, enthusiastically to Sir Robert young mistress with an account of and Mrs. Jeffries, as he sat down. again waited. minutée that piece of impertinence "One in ten thousand thousand With a sudden sense of vague Till that moment Nina had forgot- Jeffries," corrected Sir Robert, in ten all about Lady Beauchamp's broken tones. "But for her sustain- alarm she sprang from the bed. Thrusting her feet into slippers, ing love and wonderful discretion, I offer, and her first exclamation was might have been tempted to cut my she caught up her dressing gown, one of dismay. and wrapping it about her as she Lucy quickly reassured her. throat under this terrible calamity. At that moment Lady Beauchamp, went, flew from the room. "Don't be frightened, Miss Nina," At that moment Lady Beauchamp, she said, with a grim shifle. "I sent her back towards the group, and her In the narrow hall leading soft gliding steps directed towards the bell, hastily drew the cork from Lucy's chamber she encountered one her off-begging your pardon for usof the maids, bucket in hand, coming ing such an expression-with a flea from the servants' quarters. the bottle. in her ear !' Nina stopped and asked sharply While the murmured assent was on 'Oh. Lucy, Lucy, you have not the lips of her husband and his old "Is Lucy downstairs, Martha ?" offended her ?" "No Miss," she answered, "nor she riend, she dropped into the fluid Nina's voice as she put that question was full of terror and Lucy looked at her in startled alarm. ain't showed this whole morning, one of the deadly pellets weighed by olores a few hours before. though it's nigh on 'to "-Nina waited to hear no more. As softly and deftly as she had re-"Are you afraid of her, Miss Leaving the housemaid to commoved the cork she replaced it. she asked in hushed tones. plete 'her sentence 'or not as she saw Without a pause she moved for-As she spoke her glance hastily fit. she started wildly in the direcward, her eyes glittering balefully, her lips. She turned and with swift swept the room in a sudden dread tion of Lucy's room. In a moment she had reached the that the Spanish woman's little black eves might be peering from a She reached the bell, and stretchdoor, Martha, half curious, half ed out her hand to grasp it, but remote corner. frightened close behind her. Nina paled to the lips and sank suddenly drew it back again. As if She flung open the door. by magic the evil light faded from weakly into a chair. Lucy's question had called up a The next instant her voice rang her eyes, and the evil smile from her lips. She turned aad with swift out in a loud, 'wailing 'ery, 'echoed vision of Dolores as she had seen shrilly by Martha's Marsh Itones. impetuous steps wheeled round, and hurried breathlessly back to Dr. her at luncheon time, and the same the sound of hurrying feet Then paralyzing fear which had overcome came from the servants' -stairway, leffries. her then overcame her now. and in a moment more a crowd of frightened women, headed by the housekeeper, rushed upon the appal-Lucy flew to her in wild alarm. "Good heavens, Miss Nina," she cried, "what is the matter? Are CHAPTER XV. Lady Beauchamp came close to Dr. Jeffries and held up the bottle. "Doctor, doctor," she exclaimed, ling scene. you frightened of Dolores, 'or are ----you sick, dearie. Alack-a-day ! whatever did Sir Robert marry for CHAPTER XVI. 'it will never do for me to send this I'm sure you've been breaking your up to Nina ! She would not take a Close beside the bed, Lucy lay heart ever since my lady came into drop of it !" stretched upon the floor in her The doctor bounced hastily to his the house. How pale and nervous nightclothes you've got, Miss Nina." Either the words or the burst of feet and seized the bottle. Her breast was still, her eyes "You are worth a dozen old mum-skull 'Jeffries, Lady Beauchamp," he closed, and her ashy face and grey tears which followed them, recalled hair all stained with the ghastly Nina to herself. cried, admiringly. "Of course the stream flowing from a gaping wound servant must receive it from my hands, particularly as the wrapper "Oh, it is nothing, my good Lucy in her throat. Like one suddenly turned to stone, I am not very strong, and a trifle startles me. I should not like you has been removed. Nina stood staring down at the woto make an enemy of Dolores, and The footman, was summoned and man. the thought that you had done so, the thought that you had the de-was a momentary shock." That quiet explanation had the de-Dr. Jeffries, was on its way to Nina. Nina 'justified Lady Beauchamp's in a moment or two the deadly mix-For one brief instant as the rushing crowd paused in the doorway, there was a dead, awful silence. there Then a low, gasping voice broke it. "Murder !" said the voice. opinion. back to her task with a relieved Lucy being fully engaged, she an-"Murder !" repeated the second 'mind. swered the footman's tap at the bou-Downstairs at that moment, Sir voice. doir door in person. Her glance fell instantly on the "Murder !" repeated a third and harsher voice, this time from behind Robert and Lady Beauchamp were Her glance fell instantly on the seating themselves with Dr. and Mrs. bottle. She uttered a suppressed the shivering group at the door. Jeffries in the smaller drawing room ejaculation, and, before the man "Fools," it went on, "where are your eyes? Can't you see the At my lady's suggestion they had retired there on the departure of the could speak, asked quickly : "From whom did you receive this, broken tumbler under "her other guests. Sir Robert was the first to speak, Evan? And how is it that the Can't you see she has turned giddy in getting out of bed, has reeled and wrapper has been removed.' Lady Beauchamp was only capable, apparently, of gazing with anxidus inquiry at the doctor. "From Dr. Jeffries, miss," answer-ed the man in reply to her first quesoverset that flimsy table, breaking the tumbler and as ill-luck will? Mave it, falling right upon one of the pieces of glass? Murder indeed i Get out of my way, you simpletons! Do you want the poor wretch to tion. "In heaven's name, what of her !' "In neaven s hanne, "in heaven s hanne, "in heaven s hanne, "in heaven s hanne, "in heaven s He then repeated the doctor's explanatory message, and directly re-The doctor was compa tired, wondering not a little at the unusual severity of his young misprompt and compassionately brief. bleed to death." tress's tone. Nina carried the bottle to the CHAPTER XIV. (To be continued. 1486. Dr. Jeffries rendered his verdict in light and examined it with a strange sense of uneasiness. "I half wish I had not promised," a breath. 'A monomaniac !" he said emphat-TO EXTINGUISH A LAMP SAFELY. she said to herself. "Certainly there is nothing to fear, and yet" ically. -----Sir Robert could not speak; my She' resumed after a moment : The following simple rules should 'lady would not. "But," proceeded Dr. Jeffries, "I be observed by those who use oil "Nonsense ! I will not be so for hope everything for her mental con- ish. When I know that it is right, lamps : dition from her residence abroad." why should I hesitate? Ah; I am There was a slight stress on the growing sadly nervous and fanciful. Turn down the fiame of the damp why should I hesitate ? Ah, I am as low as convenient, then place non "montal condition." Both Thank Heaven I shall be out of this the top 'of the chimney a prece of words. Sir Robert and Lady Beauchamp dreadful house in less than twenty-noticed, it, and both, inquiringly four hours." cardboard, a small book, or any object that will effectually close the ject that will effectually close the the side pointing to the man. "See drait-a pocket handkerchief will the ugly, Wrigly, monkey, ponkey, echoed the words-my lady haturally enough, 'with a sudden thrill of Speaking these sorrowful words, she went to a little hand satchel answer-excellently. In a moment the gorilla man that took the first, prize flame will grow paler and die out st the beauty, show for the 'orriblest enough, alarm. "I find," explained Dr. Jeffries, Lucy had just packed, and tock from it a small medicine glass. completely. There can be no danger In another minute she had poured 'that Nina is suffering from a seriwhatever in this method. ous heart difficulty, which, if not out and swallowed the prescribed materially relieved in a short time, dose. The reason why the flame expires, is that the oxygen immediately sur-"may terminate her life before the lapse of many-years" — He sud-denly checked himself there and she wished to say to her maid, and ney being closed, the carbonic wind ney being closed, the carbonic weid gas cannot escape in that way, thus cried suddenly: "No, no; "let "ine" be "the bottle still in her hand, stepped honest. My dear friend "-leaning "into the dressing room. over to Sir Robert, "my dear friend", "She was leaving the room when before the lapse of many months." preventing a fresh supply of oxygen reaching the flame and supporting combunion.

went to a cabinet in one corner. "See Lucy," she said, "I am put suence in which Sir Robert's chin See Lucy, sue said, i tain put dropped sadly to his breast, and my ting this medicine into the empty lady cried softly behind her handker-chief, in emulation of the honest to me by Evan, and I am to take tears pouring over Mrs. Jeffriés's the next dose on awakening to morrow morning. Don't forget to

After a moment Dr. Jeffries re- bring to to me when you come to my room." So saying she locked the cabinet

"Understand; I am not without hope. A bright, placid life with the and handed the key to her maid. The woman took it, looking at her Allinghams may prove as restorative The woman to her physically as mentally, in surprise. Nevertheless it is my duty to prepare "But why "But why do you lock it, Miss Nina ?" she asked respectfully but you for the worst. She may, my

dear Sir Robert, die very suddenly, and much sooner than I anticipate." with the familiarity of a petted servant. Ning flushed slightly, and then said "And this terrible condition is en-

tirely the result of her insane delu-sion, is it not?" asked Lady Beau- "It is always well to be careful with medicines. If the housemaid should take a fancy to a spoonful it "I am forced by her own confesmight do her great harm, as the doctor has prescribed it for undue sions to admit it, my lady," replied the doctor, mournfully, "or to admit the heart. And now, it to a great extent. There may action of Lucy" she went on rather nervously have been an unsuspected weakness

"I am going to bed-No, no," as the of the organ; but the probability is woman dropped the dress she was that she would have passed through folding. "you have already too much to do, Lucy. Go on with your life without serious trouble "-Sir Robert raised his bowed head; I will wait upon myseli packing. By her own confessions ?" to-night. She turned with the words and

With certain qualms of conscience, moved off towards her bodroom. and yet a fixed belief that his decep-As the slight form disappeared, tive course was more than justified Lucy nodded her iron-grey head, the circumstances, Dr. Jeffries related all that had passed between sagely "Yes, my lady," she muttered himself and Nina.

"She's found out that her little ladyship likes to pry about these rooms! That's it i But why should An earnest discussion followed, in which Lady Beauchamp shed some she lock the medicine from her? My She then suggested with much emo lady would never put any nasty stuff tion that Dr. Jeffrics should instantlike medicine in her pretty mouth if

despatch one of the servants for she could help it !" the medicine he proposed administer-Lucy stood for a moment revolving As the suggestion was manifestly the tough problem and then returned

hastily to her work. "I've no time to bother my head over it now," she muttered. the footman and gave the necessary then what's the use? Time will The interval between his departure make manifest." Nina reappearing at that moment, and his return was passed by Lady

her thoughts broke off and she an-Beauchamp in a fever of secret ankiously addressed her mistress." "Let me do your hair for you, She had her own nefarious purpose Miss Nina," she said. "You look to accomplish, and was not without dead tired, and it won't take me

certain natural fears as to the final issue. She remained, however, comlong. But Nina again refused. "Get through your work and try and secure a little rest, Lucy," she On the footman's return, she happened by a neat device to be near

said kindly. "I am quite equal to helping myself, and only want you to hurry through and go to bed. She took the bottle and hastily

With your utmost efforts it will be quite too late by the time you are able to do so." It was late, and Lucy utterly tire fell at once into a placid sleep. The next morning the sunshipe pouring in upon Nina's face awoke

her from a heavy slumber. For a little while she lay quietly looking out through the window facing her. Then she wearily raised herself and sat up in bed.

"And

held it to the light, shook it, took out the cork, and critically smelt "I feel no better," she thought, pushing the 'curling 'tendrils 'of 'her the liquor, and then as critically hair from her brow. "No lovely He reclosed the bottle and handed better at all." That thought reminded her of Dr t back to Lady Beauchamp, with

Jeffries medicine. She turned and touched the bellcommunicating with Lucy's null

self back on the pillows again. She waited twenty minutes and then gently rang the bell in the ser-

vant's hall. Still Lucy did not appear. "She has left the hall and gone

With that thought in her mind she again touched the other bell and

### "MY LADY'S SIN." \*\*\*\*\*

SUMMARY OF OPENING CHAPTERS.

Old Sir Robert Beauchamp marries a second wife-a beautiful young he took to plan the campaign he Spanish widow with a daughter of alone can tell. Its brief duration, her own-and makes a new will, by its complete success, won universal which, in the event of his own admiration. He is, as all the world daughter, Nina, dying unmarried, his knows, a man of deeds not words,

stepdaughter, Isadore, becomes his combining the profound thinker with sole heiress. Nind suspects her step-inother of sinister motives, and fancies she is losing her father's love. duty and a noble ambition suffice. His dislike of- ceremonial and of One day she questions her father about the will, and tells him how Isadore is building hopes on the possi-bility of her death, which Lady Beauis slowly poisoning herself. "The tv proof last year, when he was the mother first, and now the daughter. hero of an imaginary election for

I have had heavy sorrows," says the baronet. Meantime, it is evident that Lady Beauchamp and her maid, baronet is senses zine. "Every one in his senses trusts Lord Kitchener. He is silent Dolores, have an understanding bein an age of loquacity ; he is thortween them, for they call each other tween them, for they call each other by their Christian names, and both seem to be working for the same ob-ject Niua has a narrow escape with her life. Sir Robert and Lady Beauchamp consult Dr. Jeffries regarding clink of gold, clamour of mobs, rustle of petticoats, or even the Nina, who is represented as being glitter of coronets." mad, and a journey abroad is suggested. It is agreed that Nina shall accompany Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries to Baden Baden. Nina conveys her own suspicions concerning her stepmother 🖏 💥 OTHER LANDS. 💥

to Dr. Jeffries, and also warns her maid, Lucy, not to make an enemy of Dolores, Lady Beauchamp's maid. Shortly after Lucy is found insensible by her bed with a wound in her throat. Murder is suggested, but Dolores points to a broken tumbler under the maid's chin. summit of Monta Rosa. The nerve cells appear to be quite unrespon-

### A STRANCE STORY.

#### BEAR V. ALLIGATOR. -----

"Eve's apple tree," which is remar-kable because the orange-red fruit It was the month of June, the is because the orange-rea func-day had been scorching hot. I had each fruit a piece appears to have just staked my horse to a tree and been bitten. It is said that the simuwas preparing to settle down for the lation of a fruit, which has been bitnight, when I was startled by a ten into is perfect. For this reason, strange noise. Sometimes it was like the natives declare that it is the strange noise. Sometimes it was not same the which grew in the Gar-the hiss of a snake, at others like den of Eden, and it is a perpetual the low growl of a tiger. As it reminder of a disobedient act. seemed to come from a small hill on . . . . . .

the right, and not wishing to go to A unique contrivance for the toursleep with such unruly company in ist appears at first glance to be a the vicinity, I thought I would have travelling clock, with leather casing. The dial, however, is inscribed with With my rifle ready. I crept up the the words, "next dose," instead of hill prepared for anything that the regulation numerals. Whe clock should dispute my right to camp proves to be a box, which, when below. The higher I went the loud-opened, shows a medicine glass, er the noise became. On the tip-top with drachms and other druggists' In the interval of waiting for the of excitement I reached the top of measures checked off on its surface. woman's appearance she threw herappeared one of the strangest scenes the next dose thus accurately kept man ever saw. There before me was a large black bear on his hindlegs, in mind.

his shaggy breast covered with blood \* \* mixed with foam flowing from his mouth. Opposite to him, in battle The worst of having a head for business is that one is so apt to.

overdo it. The other day, for in-stance, the Health Department of array, its back curved upwards, head back, and jaws open, showing two rows of cruel teeth, was a large altemperament, but the name of Plev Rio de Janeiro offered fivepence a na brightens his eye as no other ligator sixteen feet long. The two head for rats. As a result rats heroic allusion will, may, for did not were a few paces apart when I saw poured in upon them in such thou-

amazingly successful one. What even unskilled but determined civilians innert in the Bassian defence of Sebastopol innert written down as a singularcan do against regular troops inbe written down as a singular- side a town is well illustrated by ly grim and dour defence. It con-Brescia in 1848-a period known as tinued for twelve awful months, yet the "Year of Revolution," for all Germans were compelled to admit his high military ability. How long in the very first week of its exist- over the European ence, it promised a sudden collapse. thrones were tottering at the time. A vigorous bombardment played such havoc with the great forts that a successful assault next morning scemed quite probable, but imaging the consternation and astonishment, of the Allies when the light of an-

THE MUSSIAN DEFENCE OF

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In Ceylon there is a tree called

other day showed them the fortress His dislike of ceremonial and of rearing itself as proudly up to the praise has become a byword, and a sky as ever. That indefatigable and Of all the birds, the hummingbirds, especially when young, seem hundred, foolish little tales-half of incomp, rable engineer. Todleben, to display the leftst fear. It is a them, no doubt, pure invention-are had in the night time laid the hand difficult matter to train a young curtain she whispers something in rica cannot but have been struck and british guild provide refericeshy several numming-birds, which were her husband's ear which affects him with his air of indifference to the size Control for the size that it has perfectly domesticated and more her husband's ear which affects him with his air of indifference to the sian General, fearing that it por-thoroughly tame than any birds I tended the long expected assault, have ever seen. Two humining-birds the relation to the relation to the second the relation to the relation to the second the second the relation to the second the second the relation to the second the relation to the second the sec Sir Robert that his daughter is not popular imagination the popular caused theusands of his soldiers to that grew up with us were given a responsible for her actions, and she undergraduates of Oxford gave with the massed up against the walls, and small cupboard in our sleeping horribly-their casualties indeed ag- daylight they would fly out into the gregating 6,000. But the attack room, the door being left ajar, and was, if anything, even more heroic, direct to the bed, hovering about for it must not be forgotten that my face, their loud humming noise Sebastopol was never invested in awakening me at once.

the true sense of the word-her life There was no mistaking that the line with the North was protected birds wished for their breakfast and by a field army, from which the de- they could not be driven away. At fenders were constantly recruited. times I would pretend not to see When September arrived, and brought visions of another winter on the bed, uttering their quaint litcampaign with its unspeakable hor-rors. French and British alike were then would hover over my eyes, so roused to a pitch of frenzy, and near that the wind from their rapid-threw themselves with almost fana- ly moving wings was quite sufficient tical bravery at the massive granite to arouse me. When I held out my forts. The great Mamelon was finger, one or both would alight or

stormed by the French, ahandoned it and gaze upon me in a manner and stormed again, while the Bri-tish swept unresistingly into the "Quarries." Then, on the anuiver-stood the language of birds when Alcohol is found by two Italian sary of Waterloo, came the most they are hungry. hvsiologists to be without intoxi- frightful carnage of all. The mighty Their food com Their food consisted of sugar and

cating or stimulating effect when im- Malakoff-the greatest of the forts, water, which was fed to them with a chopstick-like straw. Immediately bibed at great altitudes, as at the and the key to them all-was the contro of a secthing mass of strugon seeing it they would poise in the gling French and Russians, but the air and lick the drop off the tip unformer emanated victorious, and the til they were satisfied. Occasionally survivors swept like a spent wave they would poise before the big.red

into the Redan, hurling back the flowers printed on the curtains shattered and exhausted, but fiercely They recognized the pictures of fighting British columns, and robbing flowers at sight, and endeavoured to them of the victory that seemed press their bills into them. Arti-ficial flowers were approached in the

tory affords some rare examples of gallant defences against enormous odds. The magnificent defences against enormous odds. The magnificent defence of Rorke's Drift, fortified with nothing

more substantial than biscuit boxes and flour bags, by 189 men, 35 of them on the sick list, against 3,000 Zulus fresh from victory, has its parallel in Arrah in the Indian Mu-tiny. Here 15 English civilians, 50 Sikh policemen, and one Mohamme-

dan, defended an isolated two-storied house for seven days against 3,000 Sepoys, with two field pieces, at the end of which period they were relieved. But this gruesome campaign teems with heroic struggles against overwhelming odds and unutterable treachery. Names such as Lucknow, Delhi, and Cawnport

THE SIEGE OF PLEVNA.

Take Plevna and Metz. Both of them were fated to fall, but the parallel ends here with an impassable gulf. The Turk is of a phlegmatic

'Plevna.''

The national hymn of China is so long that the singing of it occupies

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**&&&&&&&&&&&&&** GENERAL INFORMATION.

resistance continued into the street

and houses of a town. Warsaw gave

a ghastly and unsuccessful instance

of it; Brussels a sanguinary but

THE INSTINCT OF HUMMING

BIRDS.

Continent

The most valuable pearls are perfect spheres.

Elephants without tusks are numerous in Abyssinia.

Each inhabitant in France pays a yearly tax of 4d. on matches

> Icebergs in the Atlantic sometimes last for 200 years.

Peacocks formerly took the place of turkeys on the Christmas table.

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them each sizing the other sands that they naturally looking for a weak spot in the smell one. It then turned out that a other's guard. Bruin was the first perfectly organised syndicate existed 'to come to a decision. Suddenly for the purpose of importing the verdropping on his four feet he rushed min and making a large profit on at the alligator, but was niet with the speculation. It recalls the episode of the wolves. The authorities a blow from its tail that sent him once offered a price for every wolf head over heels. Five times in succession he tried scalp sent to them, and some time

to get to close quarters, but was later called upon a wolf ranche in knocked over every time, the tail of which were a number of the beasts the alligator meeting him half-way, fall ready for their second scalping. with a blow that would have killed The unique progress of Japan and the, remarkable efficiency of its peoan ordinary man. On rising the

sixth 'time, 'Bruin, 'though evidently baffled and knocked about in the barple in everything they undertake gain was not beaten by a long way. suggest some interesting questions as to the influence of diet and personal Keeping out of reach of this enemy's tail he began to go round in a circle hygiene on national welfare. The the alligator turning round on its is have been and its head towards the bear and its a plain frugal diet and the system tail swinging ready in case the bear and its a plain frugal diet and the system of gymnastics called ju-jitsu, which includes a knowledge of anatomy for figsh and blood to hold them,

For about five minutes this went sand the external and internal use of on, then the bear suddenly rushed in water. Although during the period no ilonger redoubts, but hideous ugain, round went the alligator's of their ascendency, the Samdrai cockpits. In this third satack the again, round went the alligator's of their ascendency, the Samdrai cockpits. In this third attack the itail, but the bear had sprung round kept the secret that their great Russians lost 18,600 men, and the with a quickness that only those physical superiority was due in a Turks 5,000, and the most ghastly who have seen this clumsily built great measure to the internal and ex- of its many ghastly features arose who have seen this clumsily out great measure to the internal and ex-animal do it, could believe. The ternal use or water, the belief that force of the blow on meeting with if used 'liberally and intelligently no resistance, threw the alligator of its legs; and 'before 'it could re-its legs; and 'before 'it could re-its bear gripped it round the those who go in for ju-jitsu an court of the sain lay out in the open unbur-its water is an infallible weapon against the sain lay out in the open unbur-it disease is now generally held. By those who go in for ju-jitsu an those of one for on the sain lay out in the open unbur-it water is an one for one of one of the sain lay out in the open unbur-it where are devoued by carrien when they considered themselves out body and swung it on its back, and average of one gallon a day is con-

holding it down, seized one of its sumed. It is noteworthy that rheulegs in its month. The alligator matism is almost unknown in Japan was now in a critical position. Finding itself fast the alligator of meat from the diet, combined with set up a scream of despair, writhing the use of plenty of water, accounts

its tail in agony. Bruin would most for this immunity. certainly have won, but for an un-looked for accident. In swinging its looked for accident. In swinging its certainly nave, won, but for an un-looked-for accident. In swinging its tail about the alligator happened to catch a tree which, with a convul-sive shudder, sent them both rolling 'sive shudder, sent them both rolling 'down the hill into the viver at the 'the true which is a convert. The change was a idocument that re-

bettom. The shock of the water must have made brain loose his bold corded in plain but praisworthy terms, an .act or acts of extraordinfor a few minutes after he climbed ary bravery performed by its donee up the bank and made of into the in battle or of a character that woods, the alligator escaping up the might serve as a model for others. river. Thus ended one of the strang-It was signed and given by certain

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military and naval officers. The document was always considered, and proved, a powerful incentive in stim-TN A. RAILWAY CARRIAGE. ulating its recipient, as well as others, to deeds of special prowess.

The custom has not been in for many generations, but it has now been revived by the Government, There was la baby in arms in the car whose lusty bawling was too much for the invitable manuin the through an ordinance recently signed by the Ministers of the Navy and of "What the dickens, madam," he the Army.

ie Army. exclaimed apgrily, "do you mean by bringing such a howling brat into a Presentations at the Court of Russia are made at the balls, when the "mother, "and I'll bet it doesn't 'owl the Diplomatic circle, talking for a "did the tite and the talking for a did at its age, to judge by -the look The other passengers by this time,

the price of a first class skin. The sumptions crimson velocit robes, sole of orders. Breather is only constituents of with all their accompanies, do There is no is the constituents, do There is no is

of his countrymen with some 80 guns defy any pearls until it is six or sever the flower of the great Russian army years of age. backed up with over \$;000 guns.

Plevna was, and is, a town of great The most active volcano in the natural strength, but it was far re- world is Mt. Sangay, in Echador. moved from being a Port Arthur, It has been active without interrupwhich is probably our finest concep- tion since 1828.

tion of an impregnable town, and its prolonged defence reflects undying It is worth knowing that a few credit on the Turks. But far is it from redounding to the discredit of the house will keep the flies away from redounding to the discredit of the Russians who lost horribly in all as if by magic. three assaults, fulfilling to a marked

degree the gipsy's strange prophecy made weeks before-"Beware of The only two great European capitals that never have been occu-In the last of these attacks which pied by a foreign foe are London and had for a spectator the great White

had for a spectator the great White. Czar himself, they reeled back utter-The offensive weapon of the ostrich

and the Turks re-occupied what were In Palestine the swallows are allowed not only the freedom of the houses and living-rooms, but of the mosques and tombs, where they build of its many ghastly features arose their nests and rear their young.

birds and famishing dogs within when they considered themselves out

sight of both combatants. But for of musket shot. the inimitable Todleben, the famous The flags hoisted at one time in Russian engineer who made Sebastopol well nigh invincible, it is cersignalling at sea never exceed four. tain that the Russians would, after their last great attack have shun- that with eighteen different flags, and ned Plevna as they might a plague. never using more than four at a UNDER THE FIRST NAPOLEON. time, no fewer than 78,642 signals

Very different, yet still more intensely dramatic was the gigantic Ten years ago the desert of Rechna struggle around Leipsic in October, Doab, in India, had not a single in-1813, between Napoleon I. and the habitant, but to-day there are Grand Allied Armies-180,000 men 800,000 living in comfort upon it. against 300,000. In a manner Irrigation is responsible. hitherto foreign to him, Napoleon

had prolonged his stay too long in Calculating the effects of light-Drenden after his victory there, and pressure on the three tails of Borposition in and around the ancient relly's comet, Mr. S. A. Mitchell was now in an extremely precarious town of Leipsic. In a tremendous sive force must have acted to give two days' duel, during which twelve the observed phenomena of these hundred cannon thundered incessanttails.

ly, the numerically weaker French clung desperately and successfully to Ireland consumes per head slighty their positions, but in the process they expended 250,000 cannon balls more whisky than England, and and found themselves with only suffi-cient left for two hours' further beer England drinks 75 per cent and found themselves with only suffimore per head than Ireland, and over 300 per cent more than Scot-It was still possible for Napoleon land.

to retreat across the river, and this he did, leaving behind him a rear-It is widely supposed that the guard of 6,000 men, in addition to thousands. of sick, and leaving also Czar never goes forth without a incluent with each thief and greet-inguany guest for whose introduc-ition opermission may have been se-cured. This form of presentation lies should succeed in overpowering has a fine air of hospitality, and offers the opportunity for a build succeed in overpowering the score the Cran in his claim, with the operation of guest hospitality and the operation of the structure of the second to build succeed in the score build be and build buil

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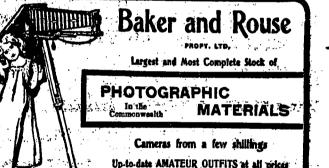
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INSANITY AS AN EPIDEMIC

Carious Mania Which Years Ag Swept Over a Texas Town. "You will doubtless feel incredu lous when I tell you that a Texas town was once afflicted with an ep. demic of insanity." The speaker wa a guest at the Grand Windsor. "It was early in the seventies in the

beautiful little town of Point Isabel I resided there at the time, and 1. know of course whereof I speak Among the 400 inhabitants of the 'Point,' as we used to call it, was a Montenegrin named Speero, who went insane over religion Speero insisted that the second coming of Christ was at hand, and that the event would be heralded by the appearance at daybreak of a white deer on a little hill near the cemetery Speero, like so many of his country. men, was a jack at all trades. He could shoe a horse, build a boat, make a suit of clothing, cobble old shoes and shingle a roof. Thus useful, his humble residence became a sort of rendezvous, and when it became known that he claimed prophetic powers all of his acquaintances flocked around him. He told about 'Jesus and the bees,' and several other parables, which, though not related in the Bible, enter strongly into the religious tradition of the people of eastern lands.

Several of the more constant vis itors who first pitied the condition of Speero gradually began to believe that he was inspired and finally embraced his doctrines, some of which were not entirely orthodox. An Italian, who was a prosperous grocer, closed up his store, paid all his debts and insisted on giving all his goods to the poor. A Spaniard named Camisa lost his head and commenced preaching hurricane sermons from the housetops. Others became similarly afflicted, and 20 or 30 began to show a premonition of the prevailing epidemic, which consisted in looking for the white deer, walking through the streets in a gloomy mood and flying into a passion when anybody denied or doubted that Speero was a prophet. In time the people of sound mind became alarmed and forbade their children to approach Speero's sanctuary.

"A climax was finally reached. ÓU Speero had a vision that he must take his 6-months-old baby and bap-- 1 tize it in the river Jordan. Mrs. wate ing cult too her The hole Speero, whose mind had not given way, objected. Speero insisted on proceeding according to revelation. and Mrs. Speero yelled and alarmed the neighborhood. Speero and one of mon is s pati exp and skil his insane companions slipped the baby into an oyster skiff, pushed the frail craft out into the Laguna Marde, set their leg of mutton sail and squared away for the Holy Land. A party of rescuers was made up. They started in a lighter belonging to the Rio Grande Railway company and overhauled Speero's boat as it

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citizens broke the backbone of the epidemic, and Point Isabel has since then been from from afflictions of every sort, save an occasional gulf hurricane."-Dallas News.

The Bible Didn't Save Him.

In a western court a negro was convicted of stealing a mule. Before the sentence was pronounced the judge gave him an opportunity to speak for himself, and he said "1 wouldn't er tuck de mule nohow ef 1 hadn'ter re'd in de Testermint whar Jesus tuck a mule." The judge re-

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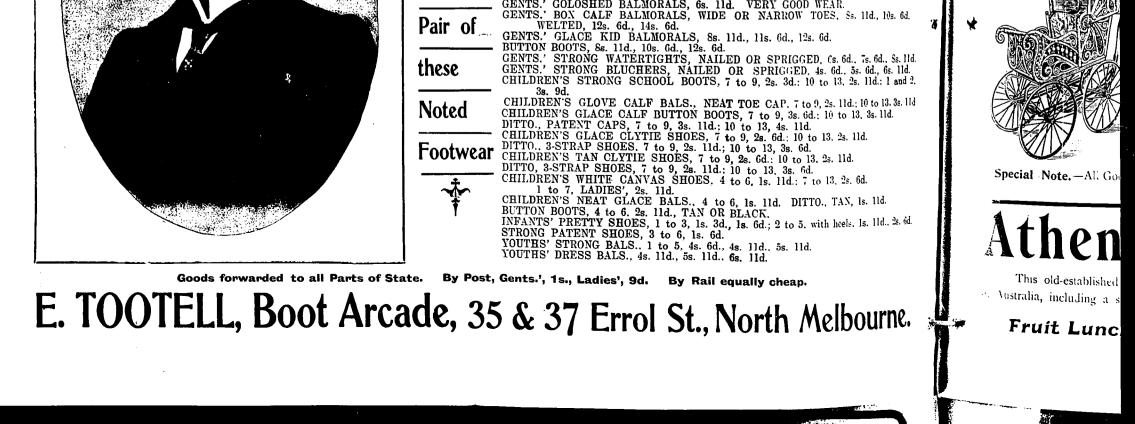
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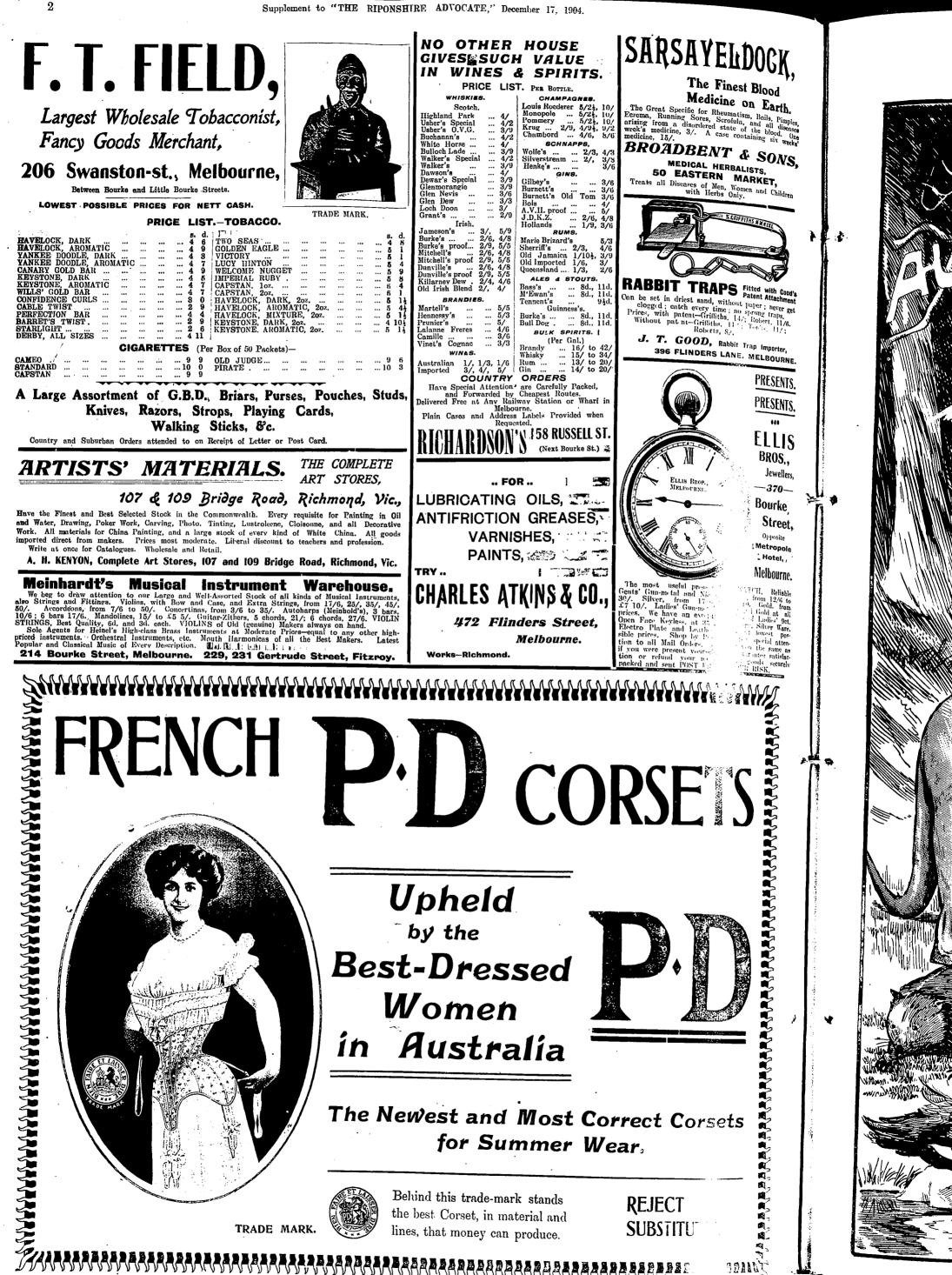
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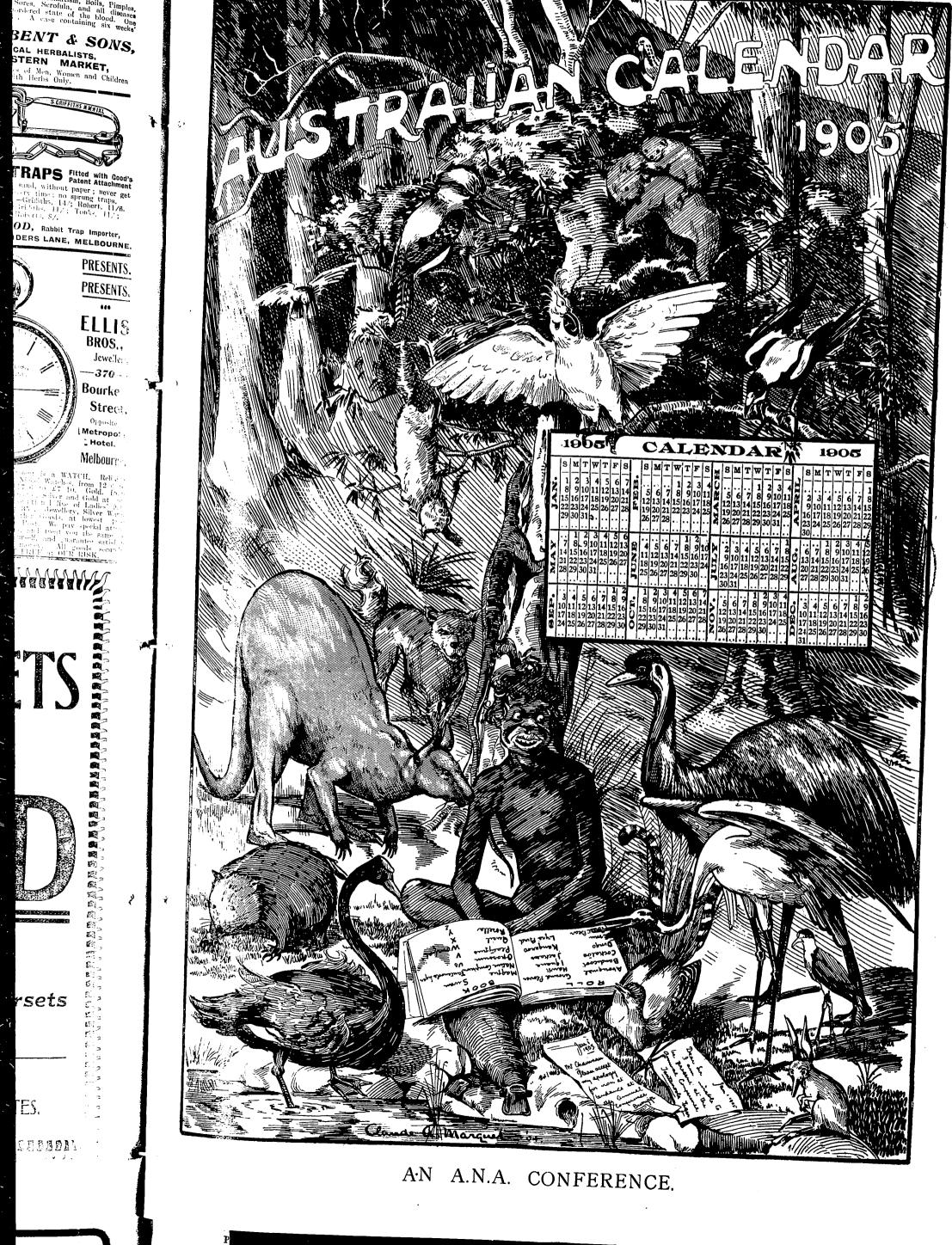












### NETTLEBY. By C. J. K.

After all a kiss is only a matter or degrees. Nettleby was not much of an actor. He was ot. so the stage manager said, "strong on not, so the stage manager said, "strong on situations," but he was the husband of the leadsituations," but he was the husband of the lead-ing lady, and she was decidedly clever. She was of the languorous nature, and always posed effectively. It was a thing she studied, and as she had one of those sinuous, willowy figures Burne-Jones delighted in, she invariably looked well on a couch, with a screen of pop-pies as a "hacking." Nettleby thought a tre-mendous lot of her, too much in fact, and he was quite content to play even a two-tine part, so long as he could refer his friends to the flatter-ing Press notices that the company rained. ing Press notices that the company gained,

mainly, I may can-didly state, owing main, didly state, owing to the excellent work of the lead-ing lady. "Twin ing lady. "Twin Souls," the piece we had staged, was we had staged, was full of possibilities; indeed, as the stage manager, grinning, stau, arter the al-fair, too many of them, and certainly the leading lady and gentleman made the most of them. The plot, what there plot, what there opening to a dra-matic climax, in which the leading lady, who was sup-posed to be the wife of another man, of another man, which, of course, she really was, dis-covered her "twin covered her "twin soul" in the star actor, who was supposed to be the husuand of another woman, which he really was; and the discovery was, and the discovery was-well, shall I say-'cele-brated by a long, cestatic kiss, which brought the curtain down. That Kiss was the undoing of Netcieny, because it taught him things that he had not, in his iniatuation for his mite, thought possible. His part toon him on the stage just before the inale, and his going off on the prompt side was the prompt side was the cue for the lovers to "uy," as the sinting shocker has it, "into each other's arms." Now, there had hot occurred anything which might leau even the most suspicious of the company to the bethe the that the lead-ing lany and the the star actor had any partacular allection for each other. Their attitude was mutually of the mutually of the unconventionally, conventional nature, usual with the members of the profes-s.on. Nettieny and his wife had taken a couple of nice 100ms in one of the sa a...s, and passed their spare time happily enough. "Twin Souls," de-spice the fact that there was nothing much in it, save the also received to, "caught on," and as the public seem-en to be satisfied with it, and the company certainly were so, it was that it predicted some be would was put "change" But, hevertheless a change was put on, and rather quickly, too, and under circumstances that no one had anticipated. One anucipated. One night, after I had finished my "turn," which, like Nettleper, and, considerably to my surprise, invited the leading gentleman, with quite elaborate courtesy, to make one of the party. The stage manager and the general manager were asked also, and after a recherche little supper Nettle-by, who had been cordial to everyone, and es-pecially so to the star, rose with his glass in his hand, and made a short speech. He said-and i was fool enough to think that there was only myself who saw the point of his remarks-"Mr. Chairman"—the stage manager was always the chairman at these impromptu functions-:"it must be admitted that "Twin Souls' has come to stop. It is a play of such scope that there is no telling what limits there are to its--its possibilities. Perhaps, as a humble member of the company, I may be permitted to congratu-late Mr. Sharlock"—that was the star actor-"on the very realistic manner in which he

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tleby turned, and with a horrible loud enough for them to hear: "Twin Souls, and may they run," and left the theatre. Next day his dead body was fisher the Varra tie. loud enc "Twin " ar have a long

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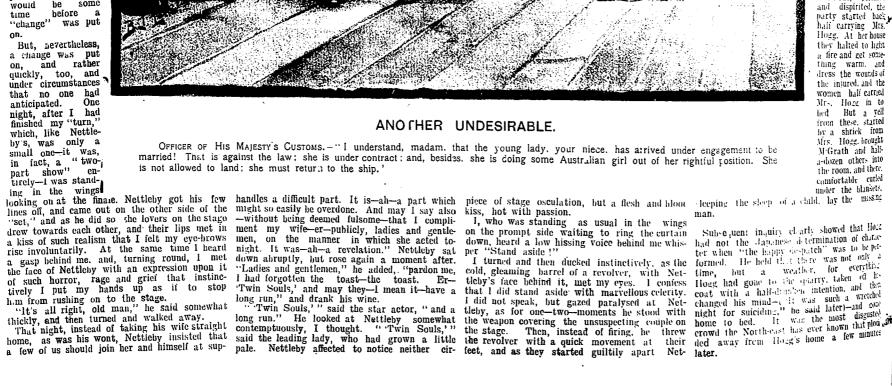
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the to do in a small township bastern district recently, when a street of the ham-let from her home about a quarter of a mile off, calling for police assist-ance, and the bene-fit of clergy. A crowd collect e d about her, and after some sooth-ing the distracted in conveying the in-formation that her husband had gone off to drown him-self in the quar-ries. He had been drinking a little, and they had ittle, took the head of a large party, and a rush was mande for the quarry. In-stantly M'Grath, the local constable, took the head of a large party, and a rush was mande for the quarry. In-stantly different stantle out of the bask, but no sight doff merey. When the party reached the party reached the guarry they found Hogg's coat and hat on the bank, but no sight of Hogg. Miss a large weat into shrieking hysterics at the sight of the garments, and de clared that she was a miserable widow and loudly wished herseli dead, and the women re-moved her to a sheltered pila c c, sheltered pila c determination.

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### A CORNER IN MAIZE.

A CORNEX IN MAILE. Jack Masters was in despair. A solicitor by profession, he had struggled in the city for three long years, and barely made a living. All that time his fiancee, a sweet girl, whose lather managed a country bank, waited and waited for him, and now there seemed no more chance of his marrying her than there was at first. The very thought of her made Jack desperate in his helplessness, for, try as he would, he could not make more than a wretched pittance. One morning, however, as he took his seat in a city restaurant for lunch, Jack noticed two men engaged in earnest conversation, and recog-nising in them two city brokers, he was tempt-ed to listen, thinking he might hear something of advantage, for one of these men, Manton by name, had often staggered the financial world by his daring schemes. This man was now speaking.

by his daring schemes. This man was now speaking. "You see, Ford," he said to his companion, "there's rothing in it this year like maize; the output will he small on account of the season, and consequently the prices will be high. Now, at such an early time as this one might buy all the available supply at a very low figure, say, 2s. 6d. a bushel, and sell later on at God knows what price! And, as I said before, if a man had £2000 to invest in maize he could make his fortune!"

"Well," said his companion, "why don't you do it yourself?" "It's this way," replied Manton. "I've got

do it yourself?" "It's this way," replied Manton. "I've got so many irons in the fire just now that I can't run it, so I thought I'd give you the tip." "It's very kind of you," said Ford, "hut your schemes are all very well, but you-you've luck and no family-I've a family and no luck!" Saying this, he rose, and, followed by Manton, left the restaurant. Jack pondered deeply over what he'd heard. Why shouldn't he try his luck with maize? Certainly he knew nothing about it, but what did that matter? But the fact of his poverty suddenly checked his meditations. it, but what did that matter? But the fact of his poverty suddenly checked his meditations. And still Manton's words rang in his brain, "If a man had £2000 to invest in maize he could make his fortune." And little by little he started to yield, quite unwittingly at first, to temptation. Why should he not take a loan of that trust money he'd got vesterday; it hadn't to be paid over for three weeks, and it amounted to just two thousand pounds! Having left the restaurant, as he paced the

amounted to just two thousand pounds! Having left the restaurant, as he paced the street the idea hecame more rooted in his mind, and he decided to risk everything-money, repu-tation and all in this attempt to make a for-tune. If he succeeded his wildest desires would be fuifilled—if he failed, well, there was no need to think of that yet. That very day he went to a grain broker named Edmonds, an old college chum, and instructed him to buy £2000 worth of maize at about 2s. (d. a bushel, and next morning he received a note saying he was the owner of 16,000 bushels of maize ! Then he knew the die was indeed cast! Day by day the knew the die was indeed cast! Day by day the price of maize rose; at first in half-pence and pence, and then in shillings, until it was at "Great drop in the maize market. Shipment volver, and closing and locking his door, he doubled to be a function of the street like a drunken ready his finger pressed the trigger, when the He knew it must go higher, and he would wait. man, and rushed into his office and sat down imperious clang of the telephone bell stayed his





### THE TREATING CUSTOM.

MRS. JONES. -- "Goodness, Tom! What a fright you've made of yourself! Whatever

JONES. - "Quite an accident my dear. Went into the barber's for a haircut; met Brown there—good-hearted chap, Brown. He said, 'Have this on 3 with me. Tom;' so I h d a clip at his expense. We had a chat, and I thought I d better ask him to have one with me. Went for a strol. Brown invited me to have a drink. Told him I d sworn off since 'ew Year. Insisted on me having another haircut. Didn't wish to appear unsociable, so we had another. You should see Bro wn !"

At last the price had reached 7s., at which he could make a splendid profit. The market was firm and rising, and brokers besieged him night and day in their anxiety to buy, and at last one night he decided he would sell the grain next day. On the following morning, full of this determination, he hastened into the city, buying a morning paper on his way. When he opened it his face dropped, and his frame shook with agitation, for there in bold print was: "Great drop in the maize market. Shipment of 40,000 bushels from the Argentine. Price fallen to 2s." He staggered up the street like a drunken

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ing?" "Edmonds," replied the voice. "Will you sell "Edmonds," for 10s. All the Argentine "Edmonas," replice the voice, will you sell that maize of yours for 10s. All the Argentine stuff is mouldy. Let me have your answer

now !" Jack's head turned giddy, and he could hardly gasp out: "Yes, sell at once!" and ringing off, he dropped into his chair stupified by the sudden good news. Then, shuddering to think how near death he had been, he replaced the re-volver, and, snatching his hat, dashed out to the nearest hotel to get a pick-me-up for his shattered nerves, and when he had regained his composure he returned to figure out his profits from the transaction.

from the transaction. Six thousand pounds clear, and his reputation regained! God! it was indeed a fortune, and, full of thanksgiving, he sat down and wrote to her who had waited so long for him, to tell of bis good luck

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his good luck. Jack was married in a month's time, and Jack was married in a month's time, and with his money bought a prosperous practice, which by his own labours he increased, and al-though he made "a decent pile" he never atain speculated, nor did he ever for a moment utilise trust money as on that memorable occasion when he made a Corner in Maize.

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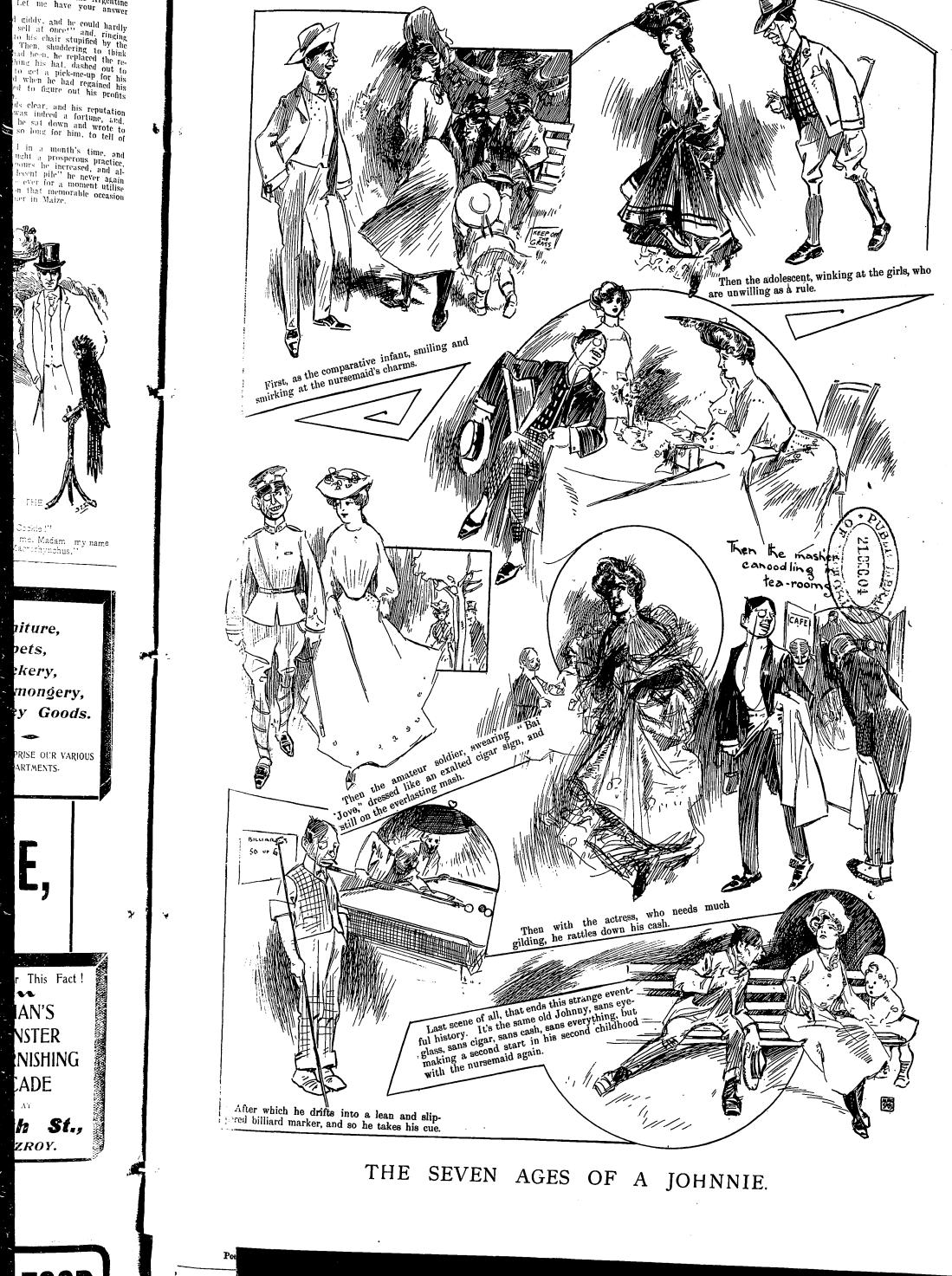
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### "NANCY."

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rushed into poetry to make a was headed "Mus-rus at wogangaree," and was signed 'Maney." Who "Naney" was nobody new, unless it was my uncle, and he never terms knew, unless it was iny oncie, and he never chose to enlighten us. She was a constant con-tributor, and we were all interested in her. There weren't many girls about Bunilla, none of them bright; and a bush girl who wrote "dashing articles" and "stirring pomes" was and a so hit of a wonder. regarded as a bit of a wonder.

"Have you any friends at Wogangaree, uncle?" lasked him. It was about the time I took my annual week's holiday.

'Yes," he answered, looking at me with questioning eyes.

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Take out that poem of mine and put this my uncle instructed one afternoon, hand-ne a manuscript. He was the proprietor-r of the "Bunilla Yabba," and sometimes "rushed into poetry" to fill up with.

"I'd like to spend my holidays up there this me." I said, "to-er-see something of station ie. Must be interesting-according to this." bie. "Umph!" he grunted. "You mustn't put too much faith in that; poets are mad. much faith in that; poets are mad. They see things that don't exist, and go into rhapsodies over trifles that common folk wouldn't notice. Love is a dream, and that's the poet's theme."

But," I ventured, "haven't we printed a lot in prose about Wogangaree ?"

in prose about worangaree ?" "th, yes." my uncle agreed. "All brautiful, glowing articles, but-still they were written by a poet, and, as I said, poets are mad." "Nevertheless." I returned, "I should like to W workster."

see Wogangaree. very well," said my uncle. "I'll give you a letter to Brampton, of Bando-three miles from the station. We used to be good friends when I was up there. I haven't seen much of him of hate years, but I dare say he'll make you wel-eme. Be prepared to rough it, though, for all

three long winding hills, clad with jungles of gem and ironbark. It was a new world to me. There was always something to gaze upon, something to dmire. Dancing rivulets fre-quently intercented my course; bright flowers he-decled the open maces, with gorgeous butterflies futtering over them, form grew luxuriantly in the shadows, and heris flew from tree to tree. This was Nature's gather, and how grand it was to ride through it, leaving behind a trail of to-hace smoke. thre. long winding hills, clad with jungles of hacco smoke.

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it. Whist she was reading I took a careful survey of the two cirls. The elder one was short and stuit, like her mother, and decidedly plain. But she had the book of one who was full of the and calety. Her sister was a very different cit. She was not tall, but she had a fine time, and the was alout twenty, and her dark frown hair hung in a single plait down her ack. 205

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deficiting charactering the cattle, I here here, is very evolving ?" "Ah Mr. Crotte," she reioined, her face reaming, "I'm straid voa've been led away by this suff "Neney" writes." Nancy ! There it was again. "Do you know antthin alout her ?" I asked. "Nothing," she apswered. Then she introduc-ed me to her duraters. Phyllis and Hetty. The latter was the pretty one. I was chal to get inside and sit down, the here.

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a fittle proised, and was sold including more "You are trembling." she said. "No wonder." I returned. "I thought I had lost you." "Lost me!" "B?" came in He was a rough-looking old Filew, and crumpy, too. He seemed to enjoy the presect of thing me out on the run, and predised me no end of adventures. I went with him next day, but the horse they gave me did the take kindly to me. He threw me into a with the and went home on his own. The sec-X "Hetty, I love you. . . ." "Walter !" That was all. Her eyes lo with the and went home on his own. The sec-ord day they but me on a brute that calloped That was all. Her eyes looked into mine, those sweet, pretty eyes, and she gave me back so fast that I bea't time on a brute that calloped so fast that I bea't time to stop on him, and to the third dev, while riding through a scrub, so vine cauchy reconder the chin and hauled me through said the those sweet, pretty eyes, and she gave me back my kiss. We reached the door in time to hear, "Oh. mother, Mr. Crotty kissed Hetty !" What a trying moment that was. Hetty broke from me and bastened round to the front. I walked boldly in. Master Bertie appeared a little disconcerted as he met my frowns, and blue Brownton aved me susniciously. The shad the saddle set of the Mrs. Bramoton eved me suspiciously. "Why. Mrs. Brampton," I said, with all the nonchalarce at 169 command. "Hetty has had a most miraculous escape from being killed this "Good lors !" cried her mother. com- happened ?" "What I was right new, and proceeded at great length in explaining things, frowning at Bertie whenever he threatened to correct me, for what he saw and what I told didn't exactly fit. But he saw and what I told didn't exactly fit. But he was a shrewd youngster, and I heard nothing re constructed word and water for her milked mean for shepherding. re constructed word and water for her milked mean for shepherding. re constructed word and water for her milked mean for shepherding. re constructed word and water for her milked means and fowls, and her was a shrewd youngster, and I heard nothing more about it. I persuaded Hetty to remain at home that was allotted to Harv. She had been shepherd-to ber lunch with her and snent the whole was novel and one can appreciate anything assert than for shepherding. self standing in the centre of a roughly-furnish-ded office, with shelves and nigeon-holes in the walls, and biles of books and naners around me. I persuaded Hetty to remain at home that day, and I took the sheen out. The experience to ber lunch with her and snent the whole was novel and one can appreciate anything asleep, and when I woke un there wasn't a woolly in sight. I ran about for two hours, But

very different from the common run of women. very different from the common run of women. I felt myself drawn towards her. The old hut seemed much briehter in the mornings and even-ings when she was there. Phyllis was always full of fun, and would talk like machinery; here was Bertie, ever ready to go shooting with me, and there were books to read and sights to see. But my mind would wander away to the sheen machines and at last I woke to to the sheep pastures, and at last I woke to the fact that I was desperately in love with Hetty Brampton.

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or indeen rais and posts clattered about my ears. I sprang up, minus pine and hat, wonder-ing what had happened. The cow was going like furv down the flat, and, Great Scot! Hetty was lying on the ground with a sanling across her. I threw it off quickly and raised her in mv arms. She was pale, and couldn't speak. "Oh. Hetty, Hetty," I panted, "are you hurt?" She raised her eyes slowly and smiled. Bertie came out.

Bertie came out. "Bertie," I cried, "run and get some water. Your sister's hurt." "Oh, she's all right," said Bertie, carelessly

been wrapped in. I now huried towards the hut, and this time I discovered my flock. They were slowly as-cending the last hill. Never had I run so hard as I did to get ahead of them. I crept along the brow so the women wouldn't see me, and ran at them on all-fours They went back the brow so the women wouldn't see me, and ran\_at them on all-fours. They went back at a great rate, and stood and stared at me for half-an-hour after I stopped running. I thought the little brutes would never go on feeding again. To pass the time, I commenced hunting about for 'possums in hollow trees. There was a track leading from a crossing log, and following it I found it ran to a box tree that had a good-sized hole a few feet from the ground. I peeped in very cautiously, expecting to see a 'possum

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I reached the top of the last hill, weary and breathless, and looked towards the house. They were there, and Bertie and Hetty were putting them through the gate. I hurried down. "I began to fear you'd got bushed," Hetty remarked. "I'lye hoor Jacking

"I've been looking for pre-cious stones on the ridge," I told her.

told her. "Did you find any ?" laughing. "Nothing of value." We had dinner before dark that evening. and Mrs. Bramp-ton remarked that shewherding had given me a good apmetize 1

ton remarked that shenherding had eiven me a good appetite. I said it was the air and the ex-ercise. Somehow. I didn't like to mention the crows. Hetty took charge again next morning. In the afternoon I paid a second visit to the post office. There was only one packet in the hollow, and it was addressed to the editor of the packet in the hollow, and it was addressed to the editor of the "Yabba." in a lady's hand. Ac-cording to circumstances, her place of abode was somewhere in the mountains, and it seemed to me that an unnecessary ann-ount of secrecy was employed in the transaction of her business. ount of secrecy was employed in the transaction of her business. I resolved to test Hettv on one point. She fed her flock about here prettv often, and must know someting of the comings and po-in~s of the letter carriel. She was just turning the sheep homeward as I joined her. "You must find it lonely out here," I remarked. "Do you never see anybody passing this

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"I was cornered again. I couldn't let her see that I was interested in Nancy. for she might resent that. Girls are funny creatures.
your On Sunday we all saddled up and started out for a kangaroo hunt, Hetty and Phyllis taking told of previous exploits, and talked of horses and cattle for half-an-hour. Then we sighted a told of previous exploits, and talked of horses and cattle for half-an-hour. Then we sighted a the mob of kangaroos, and away went Hetty and Phyllis like the wind. The men followed, but ard. I my horse couldn't get through the trees fast. I was leaning over the horse's neck, somehow. Not knowing which way they when he shied badly at something in the grass. When I picked myself up the brute was racing for home, his tail up and the reins and stirI had tracks. I was leaning over the horse's neck. When I picked myself up the brute was racing for home, his tail up and the reins and stirI had tracks. I was leaning over the horse's neck when he shied badly at something in the grass. When I picked myself up the brute was racing for home, his tail up and the reins and stirI had tracks. I was leaning over the horse's neck when he shied badly at something in the grass. When I picked myself up the brute was racing for home, his tail up and the reins and stirI had tracks. I was leaning over the horse's neck when he shied badly at something in the grass. When I picked myself up the brute was racing for home, his tail up and the reins and stirI had tracks. I was leaning over the horse's neck when he shied badly at something in the grass. When I picked myself up the brute was racing for home. It is all up and the reins and stir-

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Occasionally I accompanied her on to the flats with her sheep. "Why do you always mind the jumbuks stead of Bertie or Phyllis?" I asked her. "Phyllis is a better housekeeper than I am, and Bertie isn't to he trusted." she answered. "Of course." she went on. "I needn't be always at it if I didn't wish." Her eyes roamed over the landscape. "Those wilds have a subtle charm that sets one brooding. That's what I like. I lie here and dream, and I am happy." Hers was, indeed, a curious nature. She was very different from the common run of women. lit. Then I subjected the contents of the cav-ern to a closer inspection. What constituted the table was a square case, covered with oil-cloth, and on it were sheets of paper, books, pens and ink. The seat was a gin case, and in one corner was a tin box, securely locked. There were files of papers—even the "Bunilla Yabba." There was no accumulation of dusi: everything were files of papers—even the "Bunilla Yahba." There was no accumulation of dust; everything was scrupulously clean. These facts caused me some alarm. The owner must he still "Knock-ing around." and if he should suddenly appear— I hurriedly surveyed the apartment to ascer-tain if there were any more caves further in. There was one of diminutive size at the west-ern end. I telt pretty shaky as I peered in and espied what I took to be a man standing still and rigid in the corner. In desperation I thrust the light forward. Great Scot! He wasn't standing at all, he was hanging! I gasped for breath, and beads of perspiration

wasn't stanuing at all, he was hanging ! 1 gasped for breath, and beads of perspiration oozed out of me. Breathlessly I advanced step by step: now I stood beside it, stretched out my hand, and drew it back again. I could see no legs, no arms, no head. Had they rotted away and left only the clothes hanging! I step-ned back involuntarily and looked on the floor

no regs, no arms, no nead. Had they rotted away and left only the clothes hanging! I step-ned back involuntarily and looked on the floor. There was nothing there. Gaining courage, I thrust my hand against it, very gingerly at first, then more forcibly, and finally I grasped the thine and shook it till it fell. It was a lady's cloak, and had been hang-ing to a rocky projection! An idea occurred to me on a sudden, and leaving the cloak as I had found it, I rushed back to the books and papers. Setting the lantern on the table, I overhauled everything that came within reach. My suspicions were quickly verified. There, carefully pigeonholed, were pencilled copies of articles and verses that for my encle anent certain manuscripts, and on the fly-leaf of nearly every book was the name-Nancy ! I was in "Nancy's" studio ! I hastily arranged everything in their places, blew out the light and was cheat the inter the light and the suble was the suble.

I hastily arranged everything in their places, blew out the light, and was about to quit the cavern when the rustling of ferns near the en-trance betokened the approach of romann. Not having much presence of mind. I darted into the smaller cave, and croached in the corner. There was a very feeble light at the entrance, and I kent my over on it to get a gliant of the light

having much presence of mind. I darted into the smaller cave, and croached in the corner. There was a very feeble light at the entrance, and I kept my eyes on it to get a glimnse of the in-truder. There was a flutter of carments, a grating on the stone, and in stepped a veiled lady. I had just time to notice that she was dressed in a tight-fittine lacket and riding habit, when the gloom enveloped her. She went straight to the table and lit the lamp, and after looking carefully around her. came deliberately into the inner cave. I stood up against the wall and held my breath, dread-ing every moment that she would strike a match and discover me. I cursed my folly in having hidden there. What would she think of me? What explanation could the we? She took the cloak down; and stood there fumbling with it, her strik the wite brushing acainst my legs. I therefield, and now some-thing seemed to stelk, in thy throat, and I wanted to cough; the next instant when brushing acainst my legs. I therefield from thy shoul-der, round my car land actors my hose. I screwed my mouth and the fail off. Then a confounded bat struck me, off the back of the shapes, but the thing would we fail. 60. Then a confounded bat struck me, off the back of the shapes, but the thing would be table of the shapes, but the thing would be all off. Then a confounded bat struck me, off the back of the shapes, but the thing would be never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the cloak? Would she never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the cloak? Would she never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the cloak? Would she never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the cloak? Would she never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the cloak? Would she never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the cloak? Would she never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the cloak? Would she never go? I'd have to scratch directly or bust. She hung up the

TURNER ANY PORT IN A STORM. "Come on, Ginger! crowds er room, and as dry as

er bone.'

"That sapling flopped her in the stomach an' knocked her wind out. That's all." All ! I could have screwed the little villain's neck. I bent down and kissed her. She blush-ed, and gazed at me half in fear, then hung her head "Oh, crikey !"

That heartless little wretch was leering at me, with his tongue stuck against his cheek. "Bertie," I said, sternly, "go and milk your cows."

"They're milked."

"They re milked." "Then take the milk to your mother. It's bad to leave it standing in the yard." Ile grinned and slouched off. I am sure he understood. Hetty got up at once. She was a little bruised, and was still breathing hard. I

come. Be prepared to rough it, though, for all that. And see if you can't get me some copy— something bright and sensational " A few days later I was on my way to Bando -a lon: ride. The track led me over some of the roughest country I had ever crossed. Here, troad, lumpy dats, with grass to the knee-pads; the long winding hills clad with jungles of

runs swinging. I took a short cut across the hills. This led me to make an extraordinary discovery. At the lottom of a steen incline I noticed a narrow 'rack going through a dense mass of ferns, and wall of rock. Entering this I found myself in a buse cave, and groped my way to what apnear.

wan or tock. Entering this i found investigation a buge cave, and groped my way to what appear-ed in the semi-darkness to be a large flat rock standing against the wall. I nut my hand on if, and great was my surprise on discovering it to be wood ! Marvelling as to how it came

there I struck a match. Never shall I forget the sight I beheld. Remember, I was at least two miles from the settler's hut, and the fact that none of the Bramntons had mentioned this cave in speaking of the sights to be seen around Bando led me to think I had entered some ani-

mal's den hitherto unknown to man. Imagine my surprise, then, when I found my-sell stending in the centre of a roughly-furnish-

gave me most of what you see here." she went on. "I hated my surroundings, and wanted to make some money to take me to a hetter

"Let me find that better place and make you hoppy. Will you come with me. darling?" "Yes-but I don't think father will consent-"

"Then we'll go without his consent." I de-lared. "Why didn't you tell me your secret clared. before?"

"I intended to tell vou all before vou went back. You didn't tell me vou had discovered my retreat?"

"But I thought it was Nancy's." "Well." She paused, and looked at me archly, caucht her in my arms.

"Hetiv, I am so glad-so glad that you are Nancy !"

I mustered up courage to as' old Bill for her before I left, and Bill ordered me off the premises. But he softened afterwards—a long while afterwards. We were married then. EDWARD S. SOFF. SON

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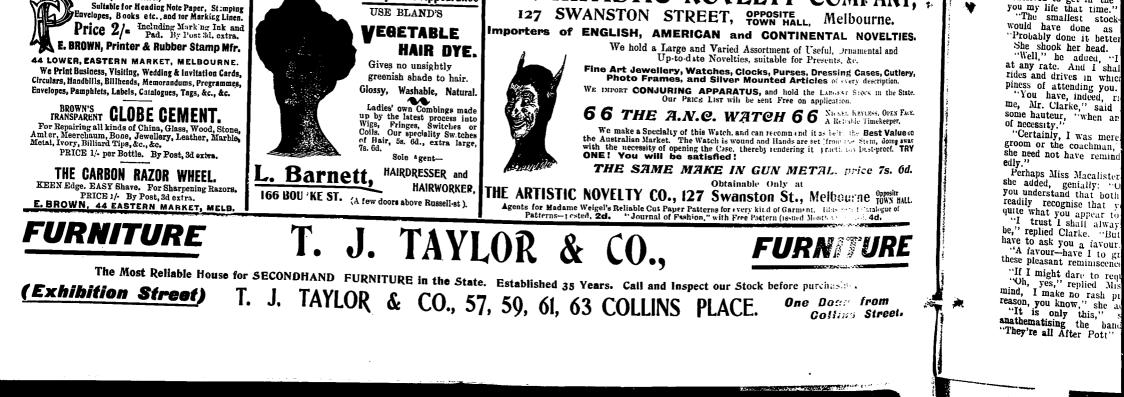
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FROLIC FORTUNE.

BY L. "Truly his waltzing is the poetry of motion." mentally soliloquised Muriel Macalister, "abso-mentally soliloquised Muriel Macalister, "abso-here." She referred to her partner, who had led her forth twice, Walter Clarke, stock rider, store-keeper and "general utility" on her father's "Net inga" run. Nellinga is some ten miles from Balvena Town Hall, wherein was then pro-recting the ball that always followed the an-mai race meeting, held during the week pre-reding thristmas. The walls of the building were transfigured with festoons of flags, and de-vices in ferns, paims and flowers, conspicuous promist which were, of course, "A Merry Mass" and "A Happy New Year." Certainly, it was a merry concourse. Maids ripe and rustical, flushed and sometimes freekled : dam-sel of Balvena. modelled upon designs confidently here et and otherwise. Members of the Balvena from the metropolis. Dames and daughters of the squator ary beamed amid "the gay throng attree and otherwise Members of the Balvena from the metropolis. Dames of the Balvena first which were for festivity. Official dig its estimate the displayed an ornate and unbecom-ing minom. reserved for festivity. Official dig its productive of mitigated awe and pro-genens productive of mitigated awe and pro-

thee breeches, silk stockings and buckled shoes— grments productive of mitigated awe and pro-fuse perspiration. "Will you take some refreshment, Miss Mac-alister ?" (Tarke asked, when the musicians had desisted for a brief respite. "I don't have whether I have time for such an incident as refreshment," replied the young lady. "I here I am engaged three deep for

hady. "I believe I am engaged since user to every dance." This was rehably true, for Miss Macalister was a prefly and graceful girl, and enjoyed the additional prefly and graceful girl, and enjoyed the additional prefly and graceful girl, and enjoyed the additional prefly and graceful girl, and enjoyed the first macalet to who was a magnate in the dis-trict, and a cod fellow to boot. "Let use e." she added, consulting her pro-gramme, "A, I declare this is the dance I pro-mised Mr. 2 todger. Yes, I'll take some refresh-ment in a remote a corner as possible,

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, then," said Walter, offering his a the place, a recess on the ver-the Town Clerk's office. They at into a refreshment-room this how. Here we are. Those tree wordty are they not 2 hat we arm. ς. and h a 🔅 have turned evenin\_, you terns are 1. ar pretty, are they not? Let me get you a se Having see ar. i her comfortably and ministered

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where the standard of the state the time has swe since the base been on the run; since 1 me alon the avagabond, homeless, ragged at tannes and set to work to make myself end, for the first time in my life 1 suppose." "You show ded very well," said Miss Mac-ther some flown since came alon and tanner useittl, tor t. alıster, smi......

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able tool." "But you can do better than that, Mr. Clarke," said Muriel. "I have often heard my father say that you ride well enough to be an Australian nushiman born and bred, and that there is not a better man on the run for mustering, draiting, and so on." "After i had learned something about the use of a stockwhip I didn't do so badly," he ad-mitted. able tool.

"It was at first rather more of a source of annoyance to your horse, your neighbours and youself than to the stock, was it not?" ob-

yoused than to the stock, was it not? on-served Murke, laughingly. "Indeed I an arraid so," he replied. "How-ever, Mr. Macalister has always been indulgent. I am also very sensible of his favour in invit-ing me to the homestead, and thus to meet you." Mr. Macalister was a widower.

Ing me to the homestead, and thus to meet yea." Mr. Macahster was a widower. "Out then I have to thank you for many atthe offices you rendered me," said the young lacy. Besides, you drew such amusing carica-tures for my sactch-book-rather wicked some of them, were they not? And you wrote verses for my abum."

of them, were they not? And you wrote verses for my aboun." "The less we say about them the better," quota Clarae. "I can, however, plead one thing in extennation—I did it on compulsion." "And then, again, of course, I cannot forget that afternoon when you were cutting out Vallee cattle on the edge of the serue, and I contrived to get in the way. I believe I owed you my hie that time."

ABOVE HIM. ("The new season's hat is the largest thing of the kind our womenkind have worn."-Fashion News.) MAISIE.-- " Dear, is my hat on straight ?" Dick.-- " Just wait till I get a step-ladder, and I'll tell you."

appointment with regard to -hem--MISS Dimple ?" "Miss Dimple is nothing to me," said Clarke. "Really? Well, I m us t admit that the other even-ing I understood you to be very much epris in that direction."

"You misunderstood me-probably through my own re-missness in not explaining myself better," he answered.

probaby through my own re-missness in not explaining myself better," he answered. "In trying to approach the subject delicately I became so circumlocutory as to be in-comprehensible. That often happens. But the fact is, I was trying to enlist your good offices on behalf of Mr. Skytely." "Mr. Skytely ?" "Yes-you see, he has long ardently admired Miss Dim-ple, but being timid where ladies are concerned (though a doughty warrior in the field) be thought if I could in-duce you to put in a word with Mrs. Chiffon, her aunt, it might pave the way for him. However, he proposed to her at the ball, and was accented. Happy man !" "Muriel smilled brightly, but seemed a little confused. "How silly of me to misun-derstand you" said she. "Cuite natural," he re-plied. "But it wasSnot pos-sible that I could care for that young lady-or, indeed, any other." "Why? You are not a misogynist, are you?" "We !" eiaculated Miss Mac-alister. blushing. "Oh. Mr. Clarke !?"

Clarke !" "It is the truth, indeed, presumptuous as it may seem," he responded. "Had it not been so I should long aro.have joined a con-tingent for South Africa. One may find preferment there, or a soldier's death. But to be near vou was happiness from which I could not tear my-self away. Yet this poor ad-

cally. S Doll' a lew words more," he urged. "Miss Muriel, I have received an appointment which will enable me to main-tein a comfortable home, and a good position socially. Will rom share them with me?"



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Brown decides on a little surprise for his family, and appears as Santa Claus.

me to raise any objection—though I certainly didn't quite contemplate parting with her so abruptly. However, before we proceed any further, let me tell you a little story.

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further, let me tell you a little story. "There was once a young scapegrace, a cadet of a noble family, but the younger son of a younger brother, with little means of his own beyond a small inheritance. This he flung uy in folly; all except a mere trifle, with which he left the Old Country-severed all his family ues and associations-and went to Sydney. An ex-cellent opportunity there presented itself-for getting rid of all his little capital on the same principle as that upon which he had already parted with his inheritance. He availed himself of it. Then he starved for a bit, and finally made his way out into the country, where after some very unprofitable wandering he got a chance. It was upon a station in Victoria, and he remained there for about two years. But by chance. It was upon a station in Victoria, and he remained there for about two years. But by a remarkable series of fatalities all those who stood between him and the peerage have been removed; and he has consequently succeeded. A day or two ago he received a letter from a firm of solicitors in Sydney, with whom he had been in correspondence from time to time, informing him that he had become Earl of Felton. That is to say, you must understand that he hed him that he had become Earl of Felton. That is to say, you must understand, that he had come into  $\pounds 60,000$  a year, with a seat in Shropshire, a town house in Park Lane, and I don't know what all besides. Don't look scared, Muriel; I've nearly finished. It seems that in the meatime had fellen in low with his emthe meantime he had fallen in love with his em-

ployer's daughter, and wooed her after the fash-ion of the 'Lord of Burleigh.' Well, I suppose I need not proceed any further—except to add that this morning under a pledge of secrecy he told me what had happened—though not what his in-tentions were with regard to my daughter." Muriel looked in bewilderment alternately at

Muriel looked in bewilderment alternately at her father and the young man, who smiled affirmatively. "So, then," she said, somewhat frostily, "this was the appointment that would enable you to maintain a comfortable home. We were playing a little comedy it seems. Were you afraid to dazzle me too much—or did you think—" "Nothing unworthy of you, believe me, dear Muriel," said Walter. "You would adorn any rank."

rank." "I must say I am rather inclined to side with Muriel," said Mr. Macalister. "I don't approve of your artifice—it was an unworthy one. What had she done that you should put her to such a 'ant ?" test ?"

"Nothing whatever—I admit it; and confess and acknowledge the error of my way." said Lord Felton. "All I can say is I was blinded by affection, and wished to see if I could win my dear girl in my character of Walter Clarke as she had known me." "Oh, the conceit of men!" said Muriel. "Just as if I would have accepted you in any other character, if I wouldn't have done so in that in which I knew you."

"At all events," said Walter, "I can honestly say I feel truly rejoiced that my fortune enables me to place it at your disposal, Mr. Macalister, for the retrievement of your embarrassments. That will be the first use I shall make of it." The squatter now in his turn looked some-what disconcerted. "Thank you, my boy," he replied, "that was kindly spoken, though no more than I should have expected. But the fact is that this morning Muriel was depicting the result of the drought in such sad terms that I felt tempted to try the effect upon her of a little romance of my own. I was sorry after-wards that I did so; and yet pleased when I found what fortitude and resignation she dis-played. I meant after teasing her a little to-day to undeceive her this evening; but when she told me about your proceedings I thought I would let it go a little longer. However, I an happy to say that I have had no appeals made upon me whatever; in fact, I never directly said that I had-I threw out suggestions, and Muriel accepted them as facts. I put a sup-positious case, that's all. I have no direct in-terest in any station except Nellinga; so I think I am financially sound enough." "How could you have done such a thing?" ex-claimed his daughter. "It was just horrid of

"How could you have done such a thing?" ex-claimed his daughter. "It was just horrid of you—and so it was of you," she added to Lord Felton.

you-and so it was of you, "she added to Lord Felton. "Won't you forgive me?" asked he half-laugh-ingly. "To-morrow will be Christmas Day, you know--so we mush't fall out." "Well," said Mr. Macalister, "you're all the better for having been made a man of by two years' experience on a station. It's a good school. And if the possession of a healthy, hearty Australian girl will add lustre to your coronet-why, you have her." The Christmas festivities at Nellinga were on an unusual scale of liberality. Lord Felton had ingratiated himself so much with all hands that his thexpected clevation was a source of sincere congratulation by everyone; but he averred that

congratulation by everyone; but he averred that his fortune was not in his title, but his bride, and that in future years there would be no-thing that he would hold in such high regard as the sincere esteem he had won from his rough and genial friends and comra'es on the station.

e A conference of the health authorities of the United Kingdom is approaching Parliament with the object of securing a law to make the vac-cination of tramps compulsory. This projected reform is directed against Weary Willie and his friend, Dusty Rhodes, and if it reaches us will apply to Tin Dog, the sundowner, and Perish-me Peters, the swaggie, who makes intrepid journeys from pub to pub in Melbourne suburbs, passing himself off as a footsore pioneer. It is alleged against Weary Willie, and l'erish-me Peters, and the whole of the tribe of beats and wanderers who go about the face of the earth seeking work so as to escape it, that they are great spreaders of disease, and it is neculiarly necessary that they should be violently vaccinat-ed because if small-pox came along, being won-derfully dirty men, they would be the first to pick it up, and the handiest to cart it all about the face of the country. Weary Willie will ob-ject, of course, but when he realises that though



vaccination may prevent him catching other vaccination may prevent him catching othet things it will not prevent him catching beer, he will grin and bear it. Besides, it might have been worse—the health authorities of the United Kingdom might have asked for power to make cold baths for tramps free, secular and



VOICE FROM ABOVE. " Ikey Largel Fall on yer back, or y'll smash yer watch

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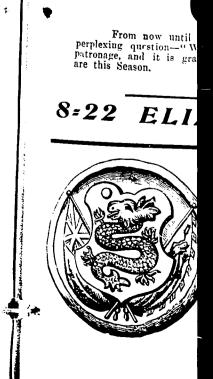
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### THREE POUNDS

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I am smoking by the fender, With the limbs at restful ease; Roand the cosy flames are dancing— And the wind blows thro' the trees. All the boisterous storm of winter Seems about in headlong flight; And I wonder who are sighing, Who are yearning, who are crying Ihro' the we happointed city, in the dark relentless night.

A Winter's Night.

In my fancy there's a homestend Rising roughly from the plain, Where one reared his happy children, As he gathered in his grain. But there came the burning drought time, With its devisation blight— And they straggled to the city. Where no neighbours, means nor pity them convard—now they shiver in a hovel in the nicht. 16]0 them onward-the night.

Far adown the tree-trimmed vista Is a villa, lawnless, wild ; Thirs was once the squatter's mansion, Laftyroomed and colour tiled ; Greed had craved a mount of riches Reaching unto Croesus' height— Then the week of life-long savings, Shattered former, a madman's ravings— May the fiel of Love and Goodness cheer them thro' the cheerless night.

Do I see the statesman's fireside Flickering in the rising street? Have we rached a happy haven, Restind, stiller a sure retreat? Day and night a canceless wrangle Keeps him from his sacred right. Wike estranged; he discontented ! Tempted, vielding, half demented— would change the lobby-phantoms for the love-lit freight?

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And I draw is a pipe in silence— Do not str. the spellbound hush That entirals the true-horn bushman Ean when truthest tears the bush, Qurck I silmai, "Comrade, greeting !" Swith his eves a sent invite : And while ever the winds are roaring, Nature's kindred scales are soaring Stenth, in sympathy, above the storm-black night. "R. R."

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### THREE POUNDS A WEEK.

He was a mild-loaking man with the depressed operators of a watter in reduced circumstances. Subset to trousers, boots and singlet, he was restricted to the second an act of gra-tictors vandalism to destroy the handsome the subold second to think he or she had any tight to interfere. Even the passing police-time, secing the thing being done so openly, mained that the man had been rightfully en-tract to do the work, and concluded that all was well. Towards sundown, however, an of-field chanced aleng. He was not suspicious, hat he was astonished. "Hellot!" he said, "what are you doing here?" "Working," re-plied the man beind the axe. "Yes, but you boot mean to say you've here put on to chop He was a mild-looking man with the depressed out mean to say you've heen put on to chop form these trees" 'Yes I have." "Who by?" The loss, I suppose. He asked me if I want-el a o', and I said, I wanted one badly. Then get an axe, my man, says he, 'and get to work



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the road, as I intend to build a marble and sapphire palace here.'" "Come, come," said the offic al, "you're talking nonsense." "No-thing of the kind," answered the axeman. "Those were his words. He said he'd call round in a week and see how I was getting on "

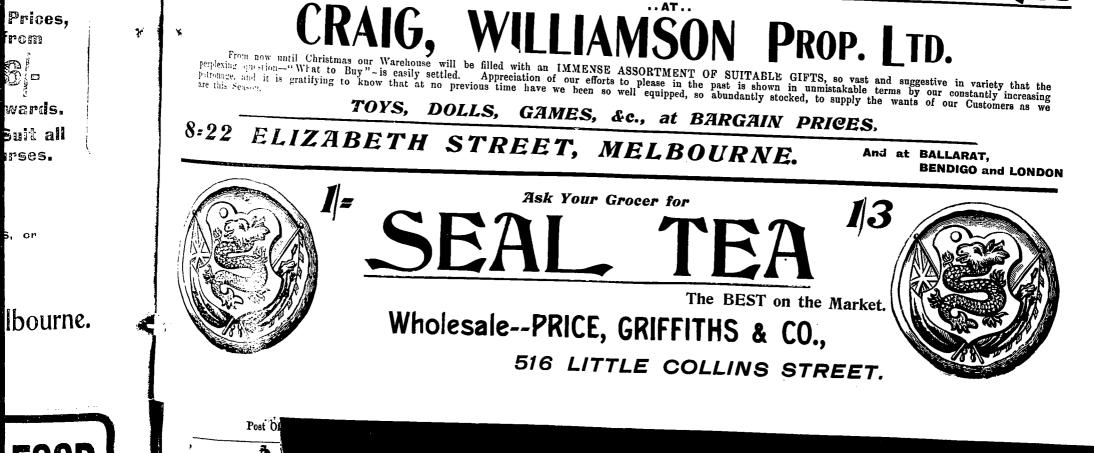
round in a week and see how I was getting on." "Look here," the officer sad, "there's some stake. You'd better sit down on your job, till I bring the boss." The boss was procured, and he raged like a bad man, and swore to exact a terrible vengeance upon the destroyer of that beautiful tree. The axeman was thus derstruck. "I was engaged to do it, and I was to get three pounds a week," he said excitedly. Even while they argued a gentlemanly stranger joined them. "Here he is—here's the vcrv man that engaged me," cried the wood-cutter. "Didn't you give me a job cutting down these trees?" he continued, appealing to the stranger, "Most certainly," was the grave reply. "On palace of agate and marble, with green jade staircases and windows of pure diamond." "And who in thunder are you," inquired the field of Japan." "Great Scot," ciaculated the tree-feller, "he's baimy." It proved that he poor toiler and moiler had been set to work work went in the vicinity. His day's work went for nothing, and he narrowly escaped a prose-uit whom he takes jobs from in the future.

#### "FIRST AID."

"FIRST AID." She was a tall, rather good-looking lady, very well dressed, and evidently quite superior. She was accompanied by a nurse girl carrying a fardens on a beautiful afternoon. There were a good many people about, and when the Eil lady fell on the green sward, and began to indulge the hand, and sympathetic women patted her hand, and smoothed her brow, and nursed her hand, and smoothed her brow, and nursed her head, and called her "pore dear!" in south in hysterical symptoms in the least; on the contrary, they seemed to be rapidly on the greatest anxiety showed itself in the faces of the women who had taken up the case, while gentlemen standing round press-ed closer, and requested others, with a show of real under their sympathy and began to induce the hysterical symptoms in the least; on the contrary. They seemed to be rapidly on the faces of the women who had taken up the case, while gentlemen standing round press-de closer, and requested others, with a show of realy air." Everybody seemed to feel for her were all under their sympathy. and began to stream under their sympathy. and began to stream under the callous stranger took a her her were a common kind of sources took a her her her her a common kind of sources took a her her her her her a stranger took a

terical under their sympathy. and began to scream in a strange, purposeless way. At this point the callous stranger took a hand. He was a common kind of young man, and looked like a foundry worke. There was black on his clothes, and his face was stained with smoke and cinders. "Here, get back to scratch, 'n give a bloke a charner,' he sa d. He elbowed the women away. They he knet on one knee by the patient, litted her head with a jerk, and sa fiercely: "Como, come, inisus; none o' this foolishness." He shook the 'lady and added with great skorif: "Bldom'h' fice show you're makin' o' yourself, ain't you'r The lady stiffened her limbs, and made a great effort towards self-control. "That's right," added the young man, "pull yerself together. If yor go on makin' such a circus in a hubih block of you'r hear me,'' said the workman roughly, 'you knock off givin' these here silly 'tableaux in public, 'n learn ter behave yourself." The lady said the young man pleasantly. "I have that'd fetch yer. Don't give me no thanks; I don't expect one." Then he added for the cdiffeat on of here for yours and pleasantly. "I here that'd fetch yer. Don't give me no thanks; I don't expect one." The he added for the cdiffeat on of the crowd "Newer yer go snivellin' over a hyster cal woman 'n sympathisin' with her; it on'y makes her worse. I've brought heaps round in my time, 'n I know how to handle 'em." Then he turned, and went his way, leav-ing the lady as if the cure was worse than the disease. ing the lady as if the cure was worse than the disease.

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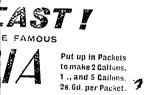
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alarm madame.' "And I sit down and twang my banjo, where the moonlight is on my face. To my left is the hoss, staring, staring at me. To my light, in the recess of the chimney, is his wife, terror-striclen. I think to myself: 'Be cool, Paul. This is a dam' funny situation, and to get cut of it without bloodshed is advisable.' of it without bloodshed is advisable.'

of it without bloodshed is advisable.' "A tree outside swings in the soft breeze, mak-ing the mochbeams flicker on my face. The boss leans forward, staring, staring, and his wife covers back. I am sorry for her, she is so sympathetic and pretty. Then the boss points his skinny finger at me, and says in a horrible

voice: "See! See the eyes peering over his shoul-der-and the features-see-see !'" "This is not pleasant," Tony growled.

"His wife scream, and I feel the blood tingle

" 'By Gar!' I shout. 'You are mad. This is lam' rot.' And I stir the fire and light the dam' rot.'

<sup>1</sup> "By Gar !' I shout. 'You are mad. This is d dam' rot.' And I stir the fire and light the candle.
<sup>1</sup> "No, no,' he reply: 'I am not mad. They are the mountain spirits. Listen to their tapping.' a "Sure enough there are noises. But I say: "They are birds—your wekas and kakapos.' "They are spirits,' he persist.
<sup>1</sup> "And as he speak a dam' funny thing happen. We hear an axe—clear, crisp, as in the hands of an expert axeman. Clip! clip! the go.
<sup>2</sup> Then clop! clop! clop! as he cut the cross stroke. The eyes of the boss glisten.
<sup>3</sup> "I will co and see.' I say.
<sup>4</sup> "You will find no one.' he reply.
<sup>4</sup> "You will find no one.' he reply.
<sup>4</sup> "Madame cower in her chair and moan. Outside, the blows are quite clear, and almost the ring of the steel can be heard. I walk outckly toward the sound, and am in a short distance when it cease. There is a pause, and it is dark in the forest. Then clip! clip! clip! clop! clop!

"'Not like the boss,' I respond; 'for why should they roam about in the cold nights? But there is a kindred feeling between people which is not among beasts, and only the affinity of the spirit can cause that.'

the spirit can cause that." "She have risen, and in place of the look of terror there is a strange light in her eyes. ""Po you know," she ask, "what a splendid man you are?" ""I am ver' strong," I agree. For, by Gar! so I was when I was young. "She is erving a little

"She is crying a little. "You have a poet's eyes,' she pursue. "I have written verses,' I admit.

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side have a gun." "'I was in terror,' she continue; 'but with you there can be no fear. My soul! Mv life!'" "Most pleasant," Tony sighed. "Ah ! very

sweet." "Since I meet you there has been such

"'Since I meet you there has been such beauty in all things." "Madame.' I respond. 'to one so beautiful all things are beautiful. For myself I am em-ployed at \$2 a week as a beast of burden by your husband." "'He is an old man.' she protest.

"Then is an old man, sne protest. "Then 'bane'' go the cun in the forest. "'Ah'! I think. 'It is a single-barrel gun and he have no more cartridge, for I have them. It is therefore safe to go outside." "To her I speak : 'Madame, have you end your

very kind." Pani nodded to Henri and continued: "Then I must compel you,' I reply. "And I nick her up and carry her to her hunk, where I lay her down and cently disen-rage her arms. 'Madame.' I say kindly. 'your ferror will soon pass. Other things do not pass so soon. I am an honest man, madame. Geod-night.'

"And, by Gar! I kiss her, for she was so heautiful, with her elorious eves and her voice that was like the chiming of a bell through a valley of violets: and her husband was old and

a little mad. "I take a blanket and go outcide and "I take a blanket and go outcide and myself up and try to sleep. But the 'clip! clip! clip!-clop! clop! of the Chopper pre-vents my rest. And pethans her lips have set my blood holling. Who knows ?" "Ah. yes! her lips!" Tony murmured. Henri arose and began to scarch along the wall of the cave for a box of matches

Henri arose and began to search along use wall of the cave for a box of matches. "I am listening. Go on," he said. Paul proceeded : "Well. I search for the boss. At last I

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stumble over something, and it is he-he is dead." "He shoot himself?" Tista eried. "No, that is the dam' funay part. The gun is discharged, but there is no shot wound in him. But, mes amis, he is dead-slain by an axe, for there is an axe cut on his forchead. Name of God ! how I tremble when I see it, and hear behind me clip! clip! clip!-clop! clop! clop! With difficulty I raise him and carry him to the hut, for my muscles are weak with him to the hut, for my muscles are weak with

fear. "'It is no use to alarm madame,' I think; 'I

"''You have a poet's eyes,' she pursue. "''And your eyes, they draw my soul till it the ground to wait for dawn. In the morning to the door, the opening of which aroused me aroused me.

i"Then she see him. 'Is he dead !' she whis-per, hoarsely. And then, by Gar! before I can answer he sit up. ''Madame screamed. For myself I was dam'

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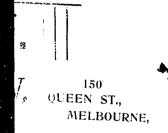
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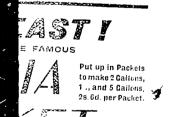
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alarm madame.' "And I sit down and twang my banjo, where the moonlight is on my face. To my left is the boss, staring, staring at me. To my light, in the recess of the chimney, is his wife, terror-stricken. I think to myself: 'Be cool, Paul. This is a dam' funny situation, and to get out of it without bloodshed is advisable.' "A tree outside swings in the soft breeze mak

of it without bloodshed is advisable.' "A tree outside swings in the soft breeze, mak-ing the mochbeams flicker on my face. The boss leans forward. staring, staring, and his wife cowers back. I am sorry for her, she is so sympathetic and pretty. Then the boss points his skinny finger at me, and says in a horrible voice :

voice: "See ! See the eyes peering over his shoul-der-and the features-see-see !'" "This is not pleasant," Tony growled. "His wife scream, and I feel the blood tingle in my head

" Not like the boss,' I respond; 'for why should they roam about in the cold nights? But three is a kindred feeling hetween people which is not among beasts, and only the affinity of the spirit can cause that.'

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man you are ?' "'I am ver' strong,' I agree. For, by Gar ! so I was when I was young. "She is crying a little. "You have a poet's eyes,' she pursue. "'I have written verses,' I admit. "'And your one, they draw my soul

"By Gar! Her voice is like a sweet bell sounding through the scent of violets: but to myself I say: 'Be cool, Paul! The man outside have a gun.'

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WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. MISS SPAREBODY. "I think they ought to charge by weight." MRS. R. UNDABOUT. - "Oh, indeed! do you? Then they wouldn't stop to pick you up as it wouldn't pay them.

and he had centred his devotions on her, and lost consciousness of the fact that he was giving his whole secret away in the face of a congrega-tion. Fortunately, the congregation was too sleenv to note it, and Jessie alone had seen. That look broke down Jessie Clifton's pride, it cave her a strange happiness, although the side of a lover's nature that provides the doubts was still active. It now became Jessie's task to break down the barriers of coldness and diffi-dence that divided them. She did not accept the duty deliberately, but instinctively. She was deeply in love now. The adoration in his eyes was a justification.

ducy arimeters, where the adoration in his eyes of deeply in love now. The adoration in his eyes of was a justification. Pete's idea of the whole matter was entirely different. He was angry with himself. "Staring at the girl like a luny cow," he said to himself savagely. "Of course, she'll credit it to my clownish insolence." Here Pete went through the difficult process of kicking himself. Matters did not progress very well. Jessie found her task a difficult one. It was not easy to try to cure a diffident man without a trace of egotism. A little honest egotism on Pete's part would have settled the whole business in a week.

At this crisis Tom Crowe, the bluff manager of the Come-by-Chance, gave Jessie further hope. He was an old friend, and privileged. "Look here, Jessie," he said, one afternoon, "why do you stand young Ernshaw off the way you do?"

"why do you stand young Ernshaw oll the way you do ?" "I'm sure I don't know that I am different to-wards Mr. Ernshaw than others," answered Jessie, quickly, turning to hide the flow of colour warming her neck and checks. "Oh, but you are. Your attitude towards him implies that he's an outsider, or a dangerous character, or an undesirable of some sort. Now, you can't have overlooked the glaring fact that there isn't a young man here or hereabout who can hold a candle to him. He's a good fellow, with a big. D."

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"Mon friends. Jessie, he's head over ears in love "Mr. Crowe !" "It's a positive fact." "Has he made you his confidant ?" Jessie's heart was heating violently. Outwardly she was calm, even jocular.

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derstand Jessie's heroir, but somewaat annueut, advances. Another month passed, and seeming chance brought about the desired end. Pete had built a hoat, and he rowed on the long Duck Foot laroon every morning. It happened on one par-ticular morning that Jessie was walking under the willows fringing the lagoon while Pete was rowing on the water, each ouite keenly alive to the other's nearness, though apparently uncon-scious.

Presently Pete heard angry voices, and saw Miss Clifton confronted by a man of the sundowner type, whose threatening gestures caused Ernshaw to put more back into his rowing than be had done for many a day. He drove the hoat through the shallow and almost on to dry land, and when he came to Jessie's assistance the man had her by the arm, and her face was hot with indignation

The man slunk off without a word in the dir-ection of the main road.

"Please forgive me, I entirely lost control of myself," said Pete, anxiously. "You did it for me," said Jessie, with feeling.

"I owe you a great obligation; why should I be asked to forgive ?"

"You owe me nothing," he said. "I must ad-mit there was a savage rapture in manhandling that fellow."

mit there was a savage rapture in manhandling that fellow." There were tears on her cheeks, and he was alraid she was going to faint. "I-I have had a great fright," she said. He was all tenderness and devotion, his diffi-dence was gone. "Let me help you," he said. To help her he had to place an arm about her. It was not till they came into the township that she was able to walk alone. After that they felt there could be no dis-tance between them ever again. Mr. Clifton's erati'ude was deep, Mrs. Clifton's deep and tearful, Jessie's tender and adoring. Suddenly Pete became a constant visitor at Clifton's, in-stantly he had developed into an ardent suitor. He was as pressing and persistent now as he had been backward and diffident before, and when he told Jessie what Jessie knew very well al-ready, she told him he was a foolish boy des-pite his cleverness not to have seen that she was in Jove with him all along. They married, and there is a sequel. Pete re-ceived a valuable appointment in another state two years later, and about a month after he and hi wile and child had settled in his new home a man called on him asking for a billet. "You might ez well give us a job, mister," said the man, with a grin, "I once did you a "Why, I don't remember having seen you be-

"Why, I don't remember having seen you before.

fore." "No? And yet, perhaps, if you hadn't licked me that day on the lagoon at Bargoo you michtn't have won your wife." "You scamp," cried Pete. "You dare—" He grabbed the man by the neck. "Here, here, hold hard, mister," cried the stranger, "hasn't your missus told you? She gave me five pounds to pretend to molest her that day by the lagoon." Ten minutes later Jessie verified the statement with mingled tears and laughter.

"You see, I'd tried so hard to win you over that I was driven to desperation." she said. But the man did not get a billet, he got an-other five pounds and a second-class ticket to Sydney.

"I can't afford to have my benefactors work-ing under mc," Peter said.

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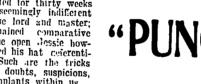
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him go now. Please-please do lot him go " Peter looked down at her Suddenly he realised how small and frail she was. Her eves were full of tears. They now turned niteously up to him. He dropped the sundowner and sten-

red back. "They your pardon. Miss (lifton." he said "Thave frightened you. You can go." he added. turning to the stranger.

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Roylett remained in t city until late in t evening. He spent t hours after busine had closed in hangin about a street — thu about a street — t deserted — watching see whether a light would show in a particul window of a large offi-building after the tin (which he knew) whether the sweepers and cleane had left for th night. This light, he b lieved, might be non less than the beacon an the arbiter of his fart According to the theo he had formed, if certain man in the office which the window pe tained had become engu ed in the commerci maelstrom. the lig would appear. As glanced up one night, th room he was watchin

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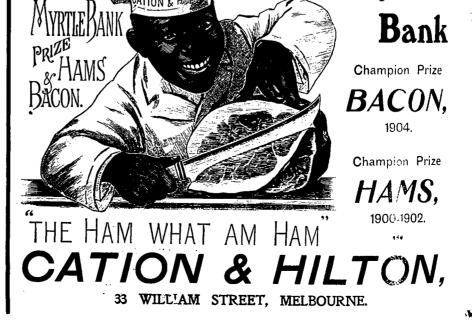
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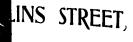
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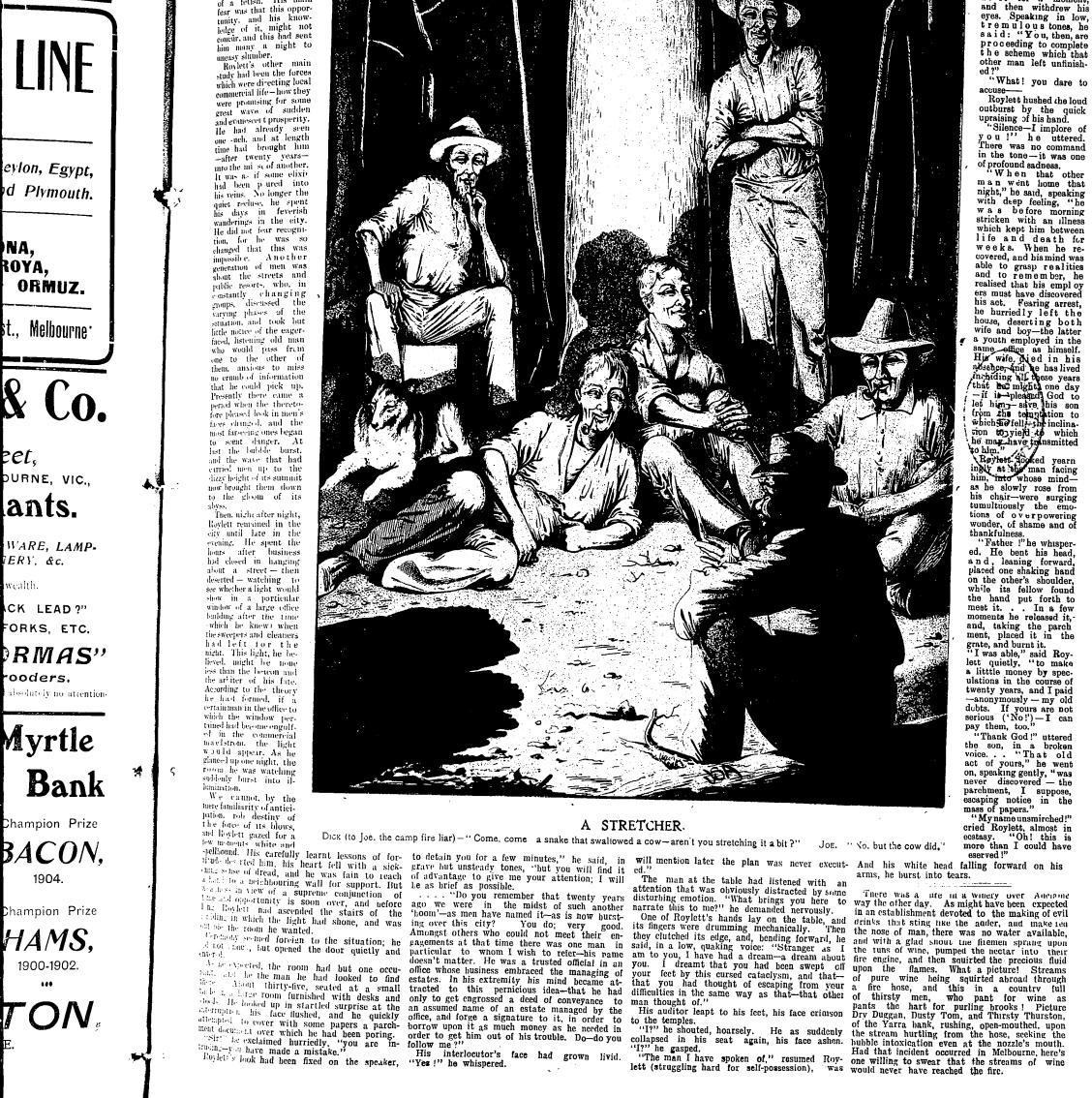
employed in this office, and occupied the same position as you do-even sat at the same table. I will now tell you the name of the estate he thought of tampering with-it was Blenkirou's." At the mention of the name his companion's even fell

At the mention of the name his companion's eyes fell. "You, I think," went on Roylett, "were at the time I speak of a junior elerk here, and it was your duty to put away in boxes all deeds which had been taken out for purposes of re-forence and left about the office. Could you tell me what-what happened-what became of the foreged deed?"

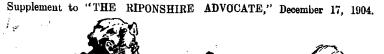
"It is here," answered the other with an at-tempt at calmness, point-ing to the parchment before him. As it chanced, I had occasion to go to the box this after-noon for — for the pur-pose of our business—the e state being still in estate being still in our hands—and having to do some work here late to night, I took it out in order to read it over."

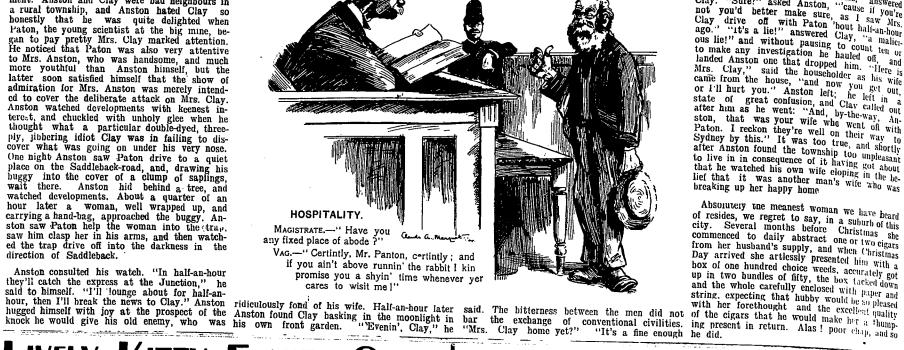
Roylett slowly turned his face to it, lo kcd at it for a moment, and then withdrew his

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This is the story of Anston and Clay and two This is the story of Anston and Clay and two other people, also the narrative of an elope-ment. Anston and Clay were bad neighbours in a rural township, and Anston hated Clay so honestly that he was quite delighted when Paton, the young scientist at the big mine, be-gan to pay pretty Mrs. Clay marked attention. He noticed that Paton was also very attentive to Mrs. Anston, who was handsome, and much more youthful than Anston himself, but the latter soon satisfied himself that the show of admiration for Mrs. Anston was merely intend-ed to cover the deliberate attack on Mrs. Clay. cd to cover the deliberate attack on Mrs. Clay. Anston watched developments with keenest in-Anston watched developments with keenest in-terest, and chuckled with unholy glee when he thought what a particular double-dyed, three-ply, jibbering idiot Clay was in failing to dis-cover what was going on under his very nose. One night Anston saw Paton drive to a quiet place on the Saddleback-road, and, drawing his buggy into the cover of a clump of saplings, wait there. Anston hid behind a tree, and watched developments. About a quarter of an hour later a woman, well wrapped up, and carrying a hand-bag, approached the buggy. An-ston saw Paton help the woman into the tray, saw him clasp her in his arms, and then watch-ed the trap drive off into the darkness in the direction of Saddleback.



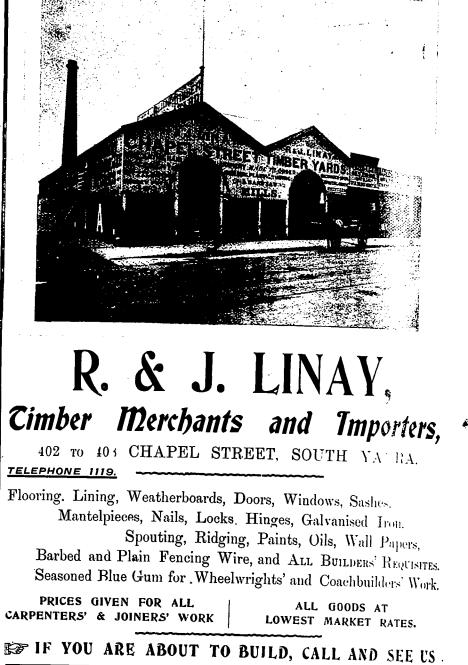


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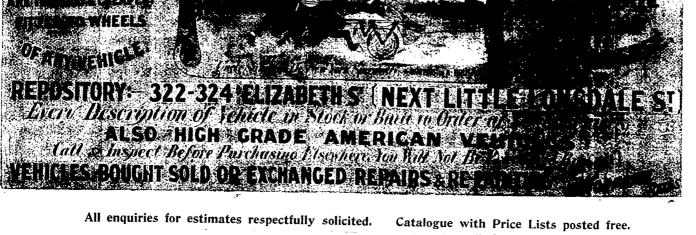


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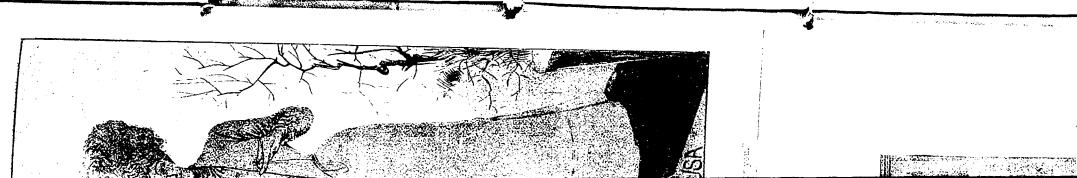
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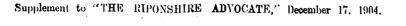
# **PIONEERS.**

It was a rough little hut that first sheltered the pioneers of Bora Downs. There were only three rooms, built of slabs and roofed with bark, the pioneers of Bora Downs. There were only three rooms, built of slabs and roofed with bark, and a lean-to at the back for cooking in. Mrs. Drayden had often voiced her objections to the latter, for it necessitated her going out at all times when the men were away, and the thought of blacks was ever uppermost in her mind. She could not forget how they had come to Bora, she and her sister, Nellie Harrod, perched un-der the awning on top of the bullock waggon, and menaced day and night by wandering abori-gines, and how the site had been marked by a battle on the first morning. There was a grave at the edge of the scrub half-a-mile from the sapling yard, whence the broad grey plains spread away to the western horizon. She had objected to this scrub, too, as it afforded cover to the enemy; but Phil Drayden had pointed out that the homestead must be built there for the sake of the water. The greatest trouble was experienced when the

Drayden had pointed out that the homestead must be built there for the sake of the water. The greatest trouble was experienced when the sheep were brought on to the run. The blacks looked on the jumbucks as legitimate game, and many skirmishes took place between them and the whites. The sheep were kept on the open country, where they could be seen at a great distance from the hut. When any blacks were seen approaching Nellie would gallop out, tak-ing care not to get too close, and crack her stockwhip. For a while this ruse answered the purpose, but the blacks at length discovered that there was no harm in it, except when it fell on their shoulders, and they came to greet her efforts in the end with derisive yells. Then one day she took the gun, and, approach-ing nearer than usual, fired a charge of coarse salt at their legs. That changed their opinions of the white lubra, and they ran for their lives, the wounded ones with howls of agony, and now that they were turned in flight Nellie galloped close at their heels and gave them the con-tents of half-a-dozen salt-loaded cartridges. For months after that they kept away fron Bora Downs. Then one afternoon they appeared sud-denly at the hut. The men were fencing at the back of the run, and the women were seated quietly at a table

denly at the but. The men were fencing at the back of the run, and the women were seated quictly at a table sewing. The doors were closed, which was al-ways the case when the women were alone. The rattle of a chain at the lean-to attracted Mrs. Drayden, and stealing to a crack in the back wall she peeped out, and was horrified to see a score of naked savages around the fire. She had a pudding cooking in a round pot for the men when they came home in the evening, and two of the unwelcome visitors were in the act of lifting it out with their spears. She tiptoed quickly back to her sister. "Nellie, Nellie," she whispered, hurriedly, "the blacks are here ! They're at the pudding. Oh, what are we to do?"

Oh, what are we to do ?" The colour left Nellie's face at the shock, and she took a hasty survey of the scene. The blacks were in their war panoply, and the ab-sence of women was an ominous sign. The reen had taken the firearms with them, for men in those days fenced with a loaded gun ready at hand, or a pouched revolver slung at the belt. Nellie, without a word, stole back to the front and looked out. The bay pony was stand-





## BRER RABBIT ON THE OUTLOOK.

"I wouldn't go away back if I were you. I see by the paper that we have got a Labour Government. and that they intend to tax the people ofi the land. That'll be grand for us, wont it?'

ing behind some bushes a few yards away, and in a moment she had made up her mind. "Phyllis," she whispered, "you peg the doors and windows, and keep quiet." She took the bridle down from a nor behind the door "But what are you going to do?" asked Phyllis, anxiously.

"Gallop out for Phil and Bob," Nellie re-plied. "I can get Nutley without being seen, as the blacks are all interested in sampling the duff."

duff." "Oh, let me go, too," cried Phyllis. "I daren't stop here." "We can't hoth go," said Nellie. "One would only hinder the other. Keep very quiet, and you'll be safe." "I suppose I must," said Phyllis, resignedly. "But he quick back, won't you? And for goodness' sake he careful !"

She watched through the chinks in the wall while Nellie crept to the bushes and slipped the bridle on Nutley. Springing on to his back she galloped away along the edge of the scrub. The first clatter of hoofs aroused the preoccupied blacks, and after a hurried consultation they field precipitately into the thicket. Phyllis breath-ed freely arous and new workled minute the ed freely again, and now watched minute after minute for Nellie to appear on the plain. Below the rise on which the hut stood was a long waterhole, and to round this Nellie had to

she was half through a projecting point of the scrub. She was half through, riding hurriedly, when a broken limb caught her hard against the shoul-der, and knocked her out of the saddle. She was not hurt, and was soon running after the pony, which had turned and crossed the main creek. For half-an-hour she chased it about, but, though Nutley was easily caught at any

time in the little house paddook, his behaviour was quite different in the open country. Fear-ing to lose any more time, she gave it up and continued her way on foot. In her hurry, and the confusion consequent upon running about ofter Nutley, she had lost her hearings and the confusion consequent upon running about after Nutley, she had lost her bearings, and without taking much notice, she now crossed a branch creek in mistake for the main channel, and struck across the wide plain that spread before her. The line of timber on her right, which really marked the main creek, she mis-took for that which fringed the waterhole and slight error, her footsteps were directed at right angles to the course she should have taken.

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the Bora boundary, for a ran east and west. She a despair, with a growing the thought of her sister but. She quenched her and knees, and hurried to be seeing that it led to hushed. This w gazel around he fear in her heart waiting alone in thirst on her b and knees, and hurried e. seeing that it led to-timber, now a low bank eyes filled with tears as and the howl of a dingo the trees. What was she find her way back in the not leave the water. Eight a fire to guide those arch of her: she had noalong the wate: wards the other i in the distance. the sun went decame faintly through to do? She could a dark, and she d Neither could she s1... who would come in warch of her; she had nothing to Neht it with

tired and breathless, the best plains, and a new As she stumbled on nicht s'ut down or the was being followed dinoes, and the She was being followed dinoes, and the frequent howls of others in herror come with of distance indicated and to the frightened girl the designee introduced to the frightened gift that they were cathering around her. She reked up a strict to defend herself, and ever such as for a they she could climb, or for other means of excise, she hurried desperately or through the night.

e thrach the nicht. That alternoon had been a torture to Mrs. Paydea. The disappearance of Nellie in the scuth, and her non-return, told plainly that scuthing serious had happened. When she saw the men returning at sunset she ran down to met them. Nellie ... Nellie!" she cried faility. Oh. Phil, where's Nellie?" she

"How do I know?" asked Phil roughly, evertheless he stopped short, and stared at Nevertheless he stopped er. "What's happened?"

"The blacks were here." said Phyllis. "and a calloped away on Nutley to bring you home.

"We haven't seen her." Phil returned, looking Man'ly at his mate. Bob Wylie. "I dinn't see her leave the scrub," Phyllis critical transloadies.

a contrast, trenulously, obt. (ad. Phil. she's dead-she's killed!" She infe into sohs and wrung her hands. "She con't le far." he told her, though his orn heart jelt as though it had been plunged its an ice-chest "Go back to the house, Prelis."

He handed her the billycan, and, with the gun on his shoulder, hurried down to the scrub. Here standing against the fence, he found Nut-by. Spring upon his back, he followed the bars's tracks till dark, then cantered across the extern sublid in correl of the blocks. eastern sandhills in search of the blacks' Camp Measwhile Bob had cut off some bread and his shulder, started on the girl's tracks, with a good dog scenting before him. Bob had not been very long on Bora Downs, but evile long enough to discover that Nellie Harrod was the degreest little woman on earth. harrow was the degreest little woman on earon. It's hid been a rough and adventurous life, ex-define for hard-sching squatters, and over-ling and a ni-it out on the downs was nothis to kin. He would do a hundred times more than the would do a hundred times but ten firm friends from the first beyond that bob had not very used, but this incident told him how your work the first beyond that him how very much he was in love with her. For a while the deg led him straight on, but after crossing the creek his course became so etratic that Bob h tracks with lighte ! to search himself for the atches to ascertain if the animal were not to swithe girl's api <sup>1</sup> be him false. When he horse's tracks he under-be horse's tracks he under-was filled with misgivings. It this time following the become of her? Had the and speared her? tord; but still be ste world not borse. Then what i bleks come upon 1. Only when the do crossed the branch creek and made a bee-liacross the plain did the upon her dead body leave expectancy of com

him. He knew then that she was bushed; but how would she come out of it? He thought of the many thirst-perished travellers he had heard of and found, of bushed women who had wan-dered in circles and dicd. And ever as he fol-lowed in the wake of the faithful animal four lines kept running through his mind :-

# Dead on the sandhill The sundowner lies, The crow on the quondong Has pecked out his eyes.

The crow on the quondong Has pecked out his eyes. Would he find his Nellie so ? A hundred ways he anticipated the finding of her as he hurried along in the dark, but all his dreamings never pictured what really happened. He was glad when the dog led him to the water, and he could have shouted with jey when, striking matches along the edge, he saw the impression of her hand still fresh in the mud. Now satisfied that she was safe, he sat down and ate some of the bread and beef he had brought, keeping the bigger share for Nel-lie. He bathed his feet in the water to ease them, for Bob had done a hard day's work be-fore starting on this long night tramp. Then he pushed on again, the dog following the chain of ponds. In an hour they came to a stand-still betwren two trees. The dog sniffed ar-ound them, then stood still, looking up. High up across the branches of these trees was a bulky stage, built of logs and sticks. Bob recognised it at once as the repository for the bodies of dead aborigines, a custom peculiar to that part of the country. A taint stench reach-ed him, and it was prohably this that attract-ed him, and it was prohably this that attract-ed him, and dejectedly. He was puzzled; the dog had never betraved his confidence, and it was not the first aboriginal burial ground the in slowly and dejectedly. He was puzzled; the dog had never betraved his confidence, and it was not the first aboriginal burial ground the twain had investigated. He persisted for half-an-hour, but the dog would not go on. "There's no help for it but to camp till mornin'," muttered Bob, impatiently, and with much disappointment. He went to a bushy tree spone fifty yards distant and lay down on the grass. A smoke would have done him good just then; but he had no matches. So he lay with his boots and hat for a pillow, gazing at the stars, and thinking of Nellie Harto. "Thi Drayden had returned to the hut long helore this time, having found no trace of the blacks.

blacks. "We can do nothing more till morning, Phyl-lis—or till Bob comes back," he said, as he sat wearily down to supper. Poor Phyl'is was kearthroken. "You shouldn't have taken the

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## ON AND OFF.

THE ACTOR-MAN. "You reme ther me in that splendid scene where I am egged on by the conspirators to slay the king?

THE SOUBRETTE. - "Yes-you were egged off !"

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as it struck him that here was the solution of the dog's strange behaviour last night, and of Nellie's disappearance. "You black fiends," he hissed, as he leaped to his fect, with his hand gripping his revolver. Then he chanced to look towards the stage, and there, sitting a few feet from the withered remains of a native monarch, sat Nellie Har-rod, her hair dropping about her shoulders, star-ing with terrified eyes at the equally terrified blacks. They swayed a moment, and there turn-ing as one, fled precipitately into the bdsh app parently convinced that their dead compatibility, "Hulloa, there!" Bob was so pleased that he should fusting, "Hulloa, there!" Nellie turned quickly. "Oh, Bob, is it you'lt she cried, joyfully. She slipped down, and limping towards from threw herself into his arms. The ralief, from her jent-up feelings was so great that size let him cover her face with passionate kisser the presently she drew back with bowed heat into little crimson splashes dyed her checks. Bob

presently she drew back with bowed heat ind-little crimson splashes dyed her checks. But held her hands. "You needn't be ashamed, Nellie," he said. "I've wanted to kiss you ever so long, an' I'm goin' to kiss you always—because I love you. Last night put the finisher on me. I couldn't go on lookin' at you any longer; I had to kiss you or bust. An' you'll be my very own now, won't you, dearie?" "Let me tell you when I get home, Bob," she answered faintly. "All right, pet. I'm a brute to've forgotten. You must be famished. An' what's the matter with your foot?" "I'hurt'it climbing on to that horrid place there. I was so frightened of the dingoes that, in my hurry, I slipped and hurt my ankle. However am I to get home?" "I'll carry you, my girl, you mustn't walk one blessed inch. Let me litb you along to the water first of all—just to get into the way of it. I've got some tucker in the pouch for you, and with that an' a drink of water, you'll be as fit as a fiddler to ride home." He carried her tenderly in his arms to the water's edge, and there she eagerly ate what rough provisions he had brought. His own breakfast was only a drink of water and a chew of to hacco; but he led her to believe he had already eaten.

of tobacco; but he led her to believe he had

of todacco; but he led her to believe he had already eaten. "Wonder you didn't hear me moochin' around under your roost last night?" he remarked. "I suppose I was dead asleep," she answered.

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# WHY HE LEFT.

RACCED ROBINSON (who crew so) .- "Good heavens! Discovered at last! My wife's footprint !

gun away from the hut to-day," she reproach-ed. "I'll never do so again," he promised her. Bob was wakened at sunrise by the persistent growling of his brute companion. He sat up,

"I suppose I was dead asleep," she answered. "I was so awfully tired when I got up there." "Good thing you struck that fakus, anyhow," said Bob. "My oath, you gave those niggers a Yankee start this mornin'!" "I was really thinking of my prayers when they turned," Nellie confessed, with a coy little smile.

they turned," Nellie conlessed, with a coy ineq smile. "They won't come any more," Bob asserted. "An' now we'll get you home, dearie, or Phil an' the missus will be goin' dotty." He helped her up, and stooped for her to get on his hack. "Don't be the least alraid," he assured her. "You'll find me a thoroughly re-liable mount—never bucked in me life." "That was a terrible journey for poor Bob,

liable mount—never bucked in me life." That was a terrible journey for poor Bob, seven miles of gritty plain under a blazing sun, that drenched him with perspiration, but he never murmured. At the bottom of the house paddock Phyllis and Drayden met them, frantic with delight, and Bob was relieved of his bur-den. But when Drayden put her down in the but she turned to him arein

"Bob," she said, with a little quiver in her voice, "I'll give you your answer now." Then she put her arms round his neck and kissed him.

They were never afterwards molested by the blacks, and no matter how far the sheep wandered, they were never interfered with. So they came to look upon Nellie's adventure as the hest thing that could have happened for Bora Downs.

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THE JUDGE .- "THE LAW ALLOWS THE COURT AWARD



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# ALISTIC PARADISE. HE LAW ALLOWS (1.) THE COURT AWARDS (1T."

There is a quaint character knocking about the city just now, a little, clean-shaven, old man, with a spiral curl coming from under his timeworn belltopper, and hanging down in front of each ear, and with a strangely wizened face and a thin, bent figure. He carries a bag made of a piece of black alpaca, and looks exactly as if he had stepped from the covers of a novel by Charles Dickens. He walks about, apparently aimlessly, generally in the vicinity of the Law Courts, and is very clean and well cared for. If he sees anybody standing about he approaches them, and says: "Smith versus Willey! You see, I've got the documents." And he opens his bag, and takes out a number of old papers tied up with pink tape. "I've got the documents," he repeats. "It will be all right this time. They thought they had hidden them away from me, but I was too clever for them -too clever by half." And he chuckles in a mirthless way for about a minute. Youths approach the old man with bits of newspaper, or sugar bag, or any kind of folded scraps, and present them to him as "more documents," and he takes them with every expression of gratitude, and hastily stuffs them into a bag. One day he was found standing over the rubbish-tin in front of a city warehouse; the tin was crammed with waste paper, and the old man's bag was full. He wanted the policeman to call a cah to enable him to remove the documents, which he insisted were of inestimable value to him.

The hard, old squatter of the Darling married a soft, young thing in the course of a tour in Fngland, and, landing with her, got ready for his inland home. She heard him bargaining about men and stores, and when he told her to

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LITTLE JIM.—" Sorry fer yer. You been rooked by two of the clev'rest spielers in the city. If I wuz you I'd come to me when you've got any more to play up."

call in at one of the registry offices and pick an active girl for general service she resolved to prove her eleverness. Her account of the business ran thus: "You see, dear, I went to corner—and was taken into a cosy little parbuy one. Well, the first and the second and the index where the girls were brought to me one by one. Well, the first and the second and the needed a situation instead of them. I just to dithem to leave me, You see, dear, it would have to turn out of doors next day. After a where the girls came in, and, after the strong, smart girl came in, and, after to shillings, as a start, intending to come up her dress round, and strode out of the door two or three others were like her, and I began "But, thank goodness if

"But, thank goodness, the right girl at last came. I am so glad, for I was just despairing, and I knew you have so many things to do you couldn't help me. She is a fine young girl indeed: twenty-five years of age, and with splendid references. I am sure she is truthhul and respectful and a rood worker. When she asked about the wages I said 8s., meaning to come up, of course; but the girl was that good and henest she said: 'Oh, no, ma'am, don't think of giving me so much as 8s.' I thok to her at once, and asked her what she would like, and the honest, straightforward girl said she colldn't well tell just then whether 2s or 2s. 'd, would do, but she would go home and think heard her out his cough troubled him, and he went down in the lift to see a friend.







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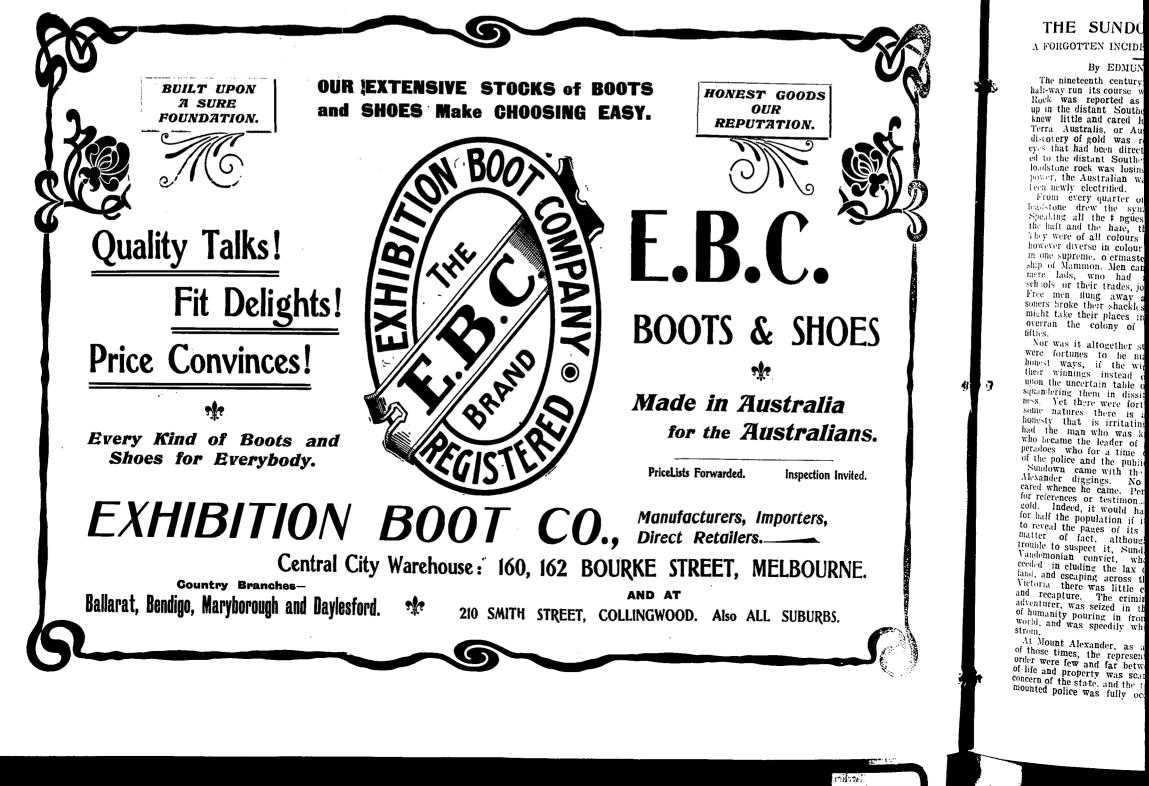
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# THE SUNDOWN GANG.

A FORGOTTEN INCIDENT OF THE FIFTIES

# By EDMUND FINN.

The nucleonith century, the age of gold, had history run its course when the new Loadstone R to was reported as having suddenly sprung up in the distant Southern Ocean. The world have little and cared less of the place called istra Australis, or Australia Felix, until the dedotery of cold was reported, and then all eys that had seen directed to California turn-er to the dist at Southern land. The American eys that had even directed to Carnornia turn-etto the dist in Southern land. The American leads he rose was losing some of its magnetic elder, the Australian was strong as if it had a lawly electrified.

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Justice !" Robberies were of frequent occurrence on the Mount Alexander Diggings, and as the diggers almost invariably slept upon their hoard or with their treasure upon their persons, it was often the case that the robberv had to be pre-ceded by brutal violence, and sometimes murder. It was not long before suspicion settled upon Sundown, the escaped convict. There was much that was suspicious in one particular case, but no direct proof. The "committee" felt justified, however, in "warning" the suspect. They called upon him, and told him bluntly that he was "You know what that means?" added the am

"OUT OF HELL THERE'S NO REDEMPTION I" the Government license fees from the diggers and acting as escort to the gold conveyed to wrongs were concerned, these had to be ad-usted or redressed by the diggers themselves. Thus it came about in all these rude mining communities that a few of the picturesque but clayey, top-booted, red-shirted and cabbaue-tree-hatter diggers would constitute themselves a "Committee." They were honest, well-meaning but unformulated motto was: "Not Law, but Justice !!" The observes of frequent occurrence on the Mount Alexander Diggings, and as the diggers and Alexander Diggings, and as the diggers that was not long before suspicion settled upor that was nucl ong before suspicion settled are to be pro-ced by brutal violence, and sometimes murder. The warning" the suspect. They called that was nucl ong before suspicion settled in the case that the robber what the suspicion settled in the suspicion settled in the case that the robber what to be pro-that was nucl ong before suspicion settled upor that was nucl ong before suspicion settled in the subsective was Meeson's large size and bandenong Ranges, he led his companions in that circle in a wonderfully direct in the subsective was Meeson's large size that was suspicions in one particular case, but that was suspicions in one particular case, but that was nucleased conviet. There was much that was nucleased in the suspicion settled upor that was nucleased in the suspicion settled upor that was nucleased conviet. There was much that was nucleased conviet. There was much that was nucleased in the suspicion settled upor that was nucleased conviet. There was much tha

His fellow-criminals were the merest puppets in his hands. They were weak, foolish fellows, whose names I have forgotten, if I ever heard them. One day as the tridge of the range, pushing their way amongst the tall timber and thick undergrowth, a storm, brief but unparal-leled in its ferocity, hroke over them. The place grew dark as night; thunder, lightning and hall lent to the solemnity of the scene. But Sun-down, who feared neither God nor man, pushed his way on.

[See "The Sundown Gang.']

went out and cleared off all the surface nuggets as they would clear the ground of stones. "What is that smoke?" asked one of the

"Life is that smoke?" asked one of the "Life is too short to stop to enquire," re-plied Sundown. "Get down to work, follow me, and we'll have Meeson tied up this after-

noon." The three bent to their ride, and they rode like Centaurs, but unknown to them, facing them from the south, closing round them from east and west, rode fiery steeds fleeter than Arab-

sired. The bush was on fire ! It had started somewhere on the high ground north of Meeson's clearing, and a south breeze fanned it into fury, carrying it north and away from the homestead, but carrying devastation and death to every 1 ving thing that came with-in its reach. Only Meeson's homestead, the doomed by the bushrangers, stood smilling and calm, saved by a fortunate wind from fire and bushranger.

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divided as to whether their absence was due to their being victims or confederates of the des-perado. It was soon afterwards known that they had joined the convict, and the three formed the then infamous, but now forgotten, Sundown Gang. Their depredations began at once, but in an

ever-lengthening chain, for the diggers organis-ed surprise parties, and spent occasional holi-A Moan: My suring in from all parts of the stand was speedily whirled into the mael A Moan: M x.nder, as at all the "rushes" the result of an interview would be. The mounted troopers would not be called into the matter, and justice, without law, would be the result of an interview would be the matter, and justice, without law, would be the result of an interview would be the matter, and justice, without law, would be the result of an interview would be the matter, and justice, without law, would be the result of an interview would be the matter, and justice, without law, would be the result of an interview would be the matter, and justice, without law, would be the result of an interview would be the matter, and justice without law, would be Located in the state and the time of the available the scattered station homesteads, now any tra-

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The storm was as brief as fierce. When it abated the pair struck a practicable gully that would bring them down on the level country, and as they emerged from the gully and were starting in the direction they gasped to hear a voice calling out: "Coo-ee! You're heading the wrong way. That's not the road to Meeson's." It was Sundown, who had escaped teath as if by a miracle. He had scarcely a stratch on him, but the haunches of his horse were badly slidden down the abyss in safety. Turket's not the road to the start of the word was not participating in the festi-voice calling out: "Coo-ee! You're heading the wrong way. It was Sundown, who had escaped teath as if by a miracle. He had scarcely a stratch on him, but the haunches of his horse were badly suidden down the abyss in safety. The the number of the suburbs, but the turned towards his room, but he turned down a Wrong massace and che into the turned down turned towards his room, but he turned down a wrong passage, and got mixed in his bearings, and was trying to think his way out, when the voices of girls coming down the passage filled him with consternation. He plunged at the nearest door, opened it, and, darting into the room, closed the door after him. There was a mad roar, and turning, the wretched youth found himself in the big diningroom, where about fifty guests in evening dress were assembled, all on their feet, all staring at him, and all laughing. The young man in the pyjamas fainted. turned towards his room, but he turned down "Just over that ridge," said Sundown, "is a beautiful clearing, with Meeson's homestead in the middle of it. He has the best horses ever brought to Australia, the finest cattle, and the nuggets of gold that have been picked up on the run are all stacked away in one room." No story in those days was 'too wild ' to be-lieve. It was supposed that in order to pre-vent "rushes" on their stations the squatters

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drawled "Ah! are you, ah! know?" "That's my name

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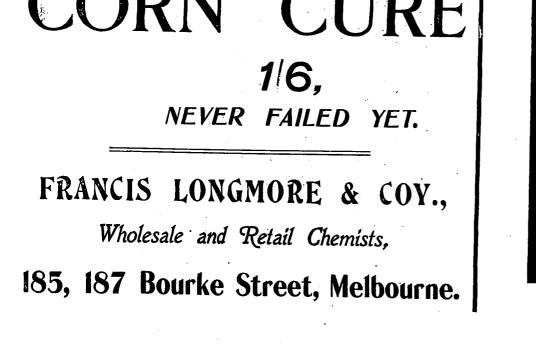
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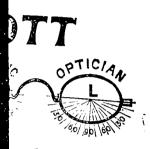
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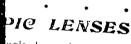
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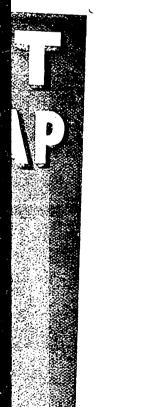


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# THE VERACIOUS SQUATTER. By R. M. K.

usvelling through his district, I "struck" his place as day was waning, and stayed the

After the evening meal, when pipes were After the regaled me with some of his per-lighted, he regaled me with some of his per-sonal experiences. Considering these incidents occurred at the present time, my readers will be better able to appreciate the title of this

is i could make use of him. Now, I don't see if I could make use of him. Now, I don't see if I could make use of a lot. Besides, I haven't time to break 'em in. Was just going to write to the old man not to send him, when, hang me, if he didn't arrive in a hired trap from the township. When I saw the unout coming up to the house I thought it must be somebody 'removing,' and simply going through my run. Packages, trunks, port-mantenux, bags. everything seemed to be there but the mangle and kitchen stove The barses were certainly lumbering along under there but the mangle and kitchen stove The horses were certainly lumbering along under the weight, but you could not see any pas-sengers or driver for luggage. Presently they stopped at the door, and I saw an object trawling over, under and through the various packages, and eventually swing himself over the wheel to the ground; and as he approached me I had time to 'size' him up. He was a htte chap, clean-shaved, and looked as if he had just stepped out of a Bond-street tallor's. His thin legs were encased in the latest. of had just stepped out of a bold-steet tailor's. His this legs were encased in the latest of daing breeches and gatters. When I looked at the breeches I almost took a fit. They were wide en all for a pair of women's bloomers, and I ed as if he had blown them powers, and yet a sin he had an affected wink in his he as he walked, and a still mare affected onk in his tongue as he irawled-

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Tills way, sit he said, and together they "This way, sith the said, and together they compared round the side of the house. I can id, you I did it is "ronable" with the guv nor is sending the tailor's dummy to me, and was detisting ways and means of getting him away next day, when "Squinty Peter," the reseabout, hurredly returned to me on the verandah.

showed im to is room, sir; but 'e don't m ter like it."

Where did you take him?"

"Men's 'ut, sit, and 'e sed as 'ow 'e couldn't shep on 'en burks, don tcherknow," Remembering the 'old man' would make it by for me if I carried this sort of thing too at. I had him put into a room in the house. and it be turned up in the latest thing in taker jacket and much shirt front and patent hathers. His jaw dropped when I told hard liked here alone, and did not have many visitors.

the three determines and the new point of the start, the set of the "have got accustomed to it, and you will have got accustomed to it, and you will have to do likewise if you are to stay here." His did not seem to please him, but he "tooled up," and commenced to talk; all obst himself, what he had done, and was set to do, until I was more firmly deter-lies than ever to get rid of this bore, who was last getting on to my nerves. The fol-ally day he was an infernal nuisance, asking sky questions, and telling me I ought to do this, and the was an internal nuisines, assuing sirguestions, and telling me I ought to do this, and the other. That afternoon I rode Section of the order. Inst atternoon 1 roue of the ballway station and sent a tele-station my father, saying 1 was going to send 3. Fitztahout Chappie about his business, but will await his reply by wire. It came-''I with modified to be about the sent total ext him, and it is your business to do as told

That was decisive enough, yet get rid of him i ward. That right 1 told him thrilling sto-



WHY O'BRIEN SWORE.

O BRIEN (the publican, who wouldn't stand the beer-hider a pint, but has lent him sixpence).— "Vell, aren't ye goin' to shpend yure tanner?" THE BEER-HIDER.— "What! spend me cash where I can get credit? No blanky fear !"

up the station." "What yer givin' us, guv'nor?" asked onc. "Gone 'ratty." said the other. "More like wants ter get us jugged." added the first. "Them squatters allus 'as a down on us pore 'ard-workin' 'swaggies."" In a few words I quickly assured them such was not the case, and took them into my con-

mily. Immediately after breakfast I mounted my horse and rode along the road I had tra-versed the previous evening from the railway station. I had noticed two "swaggies" camp-ed there, and hoped to find them this morning before they struck camp. They were just ahout moving on when I came up with them. After a few words I said: "Look here, I want you to do a little joh for me. I want you to come to-night and stick "More like wants ter get us jugged," added the first. "Them squatters allus 'as a down road, when the second instalment of nve pounds would be paid. All details fixed up, I return-ed home delighted with my project. That evening at supper I told Fitztalbot J had met Mason, of "Grub Hill," who informed



just finished, and seen him almost fainting with fear, when there was a loud rap at the French windows. Fitztalbot gave such a bound off his chair that his head almost struck the ceiling, and he was going to make a bolt for the door, when I got between it and him. "Be brave," I said ; "bushrangers ! Stand

by me !

by me !" "Who's there ?" I shouted. "Open up, boss !" came the answer. "Who are you ?" I demanded. "Open up the blooming door, or we'll bust it open !" was the reply, accompanied by a vicious kick that admitted of no demial. Trying to hold the dude in front of me, I approached the window. I had to take one hand off his shoulder to undo the fastening, and he at once took advantage of the relaxed nand out his shoulder to undo the fastening, and he at once took advantage of the relaxed grasp to slip behind me and use me as a tar-get. Fearing he might clear out, I made a dive for the drawer in the sideboard, from whence I pulled out a revolver, and then said to him:

"Look here, if you attempt to quit this room and leave me to the mercy of these bush-rangers. I will shoe you like a dog. Now, understand that !"

understand that !" Poor little beggar; his hair was on end, and his knees were knocking together with fright. I thrust the unloaded revolver into his hand, and made once more for the window, which threatened to be stove in. As *i* opened it the two swaggles rushed into the room, and in a voice of thunder, and with many oaths, commanded us to "throw up our hands." Mak-ing a show of resistance, I turned to the dude and said: and said :

and said: "Fire at them quickly one barrel after the other and lay them out." "Would you, would you?" asked one of the rufflans. "Look'ee 'ere, sonny, if you attempt to raise that popgun of yourn I screw that miserable little neck of yourn, in spite of your 'ich collar."

ruffians. "Look'ee 'ere, sonny, if you attempt to raise that popun of yourn I screw that miserable little neck of yourn, in spite of your 'igh collar." There was a ratile as the unfortunate Chap-pie dropped the weapon, which fell on his too, whereat he let out a howl. I made a dart for it, but the supposed bushrangers were quicker. One made a jump and picked it up, knocking the dude over, where he lay yelling for help, whilst the other pressed his revolver against my head. "No good, guv'nor," he said. "Move 'and or foot and 1'll blow yer brains out, that is if squatters 'as any. Now, fork out quick and lively. Turn out yer pockets." (My word, they were great on matters of detail. "Now, 'and over yer watch and chain." I hadn't expected this, but I was delighted at the way they wore following my instruc-tions, and 'playing the game up to the handle." I save them my gold watch and chain. " I hadn't expected this, but I was delighted at the way they wore following my instru-tions, and 'playing the game up to the handle." "Now, sonny." turning to Chappie, "we'r so ? Turn out yer brilliants as they thus a snatch at bis chain. "Take all L1've got, only primease spessare my lite, Mr. Burglar." "Burglar, be 'anged ; we a in't, no Hurgh's we'te bushrangers ; we don't bict, poole is hiz kets, we stick 'em up. 'Ere, Hill," turning 'the acae for insultin' of perfectsional would have acaulin' of 'em buildars." There was a yell of terror as Bill fired a blank charge, and, quicker than I would have and we heard him tearing up the halt. Pos-sters on him since. As he disappeared through one door the bushrangers cleared out by the don't doubtless would return directly and hand we heard him tearing up the halt. Pos-sters on him since. As he disappeared through one door the bushrangers cleared out by the doubter as I thought of Chappie's fright, and very time I pictured him his appearance con-toucluded that they thought when they received the the valuables. I was doubled up with haghter as I thought of Chappie's fright, and v

Next morning I was at the slip-panels to keep my appointment with the alleged bush-rangers, quite pleased to pay over the second instalment of five neuroid and and a second rangers, quite pleased to pay over the second instalment of five pounds, and ready to con-gratulate them on the way they had fulfilled their part of the contract. They had not yet arrived. I waited a long while; in fact, un-til lunch time; no appearance. After lunch I waited all the afternoon, still they did not come. Then I thought perhaps they were af-raid the dude had spread the news and aroused the police, and were afraid to be seen hanging about in the daytime. Most probably they would come to me after dark. Darkness came, but no bushrangers. Then a horrible thought would come to me after dark. Darkness came, but no bushrangers. Then a horrible thought occurred to me. Had they decamped with my eighty-guinea watch and chain, cash and other trifles, accepting same as payment in full, ra-ther than collect the remaining five pounds? Cursing myself for being such a trusting fool, I eagerly awaited daylight. I had the fastest horse I possessed ready saddled, and as soon as it was light enough to pick up their tracks horse I possessed ready saddled, and as soon as it was light enough to pick up their tracks I started alone, because I was not going to let others have the laugh against me. Getting on their tracks like a good bushman, I followed them quickly. Twenty-seven miles from the homestead I came up with one of the swag-gies—only one—I shot him !—shot him dead in Lis tracks ! He had none of my valuables, so I hurried on after the other, but I never saw a foather of him. About two years later I happened to ride the same way, and came on a heap of bleached bones. Wondering what they happenen to rice the same way, and that they heap of bleached bones. Wondering what they could be, the bushranging experience to me, and I remembered having shot one of

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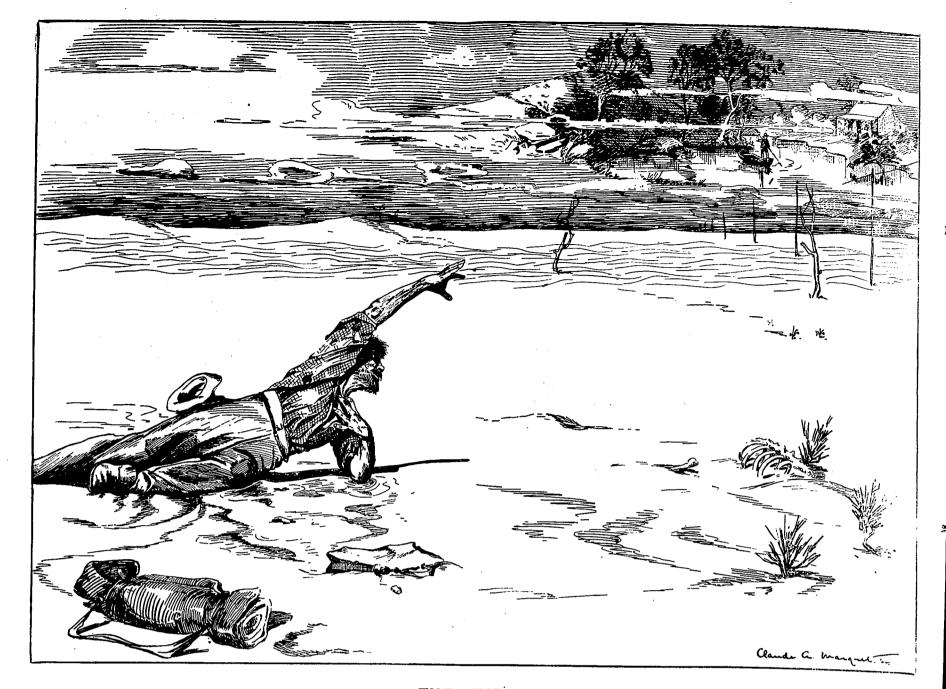
STRINGY BARK SAM.-" Say, old party, who are you cuttin' the fishin' rod for? Time you turned the gime up, when you take to slayin young plants like this 'un.

DAD. "Well, ye see, my gals are havin a Christmas party up at the house this year, and they've been pesterin' me to get 'em something for a misse tow, and this is the suit-

tened of bushrangers, and if they would stick up the place I felt sure he would be so scared t this moment in the moment is fear and trembling, look-to the fear and trembling, look-to the interval is the state of the moming is a build and the moming to the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moment is a build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moment to the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the moming build and the moming build and the moming to the moming build and the

f dence and told them "I had a fellow there I me that the bushrangers had been at his place wanted to get rid of; that he was very frigh-and stolen two of his best horses. and stolen two of his best horses. This little anecdote served to acquaint him with their proximity. "Grub Hill" is only sixteen miles away, so what more likely than that they should come here? So I filled him up with yarns about their murderous doings, until he was note as death and all of a tramble up with values about their inductions upings, until he was pale as death, and all of a tremble. Meanwhile I anxiously eyed the clock; it was close to the appointed time. I had kept my most blood-curdling story for the last, and had

As the Veracious Squatter fnished his story I reached for the whiskey decanter, and taking a stiff "three fingers" at a gulp, I shook him fervently by the hand, and, wishing him good-night, went = rowfully to bed.



#### THE MIRAGE.

"The land of the lying light,

And the cruel mirage dancing bright."-WILL OGILVIE.

# THE TRAVELLER.

Ah ! Thank goodness, there's the white tank ; Transping is a weary game Through this God-forsaken country With both feet next door to lame.

Curse the climate, curse the squatter, Curse the very ground 1 tread; Curse the day when fortune bade me Beg, from hut to hut, my bread.

Quiet, fool | What cause has brought you Thus to degradation s brink ? Was it not o ermastering passions, Was it not the love of drink ?

Very well, don't seek to burden Others with your self-wrought shame; Think of chances, since neglected, Which, if seized, had led to fame.

Ugh ! The water's hardly pleasant— Smells a little bit too high ; Still, poor beggars can't be choosers, And a man must drink, or die.

So I'll fill my well-worn pint-pot With the stuff, and, while it boils, Have a smose. One, in his pipe, soon Banishes all cares and tons.

Thrice blessed weed, which in oblivion Sinks the deepest weight of woe-Lits from aching hearts the dulness-Makes a friend of every loe.

See, the curling clouds of fragrance Bid sweet solace come again. Iniluences quaint, yet subue, Wreathe strange fancies round my brain.

Now there steals across my memory, Recollections of lost youth; How I longed for manhoods glory, Yearned to realise its truth [

Youth ! "Dis" rings with impish laughter At the very name. O rare Virtue ! Up irom hell's foul abyss Faintly floats the query-Where ?

Who can answer? Certain dreamers Empty platitudes still pen; Has not one such sophist written "That experience teaches men?"

TROUBLE AT THE SMITHS'.

# A SCENE OF THE FUTURE.

There was trouble in the Smith family. Some-how there usually is in this family, whose rami-fications spread over the whole globe. But this particular portion of it had its internal organ-tions where much decoursed. The William Southe isms very much deranged. The William Smiths lived in a small but select suburb of Melbourne, where the political wave just broke in ripples big enough to remind Mrs. Smith of her rights as a woman. She was tall and bony, and had hands of such a colour that a sirloin would have hands of such a colour that a sirloin would have hen proud to own, and a face to dream about. In lact, it frequently did give Mr. William night-mare. Now the right Mrs. Smith most exermatter. Now the right bits, sometime most exer-cised was the truly feminine perquisite of jea-lousy. She lived in constant dread that some other, more prepossessing than herself, might take a fancy to William and his income of  $\pm 150$ . and then she would be left, as she described it,

and then she would be left, as she described it, "a lone, lorn grass-widder." It was not as though Smith had taking man-ners; indeed, he spent most of his time in re-primanding those who had. But his uniform told, that beautiful free suit of blue, with silver buttons, for Smith was a policeman. This un-doubtedly was an attraction, for when a kind state provides a man's wardrobe free his wife naturally expects to have the extra money to naturally expects to have the extra money to replenish her own.

The tragedy which always follows in the wake The tragedy which always follows in the wake of the green-eyed monster began in this wise. Mrs. Smith was explaining her troubles to Mrs. Robinson, who lived next door. "It ain't that door clicked and opened, and Smith emerged, I 'ave ever seen 'im with other woming, but 'e lets drop into that I don't like, and the 'ussies wen't alone."

as the scheming unknown walked off with Mr. S. in the lawiul wife would step and claim her own. As Mrs. Robinson remarked, "Bland 'Olt would be nothin' to it.'

At five o'clock that day Smith arrived home to tea, and was surprised to find Mrs. S. unac-countably facetious. "Take another bite o' steak, now do," said she; "you'll be wantin' somethin' sustainin' before the evenin's over." This was delivered with a dark hidden meaning. So he would !

The fine sarcasm was lost on William, and, in his usual manner (which his doting wife was ac-customed to characterise as that of a "stuffed monkey"), he betook himself off to duty. Punctually to time the two conspirators wend-

Punctually to time the two conspirators wend-ed their way to Bell-street, and their greedy eyes were regaled by the sight of Mr. Smith driving up in a cab and alighting at a handsome brick villa called "Sans Souci." Mrs. Smith grasped her kind-hearted neighbour's arm, and excitedly expressed a whispered wish to "get at 'im," but was guided behind a friendly pillar-post, round which her face now and again peeped, no less red than the pillar itself. red than the pillar itself. "Begorra," she breathed, for Mrs. Smith al-

"Begorra," she breathed, for Mrs. Smitt al-ways relapsed into the familiar Russian lan-guage when moved; "wait till 1 git that San Soozie, heathen wretch; I'll black her eyes." The attention of the frantic Mrs. S. was di-rected by her faithful friend to the window, where, clearly defined against the blind, were two ligures, a man's and a woman's, she gesti-culating, he holding out his arms, and at last grasping her hand in what seemed a firm and lingering class, the sight of which rendered Mrs.

a clerkship, lived a more subdued and peaceni, though less gorgeous, life for the fature, for Mrs, Smith recognised the fact that Smith minus ins Smith recognised the race that Smith minus ins uniform was in no way better than other men. The police authorities have determined never for the future to give to a young married mar the task of arresting that latest development of

the new woman-the Lady Housebreaker.

L. M. HEATH.

# THE HERO.

It was a bright day at St. Kilda. A great many people were loitering on the Esplanade, watching the yachts skimming the water, or b-traying some little human interest in the figures plunging and bobbing in the intervening baths, Suddenly, almost simultaneously, a cry sprang

Foundarily, almost simultaneously, a cry sprang from a hundred lips, a cry of terror. One of the securrying yachts had plunged its wings into the sea, and there remained a line of keel and a few black spots hobbing cork-like on the waves.

The boat was quite a mile from the shore. The onlookers were thrilled with a pleasant terror-the terror one feels at the theater. Ex-citement possessed them all. But the exerci-ment of one man was so overpowering that it drew attention to him despite the great counter

trew attention to him despite the great counter attraction out at sea. He was a short, round, middle-aged genth-man in an excellent tweed suit very tightly buttoned, with white spats over his hoots and a monocle. He threw up his hands—an unbref, in one, field-glasses in the other—and stool transition. in one, field-glasses in the other-and stool transfixed. Those near him heard him muttee-

ing: ''Great Heaven !

Does experience teach the lesson Precept would have man believe? Does the sting of his wrong-doing Higher thoughts in him conceive?

No! He must discard such teaching As a folly bred for fools. Seeming depths of wisdom often frove but shallow, muddy pools.

Penitence is for the moment Nature's tonic; thrown aside, When desures, by pleasure sated, Wakened to new life, revive.

When the summer's day is merging Into twilight, dim and soft Then o'er earth breezes of even Gently their cool zephyrs wait.

So with life. The heart's deep passions Burn but for a space, then cease-When comes death, whose icy mantle Folds the soul within its peace.

Pooh 1 What sentimental whining ; I must have a touch of sun. Thirty miles to Boolbah Station ; Time my journey had begun.

Time my journey had began. Therefore foot it. Blighted conscience, From its sin, life ne'er may purge. O'er this corpse, unblest, dishonoured, Dingoes lean will howl a dirge. J. J. HALL.

Mrs. Robinson shook her head and sighed "They men, they men, " in such a voice that Mis. Smith asked her what she meant. Mrs. Robin-son looked knowing. "E is a bounder," she Som looked knowing. "'E is a bounder," she sand, whereat Mrs. Smith became wrathful, and asked for details. These were obligingly sup-plied. "Mr. Robinson 'eard 'im say only las' phied. "Air. Kominson 'eard 'im Say only las' night, about someone or other, 'Blow me, but she is a fine gal, an' I wouldn't like my old woman-("That's me !" ejaculated Mrs. S.)-to see us ter-morrer, but dooty must be done.'" "An' what else did 'e 'ear ?" excitedly said Mrs. Smith in whose hosen was a turnult of

Mrs. Smith, in whose bosom was a tumult of

'arf-pas' seven and Bell-street, but Robinson said he'd just 'ad 'is sixth glass, so 'e didn't 'ear no more."

'Arf-pas' seven, did 'e ?" Mrs. Smith became melodramatic in her excitement, and Mrs. Robinson tried to get out of the affair, but since poor Mrs. Smith depended on her for comfort and sal volatile, she made the fatal suggestion : "Suppose you an' I go an' catch 'im in the act ?" she said.

That woke Mrs. Smith to a sense of her res-

quictly" in her ear, and calling to the cabman a phrase which ended in the clopement sugges-tive word, "station," and prepared to enter the cab. This was too much for the already overwrought watcher, who leapt clear from her friend's restraining hand, faced the surprised Smith, and, grasping him with one hand, pointed to the woman with the other, and poured forth to the woman with the other, and poince local a flood of epithets, among which "blackguard" and "You a policeman, too !" perhaps recurred the oftenest. By this time quite a crowd had collected, and sides were quickly formed, some sympathising with the angry wife, some with sympathising with the angry wife, some the speechless Bill. In the general flurry the raison d'etre of the disturbance had fled silently rage. "Wot are they up to, do you think, and away, and when two other poncemen arrive who is the gal?" the scene Smith managed to get his voice and "I don't know, but 'e said somethink about explain that he had had private instructions to arrest a lady housebreaker who had been traced arrest a lady housebreaker who had been traced to "Sans Souci," his wife had interfered, and the arrested lady had made off, and was 110where to be seen. Matters ended summarily. The police had to arrest someone, so they handcuffed the loudly-protesting Mrs. Smith on the charge of resisting an officer in the act of performing a public duty.

When Mrs. Smith had finished a course of board and lodging at the state's expense, she had quite lost her desire to go in for women's ponsibilities, and so the scheme was laid. Just rights, and she and Smith, who had been given

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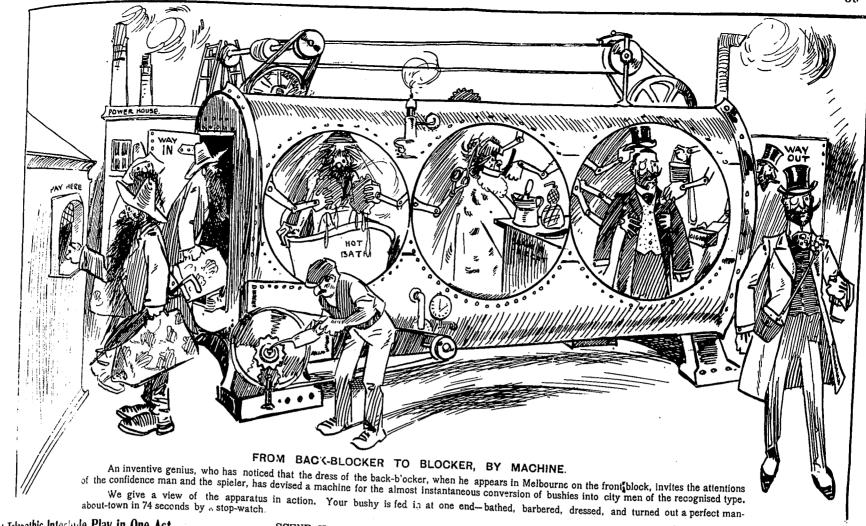
Then he turned, and dashed down the sidsteps leading to the per. From the steps the pier was a hundred yards' sprint. He is it in quick time, his hands still aloft, his show tightly-trousered legs twinkling smartly. The pier is perhaps a quarter of a mile long. The stout man ran on. The people whom he passe saw a crimson face, one round, horrified ry and an eye-glass. The hero had not dropped his monocle. He clung to his graphan and his field-glasses. He ran on, gasping. His pace her came slower and slower, his breath shorter and there are slower and slower, his breath shorter and shorter. Twice he stumbled; once he fell, rolled to his feet with the action of a ball, and continued the race. His monocle was unmovel. continued the race. His monocle was unmoved. The last fifty yards almost finished him. First he threw aside his unbrella, then his field glasses, then his hat. His coat followed. He tottered to the edge of the pier. The overturn-ed hoat was still visible far out in the Bay. the black spots still hobbing on the water. "Drowning, drowning! Oh. Lord! Oh. Lord!" gasped the little, stout, middle-aced man, and he plunged headlong into the sea. He was rescued some time later, and with ex-ording alignments and restord to animation

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ceeding difficulty, and restored to animation after half-an-hour's anxious effort. He couldn't swim a stroke.





# A Telepathic Interfude Play in One Act.

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Two young people which have sworn to be true arrange to link their thoughts by telepathy. Tem (who has a Government billet in the hackblocks) and Kitty a butterfly of fashion). SCENE I.

ht see around me state the stars so clear, the moon in Heaven - ve makes holiday; He har, an doubled ( with silvered light with silvered light reary watch to-night. shines on my lone an since an hy one as the way tail's note, is denoted by the track way tail's note, Remaining me of past and happy days, Were kitty spoke in accents like a bird Ad charmed my stress. The rippling creek

tows on. providing how her ten a would never cease, Not give my life, view with her, hoped for peace. (S) h ng).

peace. (St. 1 a.2.) In which fill creep it my tent and think, Atity with me h wandering thoughts to the why this change of the why the why

 SCENE II.
 Kitty. 

 A halroom (same night).
 Kitty, attired in light and airy costume, leans on her partner's arm Partner. A ringing in my ears like telephone.

 How well we waltz together.
 Don't you think Our steps seem suited each to each? Your face Upturned to mine, like some new-opened bud, Is flushed like roses in the dawning day.
 Kitty. 

 Kitty.- Kitty. What do you want? The supper's not come on. To think of you? Is that what you would say?

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Why murmur you thus loudly in my ear? What strange m schance has caught you in its

#### Partner.-

I fear, Miss Kitty, you are feeling ill. Your words are strange, your eyes are gleaming

bright. Oh, do let's go and sit out in the cool. Your hand is fevered, and your brow is hot. Your hand is reverse, Kitty (wildly).--Oh, do get out of this, Tom; hurry do. (To Partner, as she recovers from her telepa-thic state).

thic state). To supper, quick; and let us eat our fill. It's hunger makes me feel so strange and ill-Let's have an oyster patty; get it quick ! And thus in filling up our inner man Forget the outer-that is if I can. SCENE III.

Tom, after his effort, becomes sleepy murmurs as he drops off: "I've hcard your voice, I know you think diff and

So sleep on, dearest, let thought's contract of a sleep on, dearest, let thought's contract of and I will dream of you and Home." By Mr.E.





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# HINTS for ... ristmas Presents e New Year Gifts

The Auld College.

There's mony a chiel o' rank an' station Wha owes his present elevation Tae his auld college education, But for the which He micht hae noo been cairtin gravel, An' leevin in some gruesome hovel, Or, toilin' wi' a pick an' shovel, Had ne'er grown rich.

'Twas there lang syne I wrocht in vain Wi' knowledge fair tae stuff my brain, An' clamb wi' muckle dool an' pain Up Learnin's mount.

Up Learnin's mount. A climb frae which I used tae shrink ; E'en noo it gars me grue tae think How few the draughts I used tae drink At Wisdom's fount.

At wisdom's found. But still, we ken, for mony a reason, Tae crack\_aboot yon bygane season When they at College Srent ilka ane sair grudged divs In hirplin owre stern Wisdom's ways, While they, as faur-famed "Bobbie" says Were "panged wi' knowledge."

Though many has attained success (For which the College they may tless), yet there be some wha maun confess

Yet incre be some wirk main contess They're failed to reach it. Yet whit o' that, sirs, why despair? The road to knowledge may be sair, But the Old College aye is there Richt glad tae teach it.

Sae here's the School, the guid auld School Whau we imblied oor knowledge. Let's shout to-day wi' hip-hooray. Luck to the guid Auld College !

When the question of establishing an official ineriates' retreat in Victoria was discussed in the Legislative Council recently one member

the Legislative Council recently one member eravely expressed a fear that the privilege of incarcitation for twelve months in a well-ap-pointed Government institution with frequent injections of gold solution would cause habitual

point-d Government institution with frequent invettions of gold solution would cause habitual drinkers to come bounding in from all quarters of the Commonwealth, and so occasion a vast surplease of box ers in this state, and a great and expensive pressure of dipsomaniacs upon our new retreat. This, it seems to us, shows an extraordinary ideotrance of the habits and in-elinations of it briates on the part of the MLC. In 60-stion. The idea that ine-brates will of their own initiative rush down steep places into retreats in order to be gold-cured is a delusion. The imbriate is not constructed on those lines. If there is a bouze use institution anywhere about he will central the found running in the other direction, and running pretty hard, too, provid-ed he is of the will there is a pub in

direction, and running pretty hard, too, provid-dh is solet en a h, and if there is a pub in the other direction he will sprint so violently as almost to breach is neek. The Legislative toweed need not four an over-pressure of dipsos on that gold-enter institution; in fact, it may be found need so by to employ a large grey draught horse to imag the inebriates into the

Apropos of this disinclination on the part of pint-biters and cin-sinks to allow their thirsts

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prise. "But if you are cured you should re-bice." "Nothin o' the kind. I was a big dither one-the biggest drinker 'tween here inf Coktown I was known as Thirsty Kelly, and there west to bloke on the track could

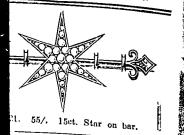
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stay with me at plain and fancy drinkin'-" "Well?" "Well, they put me in an incbriates" retreat in Sydney. I was turned out last week, and I'm cured !" "I congratulate you, my man." "Congratulate be blowed!" wailed Thirsty Kelly. "Why, I've just found a bottle o' beer !"

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gone off with a keg of beer, while a third ran away with a dog. A policeman was called in, and he mounted his horse in a state of great enthusiasm, and went after the man who had taken the dog, overtook him in due time, ar-rested him, and recovered the dog. Then he went about securing the men who had stolen the beer. He was quite leisurely over this, and did not get the culprits for two days, by which time the beer had gone beyond recovery. The Bench who tried the cases was not at all pursue the men who took the beer in the first "but the beer was of far greater value than the beer would keep." This stup and work about securing the men who had stolen place?" he was asked. "Well," he responded, "you see, Your Worship, the dog was m nel" "But the beer would keep." This stup and the dog." "Maybe, Your Worsh i, but I thought the beer would keep." This stup and stup intellect that believed beer would keep in a stearer's camp in summer was promoted a few months later.

months later. If you have never lived in the vicinity of a small, healthy hoy of twelve, in full possession of a young gun and ammunition, you know noth-ing of the joy of life, and have never led a really active existence. Recently the people in a Gionsland township began to enjoy the experi-ence of finding bullets in their hair and seeing them drop into tea, and feeling them zip through their clothing when they went out walking. One man had a nail shot off his little finger, another had a hole plugged through his top-hat, a third then chotning when they went out waiking. One man had a nail shot off his little finger, another had a hole plugged through his top-hat, a third had his dog shot, and, as it was a valuable dog, he kicked up no end of a row about it, but it is noteworthy that the dog, whose business it really was, said nothing about the matter, he being too dead at the time. Cats came home with punctures shot in them, and no citizen could walk abroad without having the terrors of a material hell infused into him by the ping of a passing bullet. It was presently realised that Castor's boy Tommy had got an air-gun, and a denutation of shot residents waited upon Castor to expostulate, and point out that there was likely to be a material decrease of population in that district if Tommy were not deprived of his lethal weapon. lethal weapon.

lethal weapon. At this Castor got mad. He entrenched him-self behind his fence, and, with his excited red head bristling over the slabs, abused his neigh-bours, and called them hateful names, saying it was something if a poor bit of a lad couldn't have an innocent toy for his amusement without a miserable lot of lop-eared people with no more courage than a stump-grub coming along and wanting to deprive him of his harmless boyish wanting to deprive him of his harmless boyish pleasure. The deputation pointed to its wounds, and said that Tommy was a terror to the dis-trict, and his gun a public menace; but Castor and said that Tommy was a terror to the dis-trict, and his gun a public menace; but Castor only got more angry, and he shook his fist at the deputation, and said he'd see it cussed and busted before he'd restrict the liberties of his bright, beautiful boy, Castof was going on like this, whiling his fists, and mashing his teeth, when suddenly he uffered a shrill and awful cry, and fell back into his own yard. The deputa-tion swarmed on to the ience, and beheld Cas-tor writhing on the ground clubbing his rear elevation, and cursing like a whole regiment of troopers. Presently he imped and went after Tommy, who was Jurking behind the wood-heap with his air-gun. Castor functions the gun to a hundred fragments with the faxe, and then dealt with Tommy with a large piece of machine belting. After which he hompied into the house, holding himself, and groaning dismally. The denutation retired contented. Tommy had shot a slug into his dear papa, and that made al the difference.



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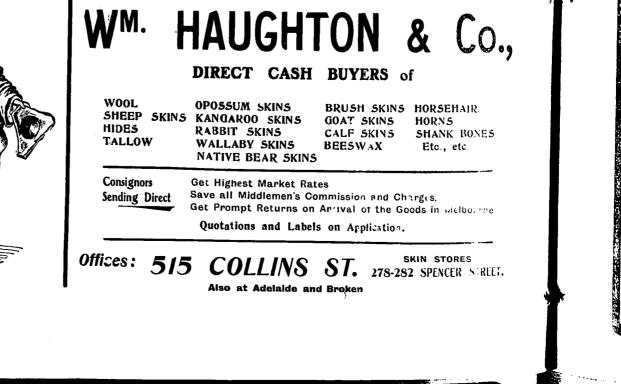


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BY HENRY O'DONNELL. With all his counterfeit of mirth, With an ins connected of mirth, "Tis not in man to gauge the worth of that only priceless thing on earth, The lau-hier of a child.

For ages piled on ages long, Peroleing spheres had sung their song, in cadence soft, and chorus strong, To make Heav n's melody.

But Israicl, with longing eyes, Grew weary of those symphonics That breathed no human lay.

Anon, with tuneful ear attent, Anon, while canced an according speed on by rapt emboldemment, He snatch d his lyre and swiftly bent Earthward his lightning flight.

At Eden's fire-ringed gate he stood, At heard the wind wall to the wood The birth of ill, and death of good, But direes charmed him not.

The birds on every flower and tice, The ripple on the summer sea, In harmony cried, "List ! to me," But he would naught of them.

For, waited o'er the sunlit plain, He caucht a more angelic strain, Twas carde's best, earliest refram, Her first-form baby's laugh.

It challene d, in its skyward way, The Skyder's welcome of the day, who would not what intruding Fay Had tobic him of his song.

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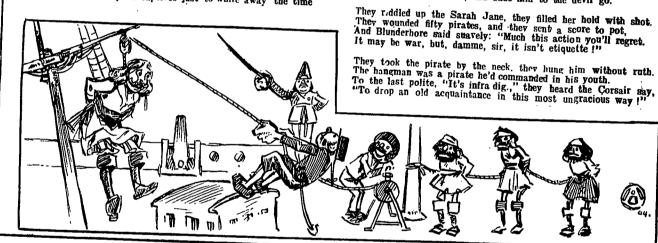
Alas! this gentle Corsair his career was broken short. There came a cruiser steaming from a little British port; The captain cursed the Pirate, and her crew he coarsely slanged. And Blunderbore he roughly told to heave to and be hanged.

The pirate begged his pardon. Did he rightly understand— Was he dealing with a gentleman, or just a foremast hand? The tar he cursed more fiercely, and his manne it was low, He fired at Blunderbore, and bade him to the devil go.

The pirate crew, from cabin boys to burly Bosun Ben, He made a point of treating them as perfect gentlemen, And if he had to lash them, or to shoot a useless one, They were really much obliged to him, so nicely was it dome.

The slavers he datested like a just man and a true. He sunk them in the ocean, and he hung the wicked crew. His varied way of drowning off the liberated coons. Provided tun for many Pleasant Sunday Afternoons.

And, oh. those pirates' hearts were light, their merry souls were free, Cut off from city wickedness and landsmen's vani-tee. To meet their daily wants they robbed the ships of every clime, And they slew the hapless captives just to while away the time



index is gone. Now-a-times no same young man in love with a girl thinks of stringing a guitar about his neck and going forth in the darkness to warble sentimental ballads under her window. In our time he takes the girl to the theatre, and lets the leading tenor do the serenading for him, and he bribes the young girl's affections with ice-cream and chocolates, and then asks her plump and plain if she's on for a matrimonial engagement. However, there are still a few sentimental fools left, and one of these, a musical young man of Austrian parent-age, who has got himself badly mashed on a St. Kilda girl, took his tinkling lute one night recently and stole into the shrubbery under the window of her dormitory, and put up a pas-sionate love song, to the accompaniment of a desolate twanging from the stringed instrument. desolate twanging from the stringed instrument. In the midst of the second outburst the girl's father arrived with a lantern, and the girl was with him. They both looked at the troubadour in a troubled way; then the girl spoke. "Oh, Mr. K—," she said, "it pains me so much to see you reduced to this, but here is twopence, and if you'll call at the kitchen in the morning cook will give you your breakfast." Then the two retired, leaving the love-stricken serenader in a frozen attitude, gazing wildly at two cop-vers in his outstretched hand.

pion crockery dodger of Richmond." This Cans up a charming domestic picture, and suggests a new music-hall turn, in which the wile's data terity in throwing cups, and the husoand genius in dodging them, may afort chaste amusement. It also recalls a story told at the expense of a director of a big Melbourne con-cern, who turned up at a board meeting one day with a wound on his forehead. His brother shareholders were sympathetic, and asked ques-tions. "It was done with a cup," he saud There was a laugh at the, and some joking about domestic infelicity, and the director grew quite angry. "You are quite mistaken, gentu-nem, " he said. "She would be incapable of such a thing. She was throwing it at the cat. When she throws them at me she always misses." The director did not realise the confession aftrish. The day, or at least the night, of the ser-nader is gone. Now-a-times no sane young mai in love with a girl thinks of stringing aguian in love with a girl thinks of stringing aguian in ove with a girl thinks of stringing aguian in love with a girl thinks of stringing aguian in the sheat stringing aguian in the sheat stringing aguian in



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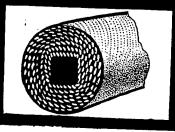
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N STORES -PENCER STREET.

The well-known carriage-building factory of rapidly turning green with fury, when his bile Mr. T. Craine, whose advertisement appears on got the better of him, and he had to go to bed another page, has been established in Melbourne for a week. And yet that actor declares he is for over fifty years, and the name is a house-

An actor man of prominence in a popular dramatic company that enjoyed a decided success in Melbourne has since been figuring in another capital, and has been subjected to an unusual form of annoyance there. In the course of one of his fine speeches in one of his favourite parts he has to say to the heroine : "I ask only to be rewarded according to my worth." At this point one night a penny, spun by an expert hand in the gallery, dropped at the actor's feet. It was an insult, of course, an insinuation that he was an insult, of course, an insinuation that he was being paid according to his worth, which was rated at one penny. A lot of people in the stalls saw it in this light, and laughed aloud, and the actor man was that mad he nearly had an apoplectic fit. Next night at the same erisis a penny arrived from the stalls, and fell tinkling at the mummer's feet. This time hall the house laughed. Every night after that a solitary cop-per was tossed to the actor at the point where he asked to be rewarded according to his de-serts, and in time the whole house tumbled and serts, and in time the whole house tumbled and lauched at the joke, and as spice set to dis-cover the enemy who did this thing failed to

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### THE AFTERGLOW.

I fain would linger when the day grows dull, When all subsides in restiul quietude, When vestured silence gathers from the full, Bright haze of day, and, where no ill can brood, Clasps heart to heart within her solitude. Clasps heart to heart within her solitude. Suspended o'er the sea the golden sphere, Fraught with the splendour of its waning light, In flashing now ere it will disappear Below the ocean; while swift birds in flight Circle and wheel their way before the sight. Sweet dreams we have when day fades into night; We see again the visions of the past, Once more recalling all the free delight That thralled and held our captive spirits fast--And we-alas I knew not it could not last | Cruel Time has marred our plastic forms in spite, And tainted all those sweet desires that we Embraced and nurtured; and the chaste delight That followed all our hopes is gone; we see No light to guide us from our misery. Calu night, more kind than day, yet soothes our cries, And cools the fires that burn within our hearts

cries, And cooks the fires that burn within our hearts, Though Time. harsh Time, and cruel day despise Jur claims to rest-the night alone supplies Strength to endure till day again departs. "E. J. R. A."

In a certain Victorian country township the fire-station is situated in close proximity to the church, but is seldom brought into active service. Indeed, by the tme the hand-reel has been manned and made its way to the fire re-building operations have usually been started. One morning lately during the first long prayer the fire-bell was heard to ring most vigorously. The congregation became uneasy, each male member thinking of the ashes he had emptied out near the bedroom curtains, and each female member of the fire she had left to boil the potatoes. One by one they rose stealthily from their seats and stole out of the church, the deacons going last, as the collection had not been taken up, and hoping against hope while there was still one member left. At the con-clusion of the prayer the pastor opened his ing the end of the world had come, rushed into the street, and saw his erring congregation sur-rounding a paifter. the street, and saw his erring congregation sur-rounding—a neighbour's bonfire.

Grading the Seed.—There can be nothing of more importance to the farmer of to-day than sowing the very best seed in order to get back from the land proper value for the hard cash he has invested in it. Too great attention cannot be given to using properly-graded seed, and the sooner farmers begin to realise this the better, as it is impossible to expect good crops from dirty it is impossible to expect good crops from dirty and inferior seed. In order that agriculturists may have every facility for cleaning and grad-ing their seed thoroughly, Herman, House and Co. Ltd., of 687-91 Elizabeth-street, North Mel-bourne, have placed upon the market the "Per-fection" Seed Grader and Cleaner. The ma-chine has had, and is still having, an enormous sale all over the states and New Zealand, and practical demonstrations of its serviceability to the former can be seen daily at the warehouse the farmer can be seen daily at the warehouse. A very interesting and instructive catalogue card to the firm.

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SUMMER EVENING.

The long hot day has passed : since early mon No cloud has moved across the glaring sky-The birds that greeted its transcendent dawn Exult to see rt die.

The air is softened with a southern breeze; The sun upon the far horizon lays His fiery mantle; mountain, plain and trees

Thus many, many days must come and go: Those hills flush brightly with that subtle stain: Thus, too, will Life yield to the Afterglow, And Silence rule again.

How many lives born to simplicity Awake at noon and find the parching glare Beyond endurance, and in apathy Surrender to despair ?

Surrender to despine : How many voices that in vouth have hailed With joyful zest the world that gave the breath. Grow mute, then scoff, and when their strength have fulled, Yield, too, and welcome death : E. J. R. A. E. J. R. A.

A useful and interesting novelty, and one that will prove a great boon to all interested in agricultural pursuits, is a patent clip for swing and harrow bars, the invention of Mr. A. H King, Natbalia, the Goulburn Valley district, a screw wrench being the only tool required to adjust it. Those who know what it is to break a swing bar when "away back" from the home-stead will bless the inventor, and be spared bos of time, of temper, and of-in many cases-un-printable language. Mr. King has heen awarded three first prizes and two certificates of merit (in four weeks).

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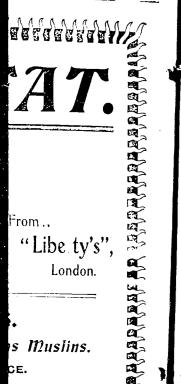
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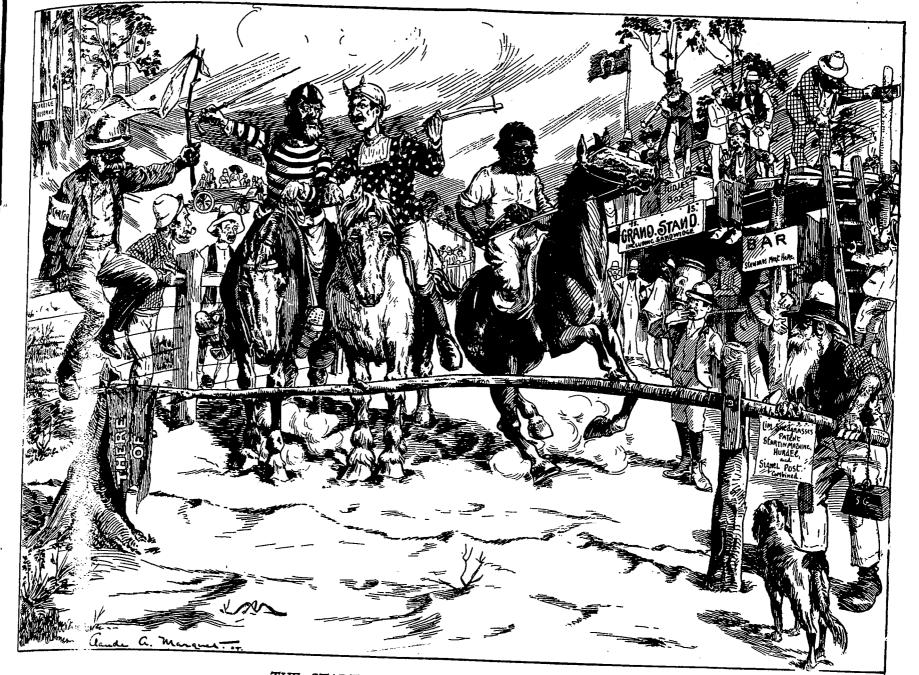
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# PRO PATRIA.

We forget the past, be it good or ill, be the deed unjust or right, The clamouring crowd, the clash of creed, the fruit of the bitter fight; We had turned our eyes and our hearts a space away from the Motherland-And we may see with eyes that see, or we may not understand ; For we may not know, and we may not tell, and we may not each agree On the Plan that rules the universe, or England's destiny. Let the thoughtless follow the wordy strife and our foes say what they will, But we-we know in our heart of hearts we are true to England still ! We love Australia, her proud face is as the flush of morn; We look on her as a mother looks on the face of her sweet first-born; And a mother may love her child full well, yet dearer by far, and higher, Deeper implanted is the love she bears for her infant's sire. And England is yet our Motherland-both mother and sire is she (We may not forget, if we would, the tales we heard at a parent's knee)-And wherever the exile made his camp, or the wandering heart did roam, England was ever the light before, and England was always "Home." And shall we forget-no more be proud of the land that gave us life? And shall we look, in our vaulting pride, in scorn on the coming strife? Shall the shrine we builded in days of youth be hurled from its place on high ? Shall we go heedless, nor count the cost, and shall we write a lie? The Russian Colossus marches on, "doing the will of the Tsar," Glutted with pride and avarice, fighting alone to mar; Grim. callous and stern, who never have yet turned back, Her hungry hordes stretch out their hands, follow the war-god's track, And England stands aloof, erect, ready on land and sea-She may not ask for help of us, yet-what would the answer be? Go, stem the march of the rising tide, and wring the ocean dry ! Make fertile plains where the mountains are, and shutter and bar the sky ! Ye may do all this, but ye cannot stem the rush of the rising flood

when telling the story to L. Raker's relation. "And, you know," she said, "I really wanted that poison for my photographic work. I hope we've cured Raker of philandering." They have.



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SHE-" Goddhess' how you startled me! You shouldn't break into privacy like that."

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Of loyalty to England, nor to water turn our blood; Kith and kin of hers are we, fruit of the same strong tree,

Hers is the heart that beats in ours, hers is our destiny.

Let the thoughtless follow the wordy strife, and our foes say what they will, But we-we know in our heart of hearts we are true to England still !

PAUL LEMARS.

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LIGHT LOVE.

The play is ended, The curtains fall Each action splendid Won loud recall. We both pretended-I most of all.

For I but studied a passionate, human Heart—the heart of a glorious woman; And vou, well, you played with my false emo-tions, tions, Thrilling my nerves with your wondrous potions— Handclasps, whispers and thrilling kisses, Lightest of all Love's light-lipped misses. So in our hearts no grief comes after; Just a little thought and a little laughter. Ah ! you were splendid; But it is ended !

WILL I AWSON.

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THE GREEN PIG

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RECRUITS WAT

# THE LAUGHING PHILOSOPHER.

#### By Allan F. Wilson,

What though my substance I have spent? I've had my fing, and am content; When people ask if I repent, I answer, "No." The cheerful bowl I gaily quaff; At everything on earth I laugh-Ha, ha ! Ho, ho !

I've tasted of life's corn and wine, And now they're gone I do not whine. Shall I at fortune's frown repine? Good faith, not so. The cheerful bowl I gaily quaff; At Fate's rebuff I only laugh-Ha, ha ! Ho, ho !

I've lived my life, and had my fling, And care no more what Fate may bring, But laugh at all that sort of thing; "Tis better so. The cheerful bowl I gaily quaff; At Fortune's impish tricks I laugh-Ha, ha! Ho, ho!

For virtuous worth let others care; I never had the time to spare To seek for what's so very rare

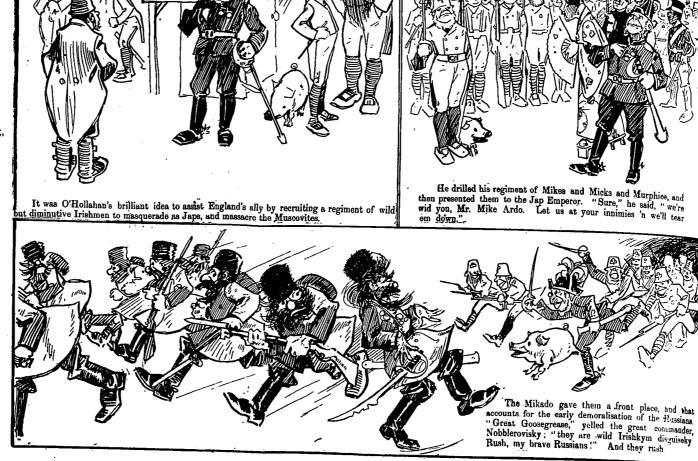
Down here below. The cheerful bowl I gaily quaft, At all such fairy tales I laugh-Ha, ha! Ho, ho!

The past for evermore has flown; The present only is my own; The future I have never known Nor seek to know. The cheerful bowl I gaily quaff, While in misfortune's face I laugh-Ha, ha ! Ho, ho !

'Tis better far to laugh than cry; Faith, Man is only born to die, And when my time comes so must I, Full well I know. Meanwhile the cheerful howl I quaff; At life and all its trials I laugh-Ha, ha ! Ho, ho !

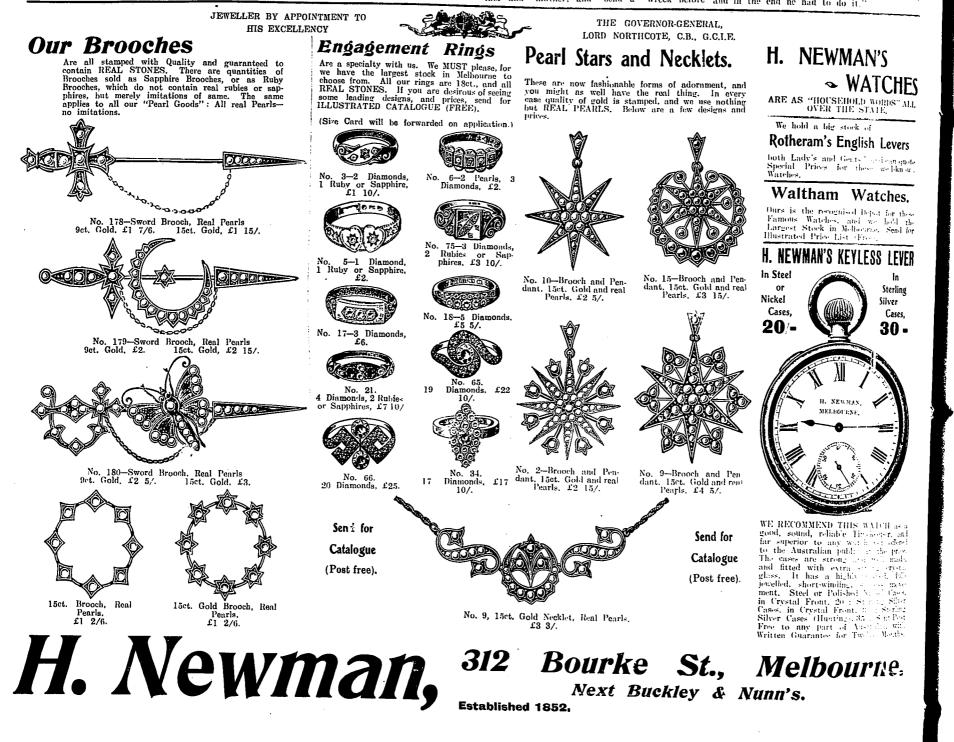
Existence is too brief to fret. Or waste one's time in vain regret ; 'Tis always wiser to forget

The long ago; Wherefore the cheerful bowl I quafi, And still can raise a hearty laugh-Come weal or woe.



WHY THE RUSSIANS RUSHED.

And still can raise a hearty laugh-Come weal or woe. A business man in one of the suburbs has heen very much upset lately in consequence of the elopement of his wife with his shop assist-ing home one ni ht, and finding a note on the partner of his joys and sorrows had retired partner of his joys and gone off with one to when he discovered later that 'i was his shop-man with whom the wicked woman had eloped.





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"Hi! Mister -wot tir ber oon go up ?'

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scrimmage of half-a-minute Ol hodily into an inner room a banged to on him. Half-an-hour after the fat ma door and asked : "Have a mu the — owns this pub?" as aued wonder. "Pub? This is beery fool." "S'help me ! Yo the whaler o' the 'Bidgee? F a error, mister. Won't ye let afore ye see the Beak. Ye'v shillin' worth o' blasphemy, at ate calcerlation, hut the Beak ten shillin', as he's aisy wid y ten shillin', as he's aisy wid v ve must go afore the Beak." and respectful prisoner stoo next morning than Murrun whaler, Old Bill.

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SOMEWHAT CHANGED

One would scarcely know fair Maisy, She is now no simple daisy, But she is a lady bold and fine; And her dress is hardly dainty, And her lips a little painty, Though they never kissed these lips of mine mine.

With her flounces and her laces, She has lost her simple graces, And the poet finds but cold disdain; All the boys and Johnnies know her, I am now-Oh, far below her, Yet to see this gives me bitter pain.

She always was a little tricky, Now J think her somewhat dicky, Since I've seen her out at many shows; All the boys to see her, slip in, And declare she is quite "rippin," And perhaps she may be—Well, who knows? H. L. T.

A man who lodges in a certain quiet suburb fell into a quarrel with his landlord the other night, the pair being then on their way home-very late-from a public house where they had very late-irom a public house where they had been sucnding the evening in liberally refreshing themselves. Unfortunately, the affair developed into such heat that the lodger lost his temper, and somewhat mauled the countenance of his cuondam friend. In the morning he was waited on by his landlady, her face and eyes aglow, her attitude beligerent and determined. "Mr.

attitude belligerent and determined. "Mr. Jones, you leave this house to-morrow !" she declaimed: "I'll teach you to lay hands on my husband. A nice eye he's got this morning ! You brutal fellow !" This was very awkward for Jones; as the place suited him. After a little deliberation he assumed a penitent air, and, call-ing in the maid, sent her with a message to her instress, which he delivered with an artistic shutton she sob and break in his voice. "Ask Mrs. Brown it sause goes to the place presently as to leave the drawgoes to the piano presently as to leave the draw-ingroom door open, so that I can hear her sing-ing for the last time." "Did you arrange for ing for the last time." "Did you arrange for Jones to go to-morrow ?" asked Brown of his wile when he returned from business in the evening in a rather nasty temper ?" "Yes, but I cancelled it," she answered, sharply ; "the idea of losing a lodger simply because you choose to lower yourself by getting drunk, and then provoke him to quarrel. There-don't talk to me; sit down and have your tea. Serve you right if you have got a black eye-I've no doubt you were the worst !"

"Did you ever hear the story of old Geordie Spooner?" said the Cousin Jack miner, after draining the tea from the leaves in his billy, and finishing the last erumb of a pasty that was nearly as big as a carpet-bag when he started on it. "Geordie lives in a big flash house up in the town now, an' he's a J.P., an' has a pianner 'n a kerridge to drive hisself about in, but I remember the time when he swung a pick 'long side o' me in the deep levels of the Jackbut I remember the time when he swung a pick 'long side o' me in the deep levels of the Jack-o'-Clubs, an' when he could beat a drill .with anv man on the field. He's Mr. George Spooner, J.P., now: he was on'y Geordie Spooner then, 'r Ginger George. This is how he got his lift. 'Twas all along of his being terribly scopersti-tions. Tarribly scoperstitions Georgie was 'n tions. Terribly sooperstitious Geordie was, 'n cause his father fell over the brow o' the old



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cutting that was in Piper's Hill them days an' broke his neck, Geordie got it into his head that he was doomed to fall over, too. 'That's where I'm goin' to finish, lads, safe as eggs is eggs, he used to say. 'I know how it'll happen. I'll be comin' along here some day or night with a yard o' beer in me, 'n I'll just topple over there 'n be fit fer nothin' but a coffin when they picks me up.'

The idea got on his nerves with the help o' me up.' "The idea got on his nerves with the help o' the drink, 'n made Geordie the gloomiest-wretch vou ever saw. He actually began to grow grey a thirty owin' to the worry o' thinkin' how he'd whiz down that hundred feet o' cuttin', 'n bump when he struck the solid. 'It's no use o me tryin' to escape from it,' he'd say; 'it's u bound to come.' When he was on'y moderate o drunk he'd walk a long way round to avoid the chances, but when he was very drunk he'd go to drunk he'd walk a long way round to avoid the chances, but when he was very drunk he'd go by, yellin' defance to the cuttin', 'n sure enough c ene Sunday afternoon over he went. He was found lyin' at the foot a few hours. after, but he wasn't dead by any means. He'd got a broken arm and a batch o' bruises, but he was very much alive. He was took to the hospital, 'n when he'd been cured the first thing we hears was that Mr. George Spooner had taken up a lease o' the land embracin' Piper's Hill, 'n that he'd cut the main reef that people had been searchin' for fer years. It was true. When he fell he knocked a flake off the face o' the cut-tin'. 'n when he came to there was the reef ex-nosed, and blazing with gold. Geordie hed the he fell at knocked a flake off the face of the cut-tin'. In when he came to there was the reef ex-bosed, and blazing with gold. Geordie had the sense an' the strength to plaster her over with clay. His brother fixed up the lease, an' now those Spooners are the richest blokes round here. All through bein' sooperstitious."

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The bracked of being a whaler of the real off structor products up to date in the matter of maxing and drinking, and entertained matters with the start he would give Sydney when he rabled into it some sultry evening. The Mur-mubice echecd the Lugatter his wild swagger ended fath. "I'll just go in so... sling me stars so.... order me booze so.... An' not they urry up Great snakes, if they're not on the nut won't ale Bill work 'is jaws an' tot out 'is beauties". Old Bill meant by all he that on transmisse into Sydney he would herely here are the people of the first public hows he patronised, if they were not particu-tify sharp in answeigh his call for beer. Here had wake have in several public along outback of the site stars product and really low." I to conquer in a higher schere. The pantonines which made his matters had wake a maxium of junction, howling and here have in several public along outback of the several production of the first public. Here was a mixium of junction here which made his matters have was a mixium of junction howling and here was a mixium of junction here which made here would have in several public along outback of the widew took possession of all the sousages, and wept over them, and was arranging with an undertaker to have the mortal remains de-cently interred, when Tommy turned un sound age mill, and fearing a licking for his careless. He was a tall, thin, pale, young man, with trievas a matter that his mates, to do the matic trievas a matter to do the matter trievas to do the matter that the effect would te as startling in Sydney as it had been on the This is how it has ust worked out. Old Bill

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This is now it has use worked out. Out Bill arited in Sydney, fired, dusty, thirsty and ind-unperd. "I'll git to the heart o' the the he muttered, but the sight of a squat specure, with an open front and a fat man in structure with an open con the verandah, re-minded him of the fin Mile Shanty, and he could go no further without a beer. He pushed is hit back, ran his fingers through his long perist-red heard, set his teeth and marched to the door, harely glancing at the man in flannels. He stepped inside with three heavy slams of the bashed his swag on the floor, yelled. "Beer, tet, hashed his swar on the floor, yelled. "Beer, her, her." and noticing that the place looked desertd, let oo his villainous vocabulary and praced and jumped around the floor. The ist man laid a hard on his arm, tichtened his grip, wrenched both arms behing, and after a strimmare of half-a-minute Old Bill was fluene toill into an inner room and the iron door hance to on him.

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The Scriptural infunction re giving no thought is to whit we shall eat or what we shall drink wold not apply in these days of many adulter-fication the contrary, recent analyses and dis-ligness go to show that we should give a it at dal more thought than we do to this im-putent matter. The ordinary sausage of com-were has long been under the ban of suspicion it all the countries in which it flourishes. Peo-the have eaten it, and will still continue eating The Scriptural infunction re giving no thought have eaten it, and will still continue cating the nave eaten it, and will still continue eating that always with a facil understanding that her are of were being imposed upon. Justifi-tation of this attitude has lately been provided by the Victorian Government Analyst, who inreliated scores of samples of sausages and s reloy or common heef in the whole bunch. The susane does not always keep its trately gives not always keep its secrets it tarely gives anything away until it is it entirely devoured and gone beyond re-The possibilities of the sausage as comsecretz (a') rebuiled by the vulcar mind are demonstrated receiven by the vultar mind are demonstrated is touch a subage story that comes from here powheid town. It appears that there as a bright small how, known as Tommy How, working for a burcher in that town. The intermediate the subage of the story and did "the was in a big way of business, and did a rea trade in sine ges The machine he had renorting miscellanous objects into saus-ars w.s. larce encu.h to take in a horse at ere end, and emit half a ton of genuine beef susaces at the other

ness he had levanten. He was a tall, thin, pale young man, with small, fluffy whisters, like the fairy bristles on a vine grub, and he looked extremely out of place on a racecourse. There was an air of un-precedented innocence about him, and he would have appeared more at home in the circles of some nice yourg men's society, designed for the purpose of considering the heathen in his blind-ness, or to study ways and means of raising purpose of considering the heather in his blind-ness, or to study ways and means of raising the moral tone of the currant hun. He went about amongst the crowd at Flemington where the bookies were assembled in their strength, and he beheld the men and brothers putting their money on the horses with a glow of sod'appre-hension. Presently he went up to a flushed and eacer gentleman and placed his hands upon him, and said, "Oh, my brother, let me dissuade you from this nefarious course." "Which?" ejacula-ted the ordinary person. looking about him with from this nefarious course." "Which?" ejacula-ted the ordinary person, looking about him with some surprise. "This is a dashed good course, it seems to me." "I was not referring to the place, oh, my brother, but to the evil habit of hetting." said the excessively good voung man. "Rats." replied the worldly one: "and, look here, don't vou call me your brother. I don't know you from a crow." "We are all brothers." persisted the sentimental youth with the whis-kers resembling the golden down on a newpersisted the sentimental youth with the whis-kers resembling the golden down on a new-born gosling, "and I would not think I was do-ing my duty by you "I did not do everything in my power to prevent you from the ruinous, soul-destroying habit of gambling."

soul-destroying habit of gambling." "Here, get out of my way," said the world-line, "and mind your own dashed busin'ss. I'll ret if I like, irrespective of your opinion." The good young man infernosed again. "Nav." he said, "hear me, I pray you. This betting prac-tice is a great, lowering evil, threatening the happiness of all, and I must prevent you doing it. At all risks I must prevent you." The worldling pulled his hat together on his head, turned back the wrist of his left sleeve, and said decistvely: "See here, if you don't get out of my road, and null your nose out of my busi-aces, I'll punch the silly head off you." "Oh, answered the youth, meekly, "if you resort to personal violence. cf course I withdraw." And he withdrew somewhat hastily. Then the world-ling faced the bookmater, dug a hand into one pocket, slapped at three others, looked round in horror, and gasned: "By thunder, he's stopped me letting right enough !" "How's that?" ask-ed the bookie. "Why." replied the would-he lacker, "the infernal scoundrel's picked my pock."

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backer, "the infernal scoundrel's picked my pork-cts " Then there was a hunt for the gool young man, but he must have wiped his fluffy whiskers off, and he was not discoverable

Several years ago a humble Ballarat resi-dent owned an old-man cockatoo of remark-able linguistic attainments, a bird that had been reared by a lonely shepherd, who had instructed him very carefully, so that his com-mand of Fnglish was large, if not choice. This ray old bird went missing one evening, and after two days' search the people of his faily assumed that he was lost, but subsequent information led them to believe that he had been

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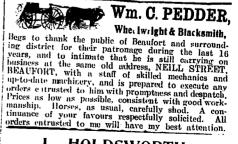
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man peering in at the window of her brougham. He also followed her. The doctor and Mrs. Leman arrived at the hotel together. She ignored him, as if under some mysterious influence, and rushed up the stairs.

hele logether. She ignored him, as if under some mysterious influence, and rushed up the stairs. Failing to find her husband in the drawing-room, she at once made her way to the bed-room. The privileged doctor quickly followed hor. Neither of them observed Isaacson, who sat in a shadow in the corner. Mr. Leman roused himself, and, in a few broken sentences, said a sudden heart seizure had compelled him to retire to bed. With the dazed look still in her eyes Marie threw down upon the bed a rope of magnincent pearls, exclaiming: "Your command is obeyed." Then she swayed to and fro, and would have fallen had not the doctor supported her. At this critical moment a stranger entered the room. It was the man-mo other than Mel-lourne's smartest detective—who had peered into Mrs. Leman's carriage window. "I will take these," said the detective, as he picked up the pearls, "and it is my painful duty," he added, turning to Mrs. Leman, "to arrest you for robbery. These pearls were stol.n to-night from a well-known lady at the Town Hall, and several similar cases have late-ly Leen reported to the police." Dr. Moxon then interposed, and, speaking hurriedly as he glanced at the dying Leman, said: "Do not arrest her; she is absolutely innocent, as I am prepared to swear. I was tresent at her marriage with this man in Lon-ton. He was then above reproach. I have made a special study of hypnotism, and for a long time had suspicions that Mrs. Leman was held under a spell of hypnotic siggestion by her hustand. To-night my suspicions have been con-firmed. Mrs. Leman has always been a most virtuous and amiable woman." As te dying man gave a last, long gasp, he was just able to mutter: "It is all true," and br. Moxon continued, turning to Marie: "The soft med affectionately, and solemnly repeated the memorable words of the marriage service, "till death us do part." "Oh! mein Gott, mein Gott!" cried Isaac-sta, who had remained silent all through this hall scone, "der bearls from Tursday Island vash all shtolen, und der Bearl Bri

s.n., who had remained silent all through this final scene, "der bearls from Tursday Island vash all shtolen, und der Bearl Brince vash no-dings but a common ticf; und now der tief vash dead. I vash a ruined man. Vot mit hyp-notics, kleptomaniacs and lunatics der ish no room any more for an honest peesness man in my line. Ach teufel! Give me some rooms to shwear." He was just beginning to make de-precatory reference to "der vildest flights of der himagination," when the detective tapped him on the shoulder, and claimed him as a receiver of stolen property, and while bellowing loudly that he was inown "by efferypody as 'honest Is.acsen," he was gently led away to answer the momentous question, "Guilty or not

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Melhourne. He was a handsome Englishman, with keen, dat, penetrating eyes, a business-like smile, and dat, penetrating eyes, a business-like smile, and the very lest of polish as to hat, boots and the very lest of polish as to hat, noots and the very lest of polish as to hat, month, small, ardent, minets. She was a French woman, small, ardent, manners, Southans a resident in sources, small, argent, argent and also polished.

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Their wealth and their polish were a sufficient Their wealth and their polish were a sufficient passport to the best society. It was remarked by many of the friends of It was remarked by many of the friends of band amounted almost to fanatical servitude, hand amounted almost to fanatical servitude, hand servitude, and the source of the servitude of the family of the servitude of the servitude of the end the servitude of authorship, as to say to a cent howledge of authorship, as to say to a companion. My dear, she is even as clay in the companion. My dear, she is even as clay in the companion. My dear, she is even as clay in the man of the politer. And yet society often hands of the politer. And yet society often where the service of the service of the service of the wind its glittering eye when the name of a wind its glittering eye when the name of a wind the service of the serv was coupled with that of Mrs. Leman. ower-was coupled with that of Mrs. Leman. The doctor was a frequent visitor at the biel, for Charles Leman, with all his wealth, smile and polish, had a badly-affected heart, smile and index any moment to perish of syn-

Let was liable at any moment to perish of syn-abl was liable at any moment to perish of syn-cope. Dr. Moxon had been present at the mar-cope of the Lemans in London, and had heard the happy pair pronounce those life-binding words, "Till death us do part." Words, the synthesis being purely physical, that Leman's illness being purely physical, ching but cardiac stimulants could be pre-crified in his case, but the doctor often found, whe gard into the Law of Marie. that she

writed in his case, but the doctor often found, ar he gazed into the Lave of Marie, that she send to be mutely asking regarding herself-like the fear-haunted Macheth-"Canst thou not mister to a mind diversed?" And the doctor wild only mutely reply, as the words of the marriage service rang, in his ears, "Not yet ! marriage more and more to go out to Marie, at that more and more to go out to Marie, at that service rec.

ican more and more to go out to Marie, at which society winked t e other eye. There was a boom in gearls, and it was con-sided en regle that e is society woman should be rosed with the gejound a ready purchase Reulen Isaacson, a Gor precous stones, who demonstrative, and, are er tree apoult berls, arcain Reuben Wa its class, and drew a measure. He was e-.nown in his cult as

Ty, you moost be a perfect Morgan," he remarked one day. A cully, rubbing his fat task as tharles became appeared with a fresh obserment of pearls. I shall call you doe not proce? ensignment of pearls. Fearl Prince."

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On a cabin, cool evening after a hot day Mr. 21 Mrs. Leman were scatted in their drawing-tage alter dinner. Marie was pre-occupied, and 22d tagently out of the window, failing often, s was her habit of late, to maintain her part d the conversation coherently. There was in her eves a dreamy, listless look that betokened

Dr. Mozon has promised to take you to the Lat the Town Hali to-night," said the husani, codiv

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"I know I am paying a goot brice," said Reuben, "but whenefer anypody says bearls I can't rest. Bearls vas my hobby, as you Eng-lish vould say. I moost spekerlate all der time. Mein vife she say, 'Reuben, bearls vill pe your you home, ruin.

ed: "I shoost shtrolled around, your royal 'ighness, to see if you hef any more of dose tearls coomin' along." "I shall have another lot for you to-morrow," replied Leman. as he held his hand to his heart. "I know I am paying a goot brice." said her background is a strolled around, your royal At the end of a languishing Strauss waltz, into which she had entered with peculiar grace, Mrs. Leman gave a hasty glance at her iewelled watch, and, turning to Dr. Moxon, said "It is midnight, I must go." Without a moment's de-lay and with a dazed look she was soon out of his sight.

"What can it mean?" mused the doctor. "My theory now amounts to conviction, but I must be cautious." Concluding that she would go home, he at once sought his carriage, and

At this moment Leman's head fell back on As Marie gave the word "home!" to her the mon the pillow, and he asked Isaacson to remain for coachman, she did not see the eyes of a strange guilty?"



Two hours after Dr. Moxon and Mrs. Leman had left, Reuben Isaacson paid a visit to Mr. Leman, who had retired to bed. Closeted with the Pearl Prince in his bedroom, the man who for his stock in one for Hebrew dealer in precious stones then took a chair, and the Pearl Prince in his bedroom, the man who for his stock in one for Hebrew dealer in precious stones then took a chair, and the Pearl Prince in his bedroom, the man who for his stock in one for Hebrew dealer in tras stout, oily and put it. "knew a ting hearts coomin' along." Heyond driving a hard heart. Hence Leman, as he held his hand to his heart. Here a put it who he fancied himself the store are appeared bearls the store of dose into which she had entered with peculiar grace, of watch, and, turning to Define the immediate heart. Hence Mr. Leman had left, Reuben Isaacson paid a visit to Mr. Leman, who had retired to bed. Closeted with the Pearl Prince in his bedroom, the man who is his bedroom, the man who distinct line at law-to tho which she had entered with peculiar grace, the man the store is provided the store of the store watch, and, turning to Define the isonellar the stown in his cult as

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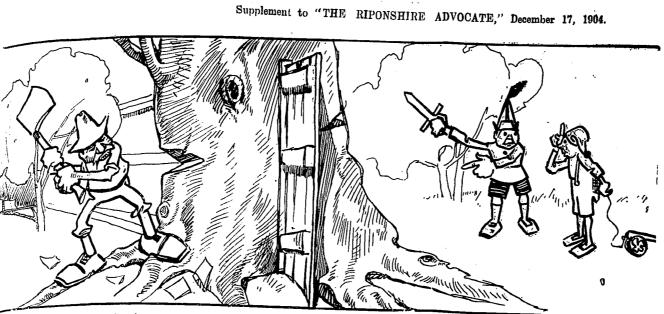
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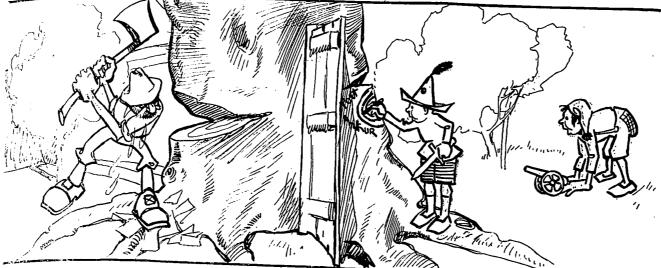
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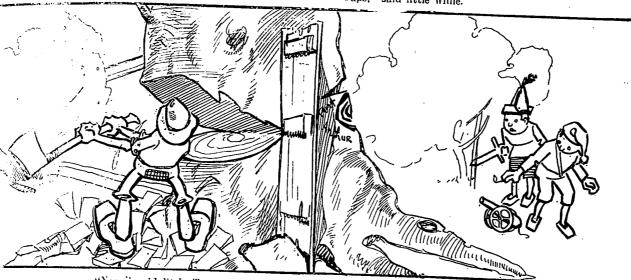




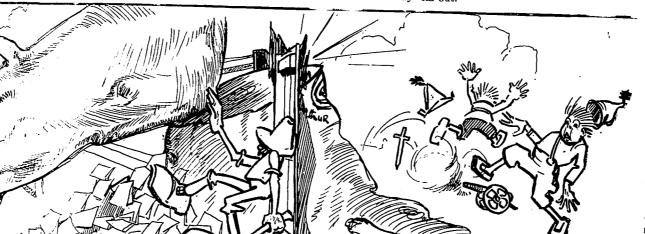
"The three's a tirrible obsthreetion," said Callahnan, "'n it must come down."



"This'll be Port Arthur 'n we'll be the Japs," said little Willie.



"Now," said little Tommy, "it's up to us to fire low and lay 'em out."



and as often as Groats refused to settle he thrashed him. The thrashings continued regular-ly for five months, at the end of which time Groats; finding the thing growing monotonous, ran away and hid himself in the West. Mrs. Groats is talking of securing a divorce for deser-tion, and Hide thinks it highly probable that his £57 4s. 9d. has not been quite thrown away. When the divorce is secured he intends reopening negotiations.

# SELF-POISONED. (By "Sequence.")

Some of the most powerful poisons known to science are made in the human body as the re-sult of the wear and tear of life. These poisons are produced by the mere act of living.

are produced by the mere act of living. We have all heard of the poisonied spears, darts and arrows used by many tribes of sav-ages. The most common mode of poisoning these articles is to thrust them into a dead human Lody, and leave i'em there until the flesh is completely decomposed. Some tribes consider that there is a special virtue in the consider that there is a special virtue in the consider that there is a special virtue in the and that the greater the chief the more danger-ous to their enemies will be the weapons thus prepared. Whether the body is that of a chief or that of a slave matters not at all. In either case a most malignant poison results scratch from spear, dart or arrow treated in this manner is fatal to a human heing or any other living animal.

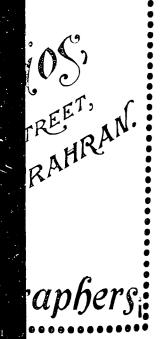
other living animal. Dangerous as are the poisons created by the decomposition of animal matter, the poisons made by each of us every moment we live are equally deadly, and their evil work is wrought within ourselves. If all our organs are thoroughly healthy, the poisons, which are being continuously made, are expelled, and we suffer ao hurt. It should, therefore, be our frst care to see that the organs, whose duty it is to re-move these poisons, are kept in efficient work-ing.order.

ing order. Upon the skin, lungs, kidneys and liver rests the main responsibility of extracting poisonous matter from the blood, and removing it from the system. The moment one of these organs through weakness or disease becomes incapable of performing its work efficiently, that moment we begin to suffer from some illness, and, if steps are not taken to restore to health and activity the organ at fault, death from some form of blood poisoning must ensue.

form of blood poisoning must ensue. The lungs are vigorous organs, and speedily advise us of anything which is impeding their action, whilst the skin will usually perform its duty if kept in a state of cleanliness. The kid-neys and liver, on the other hand, are general-ly not able to directly call our attention to any weakness or disease in themselves, and it is only by studying symptoms produced by their irregularity that we become aware of their in-capacity to do their work.

irregularity that we become aware of their in-capacity to do their work. The kidneys filter and extract from the blood about three pints of urine every day. In this quantity of urine are dissolved about an ounce of urea, ten to twelve grains in weight, of uric acid, together with other animal and mineral matter varying from a third of an ounce to nearly an ounce. When the kidneys are in health all this solid matter is in solution, and is invisible. Directly the kidneys, through either weakness or disease, hecome unfit to do their duty properly, a proportion of the solid matter remains in the blood, becomes actively poison-ous, and causes us to suffer from uric disorders, such as Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, Lum-hago, Backache, Sciatica, Gravel, Stone, Blad-der Trou.les and Bright's Disease. A simple test to make as to the condition of the kid-neys is to place some urine, passed the first ining in the morning, in a covered glass, and lit it stand until next morning. If it is then cloudy, or there is a brick-dust like sediment, or if lart.cles float about in it, or it is of an unatural colour, the kidneys are not healthy, and no time must be lost in adopting remedial measures, or Bright's Disease. Diabetes or some less serious but more painful illness will result. The Liver.—In the liver various substances are

The Liver.-In the liver various substances are The Liver.-In the liver various substances are actually made from the blood. Two or three pounds of bile are thus made from the blood every day. The liver takes sugar from the blood, converts it into another form, and stores it up so as to he able to again supply it to the blood, gradually, as the latter requires enrich-ment. The liver changes uric acid, which is in-soluble, into urea, which is completely soluble, and the liver also deals with blood corpuseles, which have lived their life, and are useful no longer. When the liver is inactive or diseased we suffer from Indigestion, Biliousness, Anac-mia, Sick Headache and Blood Disorders. The health of the liver and of the kidneys is





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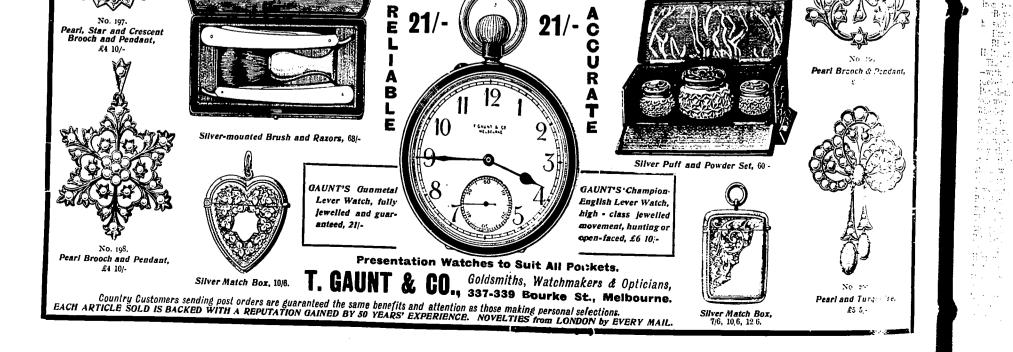
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#### OUONG MING'S MINE. By Ward Edson.

Quene Ming was a stout, aniable-looking Celestial, who waddled about the bush in a half-civilised costume and a pair of foolish thinses beots, wooden soled, and with no grip thinses beots, wooden soled, and with no grip on the foot. To a European that footwear would te a continual torment, but Ming's toes were trained, and clung to the shoes. This wing of the toes in gripping and lifting the action of the toes in gripping and lifting the boot gives the Chow's walk its peculiar Chinese

but get that it is a miner. He often said so, but no-body ever saw Ming lift a pick. He was too ited for that, and his weariness had an Asia-tic quality, luxurious and arrogant. He folled in the sun on quaintly-designed mats, and shoked his little pipes of opium, and the other and Chinamen did the mining.

The Pagans had pitched their camp just where the going that ran into black depths in Hungry Range opened out, and took the long day's smlight of the level country. It was not an smlight of the level country. It was not an ordinary mining camp; there were no tents, but some half-dozen bark hovels-smoke-begrimed, windowless and dearless, which the dwellers en-tered by shifting one sheet of bark from the wall, and into which the working Chinamen etawled to sleep among the wretched rags that formed their beds-and one substantial chock-and-log hut made ... the trunks of small trees, with a stout door and a vast chinmey, also with a stort doer and a vast chimney, also with a stort doer and a vast chimney, also belt of logs, but fired with rocks and dab. This was the place of Quong Ming, the miner; possessed with the exand hate throng rul like an emperor over his a luxuriant vegetable citement that accoma luxuriant vegetable panies the rush on fringing the creek, and new field that on working at Perish-me has sown thick the curiosity concerning plump nuggets. panies the rushes to a new field that report has sown thickly with garden in the rich the Chinamen had over a year. them legan to gree them legan to gro-thers in the wide by When Quong My first entered into-persh-me the few

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Next in a second at Wombat, a small remain about twelve miles from a Next most by Bob Holt came burst-Onong Ming was carting i de servi De Fallet railway town, to be sent pushed ahead with the foverish energy that characterised the toil with on his favourite Federal pub, with his pace of three minutes, stalvsis. The idea of Det H c. Characterised the toil of expectant diggers in strange places, but so far no man had dis-covered any justification for the rush, cr any occasion for corgratula-tion. Withing a said. dirth. Perish-me that would pay i d-tance, and then sub-test milling and treating. ion: el ali den in had ever cut a leader is slid down from the tion. Within a for thight  $n_{ip}$ the population went up to 217, and a week later whether in his action. it dropped to fifty, and disgusted men returning

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Ming crossed over to Dan Harrow and his Ming crossed over to Dan Harrow and his mate in a deceifful state of Chinese composure, inoking his pipe with placid enjoyment. The whites were pegging out a claim, and Ming watched them for some minutes in silence. "Welly ni' day, missetah," he said in a casual Way.

way. "The day's right enough ez fur ez I can see," answered Dan, coldly. "Wha' for ?" asked Ming. "What for what ?"

"What for what?" Ming waved the stem of his pipe to embrace the newcomers. "Wha' for allee men come 'long my place?" "To get some o' that gold you're diggin' out here in hunks, you wall-eyed heathen," said Bart.

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were rewarding the lucky pioneers of Perish-me.

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here in numes, you wan-eyed nearnen, same Bart. Ming folded his arms, replaced his pipe stem, and puffed in a deliberative manner. "All sem, plenty fool, me think him," he said presently, giving dispassionate expression to the conclusion of his coritation. "More come by here pietty soon, ch?" "Heaps," said Dan. "Engliceeman dig big hole, makee plenty gold. Me savce, welly ni Engliceeman dig hole catchee hold plenty gold. You make hole here, catchem gold? Good luck you." Guong prattled on in his mellifluous broken English for about ten minutes, and then passed on, and nrattled to the others in artless friendliness; but when he returned to his own camp he cursed his faithful followers from scalp to toe-cap, and his fait face followers from scalp to toe-cap, and his fat face clouded with black anger, for the miners were still coming in, and the invaders were

Dan went down the Chinamen's shaft by the toe-holes in defiance of a fierce Asiatic protest, and chipped a few specimens from the alleged reef, while Bart held the fort on top with a Cousin-Jack shovel. "Wha' fo'? Wha' fo'?" cried Ming coming up

as Dan reappeared at the surface.

"No feah. You stealee gold. Me fetchum policeeman.'

"Nothin' hetter'n bastard quartz," said Bart

outer muck like this." "An' yet they're still cartin' it away fer treat-ment." "I dunno! I dunno!" said Dan, almost piti-fully. "It beats me. There's somethin' queer goin' on,"n I'm goin' to find out first wity old Quong Ming's built that big hut on rep of an old prospectin' shaft o' mine. Four year ago me 'n Watty Watts put down a shaft there, 'n worked round a good deal, chasin' up the flat leaders what never led to anythin'. Now it ain't common sense--it ain't even Chinaman's

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was used for a combined diningroom and Joss

"Wha' fo'? Wha' fo'?" cried Ming, coming up "Why, what's the row?" asked Dan innocent-ly, "ain't these Chinkies been pressin' me to go down 'n' sample the reef?"

"Well, if that wasn't what they wanted I "Well, if that wasn't what they wanted I Con't understand the languidge," said Harrow nonchalantly, and he walked off with the speci-

"Housing better n bastard quarte, Said Date after examining the stone. "Hungry ez hogs," answered Dan. "Might ez well try ter get pearls out o' pertaters ez gold outer muck like this."

"'Maybe that accounts for so much smoke al-ways coming from the chimbley," raid Bart. "They're makin' burnt offerin's to 'hat rotten little mud god o' theirs." "I dunno," said Dan.

"I dunno," said Dan. Meanwhile Quong Ming was very dneasy. The fact that the population of Perish-me was rapidly diminishing again was a source of satis-faction, hut Ming was, not satisfied. Dan Har-row's curiosity troubled his days and disturbed his nights. If east under his favourite watthe stree, watching the mates all day long, and the strange god in the corner was supplicated and tricked to work them serious mischief. The night after Dan's first visit Harrow and

The night after Dan's first visit Harrow and O'Brien walked calmly into the nut. The China-men were gambling at the table. Aling squeal-ed, and dashed out the light, and the mates were hustled off the premises with much Mon-golian elamour.

nan clamour. 'Notice anythin'?'' Dan asked Bart when the "Nothin' worth mentionin'."

"Well, I noticed two things. Two o' the Chows was missin' from the party (they weren't in their dens; I looked to see), an' smoke is comin from the chimbley, although there wasn't a scrap o' fire in the hut." "P'raps it's that incense stuff they burn afore their Joss."

"There's somethin' goin' on," concluded Dan, decisively.

Next morning Quong beat his household god publicly, and with much outcry, pounding the dumb unserviceable deity with an axe-handle.

"Ming's god's been disappointin! him," said Dan, who witnessed the performance. "Spect he's been invited to deal with us 'n shirked his

The population of Perish-me was now reduced contract." The population of Perish-me was now reduced to cighteen, five of whom composed Queng Ming's party. It was Friday evening. The thirteen Europeans were assimbled together, discussing the next morning's great event. Two celebrat-ed heavyweight puglists up from Melbourne were to meet on Bunker's Flat, near Womlat, to fight a bare-fist battle to a dead finish, ac-cording to the rules and methods of the old prize ring. The spot had been selected to evade the law, and the strictest secrecy was being ob-served. How the men at Perish-me became pos-sessed of their knowledge in these circumstan-cus was a matter that provoked no questions just then, but it was found later, when notes were compared, that Quong Ming had gone from eamp to camp, and after suave Celestial greet-ings and a little bland conversation had asked : "You go see big fight to-mollow? Big fight-alonga Blunker's Flat." Nobody doubted, all hands caught at the news

Nobody doubted, all hands caught at the news with avidity. Cuong Ming gave much corrobo-rative detail, and within two hours the field was in a state of rapturous excitement. A fist fight, and between two such performers as Jab M'Cormic and the Bull Puncher—it was the event of a generation ! Ten o'clock on Satur-day morning saw every white man of Perish-me sitting on a fallen tree at Bunker's Flat, pa-ticntly awaiting the appearance of Jab M'Cor-mic and the Bull Puncher. They waited for five solid hours, and then they doubted. After that they compared notes, and after that they cut nice wieldy clu's, and started back to Perish-me to have it out with Quong Ming. It was near six o'clock when they reached the Nobody doubted, all hands caught at the news

It was near six o'clock when they reached the feld. They found it deserted, and Quong. Ming's chock-and-log hut was gone, too, scat-tered far and wide, and where it had stood the ground was torn as with an eruption.

"Dyn:mite," said Dan Harrow, after a citil-cal examination. "They've blown up the show."

Five indignant miners started off on the Five indignant miners started off on the tracks of Ming's drays, seeking poignant satis-faction. Dan remained, and he dug where the hut had been, curiosity impelling him. Bart as-sisted. Next day they knew the truth. Down in the wrecked shallow workings under the founda-tions of the hut they found the mangled remains of most of the appliances and means of a big illicit still. Here was Quong Ming's gold mine. "The cuartz he took to market was guarts o' "The quartz he took to market was quarts o' spirit," said Bart.

Dan sat stupefied with disgust. "An' it was this hrought a rush to Perish-me," he said. "By the holy hookey, I'd give the very best nugget I expect to get to see that sealy savage Quong Ming in the hands of ten men from this cursed field."

But Dan never enjoyed that satisfaction. The But Dan never enjoyed that satisfaction. The Gueng and his party had sold their drays and caught the morning train to Melbourne, and doubtless to-day in some other place Quong Ming's "still" waters run deep.



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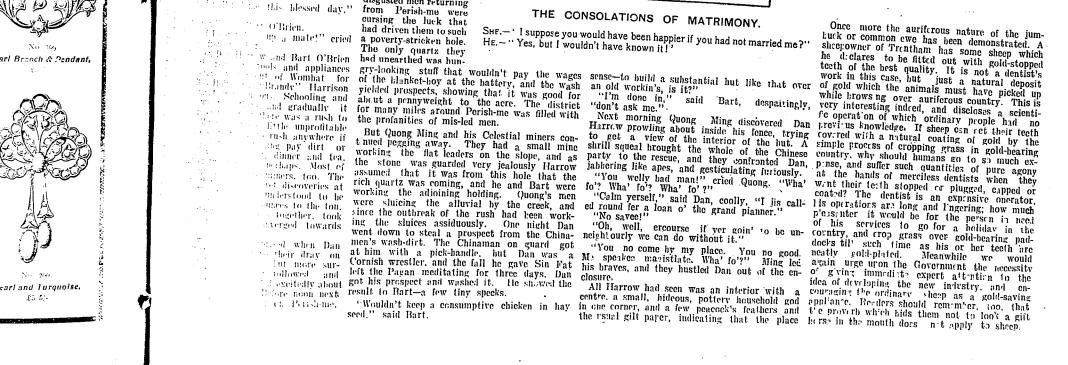
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#### WARBURTON.

Plunging into the forest beyond Ringwood, and as it opens again for idyllic Lilydale, so associated with Melba's visit, we obtain a glimpse of Victoria's grand region, the sweep round from Warburton to Healesville, Fern-shawe, Marysville, Black Spur, Omeo, Har-rietville, to the lordly splendours of the Alps towards and past Bright. We hope to enjoy this excursion under the harmonious arrangement by which the Victorian railarrangement by which the Victorian rail-ways chime in with Cobb's Coaches. Now is the time when every Melbourne city man is bracing up—with as many women as can— for a rush outside like that of a Londoner for a rush outside like that of a homonom-ior the Jungfrau or the Riviera. "Where shall we go?" is the household query, if a man is lucky enough to be a haus-vater. Iry Warburton. The arms are open to reto you, in the shape of ample lodging-house accommodation, wooing the guineas from all the acclivities round about.

The Yarra is struck at the Launching I lace, and we view it with somewhat of the exultation which possessed us in first seeing the Murray at Albury, as the train from Wodonga ratiled over the bridge. Dear old Yarra ! Were we not delectated, even in childhood, with your perfumed Frangipanni, your essence of Millefleurs, Tanyardia and Bonemilleaux. "But," says the Yarra, "those were vile poisons, utterly foreign to the crystal purity of the aver flowing. Come the crystal purity of the ever-flowing. Come and see me at home, with my eternal youth, with my bounding alacrity, like the rapid Rhone, or the young Rhine, when it emerges from its Swiss Mountains, as I do from my Baw Baw." Well, here you are, Yarra, like a skipping young kid, or one of the timid lambs which scamper across the paddocks as the train rattles by.

Henceforward our Yarra quite absorbs us at Warburton, and is always in the picture. "Here I am again," it seems to say, and we lose count of the times the railroad has to cross it, although the track is nearly as dir-ect for Warburton as that bee-line which Czar Nicholas I. ruled on the map for the St. Petersburg to Moscow railway. The War-burton line which with a barbar burton line ends with a long down grade, and the vistas opened up quite make one's heart jump, as the succession comes after the mann'r of a transformation scene unfolding. First, there is a forest range close to you, then another, with a dark blue ultramarine



BRIDGE OVER THE BADGER RIVER.

For thousands upon thousands of years the roar of the Yarra has never been absent from Warburton. Go where you will in fine road, highly creditable to the public spirit of the Warburtonians, even when they were reckoned outside the pale of civilisation. We saw a number of most lovely little those limits it never leaves you, and it does birds, with blue heads and blue stripe on the back, also pretty little slender brown birds, Following down the course of the Yarra we came to what we termed the cataracts, not waterfalls, but toy-like imitations of those mighty Nile cataracts, long reaches of

broken water. At Warburton we feel what an inexhaus-

come one of the best hunting grounds for a

Shelley or a Keats.

so call for a poet !

which tried to stand up straight, like prize canaries. Just as we were thinking that there was some mystic, inexplicable enchantment about this walk, we encountered a Go-vernment notice to the effect that the land is auriferous.

out of which the road had been scarped, a

itself. Once there, by the purling you g Yarra, you don't want to move, but Heal s-ville is a resting-place for the beyond. We pant for the Black Spur, in the almost matchless eucalypt forest. The coach from Healesville bowls us along to Green's Ilill, where a grand mountain panoram purell. Healesville bowls us along to Green's Hill, where a grand mountain panorama unrolls, with Mounts Riddell and Juliet, both shoot-ing up close to 4000it. The Black Spur is also at hand, with the mighty mass of Mount Monda, as also the loity cone of Mount St. Leonard. We pass from the popu-lar "Abertoyle House" to the fine "trace-dale House." Now comes the extremely in-teresting dominion of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

shawe is next reached, a most deheious place, entering the fern region, and the coach slowly ascends the steep slope of the Black Spur. Now for the giant encadynt trees, and we are reminded that Vieteria has trees, and we are reminded that Victoria has the highest trees on earth, heating even those of Yosemite. An imposing what is afforded by thousands of straight trunks covering the hillsides. In the valleys abound the acacins or wattles, including whe silver and golden, with the lovely myrths where ilver Uncle Sam' is a particular huge gun transfer which the Prince and Princess under Wales camped for luncheon in 1901. 11 eastern slope from Etta's Glen the Nyrtle Creek the coach travels swiftly. soon we are among the mountains which dribute to the Acheron River, one of waters of the Murray. Anot. panorama opens out with Monghead. lorious Vinegar lagged

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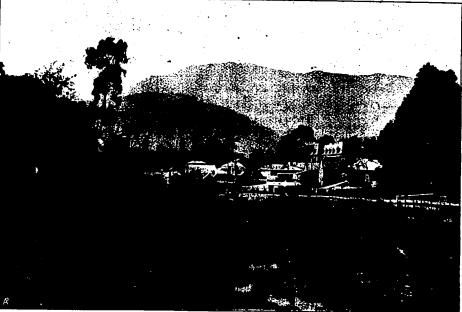
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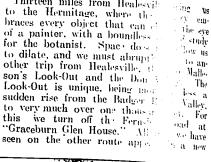
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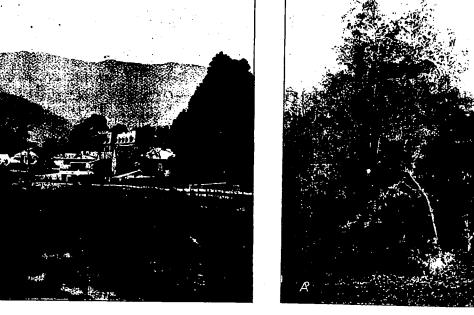


HEALESVILLE AND MOUNT JULIET.

This includes a reserve of 35,000 acres, comprising the Graceburn and Marcondah, or Watts River Catchment areas The road is as good as any Melbourne street. Fern-shawe is next reached, a most deficious

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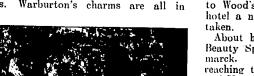




ROORKE'S BRIDGE, NEAR HEALESVILLE,

About half-a-mile leads us to the factors Beauty Spot, on the track to Mount Bis-marck. This yields a noble panorana, reaching to the mountains round Al-yandra and Mansfield. The Steavenson Falls, two miles from Marysville, must not be missed.

from everyone knows, a delightful railroad trundle can be taken from Melhourne all the way to Healesville. This is the right forward line from Lilydale, where the Warburton line branches. Warburton's charms are all in



aspect of surpassing beauty. He hate well-known Mr. Malleson, the soli dor, chose his residence at Malleson's Glen. in a marvellons spot of fairy-like loveliness. Nature and art combined to make a small Paralise on earth. Yet another divagation is to Marysville, a little village surrounded by vast bills and unpopulated forests. It is on the road to Wood's Point. From Keppell's evellent hotel a number of delicious outings can be

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tinge, steals out from behind it, then a third of lighter Prussian blue emerges, and then there is a fourth, like the distant Heaven !

The photographs give you a delicious idea of Warburton, but in all that we have been able to collect not one even attempts to show the grandeur. Now, that is the prime characteristic, the Healesville scenery, with all the charm of water thrown in. Leaving the train we are almost shut in by soble mountains, placid giants, which suggest ele-hantine repose, breathing the strength of the everlasting hills. Perfect beauty and per-fort hele

the eventsuing mass. fect balm. This Warburton will be a great place, though now is the day of small things. It is right down in the vale. The agreeable noise of the river pervades all, and when we are tucked in our little bed it goes on soothingly like the ocean murmur on the beach, when there is what the sailors term a capful wind, but, of course, it is glassy calm there sometimes, whereas Warburton's pretty cooing of the Yarra never ceases, even as it nursed the aboriginal children of the Yarra Tribe under their mia-mias. From the verandah of the Alpine Retreat Hotel we had a picture that filled the bill for all we would require in long hours of nuclitation on making a book-some daring at empt to rival a Gibbon or a Tennyson, for all kinds of wild extravagancies are Lanted in the brain even of a Melbourne business man by the spell of Warburton. Sydney Smith said : "Don't let any man go to Australia because he is a poet,' and the witty Canon meant that it was all hard graft, but Warburton, Healesville, Bright, Werraambool, Daylesford, Kosciusko, Dal-sety, the Blue Mountains, the magical Jeno-In Caves, and the equally wonderful ones at Yarrangobilly, were not then discovered, so that Australia, and Victoria even, has be-

tible subject the weird bush is in its glory, beauty, solemnity and terror.

We walked back from Warburton to West Warburton, three and a-half miles. On the right hand, for a good way, the Yarra right still twirling, twisting, twinkling, writhing, sparkling, purling, laughing, bounding, waltz-ing its c rcles and eddies of the water, while on the left was the thickly-forested mountain



### HEALESVILLE.

We pierce through the mountainous bush Warburton to Healesville, but, as

THE HERMIT'S CAMP, SCENE NEAR MARYSVILLE.

The engravings are from the Atlas Press "Guide to Healesville," etc.

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very pretty drive is from Wary-ville to Buxton. Tommy's Bend, a name highly sug gestive of an eminent statesman is unrivaled for the visitor enamoured of myriles as safras and fern gullies. The drive from the Bend to Cumberland Creek makes one al most drunk with beauty. We ar lost admiration of the hardy pict the tracks from Healesville. 🗠 who eti did was the magnet. Coranderrk Aboright Station, a most interesting place, is only Healesville. Badger Creek. miles iron randing in is\_\_is\_II English trout, blackfish and i. Roothe miles. About the same dist. Bridge, over the Yarra, will ray cod, perch, blackfish and enfful Mu n- to th Two miles from Heatesville junction of the rivers Yaru Watts, a most pictures que spot, with : It is remarkable what a - of wattle or of nic podestrian ionatiid places are within reach of from Healesville. Myers F ly Weir. Mathinna cascade, is five miles away Condon's Gully, Maroondah her Falls and Gracoburn Weir places in the bewildering var The Heales ation has ville Tourist and Progress sidency of recently been formed, under Mr. C. N. Gilbert, with Mr II. Thomas of Nicholson-street, as s cu

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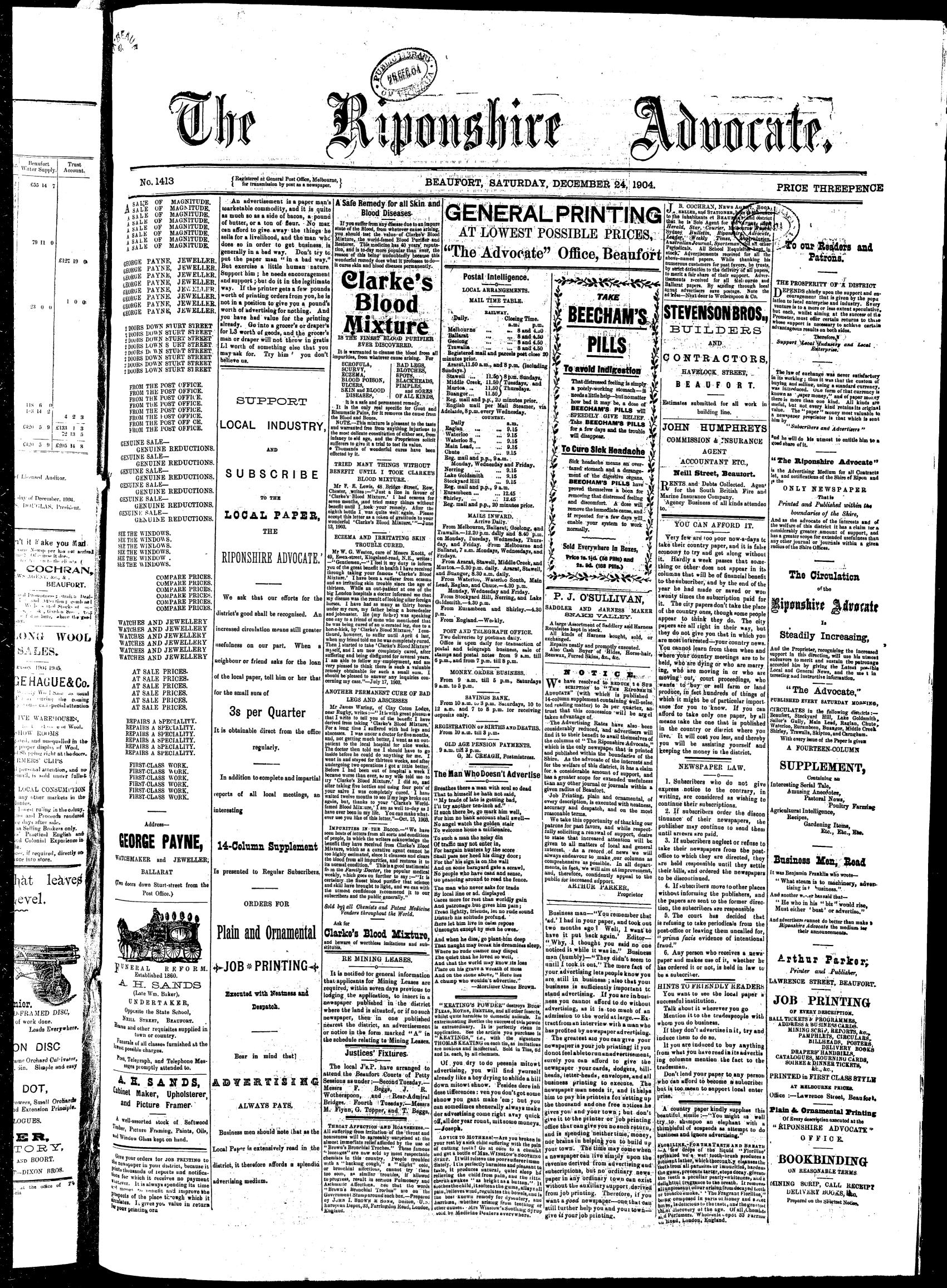
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BALLARAT LIVE-STOCK MARKET. Tuesday.

Fat Cattle-378 head was the number penned for to-day's sale, about one-half consisting of quality ranging from good to prime, remainder chi fly middling to use- THEIR World-famed Reputation as This being the last sale to be held here this year, brought forward a large attendance of the trade; best quality,

more particular'y bullocks, meeting an active demand, at prices showing a slight the admiration of all. improvement, whilst other sorts also were Two Distinct Positions taken well competed for at firmer rates. Quo-

tations :-- Prime pens bullocks, £11 10 to £12, 15.; good, £9 10, to £10 10; Studio. Bridal Veils, Wreaths and Bouquets ; the latest and most fashionable kept at the

useful, £8 to £9 ; extra. £10 to £11 28 6 1 good, £6 to £7. Calves-31 forward RICHARDS'& CO., best soris met a keen demand, selling a £5. Sheep-5619 came forward for to-

day's sale, the greater portion of which consisted of middling and useful descriptions, a small proportion being good to prime. There was a large muster of buyers, and as quality was somewhat scarce, competition for such was keener than usual, prices showing an improve ment on last week's values, whilst other descriptions were also in request at late

rates, sales closing firm. Quotations : In this established profession the fir Prime crossbred wethers, 181 to 194; extra. 20: to 22.; good, 16: to 17:; use

tion of prescriptions, &c. The latest appliances are used in the Laboratory in wethers, 15s to 16-; +x ra, 17s to 183; appliances are used in the Laboratory in Medical-Tinctures and British Fharmacopcia Preparations, the Purest Chemicals and in Drugs being used. Medicines at Ballarat Prices, sent to all parts of the State by post, rail, coach, &c., and all'etters receive prompt guod, 13, to 14; useful, 11s to 12. Lambs-2950 to hand, a small proportion of which were good to prime quality, ba'ance principally middling and useful one, consequently best trade lots and careful attention net with vira brick competition, prices HARRIS'S ANÆMIA MIXTURE, an

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hands, the present Proprietress wishes to notify the residents of Beaufort and district

creation. What though such festive viz., 194. The effort reflects credit on all merriment has its origin in semi-pagan concerned.

merriment has its origin in semi-pagin customs! Is it not good to open apringi of natural happiness and to let the blond of original humanity run warm in our veins? The Christian, while devoutly singing the holier strains of the Naof original humanity run warm in our singing the holier strains of the Naintroduction of the Monier pipes at the go-round was kept busily employed all day, a solution of the Na-tivity, and calling us to "Hark !" while Berry Extended mine, Creawick, has not and the Funch and Judy show and the t been found to be a success, as according shooting gallery were patronised in the born King," does not cease to be a man, they are unable to have the pressure of children were patronised when so many they are unable to have the pressure of children were patronised when so many they are unable to have the pressure of children were patronised when so many they are unable to have the pressure of children were patronised of the mone were patronised was the solution of the manager. The manager of the pressure of children were patronised of the manager. they are unable to bear the pressure of children were present and Mr Russell was the ground in the drive in which they "standing treat." The Biponshire Coun-were placed: Several of the pipes were cillors and officers were present, and at lunch of the waters of natural delight; so long were placed: Several of the pipes were as those waters or natural deligns, so long were placed. Several of the pipes were cillors and officers were present, and at lunch as those waters are pure; and we can cracked by the weight of the earth, and Cr Douglas (president of the shire), on be-their beneficent association with Chris- providing a substitute for this mode of of the council, thanked Mr Russell for the their beneficent association with Chris-tianity, have come to be the outward working in the drives, which in places I will towards man," and of such universal efforts to minister to the cheer, hap-

piness, and comfort of the sick, the sufpiness, and comfort of the sick, the suf-fering, the sad, and the poor, as are ap-parent in every centre of charity at the parent in every centre of charity at this Sic transit gloria mundi ! The season of the year. ... The giant Christ- Ararat Mining Board, which for so many

mas trees which minister in Melbourne and elsewhere to the bappiness of the children of the slums, although of Ger. man origin, have been adopted by Eng-lishmen as national institutions. The legend gives the honor of originating the Christmas tree to Martin Luther; influences of obsolescence, after " life"s mas trees which minister in Melbourne and elsewhere to the happiness of the children of the slume althourne of the moriburd virtually personal and elsewhere in the slume althour of the slume althour who, one Christmas Eve, was travelling fitful faver "it should sleep well. Phoenixwho, one Unristmas Eve, was travening over a snow-clad forest country, the sky, sparkling with its myriad of stars above the bright evergreen trees, mak-the Stawell division has four members, and the Stawell division has four members, and

ing such an impression upon his mind the Ararat, Riglan and Barkly divisions that, upon reaching home, he tried to two each, the members being elected by describe the beauty of the scene to his the holders of miners' rights only. The

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Holy Infant should become cold." If as a connecting link between the silent the log butns out, they say, "The past and the activities of the present is Mr. Sau Slick, Beaufort. Jaenschand party's F a selfish, miserly man, who had the both that gentleman and Mr J. Woods with of the beart, to make others and the manbers will seeme a position on the new bark of the present. Daughters of Freedom, Main Lead.

wentcles. INO enorus being sparen to hand, be granted the right to proma in make the day a thoroughly enjoyable aperta, programme as usual. Canid, one. Coming of Age Fete.

the adults a refreshment booth was kept busy all day. At 6.30 Cr Sinclair called

Everything was carried out on a most lav sh scale, and the fete will be long remembered as one of the most enjoyable ever held in the district.

describe the beauty of the scene to his wife and children. Suddenly an idea suggested itself to him, and rushing out into the garden he cut down a small for tree. After dragging it into the nur-sery, he covered the branches with candles, and lighted them, thus giving constituted came into existence in 1858. Slick-Jaenapha, tribute, 202. Sdwt. Suddenly, Balarat and its for the mathematican for the mathematican for the seek ending Saturday last :-I. Better dragging it into the nur-tree into the garden he cut down a small for tree into the particle with the district, whilst the holders of constituted came into existence in 1858. Slick-Jaenapha, tribute, 202. Sdwt. Start Suddenly at the fort the district into the second start of the second start into the second

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one. At night, in the Societies' Hall, the Beaufort Amateur Minstrels provide a really first-class concert. They have front door at the concert, and had aked already wonthe appreciation of the public Mr Cameron to take the back ; while Mr by their fine vocal powers, mirth-provok- D. F. Truy ('reasurer) would sell the iding comicalities, and refined performance generally, and they mean to uphold be able to mind the door whilst

sure to greet the Minstrels. The prices made up as follows :- Two-mile biges visible tokens of "peace on earth, good-will towards man," and of such univer-sal efforts to minister to the cheer, hapful competitors by the president of the chopping contest, 27. He also stated that

up, timed from 12 o'clock till 5,55. Ass reply had not been received from the Beaufort Brass Band as to whether ther intended to accept the club's offer of f5 Vda to play at the sports, the secre's y was instructed, on the motion of Messrs Halpin and Stevenson, to write to the preilent of the band, asking him whether the band was going to play or not. Sube-l20 quently Dr. Eadie a tended the meeting, ... 120 when the matter was brought under his ... 130

£10), 220 secretary replied that the band had aver YARDS (£8), AND QUARTER-MILE (£5) to play. Mr Sinclair called attention

the necessity of preventing members from bringing their friends into the enclosure, and it was decided that the ficials should request unauthorised persons who came bers be asked to wear their tickets, and that badges for the admission of other than officials and members be only abtained 25 20 on application to the committee. Sinclair moved that wondeptters be not 25 allowed any attendants. Seconded by Mr Broadbent, and c rried. Ten shillings having been voted as petty cish to the secretary, the meeting terminated with a 15

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Laurence Burke, Soldier's Hill 15

cenerally, and they mean to upnoid acting as state manager, and Mr. Stuar their reputation and do their utmost to replied that Mr Sinclair would have to do retain the good opinion of the public. As stage manager. The president more We have no hesitation in recommending that Mr Cameron be appointed to give visitors to attend the performance, and out the competitors' tickets. Secondelly feel sure that they will be more than Mr Hellyer, and carried. The secretary satisfied with it. A bumper house is stated that the acceptances totalled 2%,

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Will." "The Secret of the Grace Cup," "Counterfeit Claimants," Etc., Etc.

> -----PART 8.

staring.

It was Dolores's voice that spoke, and Dolores's tall form that presently appeared. With scant ceremony she elbowed

the paper he was vainly attempting to read, and welcomed her with his her way through the obstructing crowd, and the next moment was usual caressing tone. "As I expected I shall have to go" kneeling at Lucy's side.

said my lady, hurrying to him and slipping her little daintily-gloved Her coolness had its natural effect. One and all the stupified spectators fingers between his. began to think of aiding instead of Sir Robert's only answer was a Nina started from her trance of

terror, and was about to gather Lucy's head in her lap, when Miss to the carriage. As it rolled from the kerb she policy, the housekcoper, "interposed, respectively thrusting her away. burst into a low laugh. "1\_wonder what Sir Robert would

"For Heaven's sake, go back to say if he could see where I first go, your room. Miss Beauchamp !" she and for what purpose ?" she whiscried. "This is no place for you !" pered to herself Dolores hastily broke upon the She allowed the coachman to leave protest.

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shrugging her shoulders.

"Then she declines ?"

Grosvenor- square and then touched "Some lint," she said, raising her the check. head-like eyes to Miss Dolby's face. The carriage stopped The foot-"Is there any in the house, ma'am?" man presented himself at the duor. Miss Dolby turned and despatched Lady Beauchamp gave her order. one of the servants to her own medicine closet. CHAPTER XVII.

Martin's-le-Grand first,

While she was thus engaged Nina SUCCESSFUL ENTERPRISES again bent over Lucy. But this time Dolores objected. "St.

Thomas," directed Lady Beauchamp; "Pardon me, Miss Beauchamp," adding, the next moment, "I pro-posed sending you while I made my she said. "I would not disturb her head. The quieter she is kept the better. Ah ! that is something like" call in Harley-street, but have altered my mind in favour of going in she exclaimed, turning from Nina to person. Ask Bilby how quickly he a servant, who at that moment hurried up with a handful of old linen can do the distance." Lady Beauchamp's whole air and and towels, and a sponge and basin

of water. With an energetic rapidity which had it been otherwise her new order no one present could have equalled, she intently set to work to remove would not have occasioned much the ghastly traces of Lucy's disassurprise. My lady's changes were, of too frequent occurrence and of too ter; and in a short time Nina had the satisfaction of seeing her un-fortunate maid restored to conerratic a character for that. The wonder was if my lady's mind did not change. Arrived at St. Martin's-le-Grand, sciousness, and comfortably estab-lished in bed.

"But how did you meet with the Lady Beauchamp's errand was soon accident, Lucy ?" anxiously inquired accomplished. the girl, as she bent a moment over As she alighted she contrived to the recumbent form, before returning hold directly under Thomas's eyes a to her own room. An odd look, which Nina did not rather bulky package, addressed to a certain leading publisher. But once

observe, came into Lucy's eyes, and beyond Thomas's range of vision the for an instant she hesitated. Then bulky package was restored to her she answered slowly, feebly. pocket, and another and smaller one "I awoke feeling very ill this withdrawn. morning, and when you rang the last time, I thought I would try and get The latter was addressed to "Mrs.

'Oh, Lucy !" exclaimed Nina, reproachfully.

Before she could say more the odd Closely veiled, and closely wraplook deepened in Lacy's eyes. The ped in the light cloak she had woman had caught a glimpse in her | thrown over her carriage dress, my dressing glass of Doleres's dark face had posted her package, and hur-showing stealthilv at the door. With a good deal of unnecessary crowd to her own carriage.

day.

Miss Dolby anxiously ventured a selfish creature !" interjected Mrs. Jeffries with a sudden glow of en-'Oh Miss Beauchamp, don't you thusiasm.

think you had better let her stay?' "It would only be an act of comshe asked. "Dolores is so efficient, and not one of the housemaids "mon humanity," disclaimed my lady earnestly. "But alas !" she contin-"Not one of the housemaids will ued, "it is one which Nina's sad be needed. Miss Dolby," interposed mania renders absolutely impracti-Nina, sadly. "Poor Lucy did every- cable. Sir Robert and I agreed to thing before she retired; and as for test her by an offer of Dolores's ser-

my toilet, I frequently make it withvices for the few short hours that out assistance, by choice." she remained at home, making the Miss Dolby sighed a doubtful acoffer dependent upon her acceptance quiescence, and Dolores retired. or refusal of the latter. Sir Robert, Near the head of the grand stair-way she encountered Lady Beauwas hopeful, but the event proved my lears were well grounded." "She refused ?" "She refused. Consequently, "How long you stayed !"-she said

complainingly. "Miss Dolby had to debate an unaccordance with an arrangement between Sir Robert and myself, I am debatable point !" answered Dolores 

posed, rushing headlong into the offer into which Lady Beauchamp was skilfully aiming to entrap her. "As we both knew she would." Lady Beauchamp turned away with a satisfied smile, and, retracing her "Do not," cried the warm-hearted little woman-do not be distressed by this contretemps, or you will be overruling Providence. By a little steps to the stairway, hastily descended to the lower hall. She looked into the library, and, finding Sir Robert there, entered. finessing, as you suggest, the whole thing can be satisfactorily arranged. The unhappy old man threw down Amelia (my own maid, you know),

shall perform double duty. She will be delighted, Nina content, and I most happy.' Lady Beauchamp caught the old

lady in a gushing embrace. "How kind you are !" she cried. "I only thought to gain your judg-ment as to the selection of a maid, profound sigh. Then he rose and ment as to the selection of a maid, kissed her fondly, and attended her and here you have cut the Gordian knot of our difficulties with five words ! Don't talk of my unselfishness! Nina is my stepdaughter-the being of my fondest affections! I ought to be forgetful of myself, but with you it is a pure act of grace. But there is one way in which I can press my boundless gratitude. Amelia nust be munificently paid that the 'double duty' will be to her a double blessing."

themselves to Lady Beauchamp's wishes in Harley-street, other events of vital and most sinister importance to her, were in course of pro

CHAPTER XVIII.

other circumstances conspired to delay Nina's return to Lucy's bedside much longer than she intended. When she did, at last, find it postone bore out her assertion of a sible to do so, the woman was alone and apparently disposed to sleep. "It frets me to have people fussing

about," she said to Nina in explanation of the desertion. "I don't want anyone here-not even you, dearie. I've got a big bell Miss Dolby sent up, and I'm strong enough to ring it if I need anything. Observing the almost feverish an-

kiety that Lucy exhibited to he left alone, the girl made a few tender inquiries, and then turned away. As she did so Lucy stopped her by

"Have you had your breakfast, Miss Nina ?" she asked quickly. "A cup of coffee, Lucy," Nina an-swered; "and now I am going to breakfast."

weighed by Dolores the preceding ness.

served in the breakfast room, and I an just on my way there. Why, Lucy? Is there any little thing that

Lucy answered the question by a

#### THE MINISTER'S WEDDING-FEE. -----

A preacher was conversing with a A preacher was conversing the upon one evening, a large company was a volcano and preserved milk? This the financial rewards of the different dining, and expressing its convivial- is a practical question, not a conthat ministers received less for their work than any other class of pro-fessional men. The lawyer disagreed and remarked that the item of wed-"What do you think is the average fee I-receive ?" asked the clergyman. to give fifty, and even twenty-five

pounds is quite common." "Your calculation is too high ; we marry poor people," replied the minister.

"I will give you ten dollars for half your next fee," remarked the lawyer. "I will accept the offer," said the minister, after hesitating a moment.

The next day a rough-looking farmer and a blooming-looking country maid came to the minister to be married. After the ccremony the farmer said; "We ain't got no money but I have a pup here that would make a nice pet for your children."

Then he opened a box, and out rolled a white puppy. The minister could hardly contain

his mirth as he thanked the bridegroom, and he was soon on his way to the lawyer's office. "I had no idea," he said, "that I

should come to claim your offer so. soon, and I should not have accepted it so quickly had I known I was to receive an unusual fee." "No backing out now," said the

lawyer. "Here's your ten dollars, hand me over half your fee." The minister demurred a moment

said he would be careful about making such rash bargains in the future, and then tumbled the pup out on the lawyer's desk.

"Which half will you take?" he said.

### ONE OF JOHN L. TOOLE'S ADVENTURES.

Toole has played practical jokes in some form or other on most of his actor friends, and one is not surprised to hear that on some occa-

sions the laugh has, been on their side. A well-known actor told me the

following story in this connection, which is well worth repeating. One day the comedian had a difference with a cabman on a question of the amount of a fare. The next day a cab drove up to the come-dian's house, and the driver, accompanied by a policemen, rang the bell and asked to see Mr. Toole. On his appearing the driver excitedly point-

ed to him with the words : "That's the man ! that's the man" The officer of the law was respectful but firm. "I'm afraid you will have to ac-

company me," he said to the irite actor. "I have a warrant for your arrest."

There was nothing to be done and so, without more ado, the three drove off, as Mr. Toole thought to a police-station. After a short drive they arrived at a small doorway in a back street, and before the come-dian realised what had happened he was thrust inside by the cabman and

policeman. and a second later found himself in the smoking-room of a woll\_b 10wn Bohemian club—the cen-

A DUEL IN A GRAVE. FROM VOLCANO TO MILK JUC. At.an hotel in Kingston, Jamaica What connection is there between

ily in a series of toasts and songs, undrum, for milk-and many other when a Creole from St. Domingo, one Henri D'Egville, who had gained a questionable notoriety from the kept in condition without the use of frequent and fatal duels which he borax, which is a direct product of ding-fees amounted to quite a sum. had contrived to fix on his asso- volcanic action. The history of borax, moreover, as applied to comciates, requested a certain Mr. Stewart, a Scotch sea captain, to mercial purposes, is one of the most "I should say five pounds is a sing a Gaelic song. The Scotchman curious within the borderland where low average. I have known persons declined on the plea that he knew no chemistry and angingering angi declined on the plea that he knew no. chemistry and engineering meet. Gaelic; but as the Creole insisted,

Gaelic; but as the Greeke mission, Sixty years ago when the total Stewart, who fancied him drunk and imports of the mineral into Britain was little anxious for a quarrel, at was less than 70 tons yearly, the last complied so far as to sing bulk of the supply came from Thibet "Auld Lang Syne."~ D'Egville, un- then even a more mysterious counderstanding but very little English, try than it has recently been. It

derstanding but very fittle English, try than it has recently been. It and hearing such expressions as "your ain pint-stoup" and "a recht gude wullie-waugh," very ex-in a kind of fatty matter, and the cusably took the strain for Gaelic, and so the matter ended. Next evening as Steward stood

its origin, regarding which many leaning against the bulwarks of his strange stories were told. Until vessel, he became aware of a small well into last century the whole boat threading its way towards him trade was in the hands of the As it drew near Stewart recognized Dutch, who alone possessed the sein it a Captain Wilthorpe, an officer cret of purifying the tincal into in the Colombian service, a sworn saleable borax; then the knowledge friend of D'Egville, and almost as noted a desperado. The boat drew a Parisan firm, who kent it to a Parisan firm, who kept it to themselves so long as the use of the borax was limited to the pharmacoalongside, Wilthorpe came on board, and after a polite saluation, said he came from M. Henri D'Egville, who was considerably astonished and ores in laboratory experiments. But outraged by Captain Stewart's atwhen the utility of the material as tempt to impose upon him an English song for a Gaelic specimen. The Scotchman replied that he was sorry if his slight deception had given pain to M. D'Egville, but that to fight a duel over so petty a cir-cumstance was surely the height of fornia, into the bed of which-composed largely of borax-caissons were absurdity. He added that he once slew an intimate friend in a meeting of that nature, and he had determin-ed never to fight another duel as certainly the outcome of the hot or eighty-third parallel. of that nature, and he had determin-

long as he lived. Captain Wilthorpe remonstrated. springs which, along with other symptoms of volcanic activity, are still and finally left the ship to carry in evidence in the neighbourhood, back Captain Stewart's refusal to but the engineer even went one bethis principal. Nothing further was ter in a similar locality in the Marheard from the bullies until one day | emma of Tuscany. when Stewart, having orcasion to

That district is a centre of volcango ashore was met by D'Egville on ic action, full of ponds formed by horseback. The Creole in a loud voice demanded to know why his earthquake fissures, and these ponds were found to contain a proportion just resentment had been ignored; of boracic acid. Therefore the enginand, receiving no answer, called Stewart "a coward," struck him eers bored down into the ground until the disturbed area below the violently\_ across the face with his horsewhip and galloped away. The Scotch captain with all his blood at highly charged with borax, which boiling point, determined at the cost they reduced to merchantable form of his own life, if need be, to rid the world of this pestilential rogue, consequently, sent a message Even this ingenious adaptation of desiring a meeting behind the Squanna Rocks. The challenge was natural means to commercial ends has recently fallen upon evil days, accepted, and Stewart, accompanied owing to the discoveries of immense

by two of his men, proceeded to the deposits of borax in South America. spot. On their arrival at the ren-In Peru one work alone exported dezvous, Stewart very coolly re-11,000 tons in a single year, and quested them to dig a grave suffiupon the line of the Trans-Continenciently deep to receive two bodies. tal Railway, which is to connect Ar-When D'Egville and Wilthorpe apgentina with Bolivia and Chile, borpeared their first words were to ask ax "mines" are now being opened the meaning of the sailors' task, to up which surpass anything hitherto

which Stewart replied : "A day or kuown. two since you called me a coward. "Mines" indeed is a misnomer I am now ready to fight you on one for working the deposit is said to be condition only, that I am allowed to more like digging potatoes than an dictate the terms of this affair. engineering operation, though the en-What I have to propose is this, that gineer, by making the railway, will you and I, M. D'Egville, shall both render the spot accessible. It is an stand in this grave, holding a pistol in one hand and in the other the uncient lake bed, still flooded during the wet season, but dry for nine diagonal corners of a handkerchief, months of the year, and the borax to give us our exact distance. This done one of our seconds can give us

erable man and a very dirty villain"

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is found in lumps, lying close together, about 18 inches below the the word "Fire !' and the world will be very well rid of a very missurface, and varying in size from hat of a hen's egg to pieces resem-

PEARY AND THE NORTH POLE FAMOUS EXPLORER'S NEW

PLANS. ------It has already been announced

perishable substances-could not be that Commander Peary is to start kept in condition without the use of for the Far North next summer, and that the keel of his new ship just been laid. Peary has already an honourable

record in Arctic exploration, and it will not be his fault if he does not add further to his laurels. His new

Sixty years ago when the total ship is to have more powerful engins than have yet been used in an exploring vessel, and he hopes to carry all his supplies to a winter base much further north than ever before. He wants to pass, not only Cape Sabine but Fort Conger, and run his ship next summer into some convenient harbour on the north shore consumers of it admitted that they of Grant Land not far to the easthad a very imperfect knowledge of ward of Cape Hecla. When the final push is made over the ice, he should be scarcely more than 375 or 400 miles from the Pole.

HIS SHIP.

In general dimensions, Peary's new ship will closely resemble the Discovery, which was built for the Antarctic expedition at Dundee. The latter, however, depended mainly on sail-power and incidentally on steam. Peary will depend chiefly on steam poeia, and as a flux for obstinate and incidentally on sails. In other ways, too, he is providing for a large coal-storage. His ship is to be a preservative came to be recognized of wood; with steel plating. But the engineer stepped in to furnish forward she is modelled that, like fresh sources of supply. Amongst the Fram, she will rise under laterthe earliest of these was the exploit- al pressure from the ice, and thus aation of the Borax Lake of Cali- void heing crushed.

Thus equipped, Peary hopes to accomplish what he has long planned sunk, through which the deposit to do, but has never succeeded in do-containing the mineral was brought ing-putting his vessel in winter guarters north of the eighty-second

> BOATS WITH EYES. \_\_\_\_<u>!</u>.\_\_

In China where so many hundreds of people live their entire lives on boats, they have a strange idea that an eye must be painted on the bow of the boat that it may see its way through the water.

An Englishman travelling in China upper skin of rocks was reached, and sat on the front of a small boat through the bores, procured liquid with his legs hanging over the painted eye. The owner became very much by utilizing the volcanic heat and to cover the eye of the boat, as it excited, and begged the traveller not must see its way.

When the first railway was built through China, the native workmen were anxious to paint an eye on the front of the locomotive. They said it was not safe to allow such a fierce-looking creature as an engine to run about blind.

**\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*** GENERAL INFORMATION.

\* A flash of lightning is often a mile long.

Greenland whales sometimes attain the age of 400 years.

After 120 years of colonisation, Australia has a smaller population than London.

ings yearly.

right position

cheese per year.

of it is

the course of a year.

The wolves of the Russian forest

devour about two hundred human bey

The soil of Hayti is so fertile that

it often yields three crops of corn in

Fine-edged tools lose their temper

if exposed to the light of the sun

When a person is lying down his

heart makes ten beats fewer per

minute than when he is in an up-

The United States has about

4,900 cheese factories, with an out-

put of about 265,000,000 pounds of

The risk of being struck by light-

for a considerable length of time.

question.

Hildegarde Allingham," and con-tained the two remaining pellets asked Lucy with ill-concealed eager-

"Oh, no; I'm quite able to go down. Miss Dolby is to have it

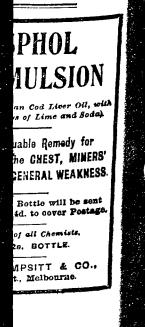
While events were thus shaping gress at her own home. -----THE LOCKED CABINET. Miss Dolby's visit, with various

Mr Stevens seconded, that Mr ranted the right to publish ramme as usual. Carried , secretary and Mr Siechi ited a protest committee, of Messry Troy an - S evenson. it said he would look after the the concert, and had asked to take the back ; while M reasurer) would sell the tick air asked the president hos able to mind the door while e manager, and Mr Stuar Mr Sinclair would I ave to ac user. The president moved meron be appointed to give etitors' tickets. Seconded by and carried. The secretary follows -Two-mile bicycle mile do., 36 ; half-mile du lo., 9; ficemen's alarm and flield bandicap, 23; 220vda arter-mile do., 16; wood s. 27. He also stated that f 40 events had been drawn 12 o'clock till 5,55. As a been received from the s Band as to whether they cept the club's offer of £5 sports, the secretary was the mation of Messrs Halison, to write to the presi-nd, asking him whether the g to play or not. Subse-adie a tended the meeting er was brought under his promised to see that the d that the band had agreed nelair called attention preventing members from iends into the enclosure, led I at the ficials should rised persons who cam sure to leave it, that memwear their tickets, and the almission of other m mbers be only obtained to the committee. Mr that woodcatters be not ndants Seconded by Mr e rried. Ten shillings as petty cash to the ting ferminated with a

POUND,' the 'Stockport s and Colds. Of 38 years

POUND,' for Coughs and ant r lief to Asthma at

the chair.



she ejaculated, settling as it seemed to Ning the ''Done !' maid went on : herself back among the cushious. "And no wonder I was ill. Miss "I could not trust even Dolores with

Nina. I went to bed on a piece of that task. She doesn't take to Engcherry pie and a big glass of butterlish life and customs as readily as I milk do, and might have made some blun-At that point Dolores hurried into der. And now I can rest. Not only the room, and addressed Nina. "I heard one of the servants saydo I know to a certainty that it is ing the doctor had come, Miss Beau- direct from this office to its destinachamp," she said. tion. Then, when she dies suddenly "The doctor ?"' inquired Lucy. who will be surprised? Not Dr Jeffries. Not Sir Robert Beauchamp sent for the nearest one that

could be found." explained Nina. Poor blinded fools !" Before more could be said. Miss Lady Beauchamp's evil meditations bolicy was heard approaching with a were brought to an end by her arristranger. val at Dr. Jeffries's, where Sir Ro-Nina started hastily for the door. bert, in his unquestioning confidence There she paused a moment, and imagined her set down long before.

looked back at Lucy. Dr. Jeffries was in the City, but Regnest Miss Dolby to come to Mrs. Jeffrics, as Lady Beauchamp my dressing room as soon as the had expected, was at home, superdoctor leaves," she said, hurriedly. intending the final preparations for With that charge she disappeared, her unexpected journey. bolores retiring to the convenient She received Lady Beauchamp's seclusion of the hall by which the card with anxious surprise. Without Miss Nina, and please don't let any doctor was approaching. Lacy inrtively watched the Spanan instant's delay she hurried down to her visitor. woman in the glass, with the "My dear Lady Beauchamp," she same odd look of perplexity and ancried, rushing into the reception

ger in her eyes which had been there "Has anything happened to room. when speaking to Nina. I' was some time before Miss Dol-Nina ! Is she worse ! You said so positively you would not see me made her appearance in Nina's again." dressing room. She had taken a hur-Lady Beauchamp quickly reassured ried bath, and was making her her.

toilet when the housekeeper appear-"Pray compose yourself, dear Mrs. Jeffries," she said. "It is Lucy-not Nina's first words were an anxious Nina. Lucy has been taken ill, and inquiry after Lucy. has hurt herself."

"Nothing worse than a disordered stomach. Miss Beauchamp," an-swered the housekeeper. "The giddi-ness was a result of that, and, but "Of cour" "Thank Heaven !" exclaimed Mrs. Jeffrics piously; adding the next moment: "Of course I did not for the fall and cut, she would have "Of course you did not," interpos been about in a day or two. As it ed Lady Beauchamp, with graceful she has received a nervous shock carnestness. "But you may thank and will necessarily require a little Heaven Lucy is ill, and thank more time to recuperate. Lucy is Heaven Lucy is hurt! Sir Robert more time to recuperate. Lucy is not young you know, Miss Beau-and I both say it is a providence.

champ-past fifty, I have heard her You remember how vehemently I urged the propriety of Lucy's at-"But she is not scrlously hurt?" "Oh, no, Miss Beauchamp." Pray don't distress yourself about that. The doctor will call again this tending her mistress ?" "Indeed I do !" cried Mrs. Jeffries, with emphatic warmth.

how is it that you have changed evening.' your mind, Lady Beauchamp ?" "I wish they could wait a few "Because Sir Robert was so days,' said Nina, abraptly, speakdeeply opposed to the arrangement, ing to herself. "I don't like to leave and because the event has chanced so Lucy behind, ill in bed." strangely opportune to his wishes. For a moment the housekeeper Lucy was up till a very late hour hesitated, looking at the girl as she

last night, and instead of going to bed on a simple biscuit, took a floor. The next she answered the piece of cherry pie and a glass of buttermilk !' I just met Sir Robert in the hall "The foolish woman !" cried Mrs. and he spoke of that."

Nina looked up at her with eager interest. Lady He thinks I had better wait and ion my friends when Lucy is able that childishly imprudent act she awoke this morning quite ill, and on to travel ?" she said. attempting to rise, fell, and hurt

Miss Dolby smiled and shook her herself very severely." "Just the reverse. He expresses

From that hasty outline Lady Beauchamp proceeded to a detailed, the desire that you will make no change in your plans, but supply yourself with a French maid on though hurried account of the event of the morning, after which she re-Teaching Paris. Of course he means turned to the subject of Sir Rotill Lucy can follow you, Miss Beau bert's wishes. "Sir Rohert no sooner heard of the state of affairs than he declared

"Of course," returned Lucy absentpositively that Nina should employ a There was a moment's silence that French maid. 'I will not.' he said. the girl broke, with clearing brow. permit Lucy to join her at Baden.

"I think papa is right," she said, I have been opposed to it all along, and now this decides me.' I did not earnestly, "and "-She was interrupted by a knock at re-argue the point with him. I saw the door. his determination was fixed. So,

On the mat stood Dolores. after hearing all he had to say, I 'My lady,'' suggested that Dolores should sup-"My lady," explained the maid, insinuatingly, "directed me to come ply Lucy's place till Nina should be and make myself useful to Miss confided to the care of the Alling-Beauchamp, and hopes miss hams. By this arrangement, with a little finesse the choice of a suitable will onsider me in her service till "-

courteous words, declined the offer:

negative gesture of disgust, and then said, gently : "That is right, Miss Nina:

down and cat all you can. I'll be with you before very long, dearie Nina turned hastily away to hide the rising tears. She felt strangely oppressed at the thought of leaving her faithful old nurse sick in London Before she reached the door Lucy stopped her with another question "One moment, please Miss Nina. I wouldn't let the housemaid in the rooms this morning. Time enough when you are gone. It'll only be a little time now, my dearie pointing to the clock near the bed. "We seem to be of the same mind, Lucy," answered Nina. "I have already issued such orders. I want to spend the short hours of my stay at home in my own apartments, and I wish to be undisturbed." "That's right," exclaimed Lucy,

with feeble emphasis. "And now go, one come near me till I ring. Nina promised and left the room. But no sooner had she gone than Lucy's countenance underwent a complete change.

Her face flushed, her lips parted, her eyes glowed wide and bright. "Safe !" she muttered, as the steps died away.

sitting position.

As she gained it a blue pallor began to creep warningly round her ips But the lips set themselves together in unmistakable lines. The ps framed an unmistakable resolve. "1 will," said the lips.

Slowly, very slowly, she drew her weak limbs across the edge of the bed, and planted her feet upon the floor. The pallid circle grew a little wider-a little more marked-and once again the lips set themselves together resolutely.

Presently she stood upright, then feebly staggered to a certain cup-"But board a few steps distant. She lingered there only a moment then turning, reeled to the door of

the hall by which Nina and Martha had entered a few hours earlier. Slight as the exertion was, great drops of perspiration hung upon her brow, and her eyes stared wide and wild in the supreme effort to control the giddiness which every moment threatened to prostrate her.

wider corridor leading to Nina's Jeffries in horror. "Yes, the foolish woman," echoed and she stood in the girl's dressing

Beauchamp. "As a result of room. (To be continued.) 1437.

ONE-DAY MARRIAGE.

BRIDE VANISHES WITH

HUSBAND'S WEALTH. One of the strangest matrimonial

misfortunes has befallen M. Banglos a widower, 50 years of age, living in working-class district of Paris. Recently he met a girl of 18 named Nathalie Langlois, who captured his heart at first sight. The personal charms and modest demeanour of the young woman made such an impression upon him that he married her after a few days ac-

quaintance. A terrible disillusionment awaited him when he awoke the following morning. The bride had fled, taking Nina stepped forward, and in a few. the proper persons-the Allinghams." and his pocket-book containing over and his pocket-book containing over "You noble, generous hearted, un- £1,200 in bank-notes

tre of an admiring crowd of professional acquaintances, who made no effort to conceal their enjoyment of

D'Egville, finding himself placed by this calm madman between death and disgrace hesitated, but finally the success of the trick which had been played on their brother actor. agreed. The sun was throwing its last rays over the wild spot selected | The whole thing was a carefullyas the pair stepped down into the planned practical joke, the cabinan and policemen being no other than two well-known members of the proession-Messrs. Lionel Brough and Harry Nicholls.

It is said that nobody enjoyed the humour of the situation more than the champion practical joker himself.

A LITTLE TOO HASTY.

picked it up again, looked across at A police constable noticed a boy his determined adversary with a face standing at the side of a pond crywhite as the handkerchief itself, and ing as if his heart would break. just as the word "Fire!" was on Tapping him on the shoulder, he said Wilthorpe's lips, fell forward in a "Hello, my boy, what's the matdead swoon at Stewart's feet. The ter ? lost yourself-eh ?" Scotchman looked down on him a For answer the youngster pointed moment, spurned him with his feet, to a hat which was bobbing up and and then quietly climbing out of the down in the water some few yards grave, walked away, leaving his from the side. prostrate bully to the good offices of his very worthy companion. It is

'' he 'O-o-oh, sir, my bruvver's-gasped, and then his sobs overpowered him and he burst out afresh. The man in blue took in the situa-

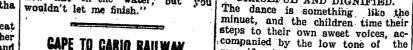
tion at a glance. The boy's brother Then she slowly raised herself into had fallen in the pond and was lying at the bottom drowning. Hurriedly throwing off his belt and tunic, he waded into the water

until it reached his armpits. Then he stood anxiously watching for the boy to rise. "Ah, I'm just too late," he mutarms and their ivory castanets in

tered as he grabbed the hat. their hands, (says "Donohue's Maga-Then he slowly and sadly retraced zine," in describing the Cathedral of Seville). Having genuflected behis steps. lad, I'm afraid your poor "Му

fore the altar, they put on their hats and take their places face to brother's dead. There now, don't cry. Come, show me where he was face, each to his allotted position. The four tallest boys are named standing when he fell in." The four tailest boys are handed the "puntas," or heads; the four next the "segungos," or seconds; and the two smallest boys are the The boy stared in open-mouthed

stonishment. 'W-why, my bruvver's over there' he cried, pointing to a group of youngsters at play. "I-I was a-"trancas," or bars. All through the various figures their movements are all the thick, white skin ; spread the goin' to tell you he'd thrown my new hat in the water, but you GRACEFUL AND DIGNIFIED. The dance is something like the dumpling cloths; the the fruit (sur-minuet, and the children time their rounded with the rice) separately in



CAPE TO CARIO RAILWAY. In the course of an interview with

It is quite impossible to describe Sir Charles Metcalfe, superintendent Leaving the hall she entered the of the Cape to Cairo Railway he is the impression this strange and unique ceremony makes on the mind reported to have said ; the sound of those fresh young voices ringing through the vaulted cath-

"One of the greatest needs of South Africa is an increased white edral, the click of the castanets, the the egg increases with age. If the population. With the object of in- throng of silent spectators, and the ducing colonists who come into the presence of the archbishop, canons, country now being tapped by the and clergy, all in their richest choir country now being tapped by the Cape to Cairo Railway, land is being surveyed which will be given out in free grants of 160 acres each to

bona-fide settlers. At the present moment we are reserving plots along HEF the line from Buluwayo to Salisbury and no piece of land will be more.

than three miles distant from the railway. "This scheme will be carried out

games are played by the blind, certain changes being made so that in

north of Buluwayo right up to the Zambesi, and beyond, as the railway

progresses; and; judging from the favourable results of recent cotton and tobacco cultivation, settlers will bell is fastened to the ball, and by have a prosperous future before them For nearly two years a six-mile

cable, insulated with artificial gutta- sorts. They do not run towards a percha, has been tested between the islands of Fohr and Schleswig. The material is a mixture of rubber and 30 per cent, less then those covered. with gutta-percha.

be perfectly satisfactory so far cost maintain a profound silence, for if. said that biologists were now suffi-, temporary suspension of the breathciently advanced in their science to ing possible by supplying the corthey make a noise the voices of the be able to control six in their newlysuiding bells could not be heard.

magnificent organ or the plaintive

vestments, combine to render the

scone imposing ; nay, almost sacred.

who are prepared to criticize, leave the sacred building impressed and

Football and many other outdoor

Even persons who go to see this

dance through curiosity and

wail of the violin.

famous

deeply moved.

tape, as the seeing do, but towards a bell that jangles briskly. Professor Loeb, speaking at the In- The object is to store up oxygen, ternational Congress of Arts and not in the lang cells but in the Sciences at St, Louis, United States

the bell's tinkle the ball's position is determined.

In football, for instance a tiny

pointed end. \_

take the place of sight,

formed calls.

each game the sense of hearing will

an angle of 20 degrees. With an egg 8 days old the angle increases to 45 degrees; with an egg 14 days old to 60 degrees; and with one 3 weeks old to 75 degrees, while an egg a month old floats vertically upon its merging themselves take deep in-spirations for about ten minutes.

bottom of the vessel; an egg from 3 to 5 days shows an elevation of the flat end, so that its long axis forms Professional divers, before sub-

mined almost to a day. A fresh egg lies in a horizontal position at the In the Russian army aluminium horseshoes are said to have been tried with good results. A few horses in the Finland dragoons were first chosen and shod with one aluminium shoe and three iron shoes each. The experiment showed that the aluminium shoes preserved the hoof better than the iron ones.

blood corpuscles. This renders a

with an extra quantity of

1437.

creasing inclination to float with thanum. It colours bottles vio,et, the long axis vertical. A scale is atcauses paper to become brown and tached to the vessel containing the crumble, and reaches its greatest salt solution so that the inclination activity in a month after precipitaof the floating egg towards the horition from solution. Attempts to isolate it from lanthanum preparazontal can be measured. In this way the age of an egg can be detertions are being made.

The "emanium" of Mr. F. Giesel is a hypothetical radio-active element, supposed to be allied to lan-

sprinkle well with sifted sugar. Then erve with any kind of sauce or with sweetened cream. A new and simple method for testing eggs is based upon the fact that the air chamber in the flat end of egg is placed in a saturated solution of common salt is will show an in-

From the study of bird migrations made by Mr. E. Clarke, at the Kentish Lightship in the English Channel last autumn, it appears that the migrations chiefly depend upon temperature. The advent of cold weather suddenly arouses the instinct to migrate, regardless of storm or wind. The direction of the wind has little or no influence.

direction, and in the oarth's crust one in the same direction as rotation.

The city of Toronto counts on getting 125,000 horse-power from Niagara Falls, although its distance from the great cataract is ninety miles.

The Russian Cross of St. Andrew has a remarkable peculiarity atteching to it. All who are decorated

form the staple breakfast food.

cereals. Wheat rolls and rye bread

burns or scalds than the white of an egg poured over the injured place, It is more cooling than sweet oil or

with it have the right once to de-Salt is an old-fashioned disinfect-

mand a pardon for a Russian sub-ject condemned to death.

On the principle of the dynamo, M Guarini thinks, the earth's rotation should induce in the atmosphere an electric current going in inverse

#### ning is five times greater in the country than in cities, and twenty have solidified into a natural soap, times greater at sea than in a railwhich is mined and disposed of as a way carriage. Meat is seldom seen on the breakfast table in Austria and Germany. \*\*\*\* nor is much use made of prepared

needless to say that Stewart never saw or heard again of the Creole. HOUSEHOLD HINTS. **\*\*** IN SEVILLE CATHEDRAL. Lemon rind steeped in water in which you bathe is not only refresh-ing, but of actual benefit to the The DANCE BEFORE the ALTAR skin, as it forms a splendid tonic. Six hoys enter the space before the high altar, their hats under their Few things are more soothing for

many other applications.

ing about drains.

ant, popular in our grand-mother's

days. It has the advantage of being

non-oderous. It is capital for sprink-

Orange Snowballs.-Boil some rice

for ten minutes; drain and let it

cool. Pare some oranges, taking off

rice in as many portions as there

these, and boil the balls for one

the hour. Turn them carefully on a dish

acic acid. The outcome of all these developments is that borax, which half a century ago was worth £100 per ton, is now procurable for a tenth of that price, and besides its

When this process is complete the result is a material which yields almost half of its bulk as pure bor-

bling a large turnip. These are dug

ing winds which sweep fiercely across

posit is situated, many thousand

a flux in metallurgy is likely to be

largely extended. It also enters into

the composition of some soaps, and

at Ashcroft, in British Columbia, where there is a lake having its

waters so strongly impregnated with

borax and soda that the deposits

from them at the bottom and sides

one of the strangest deposits

substitute for artificial soap.

up and stacked to dry in the parch

the sierras, amongst which

feet above sea level.

grave which was to hold in a few

"Stewart," we are told, "was calm and firm; the Creole, despite his efforts to appear undismayed, betrayed evident signs of perturbation." The seconds drew lots for the word command, and the duty fell to utility as a preservative, its use as Wilthorpe. The handkerchief was

placed in their hands. The Scotch-

fumbled with the end, dropped it,

man grasped his firmly; the bully

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A ROMANTIC NARRATIVE

may I ask?"

want.

of himself?

who his questioner was.

darkening brow.

"Ormiston, you're a fool!"

"I know it," said Ormiston, sen

**^−** LOVE, TERROR AND

DESPAIR.

PART 1 -----

CHAPTER I. The plague raged in the city of London. The destroying angel had gone forth, and kindled with its fiery breath the awful pestilence, until all London became one mighty lazar-Thousands were swept away daily; grass grew in the streets, and the living were scarce able to bury the dead. Business of all kinds was at an end, except that of the coffinmakers and drivers of the pest-carts. Whole streets were shut up, and almost every other house in the city bore the fatal red cross, and the ominous inscription: "Lord, have mercy on us." Few neople, save the watchmen, armed with halberds, keeping guard over the stricken in the streets: and houses, appen red there shrank those who 🦡 and passed rapidly from each ( on with ave faces. Many even fell dead on the sidewalks, and lay with their ghastly, discolored faces upturned to the mocking sunlight. until the dead-cart came rattling along, and the drivers hoisted the body with their pitchforks on the of their dreadful load. Few other vehicles besides these dead-carts doesn't know what sleep means. appeared in the city now; and they plied their trade busily, day and night; and the cry of the drivers cchoed dismally through the deserted streets: "Bring out your dead!" All who could do so had long ago fled from the devoted city, and London lay your relief." under the burning heat of the June sunshine, stricken for its sins by the hand of God. The pest-houses were full, so were the plague-pits, where be dead were buried in cartfuls, and no one knew who rose up in health in the morning but that they might be lying back and dead in a few The very churches were forsaken; their pastors fled or lying in the plague-pits: and it was even rehim: solved to convert the great cathedral of St. Paul into a vast plague hosvital. Cries and lamentations echotentiously. ed from one end of the city to the other and Death and Charles reigned over London together. Yet in the midst of all this, many

scenes of wild orgies and debauchery still went on within its gates-as in our own day, when the cholera ravaged Paris, the inhabitants of that facetious city made it a carnival, so now, in London, there were many who, feeling that they had but

easy than the rest, danced up to him, | actly as I do." striking her timbrel and shouting don't believe it. It's not rather than singing the chorus of the me to go mad about anything with a masked face and a marble heart. I I loved any woman -"What care I for pest or plague? We can die but once, God wot, Kiss me, darling-stay with me; Love me-love me, leave me not!" which, thank Fortune ! at the present time I do not — and she had the bad taste not to return it, I should take my hat and make The darling in question turned his bright blue eyes on that dashing street singer with a cool glance of

"Very sorry, Nell," he said, in a "If she he not fair to me nonchalant tone, "but I'm afraid I What care I how fair she be." " must. How long have you been here,

"Kingsley, you know nothing about "A full hour by St. Paul's; and where has Sir Norman Kingsley been, it!" said Ormiston, impatiently. "So stop talking nonsense. If you are cold-blooded, I am not, and - I love

where has Sir Norman Kingsley Deen, may I ask? I thought you were dead of the plague." "Not exactly. Have you seen — ah! there he is. The very man I her." I Sir Norman slightly shrugged his shoulders, and flung his smok weed into a heap of firewood.

"Are we near her house?" he With which Sir Norman Kingsley ed. "Yonder is the bridge." dropped a gold piece into the girl's extended palm, and pushed on "And yonder is the house," replied Ormiston, pointing to a large, anhrough the crowd up Paul's Walk. A tall, dark figure was leaning mood-ily with folded arms, looking fixedly cient building — ancient even for those times — with three stories, each projecting over the other. "See! while the houses on either side are at the ground, and taking no notice of the busy scene around him until Sir Norman laid his ungloved and marked as pest-stricken, hers alone bears no cross. So it is! those who cling to life are stricken with death; jeweled hand lightly on his shoulder. "Good morning, Ormiston. I had cling to life are stricken with death; an idea I would find you here, and and those who, like me, are desper-

ate, even death shuns." "Why, my dear Ormiston, you -but what's the matter with you, man? Have you got the plague? or surcly are not so far gone as that? has your mysterious inamorata jilted Upon my honor, I had no idea you you? or what other annoyance has were in such a bad way." "I am nothing but a miserable happened to make you look as woe begone or old King Lear, send adrift wretch, and I wish to heaven I was by his tender daughters to take care in yonder dead-cart, with the rest of The individual addressed lifted his them-and she too, if she never in-

tends to love me!' head, disclosing a dark and rather handsome face, settled now into a Ormiston spoke with such fierce look of gloomy discontent. He slightly raised his hat when he saw earnestness that there was no doubting his sincerity; and Sir Norman became profoundly shocked-so much so, that he did not speak again un-"Ah, it's you, Sir Norman! I had til they were almost at the door. given up all notion of your coming, Then he opened his lips to ask, in a and was about to guit this confound

ed what has detained you?" "I was on duty at Whitehall. Are ubdued tone. "She has predicted the future you-what did she foretell?" for we not in time to keep our appoint-"Nothing good; no fear of there ment?" "Oh, certainly. La Masque is at home to visitors at all hours, day being anything in store for such an unlucky dog as I am."

"Where did she learn this and night. I believe in my soul she ful black art of hers?" "In the east, I believe. She has "And you are still as much in love been there and all over the world, with her as ever, I dare swear. I and now she visits England for the have no doubt, now, it was of her

first time. you were thinking when I came up. "She has chosen a sprightly season Nothing else could ever have made you look so dismally woebegone as for her visit. Is he not afraid of the plague, I wonder?" you did, when Providence sent me to "No; she fears nothing," said Or-

miston, as he knocked loudly at the door. "I begin to believe she is "I-was thinking of her," said the young man moodily, and with a inade of adamant instead of what other women are made of." "Which is a rib, I believe," observ-Sir Norman favored him with a half-amused, half-contemptuous, stare ed Sir Norman, thoughtfully. "And for a moment, then stopped at a that accounts, I dare say, for their huckster's stall to purchase some ci-

garettes; lit one, and after smoking being of such a crooked and cantankerous nature. They're a wonderful for a few minutes, pleasantly rerace, women are; and for what inmarked, as if the fact had just struck scrutable reason it has pleased Providence to create them---The opening of the door brought to a suduen end this little touch of moralizing, and a wrinkled old porter

"The idea," said Sir Norman. thrust out a very withered and unknocking the ashes daintily off the lovely face. end of his cigarette with the tip of "La Masque at home?" inquired his little finger; "the idea of falling Ormiston, stepping in, without ceremony

in love with a woman whose face you have never seen! I can under-The old man nodded and pointed stand a man's going to any absurd pstairs, and with a "This way, extreme when he falls in love in pro-per Christian fashion, with a proper Christian face; but to go stark, star-Kingsley," Ormiston sprang lightly up, three steps at a time, followed in the same style by Sir Norman. in many who, feeling that they had but a few days to live at the most, re-solved to defy death and indulge in the revelry while they yet existed. "Eat drink and he merry for to "Eat drink and he merry for to "You seem pretty well acquainted with the latitude and longitude of lamp stood on the floor, and by its , let us go Nodding easily to his numerous ac- gentleman, as they passed into a room at the head of the stairs. quaintances as he went, Sir Norman Kingsley sauntered leisurely down "I ought to be; I've been here often enough," said Ormiston, "This is Paul's Walk, and out through the great door of the cathedral, followed the common waiting room for all by his melancholy friend. Pausing who wish to consult La Masque. for a moment to gaze at the gorgeous sunset with a look of languid admir-has gone to announce us." ation, Sir Norman passed his arm Sir Norman took a seat and glancthrough that of his friend, and they ed curiously round the room. It was welked on at rather a rapid pace in a common place apartment enough, the direction of Old London Bridge. with a floor of polished black oak, There were few people abroad, ex- slippery as ice and shining like glass; cept the watchmen walking slowly a few old Flemish paintings on the up and down before the plague-strick- walls; a large round table in the cenen houses; but in every street they ter of the floor, on which lay a pair passed through they noticed huge of old musical instruments called virpiles of wood and coal heaped down ginals. Two large, curtainless winthe centre. Smoking zealously they dows, with minute diamond-shaped had walked on for a season in sil- panes, set in leaden casements, adence, when Ormiston ceased puffing mitted the golden and crimson light for a moment to inquire "For the reception-room of a sor "What are all these for? This is a ceress," remarked Sir Norman, with strange time, I should imagine, for an air of disappointed criticism, onfires "They're not bonfires," said Sir "there is nothing very wonderful about all this. How it is she space Norman; "at least they are not infortunes, anyway? As Lilly does, tended for that; and if your head was maps and charts; or as these old not fuller of that masked Witch of eastern muiti do it, by magic mir-Endor than common sense (for I believe she is nothing better than a rors and all such fooleries?" "Neither." said Ormiston: "her witch), you could not have helped style is more like that of the Indian knowing. The Lord Mayor of Lonlmechs, who show you your destiny don has been inspired suddenly with in a well. She has a sort of magic lake in her room, and—but you will a notion that if several thousand fires are kindled at once in the street, ee it all for yourself presently.' it will purify the air and check the "I have always heard," said Sir pestilence; so, when St. Paul's toils Norman, in the same meditative way the hour of midnight. all these piles are to be fired. It will be a glorious 'that truth lies at the bottom of a illumination, no doubt; but as to its well, and I am glad some one has stopping the progress of the plague, turned up at last who is able to fish it out. Ah! here comes our ancient I am airaid that it is altogether too Mercury to show us to the presence good to be true." of your goddess." "Why should you doubt it? The The door opened, and the "old bag plague cannot last forever." of bones," as Ormiston irreverently "No. But Lilly, the astrologer, styled his lady-love's ancient domes who predicted its coming, also foretic, made a sign for them to follow told that it would last for many him. Leading the way down along months yet; and since one prophesy a corridor, he flung open a pair of some day to murder a lady, especi-shining folding doors at the end, and ally one so beautiful as she I just has come true, I see no reason why the other should not." ushered them into the majestic pres. "Except the simple one that there ence of the sorceress and her magic would be nobody left alive to take room. Both gentleman doffed their seen will come to pass, and whether it. All London will be lying in the plumed hats. Ormiston stepped forlague-pits by that time. ward at once; but Sir Norman dis-"A pleasant prospect; but a true creetly paused in the doorway to said one, I have no doubt. And as I have contemplate the scene of action. As he slowly did so, a look of deep dis- Norman Kingsley's pathway with no ambition to be hurled headlong into one of those horrible holes, lesaure settled on his features, on roses, she would most assuredly do shall leave town altogether in a few finding it not half so awful as he had 50." days. And, Ormiston, I would supposed. strongly recommend you to follow In some ways it was very like the my example." "Not I," said Ormiston, in a tone room they had left, being low, large and square, and having floors, walls and ceilings paneled with glossy of gloomy resolution. "" Masque stays, so will I." "While La "And perhaps die of the plague in a week." "So be it. I don't fear the plague black oak. But it had no windows -i large bronze lamp, suspended irom the center of the ceiling, shed a flickering, ghostly light. There for long we shall be better acquaint-were no paintings so grim cattings to we shall be better acquaint-dof skulls, skeletons and artigration at the street, with pleasantly wreathed the room, it will this gentle hint both gentlemen neither were there seats for tabls, nothing but a huge ebony algorn at the street, with the upper end of the agarment for any with a grinning skeleton on which a grinning skeleton on which a grinning skeleton on which a south in one hand of bolts.

small and white, she held a gold cas-ket, blazing (like her dress) with rubies, and with the other she toyed the conclusion that your masked with a tame viper, that had twined lady-love must be enchantingly beau

itself round her waist. This was tiful. doubtless La Masque, and, becoming "H "Have I not told you that a thou conscious of that fact, Sir Norman made her a low and courtly bow. sand times, O thou of little faith But why have you come to such a She returned it by a slight bend of conclusion? "Because no woman with such a | the uninitiated of the company some of the head, and turning toward his companion, spoke:

figure, such a voice and such hands "You here again, Mr. Ormiston! To what am I indebted for the honor could be otherwise." "I knew you would own it some

day. Do you wonder now that I of two visits in two days?" Her voice, Sir Norman thought. love her?' was the sweetest he had ever heard "Oh, as to loving her," said Sir

Norman, coolly, "that's quite an-other thing. I could no more love her musical as a chime of silver bells, soft as the tones of an acolian harp through which the west wind plays. "Madam, I am aware my visits are undesired," said Ormiston, with a her extremely clever. I will never forget that face in the caldron. It flushing cheek and slightly tremulous voice: "but I have merely come with my friend, Sir Norman Kingsley, who was the most exquisitely beautiful I

wishes to know what the future has ever saw." "In love with the shadow of in store for him.' Thus invoked, Sir Norman Kings-ley stepped forward with another more absurd than I."

"No," said Sir Norman thoughtful-ly. "I don't know that I'm in love low bow to the masked lady. "Yes, madam, I have long heard with it; but if ever I see a living that those fair fingers can withdraw the curtain of the future, and I have face like it, I certainly shall be. How come to see what Dame Destiny is did La Masque do it, I wonder?" "You had better ask her," said going to do for me.' Ormiston, bitterly. "She seems "Sir Norman Kingsley is welcome" have taken in unusual interest in said the sweet voice, "and shall set what he desires. There is but one you at first sight. She would strew your path with roses, for-sooth! Nothing earthly, I believe, condition; for if he speaks, the scene he beholds will vanish. Come forwould make her say anything half so ward. tender to me.'

Sir Norman compressed his lips as Sir Norman laughed and stroked clossly as if they were forever herhis moustache complacently. metically sealed, and came forward 'All a matter of taste, my dean accordingly. Leaning over the edge fellow; and these women are noted of the ebony caldron, he found that for their perfection in this line. I it contained nothing but water, for begin to admire La Masque more he labored under a vague and and more, and I think you had better pleasant idea that, like the witches give up the chase, and let me take caldron in "Macbeth." it might be your place. I don't believe you have filled with serpents' blood and chilthe ghost of a chance, Ormiston." "I don't believe it myself," sa dren's brains. La Masque opened her said Ormiston; with a desperate face; "but until the plague carries me off golden casket and took from it a portion of red powder; with which it was filled. Casting it into the cal I cannot give her up, and the sooner that happens the better. Ha! what dron, she murmured an invocation in Sanscrit or Coptic, or some other is this?'

unknown tongue, and slowly there It was a piercing shriek-no unarose a dense cloud of dark red smoke, that nearly filled the room. usual sound; and as he spoke the the door of an adjoining house was Had Sir Norman ever read the story flung open, a woman rushed wildly out, fled down an adjoining street of Aladdin, he would probably have thought of it then; but the young and disappeared courtier did not greatly affect liter-ature of any kind, and thought of "What's all this about?" demanded Ormiston.

nothing now but of seeing something "That's a question I can't take when the smoke cleared away. It upon myself to answer," said Sir Norman; and the only way to solve was rather long in doing so, and when it did, he saw nothing at first the mystery is to go and see." but his own handsome, half-serious, half-incredulous face; but gradually a picture, distinct and clear, formed is not marked. There is a watchhalf-incredulous face; but gradually itself at the bottom, and Sir Norman man. I will ask him." gazed with bewildered eyes. He saw The man with the halberd in his a large room filled with a sparkling hand was walking up and down be

fore an adjoining house, bearing the ominous red cross and <u>pitcous</u> incrowd, many of them ladies, splendidly arrayed and sparkling in jewels, and foremost among them stood scription: "Lord have mercy upon one whose beauty surpassed anything he had ever before dreamed of. She "I don't know, sir," was his wore the robes of a queen, purple

swer to Ormiston. "If anyone there and ermine-diamonds blazed on the has the plague they must have taken it lately; for I heard this morning peautiful neck, arms and fingers, and a tiara of the same brilliants crownthat there was to be a wedding ed her regal head. In one hand she there to-night.' held a scepter; what seemed to be a throne was behind her, but some-"I never heard of anyone scream-

ing in that fashion about a wedding," said Ormiston, doubtfully. "Do you know who lives there?" "No, sir. I only came here myself

yesterday, but two or three times today I have seen a very beautiful young lady looking out of the window.

Ormiston thanked the man, and went back to report to his friend. "A beautiful young lady!" said Sir Norman, with energy

ANECDOTE OF SMUCGLING

HOW IT HAPPENED THAT HE One day two of the swindlers of the WAS NOT CALLED ALEXANDER. revenue, while regaling themselves with By all precedent, the present Tsar of a pot of ale in a much frequented tavern Russia should have been named Alexat Berwick-on-Tweed, were relating for ander, and not Nicholas. This is the the enlightenment and amusement of TEASOT The Tsarevitch Nicholas, uncle of the their exploits, and the various ways they present Tsar, was to have married the had of dodging the exciseman, when that Princess Dagmar of Denmark, the lady

important arm of the law suddenly who is now Dowager Empress. But entered, and overheard their concluding Nicholas died. remarks. Though the marriage was an arranged From their looks he knew that he had one, Dagmar loved Nicholas. It was

been the subject of their "crack," and from what he had heard he concluded they had been speaking disparagingly one, bagmar loved Nicholas. It was planned that she should marry Alexan-der, the second son. One day that young Prince found Dagmar sobbing before the portrait of his dead brother. Then, says a lady of honour in the Russian Court. the Crown Prince spoke with tact. "Forgive me," he said, "that I am come to make men unbarry of his cuteness as an exciseman. Accordingly, he considered it his turn to speak, and began by confidently assuring them that not a man present was able to bring contraband goods into the town without his knowledge. "Get awa', man," said the previous speaker. "The morn at this time as'll bring six kegs o' brandy reet through the toon, six keeps o blandy reet through the toon, and ye be naen the wiser; and, what's mair, I'll bet ye a gallon o' whisky on't." 'Dune !" replied the man of power, and, having emptied their pots, they separated. The following morning the excisenan placed himself in such a posi-tion or to commond the systems into tion as to command the entrance into the town from the seaside; and duly examined every likely vehicle ; but, even, after remaining there till long past noon. discovered nothing. So he made his way back to the tavern to claim his wager, seeing they had been afraid to make the

attempt. On entering he was saluted with a loud roar of laughter, and informed that they could wait no longer, and had slready drunk his health with three bum-pers out of his lost bet. "Hoo's that, ye fools ?" oried the astonished officer. "Aa'll sweer no'a drop o' brandy entered the toon the day." "Get oot, man! the toon the day." "Get oot, man! Ye've been blind drunk," said the jovial and the local time of the set of

### "THERE'S THE RUB."

"Someone," said Witherby, "gave you that bad half-crown with the hole in on purpose. You can't, of course, recollect where you got it ?" "I am afraid not," said Mrs. Wither-

by. "I went to so many places this morning.' "That's just like a woman." said her husband, with a slight show of impatience. "Always ready to be imposed upon. Never thinking to examine her change. Still, I don't know that you ought to be blamed. I suppose it might have happened to anyone. The fact is," he continued, raising his voice. "who-ever deliberately palmed that bad coin

oft on you is Mttle better than a com; mon thief. That's what he is. There is mon thiel. That's when he is, fast is no question in the world but what he gave you that half-crown knowing that it was not worth its face value. Why, a man couldn't have it in his possession five minutes without linding that out. And yet." continued Witherby, his face suffused with passion, " he watched his chance, and, like a common criminal, deliberately robbed the first one that

came along.' "But, my dear," expostulated Mrs. Witherby, "the thing is done now, and it can't be helped. We've got the half-crown even if it is bad and has a hole rence with ill-concealed contemp

through it, and we might as well make the best of it." "Yes, there's the rub," roared Witherby, purple with rage. "We've got the half-crown, and there's no telling how long it will take to get rid of it."

tinctly affected by age. The statistics

A 'BUS-RIDING BISHOP Dr. Talbot, the Stahop of Rochester, is winning setten spinten for himself in South London. He has decredly democratic sympathies, and these are shown if in no other way, by his favourite

method of travel, which is to take the omnibus like any other person in his diocese Recently the bishop, who was accom panied by his wife and two daughters, was leaving a society function one after-noon in Whitehall. He left the house where this was taking place, and walked, with the members of his family, to the gateway, outside which were a number of private carriages and servants be-

longing to other guests within. The bishop had no carriage waiting for him, but there was, of course, numbers of cabs and other conveyances passing up and down Whitehall, and everyone ex-pected that he would hail one of them and drive off. But his lordship did nothing of the

kind. He quietly waited until a penny 'bus going east arrived upon the scene, and then walked across the road, and after helping his wife and daughters in, followed them inside himself. The occ-pants of the 'bus seemed to be much surprised, especially as the ladies wate attired in garden-party dresses; but their wonder was nothing compared with that of the numerous flunkeys gathered outside the house, who watched the occur-

AGE AND MARRIAGE.

A woman's prospect of marriage is dis of all countries show that the great majority of women marry between the

ages of twenty and thirty. Before reach-

"that I am come to make you unhappy. I know I am a brute, for you have said it, but be patient. I can never expect to take the place in your heart that was held by my poor brother, but you have my promise that if ever heaven blesses us with an heir he shall be named

So they were married, and in 1868 a baby son was born. It is the custom of the Greek Church for the Patriarch, in ehristening a child, to receive its name from the mother. So the Patriarch turned to Dagmar and asked :

"And what is the name by which this child shall be known? Speak, that it be given him in the presence of wit-Before the Grand Duchess could oper

Nicholas in memory of our brother.

TSAR NICHOLAS.

before the Grand Duchess could open her lips, although she was about to say "Alexander," the Tsarevitch cried out in a loud voice : "Nicholas! So let his name be."

Alexander had not forgotten his pro-



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Eat, drink and be merry, for to morrow you die," was their motto; and if in the midst of the frantic dance or debauched revel one of them dropped dead, the others only shrieked with laughter, hurled the livid body out to the street, and the emoniac mirth grew twice as fast and furious as before. Robbers and cut-purses paraded the streets at noon-day, entered boldly closed and deserted houses, and bore off with impunity whatever they pleased. Highwaymen infested Hounslow Heath, and all the roads leading from the city, levying a toll on all who passed and plundering fearlessly the flying citizens. In fact, far-famed Londor town, in the year of grace 1665. would have given one a good idea of pandemonium broken loose.

It was drawing to the close of an almost tropical June day that the crowd who had thronged the precincts of St. Paul's since early morn ing began to disperse. The sun, that had throbbed the livelong day like a great heart of fire in a sea of brass, was suking from sight in clouds of crimson, purple and gold, yet Paul's Walk was crowded. There were court gallants in ruffles and plumes; ballad-singers chanting the not overdelicate ditties of the Earl of Rochester; usurers exchanging gold for bonds worth three times what they gave for them; quack doctors reading in dolorous tones the bills of mortality of the proceeding day, and selling plague-waters and anti-pestilential abominations, whose merit they boldly extolled; ladies, too, richly dressed, and many of them masked; and booksellers who always made St. Paul's a favorite haunt, and even to this day patronize its precincts, and flourish in the regions of Paternoster Row and Ave Maria Lane; court pages in rich liveries, pert and flippant, serving-men out of place. and pickpockets with a keen eye to business; all clashed and jostled together, raising a din to which the Plain of Shipar, with its confusion of tongues and Babylonian workmen, were as noth-

Moving serenly through this discordant sea of his fellow-creatures came a young man booted and spurred, whose rich doublet of cherry colored velvet, edged and spangled with gold and jaunty hat set slightly on one side of his head, with its long black plums and diamond clasp, proclaimed him to be somebody. A profusion of snowy shirt frill rushed impetuously out of his doublet; a black velvet cloak, lined with amber satin, fell picturesquely from his shoulders; a sword with a jeweled hilt clanked on the pavement as he walked. One hand was covered with a gauntlet of canary colored kid, perfumed 'to a degree that would shame any belle of to-day, the other, which rested lightly on his sword hilt, flashed with a splenoid opal splendidly set. He was a handsome fellow, too, with fair waving hair (for he had the good taste to discard the ugly wigs then in vogue), dark, bright, handsome eyes, a thick blonde mustache, a tall and remarkably graceful figure and an expression of countenance then?' wherein easy good nature and fiery impetuosity had a hard struggle for mastery. That he was a courtier of

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rank was apparent from his rich at- and times more than she ever will "Then what an idiot you are "Then ber like her shad tire and rather aristocratic bearing, and a crowd of hangers-on followed him as he went, loudly demanding spur money. A group of trimbrelspur money. A group of trumprei-girls, singing shrilly the songs of the day, called boldly to him as he pass-ed: and eus of them, more free and you were in my place, you'd act ex-mask. In one hand, exquisitely

half so much as I do the thought of losing her."

Again Sir Norman stared. 'Oh, I see! It's a hopeless case. Faith, I begin to feel curious to see this enchantress, who has managed so effectually to turn your brain.

When did you see her last?" "Yesterday," said Ormiston, with a deep sigh. "And if she were made with a scythe in one hand of bone, and an hour-glass in the other, kept watch and ward. Opposite this of granite she could not be harder to cheerful-looking guardian, was a tall me than she is." figure in black, standing motionless, "So she doesn't care about you, as if it, too, was carved in ebony

It was a female figure, very tall and "Not she. She has a little Blenslight, but as beautifully symmetri-cal as a Venus Celestis. Her dreso heim lapdog that she loves a thous-

was of black velvet, that, swept the polished floor, spangled all over with stars of gold and rich rubies. A pro-

keep haunting her like her shadow! Why don't you be a man, and tear fusion of shining black hair in waves and curls Tell almost to her feet; but

sickly, watery gleam, he saw himself to go directly up and see about it, ıgain standing, pale and dejected, and you can follow or not, just as lear the wall. But he was not you please." alone; the same glittering vision in purple and diamonds stood before

thing which surprised Sir Norman

most of all was to find himself

standing beside her, the cynosure of all eyes. While he yet gazed in min-

gled astonishment and incredulity,

the scene faded away and another

took its place. This time a dun-

geon-cell, damp and dismal; walls

and floor and ceiling covered with green and hideous slime. A' small

was drawn out reeking with her life

blood. This was a little too much

'or the real Sir Norman and with an

expression of indignant consterna-

ill faded away, and the reflection of

is own 'excited face looked up at

La Masque, quietly; "but you must

Again she threw a portion of the

ontents of the casket into the cal-

Another cloud of smoke

Two men were lying on

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fron, and "spake aloud the words of

crose and filled the room, and when

third and less startling sight. The scene and place he could not discov-

r, but it seemed to him like night in

he ground and bound fast together,

t appeared to him. As he looked it

aded away, and once more his own

lace seemed to mock him in the clear

"No," said Sir Norman, promptly;

'Right! and one of them was

"Dead!" exclaimed Sir Norman

"If you cannot tell that, neither

can I: If there is anything further

rou wish to see, I am quite willing

"I'm obliged to you," said Sir Norman, stepping back; "but no more at present, thank you. Do

you mean to say, madam, that I'm

"I have said nothing-all you've

your destiny be for good or evil,

have nothing to do with it, except

"that if La Masque could strew Sir

"Madam, you are too kind," said

pleased and decidedly puzzled

and Mr. Ormiston looked savagely

animated skeleton who had admitted

them closed the door after them; and

the two friends stood in the twi-

CHAPTER II.

"Well, said Ormiston, drawing

long breath, "what do you think of

Sir Norman, looking rather bewilder-

ed. "I'm in such a state of mystifi-

"Think? Don't ask me yet."

and uncompromisingly jealous.

light on London Bridge.

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the young gentleman, laying his

hand on his heart, while Ormiston

lect stranger to you."

"Not so, Sir Norman.

the sweet voice, earnestly

"it was Ormiston and myself."

with a perceptible start.

cleared away Sir Norman beheld a

ook on still another scene."

"I told you not to speak." said

im from the caldron.

bower."

storm.

one, madam?

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to show it to you.

water.

on he sprang upright. Instantly it

(To be continued.) 1437. aim, and suddenly he drew his sword and plunged it up to the hilt in her A FIRE, SURE ENOUGH. aeart! The beautiful vision fell like t stone at his feet, and the sword

But He Needn't Have Been So Much Alarmed About It.

"The joke is on me," said the drummer s he handed out the cigars. "Ever since have been on the road I have had a horror of some day being caught at night in a burning hotel and burned up like a rat in a hole. Every time I read of a hotel fire it sends the cold chills up and down my back. I have always made it a point upon registering at a hotel to demand a oom on the ground floor or at least one on the second floor. But I do not always get what I ask for, as I find that there are others who think as I do about the matter. Such was the case the other day when I stopped at a hotel in the western part of the state, where I was obliged to accent a

room on the fifth floor. "When I went to my room, I left orders with the clerk to have a fire built in my room the first thing in the morning. The next thing I remember was hearing some one pounding on my door. I am a heavy

sleeper, and I have just a dim recollection of asking what was wanted and getting a reply, the only word of which I caught was fire. But that was enough. I was wide awake in an instant, and, jumping out of bed, threw on a few clothes and started down stairs, taking four steps at a time. "'Where's that fire? I yelled at the clerk as I rushed into the office. "'Fire?' answered the clerk, raising his

eyebrows. 'Why, I sent the porter up to "Then I took in the whole situation. I embered having knocked some one over as I dashed out of my room, and it turned out that it was the unlucky porter.

"Now, that is the whole story, and a cigar goes with it. If you hear anything lse, it is a lie, and you buy your own ci-

Punctures. Does a Chinaman ever get "broke?" Aguinaldo is playing a Luzon game. Toil is rest for the man weary of doing

othing. Every failure is valuable in teaching ow to do things. The insurgents have rifled Manila, but they were too far off to hit it. It is probable that it would not require so much time for the Chinese to rat-ify a treaty.

He who makes a mistake often does nore for his fellows than he who does nothing. Success hardly ever recognizes a man

who never does anything to attract its at-Crime and Disease.

Science, the final authority, has long ince decreed orime to be a disease. Accordingly when the man killed his wife and children his friends were very

apprehensive for his health. In no small anxiety they awaited the progress of the malady. But the next day the man killed only

his grandmother and one of the servants. It was plain he was mending. The attending physicians issued hopeful bulletins, predicting that within a, week

or so the man wouldn't be killing anybody to speak of. An Omission.

Footelight-Did you notice that on the programmes now the name of every person who furnishes anything for use in the theater is printed?

Sue Brette-Well, I don't find the name of the person who furnished these egg ention that I den's rightly knew Thich were used in your act.

MYSTIFIED

ing twenty a woman has, of course, a A prominent member of the Upper chance of matrimony, but the objections House recently engaged a wild Irish raised by parents or friends to marriage youth from Connemara as footman. at a tender age frequently ontweigh the " Pat," said his lordship one morning, desire of the young woman to acquire a ' see if your mistress is ' at home ' today." "That she is, your lordship; sure Oi husband, and lead her to defer the wedding day.

jist saw her go into the dhrawing-room," said Pat, who was ignorant of the ways All the statistics that have been gathered bear out the statement that a of high society. "You misunderstand me, Pat." said woman's best chance to marry is at the age of twenty-five, that over six-tenths of the marriages take place before twenty his lordship; "go and ask your mistress if she is 'at home ' to-day." and thirty, and consequently that " Well." muttered Pat. as he obeyed "if his lordship ain't quare. Shure Oi jist saw her ladyship in the dhrawin'woman's chance increases up to twentyfive, and steadily decreases after that age until it reaches the vanishing point room, an' the masther asks is she at somewhere about sixty. home! An' now Oi've got to ask her that sante, an' she in the house all the toime!

Out of 1,000 married women 149 marry before the age of twenty, 680 between twenty and thirty, 111 between thirty and forty, the woman in the thirties •Are yez at home, my lady ?" he asked, thrusting his head into the drawing-"No Patrick," replied his mistress, having not so good a chance as the girl in her teens; between the ages of forty Pat stared instupefaction a minute, then In her teens; between the ages of long and fifty the falling off is enormous, only 41 in 1,000 contracting an alliance in that decade; while past fifty the chances still further diminish, for the woman slowly retired. Well, well! Phwere does she think

FOUR HUNDRED YEARS OF MUFFS.

It is just 400 years ago, in the first cold

days of the winter of 1499, that the muff

made its appearance in Europe, and not

in Russia as one might suppose. but in

the Republic of Venice. The Venctians

The modern girl is far too athletic to use

such a hand-contining article. She wants

her hands free, and unless she is in a carriage seldom thinks of using one.

A MYSTERY.

for a time. What is the cause?

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Are the animals affected by

Inertia

"I suppose," said the relation who sym-pathizes, "that your husband's business

"No," answered Mr. Meekton's wife.

"He wouldn't bother himself to stand "p.

affairs have come to a standstill.

she is, poor sowl! Sure, it's mad she is. an' the masther, too! More's the pity!' who has celebrated the semi-centennial of her birth has only nineteen chance Le exclaimed. in 1,000.

### A HARD RAP FOR THE DOCTOR

Many years ago, while working on the parapets of Beverley Minister, a plumber overbalanced himself and fell into the graveyard below, a distance of nearly sixty feet. Happily, instead of meeting with immediate death, the poor fellow got over his terrible fall, though he was laid up for many weeks with a broken

who "held the gorgeous East in fee." leg and internal injuries. were great lovers of costly furs, and, by a One day, while conversing with him process of evolution, probably mufls about his improving state, his doctor obgrew out of the voluminous sleeves

"Yours, B----, is a remarkable case. which Senators and other reverend per-"1 ours, Down, is a tennation cost. I'm sure you ought to first heartily thankful to God that you have been spared, after such a fearful fall." "Yes, doctor," returned the patient theoretically " to doubt L condition to find which senators and other reversed per-sons used to wear. But it is to be feared that those worthy people who love to celebrate centenaries will have to lose the opportunity. Somehow the mult seems to have gone completely out of fashion, and is rarely seen nowadays. The modern give is far too and

thoughtfully, "no doubt it ought to feel thankful. But what ought those in your position to feel who never fell at all ?"



The bicycle is probably the cause of the disappearance of the muft, which, like many other early and middle Victorian A man went into a barber's shop in articles of woman's attire, it has com-pletely routed. Four hundred years is, Glasgow one day to get shaved. He was a Highlander from the West of Scothowever, a good long life for a not abso-lutely indispensable bit of dress, and no land, and he made his living by selling brooms. The barber bought one, and after he had finished shaving him, asked him the price of the broom. doubt the mufl will linger on among us for many years to come. "Twopence," was the reply. The barber thought that was too much. "Here's

a penny," he said, "and if you are not content with that, you can take back the broom The Highlander took back the broom

A curious mystery is the temporary uneasiness of animals about au hour and then asked what he had to pay for being shaved. "A penny," was the reply. The Highlander pulled out a elderly people waken and turn over for half-penny and gave it to the barber. "If you are not content with that," he another sleep, cocks crow, dogs become said, " you may put on my beard again." uneasy, and horses and cattle move about for a short period, when stillness returns

ON THE ROCKS.

magnetic wave which precedes sunlight an hour or so, or is the habit one of heredity passed down through number-A clergyman who was totally devoid of knowledge of seamanship once less generations from an original wild preached to a congregation of sailors, Thinking to impress his lesson 'upon

state, when an alertness just before day light was necessary for protection from his hearers more distinctly, he pictured a ship trying to enter a harbour against a head wind. Unfortunately for the a head wind. Officientately for ence success of his metaphor, his ignorance of seamanship placed the ship in several

ingular positions. "What shall we do next ?" he cried. "Come down off the bridge," cried an ild tar, in disgust, "an' lemme take

old tar, in disgust, "an' lemme take command, or ye'll 'ave us all on the He just takes things easy and lets them rocks in another 'arf a second.' titt at a sit down still "

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Before buying inspect our s to buy. All EARLY.

J. R. WOTH THE UNIVE

THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1904 Bush Fire Prigade. School Concert at Waterloo. Beaufort United Common. ARARAT ATLETIC CLUB. Beaufort Bush Fire Brigade. The annual meeting of the Beaufort The managers of the above Common An exc-llent coucert was given by GRAND CARNIVAL, District Bush Fre Brigade was held at the the State school children of Waterloo met at the secretary's office on 20th THE above Organisation having been formed to cope with bush fires throughout the surrounding district during the summer, and funds being argently needed to provide appar-atus and defray the expense of conveying men to fires, landholders are respectfully solicited, in their own interests, to support the Brigade by forwarding donations to either the treasurer (Mr. Sinclair), the collector (Mr. Topper), or the undersigned. Snire Hall on Thursday night; Mr G. in the local Mechanics' Hall on Friday inst. Present-Messre Humphreys Topper in the chair, and 13 members present: The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The house, and the entertainment was much JANY. 2nd, 1905. Flynn, and Browne (secretary.) RECORD ENTRIES for all Events, The minutes of the previous meeting ecretary (Mr D. Cameron) then read the appreciated. The children gave evidence Including leading Riders and Pedestrians in the States. were read and confirmed; following report :--I It is the pleasing duty of your retring officer and committee to present to you their congratu-lations in this their third annual report on the absence of firse during last summer in conse-quence of the very wet season, which kept the grass green all the year round. I have to report that after our last annual meeting the circulars were posted to the various landholders in the riding, soliciting donations in ald of the brigade funds, but I am sorry to say that the appeal was not responded to in the manner we expected; to the treasurer. Perhaps, it being a wet season, Grand BAND CONTEST. CHRISTMAS D. CAMERON, Secy. PECIAL TRAIN from Beaufort Mrs. MULLINS, Returning Same Evening. MIDWIFE. EXCURSION FARES. WITHOUT PRESENTS! LATE OF CASTERTON, Full Particulars all Stations. HAS taken Mr. Helpin's house (next door to Mr. McKeich's). Ladies accommo-dated indisposition. Medical attendance. Terms moderate. Will also attend ludies at their own homes. Address Post Office, Beaufort. only 12 out of the 160 sending in their donations to the treasurer. Perhaps, it being a wet season, I undholders thought there would be no need for the brigade. Since last meeting, brooms, axes and beaters have been procured, and are now in the fire brigade station; also arrangements have been made with Mr J. Harris to hire out bis hart every one could enjoy the perform-played an overture to the delight of the been made with Mr J. Harris to hire out bis paniet. throughout the entertainment, paid previously, if required. It will now be summer and grassing duty to elect your officers for the ensuing year. Balance-sheet is submitted for your approval. A statement of receipts and expenditure D. B. MORRIS Joint H. S. MILLER Secs. A CARD. Who can imagine it CLEGG & MILLER, OST, Bottom Set of Artificial Teeth. Re-ward on returning same at this Office. A R O E I T E O T S, LYDIARD STREET, BALLARAT. SUMMER, 1904-5. Mr. Miller visits Beaufort periodically. Appointments made by letter. Wm. C. PEDDER, A statement of receipts and expenditure love butter," followed by 14 girls, the previous half-year, viz., about £48. J. B. COCHRAN, (cartified to as correct by Mr A. Parker) was then read, the former amounting to E14 93.9d, and the latter to £7 2s 10d, thus leaving a credit balance of £7 16s 11d. Description of the decreased, but an opening that the applause was WHEELWRIGHT & BLACKSMITH BEGS to intimate that he has secured the latest IMPROVED APPLIANCES AND NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT, NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT, Wishes to thank his numerous custoners for past favours, hoping for a continuance of same, and wishing them all a Merry Xmas, and Huppy New Year, with health and prosperity. He has just opened up a large assortment of choice Toys, Xmas. and New Year Cards, Perfumery and Fancy Goods, At very Moderate Prices. Come and see. NELL STREET, BEAUFORT, Wishes to thank his numerous custoners for in dustance of sall branches of the trade, and TYRE-CUTTING a SPECIALTY. Thirty-six years' experience of all branches of the trade, At very Moderate Prices. Come and see. NELL STREET, BEAUFORT, Wishes to thank his numerous custoners for and wishing them all a Merry Xmas, and Huppy has just opened up a large assortment of choice Toys, Zmas. and New Year Cards, At very Moderate Prices. Come and see. Every day of our business life we -Received and adopted, on the motion of deafening ; but an encore had to be the common, the herdsman's percentage are THINKING HARD, and puzzling Measrs Coohran and N. Andrews. denied owing to the length of the pro. On fees collected be increased on and Mr Sinclair moved that a bonus of £1 1s gramme. A recitation was next given after the 1st February, 1905, from 50 be passed to the secretary, on the motion by Eva Evans, but it was unheard by to 75 per cent. It was also resolved out the momentous question, as to of Messre Sinclair and Cochran. most of the audience owing to several that the bordsman lay poison on the The following officers were re-elected, on the motion of Mr Coobran, seconded by how we can offer something OUT babies crying in chorns during the common for the destruction of rabbits, whole of the delivery. The infant boys to the number of 16 gave a capital The following accounts were passed Mr N. Andrews :- Captain, Mr W. G. Stevens; lieutenants, Messrs H. M. Stuart, OF THE COMMON LINE to the dis-OUR MR. E. H. ROGERS G. Hellyer and W. Baker; apparatus offi-cers, Measrs L. Lilley and B. Baker; secreschool recitation and action song under for payment :-Herdsman, £20; secre Here's the direction of Miss Bourne, the effort | tary, £10. criminating taste of our customers. WILL OPEN being a capital oue. A fan drill by six tary, Mr D. Cameron ; treasurer; Mr Sin-The meeting then adjourned. Your clair ; advisory board, three of the officers, girls (attired as Japanese) fairly brough Sale and Sample Room, with Senior-constable Nicholson, Mr J. B. down the house, and had perforce to be Ararat and Stawell Mining Cochran, and Constable Deeley. ⋇ repeated. A recitation ("The baby's Chance. Mr Sinclair expressed surprise at the stocking") and action song ("I am mother's little maiden") by 20 infant NEILL-ST., BEAUFORT, poor support accorded the brigade by landholders, in whose interests the brigade Board. At this time of the year you are girls was splendidly rendered and held at the Board rooms, Ararat, on From 23rd inst. worked, and thought that donations should  $\checkmark$ worked, and thought that donations should vociferously encored. Mr R. Baker Monday, when there were present-Special Lines from all Depts... nly be asked from those who had not recited "The collegian and the porter," Messra J. B. Burton, Holly, McDonald, Captain Stevens pointed out that money and, later on, "My first dog," both Williamson, Hodgetts, Browne, Curprobably on the look-out for somewas hadly needed, as the brigade was not efforts being thoroughly appreciated, nick, Bath, and Humphreys. ✐₽₽₽ thing in the way of Presents. They NOTE.-GREAT VARIETY OF XMAS. AND NEW YEAR GIFTS .... of £6 was required for putting out stumps. Provision should also be made for a place must be uncommon and tasty, or Any Order you may favor him with "Japanese fair," and their singing and Earle) owing to illness, Mr Humphrey. <%;;;;< will receive our best attention. . . , to lock the tools in. He thought the bridancing were so very good that the was voted to the chair. to lock the tools in. He thought the bri-gade should again make a general appeal. andience warmly encored the n mber. Mr Cochran suggested that a notice be The same remark applies to the next you feel that you are not doing the gade should again make a general appeal. Mr Cochran suggested that a notice be put in the paper, asking those who had not responded to the appeal for funds to do so. His name did not appear, but he considered he had done as much as those Yours faithfully, best in the matter of selection. Lincoln Stuart & Co. Proprietary Ltd., not responded to the appeal for funds to do so. His name did not appear, but he considered he had done as much as those whose names were down. He had always given the use of his ponies and provided refreshments, and would do the same again. He had always repeated a verse in response to an en-General Outfitters, Household Furnishers, &c., &c., Flinders Street, Melbourne, For this Season's Novelties we have repeated a verse in response to an en- adjourned for the customary ten minutes. gain, Mr Siaclair said he did not mean that core. Miss Felventhal recited "The and on resuming, the question of whether Baker and Rouse property owners should not subscribe, but Empire's Queen"-a very fine effort, another meeting should be held this year. that the people who were generous enough for which she was deservedly encored, before it becomes defunct was discussed, before it becomes defunct was discussed. that the people who were generous enough to give last year should not be asked to do ao this year. But he did think that those who wanted to assist the brigade was very gracefully performed, the lead-thould send their money along, and quite agreed with what the captain said. No one could say their money was soundered. of the best items on the programme BEEN TO ENGLAND, PROPY. LTD. Largest and Most Complete Stock of PHOTOGRAPHIC We have imported something new agreed with what the captain said. 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It was decided, on the motion of Meastra gave a good Cantontion of sword drift, Sinclair and N. Andrews, that circulars be and did credit to their instructor, Mr ent out to property owners appealing for J. Gilligan. The applause was treionstions, exempting those who subscribed mendous, and the boys had to give last year, and that in appeal for funds be the drill again before the audience were satisfied. Mr Cowley heartily thanked the audience for their etter thanked the Mr Decley remarked that if farmers did not being remarked that in farmers did not feel disposed to help the brigade they would stand a good chance of being left to chift fur themselves. I asked him if f

to shift for themselves. The chairman and secretary were ap-pointed collectors, on the motion of Messry St-vens and Deeley. Mr Stevens mentioned that the Crown ands bailiff had suggested that they should indebtedness to the members of the staff for their assistance and especially indebtedness to the members of the staff for their assistance and especially indebtedness to the members of the of children in so admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in so admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in so admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in so admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in so admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in so admirable is admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in so admirable is admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in or admirable is admirable indebtedness in despecially is admirable indebtedness to the members of the of children in or admirable is admirable tainment. He also thanked the parents ands bailing not suggested that they should staff for their assistance, and especially noved that the secretary write to the Mits Bourne, who had prepared the Forestry Department, explaining the or-anization, and asking for assistance. Seconded by Mr L. Hains, and carried.

Mr Deeley apologised for the absence of the children forward. Mr Cowley also senior-constable Nicholson, and asked that the children forward. Mr Cowley also Mr Cochran moved that all on the roll last year he again enrolled, provided they re willing to act. Seconded by Mr Cam-

Cr. Flynn, in a few well-chosen seneron, and carried. The opinion having been expressed that ences, expressed the pleasure derived from the entertainment and the gratinen who left their own work to fight a bush fire should be paid at least as much tude of the parents towards Mr Cowley is they had lost, the captain remarked and his staff for the trouble taken by that if they were supported as they should them in bringing the children to such a hat if they were supported as they should be, he would try to put the brigade on a proper footing, and that it depended on the support received as to whether they are the the object of the entertainment was to raise funds in order that the

Mr Cochran thought that property ownrs should bind themselves to so much a year, say 10s, so that the brigade could cation of the children and also to purestablish a fund and pay the men a trifle. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks o the chair.

Middle Creek. (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Between 40 and 50 children, under the conductorship of Mr Cowley, then

The usual monthly meeting of the local branch A.N.A. was held in the Public Hall on the 16th inst., President P. J. Russell in the chair. There was a good itendance of members. Correspondence as received as follows :- From H. J. particularly good. Miss Cowley Richards, apologising for absence from manipulated a planoforte selection ir meeting on account of recent bereavement; ceceived, the acting secretary to send letter of condolence to Mr and Mrs Richards, of the Chairman Anthem. On the proposition National Anthem. On the proposition of the Chairman, a very hearty vote of ympathising with them in their sad be thanks was acco ded Mr Cowley and reavement. From J. A. Lewie, thanking members for again electing him as one of bis staff for the really excellent enter-

the auditors; received. From Member tainment provided. Sanderson, re payment of arrears; re-The total receip's amounted to £8 Sanderson, re payment of arrears; re-evived. From fate committee, asking for 7s 6d, and the expenditure to  $\pounds 1$  17.  $\pounds S$  guarantee against loss; the guarantee 5d, thus leaving a credit balance of  $\pounds 6$ 

to be given. From metropolitan commit- 10s 1d. tee, recombined syllabus ; received. From Terang branch, thanking members for donation towards their appeal; received, An appeal was received from Port Mel-We learn from the "Ararat Advertiser" that Mr Wm. McMahon, who for a term of over three years has filled the position of

bourne branch, towards which 6s was received in the room, list to be kept open until after next meeting. The member appointed to see branch chemist reported that satisfactory arrangements had been made. The acting secretary read the balf-yearly balance-sheet, which was received and adopted; it showed a satisfactory increase in the funds. Accounts amounting o about £12 were passed for payment. Subscriptions amounting to £7 were recsived, and the meeting was then closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

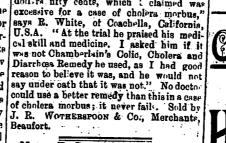
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over three years has filled the position of truant inspector in connection with the Edu-oation Department, has received notice of his transfer to Bendigo, where he succeeds Mr H. Ingham. The latter, an old Ararat resident, has been appointed an inspector of foctories. Mr Mc Wahon's friends will harn of his removal with regret which will be foctories. Mr Mc Wahon's friends will learn of his removal with regret, which will be tempered by the fact that it brings him pro-motion. Whilst he has been a zealous officer of the department, he has also been urbane and kindly in his dealings with those over i whom he had to exercise a watehful eye. CLARKE'S 41 B PILLS are warranted to cure A

DO YOU KNOW That Chamberlain's Cough Rémedy is a favorite, and preferred to any other, by all the second qualities? J. R. WorrHERBFOON & Co., Merchants, Beaufort. Co., Merchants,

Ararat "Advertiser."

SUED BY HIS DOCTOR.



Messra F. Beggs. M. Flynn, and G for the manner in which she had brought the children forward. Mr Cowley also thanked Cr. Flynn for presiding, as well as members of the Board of Advice for their attendance.



ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF HAMPDEN BEAUFORT DIVISION.

teachers could supply the necessary THE Ratepayers' and General I.i ts for the above Division -A.D 1904-5-arenow Labove Division - A.D. 1904-5-aranow apparatus in connection with the edu-classe material to provide sports and pleasure for the children. Mr Cowley mentioned that Admiral Bridges had very kindly sent a cheque for fill connection with the necessary classe material to provide sports and Mr Cowley mentioned that Admiral Bridges had very kindly sent a cheque

C. W. MINCHIN, Begistrar. Beaufort, 22nd Decr., 1904.

the conductorship of Mr Cowley, then pleasingly rendered threastong, entitled "While gladness bails the parting year," "The ploughboy," and "Winter school song"; the part singing being particularly good Microsoft School on WEDNESDAY evening, at 7 of lock to take into consideration the possibility of the Lake Goldsmith Water Reserve being leased, and to formulate a scheme by which this may be prevented.

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FATHER XMAS.

#### THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1904.

#### Marconi's Early Life. ISN'T IT QUEER? The influence of mothers on the

### Isn't it queer that some people care more for what they eat than for how they feel? Another strange thing is that when

### A Convincing Proof.

The Case of Mrs. L. STEPHENS. (By a Melbourne Reporter.)

ton, we can confidently recommend our good medicine to have in the home and is readers to perse it and allow them to widely known for its cures of diarrhess and arrive at their own decisions. Mrs. all forms of bowel trouble. For sale by J. NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT. Every satisfaction guaranteed. Cleanlines and Civility. Stephens said :---

"Soven years ago I was fortunate in getting rid of an illness which seemed to have got hold of me for life. This to have got hold of the for the to the to was before I was married, when I used to work a sewing-machine a good deal, and when I was at my home in New-ham, not far from Kyneton, where I

"It was through reading a book that

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was put under my door that I gave Cle-ments Tonio a trial, and I always say how glad I am that I read a case like

ham, not far from Kyneton, where I also lived at one time." "What was the nature of your ill-ness. Mrs. Stephens?" "Well, my father, and everybody thought I was going into consumption, but, thank God, my case was not that. No: but you would have thought so, to look at me; my face was so deathly white, and there was not the slightest particle of colour in my lips either. And, oh! how terribly thin I was-for all the world like a shadow, instead of a human being, and there was just about as much, or, rather. ds little, life in me as could be expected in one so frail and delicate. It was poorness of blood I was suffering from, and I be-lieve I would be nearer the mark if I said I had no blood in me at all, for I was as weak as it was possible to be. I felt it was a trouble to do anything, the least exertion always being sufficient to exhaust me so that for an hour or two I. would be compared the backers. This

to exhaust me so that for an hour or two I would be almost helpless. This wretched feebleness was not my only trouble, as I was afflicted in ways that would have distracted a woman much strenger than I was. I had such head-aches as you never heard of—racking, piercing pains that dulled my intellect and made me so despondent and mopish that I could not find the least interest in anything in the world May heaven

SOCIETY'S GENTLEMAN AND NA-TURE'S NOBLEMAN.

Yet, cheerfulness is a virtue that can

ing we had barely time to jump into the Hudson R. R. cars ere the train moved off. My wife had just risen from a sick-bed, and was so weak that she sat down on the nearest seat until 1 could secure Pullman berths. A well-

sudden rain storms so frequent in Colorado had disturbed the service, and we were obliged to retrace our way, and at a late hour of night take a pass ng train. It was too late to telegraph for a Pullman berth, and when the down train came it was crowded in every car. Almost despairing, I called out to

Another strange thing is that when people know that re-breathed air is an active poison, many have a horror of pure air in their homes, and especially in their bedrooms. Also queer, that while all people have

pend, that Health is the vital principle of bliss, And exercise of health.

#### A RUNAWAY STOPPED BY A SER-MON.

of sympathy and love. Marconi, the famous electrician, used to accompany his mother on her travels; now she ac-companies him on his. She who en-couraged him in his early efforts, is now the happy witness of his marvelcarriage.

THE CHEERFUL COUNTENANCE. A cheery heart makes a pleasant face and from the same source proceeds the hearty impulse to speak the kind word The bright face and hopeful, helpful

cheerful person is such a comfort. Of course, some dispositions are na-urally more cheerful than others, and arroundings may have their influence Vat, cheerful have their influence

It is not to be wondered at if the clouds that enshroud us seem, at the time, to be darker and heavier than were ever any before. It requires a tremendous effort, sometimes, to even try to lift one's head to the light, while it is utterly impossible to think of the idea of reflecting it. Perhaps, if we knew, those who ap-pear the most light-heacted and sunny have burdens of sorrow and trouble

Meeting him one morning I asked and perplexities that we might im to tell me the secret of his con-

### NOT A VIRTUE.

upon the hearts of our neighbours. I we must be bad tempered, we should

at least keep our venom locked up in

our breasts, and not let it out to wound

others. Truths need not be unpleas-ant in order to be accurate. Are there

no lovely, charming, gracious truths in the world? If there are, why cann it people diligently tell these, making others happier for the telling, rather than hasten to proclaim all the dis-gracestle ones they can discover?

agreeable ones they can discover? The judicious flatterer is sure to be

a favorite, for—no matter what is said

to the contrary-there is no one quite

who cannot recognise truth in a pleas-

IN HASTE.

Each note I'd read, and read again,

Until I knew them quite by heart; They seemed, as I perused them o'er, Of her sweet self a very part!

At last she named our wedding-day

told her she should be my queen, And in my heart should reign alway?

We're married now-but, saints de-

Look at her slipshod shoes unlaced

How eagerly I kissed her, when

I married Ethelind in haste.

LOVE AND MARRIAGE.

There is no real sur-

Those uncomfortable people who pride themselves upon saying just what they think, on all occasions, are unpopular, and deserve to be. Their boasted frankness is generally ill-con-cealed malice, and their unsolicited

# Also queer, that while all péople have a horror of disease, they are so long in finding out that the only sure way of avoiding disease is by keeping every organ in the body perfectly well. So queer that while we are so deathly afraid of germs, microbes, bacteria, etc., we live in such a way that our bodies become deficient in resisting power to these same germs, and when they are present, we expect in some miraculous manuer to have them expelled. Crower that while we all want so much to Italy to complete her musical stud-Queer that while we all want so much to enjoy life, with all its comforts. pleasures and happiness, we are so app torget that upon health these all de-

The late Archbishop Tait, of .anter-

bury, once made an effective use of a sermon. Driving down a hill, after church, he was confronted by a runaway horse with a heavy cart, making straight for his the serve of the server of the se He immediately threw a serwildered by the fluttering leaves that it swerved and paused; the driver re-

"I don't know," he said to his com-panion, the Archbishop of York, "whether my sermon did any good to tone are like the warm ray of sunlight that reaches through clouds and gloom,

anything in the world. May heaven spare other women from becoming half as down-hearted and miserable as I was, Leaving New York hurriedly one even

as down-hearted and miserable as I was, for I positively felt weary of life. The food that was given to me, let it be as tasty and nicely-prepared as possible, I could scarcely touch, for if any-body had a wretched appetite it was myself." "That was unfortunate, as you were deprived of the chance of gaining strength from nourishing foods?" "Yes; it was a great pity." replied Mrs. Stephens, with a sigh, "and then, again, I could not digest the food I did swallow. That was I kept so low and feeble, and I suppose the extreme weakdressed gentleman, with diamond shirt-studs, crustily informed us the section was his, and nothing would suit him but

was his, and nothing would suit him but an immediate removal. Some time afterwards I was in the West, and had in charge a young man who was journeying back to say his last farewell to his family, accompanied by his wife, worn with nursing and weary with heartsickness. One of those feeble, and I suppose the extreme weak-ness I was labouring under accounts for my nervous system becoming so unhing-ed. But here, I could go on for an other hour talking about my ailments but I think what I have said should suffice to give other sufferers an idea of the alarming state of health I was in, and for their sake I am only too glad to tell you the wonderful things that happened when I started to take Cle-ments Tonic." "Were you advised to adopt that course?"

car. Almost despairing, I called out to know whether any gentleman in the car would give up his berth to a very sick man. At once a rough head and shaggy beard appeared through a cur-tain, and a gruff voice shouted "Fire him in here, Johnny." Nor would this noble ruffian permit me to repay him for his section, which in the extrava-gance of new wealth he had taken all to himself; but displaying a roll of notes, guessed "he didn't want no money from a sick tenderfoot." Some-times I wish I could meet "society's gentleman" again, and tell him about "nature's nobleman" in the Rocky now giad 1 am that 1 read a case like tinine in it, because I was then encour-aged to try that splendid remedy, which was really the best I had ever taken. I say this because Clements Tonic made my health better than it had ever been before, and after a while you' should have seen the look of surprise that was written on the faces of those who had

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sibly bear. To those who so un-complainingly carry them, day after day, and wear after year, they may be redoubled and intensified beyond what we have any concention of. These seem to be the very ones who,

ever ready to bear others' burdens, yet never inflict theirs on another. Still in real need, they would gratefully accept a helping hand, and are always glad of the cheery word.

PRECEPT WITHOUT PRACTICE. A lady had in her employ an excel. lent servant who had one fault-her what we think, unless we think first of

ies. There she met and married a young Italian of good family. She hac two sons and devoted her life to then training. She took her eldest with her could be done for his eyes. "Go with my wife and Johnnie," said the father. "I cannot go; I dare not go. But stay with her till it is all the father distance of the second s interest in electricity and chemistry and to construct little instruments. His mother bought him books and periodi cals to guide and instruct him. Money was spent on him, and every encour

world's progress in science, art, and

commerce is not sufficiently recognis ed. Some of the cleverest men in all

professions and industries have been chiefly indebted to their mothers for

their success. I could name a dozen well-known men as instances of this

A daily paper adds another to the list. An Irish lady, Annie Jameson, daugh-ter of the famous distiller—a beautiful and high-spirited girl, was given every

educational advantage that money and

Ireland could afford, and then was sen

lous success.

e cultivated.

is not sufficiently recognis

agement was given him in his work. One of the rooms of the house was given up to him as a laboratory. His mother took the greatest interest in all he did. Between mother and son there always was, and still is, a strong bond of somethy mother has a strong bond

gained control, the sermon was picked up, and the divine calmly proceeded on

the congregation to-day, but it certain-ly was of considerable service to myand stirs to happy life and action. A

face was always grimy. The lady was anxious to tell her to wash her face,

THE FIRST SIGHT OF HIS

MOTHER.

A minister living in an Indiana vil-

lage received a call one night from a parishioner. "Will you go to Indi-anapolis for me?" he asked. "We have

decided to send Johnnie there for an operation. We have received encour-

agement that he may yet be made to

Johnnie had been born without sight, and now, a little lad of six, bright and sunny, and hardly realiz-

ing that he lacked anything to make

life happy, he was facing a future of darkness, little hope having till now

been given to the parents that anything.

over, and either rejoice with us or com-

fort us, and send me word as fast as the lightning can fetch it."

The minister went, and stayed with the lad while the oculist, not over con-

fident, began his work, and till at last,

with a thr. 1 of triumph in his tone, he aid, "That boy will see!" The giad wire tingled with the mes

sage to the father, and the minister, with the overjoyed mother, retired to

wait for the time when the bandaged

eyes could bear light enough for a first look at the beautiful world. At just came the notification of the

expected test. In the dimly lighted room the mother and the minister

stood breathless while the doctor care-fully raised the shade. The little lad overwhelmed by the sudden posses-

sion of a new sense, cast a bewildered

look from one to another of the three. "Johnnie," said the minister, "this

her neck, the happy boy verifying his new sense by those already tested; and

caressing the loving face that he saw leaning above him, he cried, "O moth-er! Is this really you, or is it

It was indeed like a glimpse into heaven.

THE SECRET.

"I noticed," said Franklin, "a me-

chanic, among a number of others, a work on a house erected but a little

way from my office, who always appear

ed to be in a merry humour, who had a kind word and a cheerful smile for

every one he met. Let the day be ever

so cold, gloomy, or sunless, a happy smile danced like a sunbeam on his

stant happy spirits. "No secret, doctor," he replied, "I have got one of the best of wives, and

when I go to work she always has a

kind word of encouragement for me,

and when I go home she meets me with

a smile and a kiss, and she is sure to be ready; and she has done so many things during the day to please me, that I cannot find in my heart to speak

what an influence, then, hath woman over the heart of man, to soften it and make it the fountain of cheerful and

pure emotions. Speak gently, then a happy smile and a kind word o

greeting after the toils of the day ar

over cost nothing, and go far toward

making a home happy and peaceful."

cheerful countenance.

The little arms went up and clasped

is your mother.'

but did not want to offend her, so at last she resorted to strategy. "Dou you know, Bridget," she one day said, quite confidently. "that if you wash your face every day in hot soap and water, it will make you beau-titul?"

Will it, mum?" answered the wily Bridget: and then, after a pause, she added: "I wonder you never tried it, mum

#### PRACTICAL ILLUSTRATIONS OF COMMON TERMS.

The late Lord Tennyson could take a blank and worthless piece of paper, and by writing a poem upon it could make it worth £10,000-that was genius. impervious to compliments, for even those who have a humble opinion of themselves cannot fail to be pleased by the kind intention shown. So far from desiring to say disagreeable things, kindly folk are continually on Vanderbilt could write a few words on a sheet of paper and make it worth the alert lest they even unconsciousl wound others. They make a point of £1,000,000—that's capital. The Mint can take 123.27447 grains of avoiding unpleasant generalities which may seem to include any member of

gold and stamp upon it the King's head and make it worth £1-that's

the company in which they find them-selves. Strange to say, this class of people are considered light-minded, false and worldly by stern moralists money. A mechanic can take material worth £1, and make it into watch springs worth £200—that's skill. A merchant can take an article worth ant garb; but why anyone should con-2/6 and sell it for 5/---that's business. A lady can purchase a hat for 2/6, but she prefers one that costs £5—that's folly. sider it more Christian-like to utter unpleasant facts than pleasing ones is a

puzzling question. A farm labourer works ten hours or 5/-that's labour. The writer of these lines could draw

a cheque for £20,000, but no banker in the world would pay it-that's a shame.

MERE CURIOSITY.

used to love her dainty notes. That always ended-"Yours in haste. clung with rapture to each word In violet ink so deftly traced.

fend !

hasta

She cycled up to the butcher's shop and came in with a smiling face. "I want you to cut me off twenty-five pounds of beef, please," she said. The butcher was incredulous. "Twen-ty-five pounds?" "Yes, plcase."

It was a big job, and when he had finished he asked her whether she would take it or have it sent home. "Oh, I don't want to buy it," she ex-aimed. "You see, my doctor tells claimed. me I have lost twenty-five pounds of flesh through cycling, and I wanted to see what it looked like in a lump. Thank you so much."

### FLOWERS FOR THE WEDDING

The days of banked mantelpieces and flowers tortured into wedding bells and other "set" forms are passing away. The Japanese have taught us that arrange flowers so as to preserve the effect of the growing blossoms is to conform to artistic principles. A few flowers in bowls or vases, growing plants at the windows and massed whe e the bridal pair are to stand, give a more pleasing effect, because more natural, than ambitious and elaborate

a more pleasing effect, because more natural, than ambitious and elaborate attempts. The crown which was worn at the coronation of the Czar of Russia is one of the richest treasures in the posses-sion of European Royal or Imperial families. Catherine the Great had it made by a jeweller from Geneva in the last century She gave orders at the time that it was to be the most valu-able crown in Europe. The Genevan was successful in fulfilling all the re-quirtements and the crown in day is valued at nearly £30,000. On the top whiled at nearly fraction on the top is a ruby, surmounted by a cross of five magnificent diamonds, and the rest of it is fairly covered with dis-

mond and pearls.

'nature's nobleman" in the Rocky all justly, then kindly and lovingly: Mountains. no right to unload our jealousies, en-vies, bad moods, and miserable spites

A good waterproof harness blacking can be made by mixing together sixty parts of bone black with forty-five of syrup (treacle), and this is diluted with twelve parts of strong vinegar; then gradually add twelve parts suphuric acid; set it to stand for a week, then mix with twelve parts of oil.

Skipton. The Skipton State school children held their concert on Thursday evening

indeed.

The Mechanics' Hall was packed. The head master, Mr J. Ford, presided, and the whole of the programme was provided by the children. The action song Flowers, beautiful flowers," was the gem of the evening. The presentation of prizes took place at the close of the programme. Ruby Angus was the dux of the school, receiving in all 13

prizes. Finlay Whelan, groom at Langi Willi, had a narrow escape from snake-bite on Friday. He was watching a circular saw working at the wood heap, when a tiger snake bit his boot, fortu

nately not penetrating the leather. Important to Applicants for

Mining Leases.

Applicants for leases within the dis trict 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 INTHE DISTRICT WHERE THE LAND IS SITUATED, OF if no such newspaper, then in the one published nearest the district an advertisement or notice in the form marked A in the chedule prescribed. Ten days are allowed, after marking out the lease, in which to lodge the

Her tousled hair! But when I chide She always says — "Tom, I'm in application with the Warden or his clerk, and forward a duplicate to the Disorder reigns in every room; There's not one hint of cultured taste! Alas! I realise—too late— 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 he advertised in the paper, nearest the and for which application is to be nade. As TEN days (not seven as Marriage is a study. To be a husformerly) are given in which focomplete band or wife is a world more than the priestly benediction has foreshadowed the application, no valid excuse can It is the business of a lifetime, as the now be urged for failure to advertise prelude to an eternal existence. Its rewards are in the delights and perfecthe lease in the district paper, though

the relief and cure of bowel complaints both in children and aduits has brought it into almost universai us, so that it is practically without a rival, and as everyone who h s their applications should be STRICTLY used it knows, is without an iqual. For sale by J. R. WOTHEBSFOON & Co., Mers ADHERED TO .--- I have the honor to he, etc., P. Cohen, for Sec. of Mines and chants, Beaufort.

NU COMPETITION.

thought I was going into consumption. It would have done you good, and, my word, nobody was more surprised than myself, for I felt a different woman al-BLARNEY STONE'S sire, Treaty Stone (bred by Mr Henry, Tipperary, Ireland, imported by Mr Rea), by the celebrated old Victor; dam by Uncas, one of the best sires in Englaud. Bachusan, by Uncas, was the best hurdle-racer of the year in 1887, winning the Welter Race at Curagh. Treaty Stone took first and champion at Tatura show, and first at Numurkah and Nathalia show in 1890. In 1891 he was again awarded first prize at Numurkah and Nathalia show. Treaty Stone has obtained numerous together. My nerves soon stopped trembling and my nervous fears were quickly abandoned. Instead of being diverse and fit to ery every minute I became happy and bright, the reason being that Clements Tonic had made my blood rich and had given me strength, which also came from the food which that remedy enabled me to cat and awarused net prize at Numerkan and National show. Treaty Stone has obtained numerous prizes since at various shows. BLARNEY STONE has proved himself a sune foal-getter, and his stock in this district show to be of real good quality. digest. My pains all went, and for the past seven years my health has been grand, for which I am very thankful TERMS: £2 10s Cash, or guarantee £1 at nd of season and £25s when mare proves in foal. Good grass paddocks provided free. Every are taken of mares, but no responsibility. "And you would make your thankful. ness known?" "Yes most willingly, so publish what For further particulars, apply— J. McDONALD, Middle Creek. I've told you in any form you like." STATUTORY DECLARATION. 1. LILLIAN STEPHENS, of 568 Lygon-street Cariton, in the State of Victoria, do Solemniy and sincerely declares that I have carefully read the annexed document, consisting of four folios, and con secutively numbered from one to four, and that it contains and is a true, and faithful account of my ill ness and cure by Clements Toulc, and also contains my full permission to publish in sny manner my statements—which I give volunitarily, and without teceiving any payment; and I make this solenn declaration conscientionsly believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Parlisment of Victoria, rendering persons making a talse declaration publishis for wirul and corrupt perjury. Declared at Cariton, in the State of Victoria this 12th day of January, 1906, belore me. IY. EDWARDS, J.P., A Justice of the Peace In and for the Central Baill wick of the State of Victoria. STATUTORY DECLARATION. TO STAND THIS SEASON, AT HIS OWNER'S FARM, EURAMBEEN, and travel the surrounding districts, the PURE-BRED CLYDESDALE, DARNLEY. Be the set and cure by Clementa Tonic, and also containing my full permission to publish in say manner my full permission concentrations by below an Act of the Parlisment of Victoria rendering persons making a lase declaration puniabable for will al and corrupt perjury. The and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Parlisment of Victoria rendering persons making a lase declaration puniabable for will al and corrupt perjury. The provisions of an Act of the Parlisment of Victoria the state of Victoria and the the state of Victoria. "It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment for the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria." It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment for the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria. "It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment and for the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria." It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment and tor the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria. "It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment and tor the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria." It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment and tor the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria. "It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment and tor the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria." It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment and tor the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria. "It's EDW ANDS, J.P., A Justice of the Parlisment and tor the Central Bailt wich of the State of Victoria." The close season in Victoria for ducks and was never beaten in a show ring. Perture of States and the state of Victoria. "It's EDW AND's EDW AN cember. Owing to people going out nominally to shoot black awans and coots, but really to kill "flappers," it has been decided to extend the close season for black awans and coots at season for black swans and coots, etc.,
bas been obtained, and the official announcement will be made in the course
f a few days.
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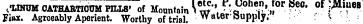
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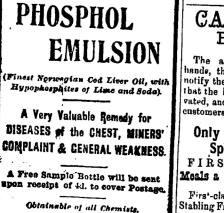
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to work; was 80 years of age. His day evening, 22nd inst., for the purpose Loft. G. Hellyer; and C. Broadbent also for considering the Lake Goldsmith question. Mr.P. Cushing was voted to the worked with a will. The weather was the day. Pleasure and Mr A. H. Sends carrying out the funeral arrangements. The death of Mr Thomas Hehir, farmer, of Sailer's Guily, from consumption, consumption, consumption, mer, of Sailer's Guily, from consumption, consumption, the mer of Sailer's Guily, from consumption, to the store of the lake, the petitioners guar anteeing to destroy all vermin, noxious that the weather would have pat a dam-

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76 6d, 5s, 2s 6d.-W. Nunn, 1; A. Cleland, 2; A. Topp, 3. Eight starters. Won by about two yards. Time, 623 secs. ONE-MILE DISTRICT BICYOLR RACE, £4 (for residents within a radius of 20 miles).-lst, £3; 2nd, £1. 13; 2nd, 21. First heat-A. C. F. Driver, 60yds., 1

Pearce, 40yde., 2. Three starters. comfortably in 2 min: 22 secs. Second heat-A. McKerrall, 130 yds., 1; W. Naylor, Won 80yds., 2. Four starters. An easy win

A. C. F. Driver ... ... 1

J. Pearce ... 2 Upon the bell being rung for the last lap, and business transacted as usual. Money-order offices will be open from half-past 9 a.m. till noon. Trompf, c., b. Ferguson, o; 11. Davor, c. b McCracken, 8; S. Young, c. b H. Ferguson, 3; V. Hardy, c., b. Ferguson, 12. E Tiller mot out 23: byes. 2: to-allow Driver to get the inside running.

proceeded with, the orchestra playing "Verona." Mr B. E. Carthew rendered ONE-MILE BICTOLE RACE, £11.-Ist, £8 ; 2nd,

Others obtained sport by fishing and shooting. We are pleased to report that no accident of a serious nature up good men and women, fit to take that no acceptances received as the result of the acceptances received as the result of the bound of the control of t that no accident of a serious nature occurred to mar the pleasures of the holiday season. The funeral of Mrs Thos. Buchanan, whose death was reported in our last issue, took place on Saturday, and was always be available for the children. Construction of the children. Constru which was splendidly received, and cang. as an encore, "Rory O'More "-another fine offort. Fifteen minutes were then occupied by Messrs T. and I. Thomse in amusing the audience by juggling and conjuring, Mr I. Thomas excelling himself -P. Hehir. 100 yds., 1; T. Suhan, 50 vis., 2. Seven starters. A good finish. Time, as an amatour. Mr H. Lister next sant 2 min. 20 sec. You're Always a-Grumbling," follored

hy Mr R. Welsh in "A Pattern to the World." Masters Pater Scotland and. Final. ••• ••• ••• ••• ••• Richardson gave an exhibition of Scottish Kelsey ... Won easily. Time, 2 min. 17 sec. 3 lancing to the music of the pipes, and Piper Martin and his dancers have the

Beanfort, carried out the mortuary arrangements. The death of Mr John Michael Smyth, an old age pensioner, of Main Lead, from senile decay, occurred on Saturday. Deceased, who had followed the occupa-Drugs being used. Medicines at Ballarat Prices, sent to all parts of the State by post, and careful attention. The mains were interred in the Bourtet of considering the Take Goldsnith ouse. The Ballarat of the State Stat sent in his correct performances, he was laughable farce, entitled "Disecting";" not allowed to start in the final; W. Gra- character, being well sustained. charactere being well sustained. Mu ham, who ran fourth in the heat, being sub- Mary Jackson efficiently p'ayed the

companiments. The rec ints frm " Final. concert amounted to £23 16s-shout B ••• ••• ••• 10s better than last year. It is anic ••• pated that a profit of over £30 will be This was a very closely contested event

was a fall of 17 points. The first fishing competition for the season was held on Saturday for the ... 2 Onley trophy. The catches were small,

weighed in 511b., mostly all perch. The traversed, the leading cyclis's (Driver's) largest fish caught was a tench weighing wheel skidded, and the rider fell and brought 21b.—Courier.

down the whole of the field except Kelsey. They all were able to get up and remount their machines, except Walker, who had fallen on his head and sustained a slight into the circus tent, and was subsequently deliars nitry center, which to take the brain. He was carried excessive for a case of cholera morbus, into the circus tent, and was subsequently asya R. White, of Coachella, California attended to by Dr. G. A. Eadle. Walker, U.S.A. "At the trial he praised his median in if had sufficiently recovered by next morning to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-well. The race was continued under ludic-rous conditions, for hardly hed a side and read he would not had be able to proceed to his home at Camber-well. The race was continued under ludic-to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-land to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to proceed to his home at Camber-bate to be able to be Upon the bell being rung for the last lap, Pearce jumped away with a good lead, but Driver soon overhauled him and half-way round Pearce was observed to open out and allow Driver to get the inside running. The race did not seem to run be on its merits. Well. The race was continued under ludic-tor is conditions, for hardly had a rider re-mounted than he came a "cropper," and allow Driver to get the inside running. The race did not seem to run be on its merits. We have readed to think that the race unfit to ride Beaufort.

with silver, fairly dazz shining radiance, and as article of sleeve and neck any modern belle. A circle was clasped round the throat, and bracelets of jewels encircled the sno arms. On her head she w al wreath and veil - th jewels, the latter falling like a cloud of mist. Eve perfect, from the wreath the tiny sandaled jeet. there in her mute repos more like some exquis sculpture than anything th lived and moved in this world of ours. But from der the dress had been put and there lay a great liv plague-spot! "Come away!" said catching his companion by 'It is death to remain here Sir Norman had been star one in a trance, from which dress roused him, and he gra miston's shoulder almost fr

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So saying Sir Nor open doorway and f long hall, flanked by

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and solitude: and (

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up a wide and-swee the end of the hall. lowed him, and the

similar to the one the right lay open; without ceremony an

The room was spi

furnished. Just en

through the oriel wi

ther end, draped wit

embroidered with go The floor was of

many colors, arrange saics, and strewn wi and Persian mats of

The walls were corniced, and all fret network and gilded n

couch covered with like the window drap ren and some loose

glass.

Near it was a small covered with books with a decanter of quisite little goble

strewn with orname

and alabaster, and a b

ed vase of Parian ma the centre, filled with

ers. A great mirror the room, and beneath toilet-table, strewn wi perfume-bottles and an

little feminine trille es were as fond of

ago as they are to-day was a lady's chamber.

near the window st quaint carved bed curtains of snowy lace,

with golden arrows and

least Ormiston thought went cautiously forwar

curtain and looked dow "Great heavens! wha

face!" was his cry, as

"What the plague is Sir Norman asked, comin

There lies one dead of it

Curiosity proving str fear, Sir Norman stepped look at the corpse. It w

girl with a face as levely vision. That

looked as exquisitely peri

ancient Grecian statue.

pearly brow, the swee

lips, the delicate oval

countenance, were perfect

were closed and the long

rested on the ivory chee fusion of shining black

elaborate curls over her

shoulders. Her dress was

bride; a robe of white sa

now; and in its calm

'You have said it," sa recoiling. "The plague is

further down.

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The marble

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"Look there, Ormiston! the very face that sorceress me fifteen minutes ago in her caldron! I would know it other end of the world!" 'Are you sure?'' said glancing again with new cur the marble face. I never s thing half so beautiful in but you see she is dead

plague." "Dead! Oh, she cannot be! so perfect could die! 'Look there!'' said pointing to the plague-spot. is the fatal token. For sake, let us get out of this, will share the same fate befor

ing." But Sir Norman did not could not move: he stood the ed to the spot by the spell lovely, lifeless face.

Usually the plague left it hideous, ghastly, discolored a ared with blotches; but in t there was nothing to mar fect beauty of the satin-smoo but that one dreadful mark. There Sir Norman stood trance, as motionless as genii out of the "Arabian had suddenly turned him int

(a trick they were much addict and destined him to remain t ornamental fixture forever. Or looked at him distractedly, un whether to try moral suasion take him by the collar and dr. headlong down the stairs, wi providential but rather diama

soumstance came to his aid. Came rattling down the street, we loudly rung, and a hoarse Bring out your dead!"

Ormiston rushed downstairs the dead-cart, already full on its way to the plag The driver stopped at his call instantly followed him upstair the utmost sangfroid, he to the start dress, and indifferently

Time, 2 min. 131 sec. Final.

will be closed to the public at noon, and there will be only one deliverythat in the early morning-by letter-

carriers. Country mails will be received and despatched as usual. Money-order Beaufort's 74. In the 2nd junings Trawalla business will be transacted from half- scored 34 runs. Appended are the scores: past 9 a.m. till noon. Telegraph offices will be open from 9 a.m. till noon, and

and business transacted as usual.

ated, and no effort will be spared to make ers comfortable.

from 7 till 8 p.m., except those offices

Tuesday, January 3, all post and tele- Troy, c., b. McCracken, 0; P. Baker, b.

graph offices will be open to the public,

#### e occupied in traversing the 3 min. At the conclusion of trains claimed to have won th sheet, and directing Ormiston to take hold of the two lower ends, took THE FACE BEHIND of the mosey has been withhel ges have had an opportunity o the upper corners himself with the of a frantic lunatic than a response air of a man quite used to that sort La HANDICAP, £5.-1st, £3 of thing. Ormiston recoiled from touching it, and Sir Norman, seeing what they were about to do, and ... 1 knowing there was no help for it, THE MASK. ... 2 made up his mind, like a sensible ... 3 rs. A splendid rage; won or in inch. Time, 514 ecs. young man as he was, to concerl his feelings, and caught hold of the sheet himself. In this fashion the dead bride was carried downstairs the Beaufort Amateur Minas fast as you can!" and laid upon a shutter on the top very enjoyable entertainment of a pile of bodies in the dead-cart. A ROMANTIC NARRATIVE in aid of the Ath. It was now almost dark, and as is being their second appearthe cart started the great clock of all was packed ; in fact, the OF LOVE, TERROR AND St. Paul's struck eight. St. Michael's, great that the police made St. Alban's and the others took up nent keep the passages clear the sound; and the two young men girl cured of the plague, if there is DESPAIR. ors open. As several of the paused to listen. For many ere sufficing from colds, and weeks the sky had been clear, brilliant and ior love or money in London." -----blue; but on this night dark clouds raged ploying musical instruwere scudding in wild unrest across tie briss band at the sports to the pest house at once, PART 2. day, the minstrels were not it, and the air was oppressingly close there are chirurgeons and best advantage. Mr R. A. ----and sultry. enough there." So saying Sir Norman entered the "Where are you going now?" askacted as interlocutor, and "To the pest-house? Why, ed Ormiston. "Are you for Whitehall open doorway and found himself in a ourt, jurr., and T. Thomas long hall, flanked by a couple of doors to-night?" Chomas and H. Lister (tam-"No," said Sir Norman, rather on each side. These he opened in rapid ermen. After the orchestra dejectedly, turning to follow "Polish Lanc rs," the opensuccession, finding nothing but silence the and solitude; and Ormiston - who, pest-cart. "I am for the plague-pit n Finsbury Fields." surg and favorably rec-ived. upon reflection, chose to follow-ran her there instantly." "Nonserse!" exclaimed Ormiston, energetically; "what will take you up a wide and sweeping staircase at of the programme was then the end of the hall. Sir Norman folthe songs being interspersed there? You surely are not mad enlowed him, and they came to a hall local hits. T e efforts of ough to follow the body of that similar to the one below. A door to s received a full measure of the right lay open; and both entered dead girl?" rather surly countenance. "I shall follow it! You can come without ceremony and looked around. a programme was as follows "Certainly, sir," he begon, spring-Brigade " Mr W. Pedder-the O'd Back-card," Mr T The room was spacious and richly or not, just as you please!" "Oh, if you are determined, I will fernished. Just enough light stole Ist's rland," Mr B. E. Cuthrough the oriel window at the furgo with you, of course; but it is the lady to? zors in the Air," Mr H. tine," Mr R. Welsh ; "Port craziest freak I ever heard of. After ther end, draped with crimson satin, entroidered with gold, to show it. The floor was of veined wood of "I never will," said Sir Norman, "Come along, Ormiston," and scizing parady on "A Picture no moodily; "for if you love a face you along with a velocity rather uncom-have never seen, I love one I have fortable, considering they both wore aiut "), Mr H rry Liste many colors, arranged in fanciful mod to be There" (enco el), nas : "I Don't Coro if You saics, and strewn with Turkish rugs and Persian mats of gorgeous colors. only looked on when dead. Does it not seem sacrilege to throw anyone ly sultry. The gloomy vehicle and its Back," Mr W. Polder, A The walls were carved, the ceiling rst part of the programme corniced, and all fretted with gold so like an angel into that horrible network and gilded moldings. On a plague-pit?' amusing, Messre Sinclair, hind. couch covered with crimson satin, "I never saw an angel," said Ormas. and H. Stnart takin "What do you mean to do with like the window drapery, lay a cithmiston, and he and his friend starther?" asked Ormiston, as soon as he uring the interval M H. M. ren and some loose sheets of music. ed to go after the dead-cart. "And found breath to speak. esident of the Beaufor A.h daresay there have been scores as Near it was a small marble table. atily clanked the publicf r covered with books and drawings, eautiful as that poor girl thrown Norman impatiently. "Take her home, patronage at the sports durwith a decanter of wine and an exinto the plague-pit before now. I ad also at the concert at of course. wonder why the house has been dequisite little goblet of Bohemian akings for the day (et6 and pts) totalled over £80, for "And after that?" serted, and if she was really a bride. The marble mantel was glass. "Go for a doctor." strewn with ornaments of porcelain The bridegroom could not have loved ewas truly thankful. Their ser that they had been for "And after that?" and alabaster, and a beautifully carvher much, I fancy, or not even "Take care of her till she the pestilence could have scared him ed vase of Parian marble stood in well.' their bank balance having the centre, filled with brilliant flowaway." "And after that?" 190, through the heavy ers. A great mirror reflected back "But, Ormiston, what an extraor-±40-£20 of which went the room, and beneath it stood a tollet-table, strewn with jewels, laces dinary thing it is that it should be wemen's to the cycling precisely the same face that the fortune-teller showed me. There she was alive, and here she is dead; so perfume-bottles and an array of costowards the band rotunds. ton, what do you mean?' to see that the people of little feminine trifles such as la-Ormiston laughed. dies were as fond of two centuries district appreciated the I've lost all faith in La Masque for ad by their support and en-dped the club to carry out and and keep them in the Store. He was very glad ago as they are to-day. Evidently it ever.' suppose?" was a lady's chamber, for in a recess Ormiston looked doubtful. the in hady's chamber, for in a record the in the window stood a great quaint carved bedstead, with curtains of snowy lace, looped back "Are you quite sure it is the same, me. And what if I do?" Xingsley? "Quite sure?" said Sir Norman, you may be saving another man's Lean run without with golden arrows and scarlet ribindignantly. "Of course, I am; T ore hal been a wife. Do you think I could be mistaken in bens. Someone lay on it, too-at of ree housh the rain. least Ormiston thought so; and he such a case? I tell you I would - LISLY NO OD - WAY BET went cautiously forward, drew the know that face at Kamschatka or curtain and looked down. the North Pole, for I don't believe at neavens! what a beautiful there ever was such another cre-was his cry, as he bent still ated." will remain but to live in hopes that "Great heavens! what a beautiful he may be carried off by face!" plague. further down. "So be it, then. Your object, of 'What the plague is the matter?' course, in following that cart is to carried off by it ourselves!" said Ormiston, with a slight shudder. "I £20 as a prize; the log to Sir Norman asked, coming forward. "You have said it," said Ormiston, take a last look at her?" ch an to fall it. "Precisely so. Don't talk; I feel in shall dream of nothing but warmly thanked the minrecoiling. "The plague is the matter. There lies one dead of it!" no mood for it just at present." to the club's assistance Ormiston smiled to himself, and a e neat. The p did not talk accordingly; and Curiosity proving stronger than lear. Sir Norman stepped forward to in of purely local silence the two friends followed the stricken city." mm nded the young f gloomy dead-cart. A faint young moon, pale and sickly, was strug-gling through drifts of dark clouds, and lighted the lonesome streets with look at the corpse. It was a young "Here we are," was Sir Norman's girl with a face as lovely as a poct's themselves together a for logid institutions an vision.

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THE CONCERT.

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just take her along as she is, the plague!" And with a prolonged and strip these nice things off the body shrick of anguish, that thrilled even when we get it to the plague-pit." the hardened heart of the dead-cart So saying, he wrapped her in the driver, the girl fell back senseless again. Sir Norman Kingsley sprang to his feet, and with more the s ble young English knight, caught the cold form in his arms, laid it in the dead-cart, and was about springing into the driver's seat, when that individual indignantly interposed. "Come, come; none of that! If you were the king himself, you shouldn't run away with my cart in that fashion; so you just get out of my place "My dear Kingsley; what are you about to do?" asked Ormiston, catching his excited friend by the arm. "Do!" exclaimed Sir Norman in a high key. "Can't you see that for yourself? And I'm going to have that

such a thing as a doctor to be had "You had better have her taken then : nurses

man. I might as well have her thrown into the plague-pit there, at once! Not I! I shall have her taken to my own house, and there properly cared for, and this good fellow will drive,

Sir Norman backed this insinuation by putting a broad gold piece into the driver's hand, which instantly produced a magical effect on his 10 it!

ing into his seat with alacrity. Where shall I drive the young "Follow me," said Sir Norman.

his friend by the arm, he harried cloaks, and the night was excessivefainting burden followed close be-

"Haven't I told you?" said Sir

gets "After that! After that! How do I know what after that?" exclaimed Sir Norman, rather fiercely. "Ormis-"And after that you'll marry her, "Perhaps I may, if she will have "Oh, nothing! Only it struck me

"That's true," said Sir Norman, in a subdued tone, "and if such should unhappily be the case, nothing

the "Pray heaven that we may not be

that horrible plague-pit for a week. If it were not for La Masque I would not stay another hour in this pest-

rather inapposite answer, as they "I can't Piccadilly, and stopped

arried her off while we were gone." "Let us search the house," said he doctor; "you should have locked your door, Sir Norman; but it may not be too late yet." Acting on the hint, Sir Norman

seized the lamp burning on the table, and started on the search. His two riends followed him, and

"The highest, the lowest, the lonliest spot,

They searched for the lady and found her not.'

No, though there was not the slightest trace of robbers, or intruders, neither was there the slightest trace of the beautiful plague patlent. Everything in the house was precisely as it always was, but the illver shining vision, was gone.

CHAPTER IH.

The search was given over at last in despair, and the doctor took his nat and disappeared. Sir Norman and Ormiston stopped in the lower all, and looked at each other in nute amaze

"What can it all mean?" said Orniston, appealing more to society at arge than to his bewildered companion. "I haven't the faintest idea." said

Sir Norman, distractedly; only I am pretty certain, if I don't find her, I shall do something so desperate that the plague will be a trifle compared

"It seems almost impossible that the can be carried off-don't it?" "If she has," exclaimed Sir Nor-man, "and I find out the abductor,

ne won't have a whole bone in his body two minutes after!" "And yet more impossible that she

an have gone off herself," pursued Ormiston, with the air of one entermg an abstruse subject and taking 10 heed whatever of his companion's

uarginal notes. "Gone off herself! Is the man inquired Sir Norman, with razy?" 1 stare. "Fifteen minutes before we left her dead, or in a dead swoon, which is all the same in Greek, and yet he talks of her getting up and

going off herself!" "In fact, the only way to get at the bottom of the mystery," said Ormiston, "is to go in search of her. Sleeping, I suppose, is out of the question.

"Of course it is! I shall never sleep again until I find her." They passed out, and Sir Norman

this time took the precaution of turning the key, thereby fulfilling the dage of locking the stable door when the steed was stolen. The sight had grown darker and hotter;

and as they walked along the clock of St. Paul's tolled nine. "And now, where shall we go?" inguired Sir Norman, as they rapidly urried along.

"I shall recommend visiting the touse where we found her first; if pot there, then we can try the pestnow.' Sir Norman shuddered.

"Heaven forbid she should be It is the most mysterious lhere! thing I ever heard of!"

"What do you think now of Le flasque's prediction-dare you doubt ttill? "Ormiston, I don't know what to

lbink. It is the same face I saw, tnd yet--" "Well-and yet?"

"Do you know these two gentlefore, pray?" "Two young, gentlemen; lords. I men?" she asked. expect, by their dress. Somebody "Certainly," replied Sir Norman, promptly; "one is the Duke of York, fan screaming out of the house, and they wanted to know what was the other is the Earl of Rochester.' wrong.

"And that page, to which of them "Well," said the stranger, breathdoes he belong?" "The page?" said Sir Norman, less, "and then?" "And then, as I couldn't tell them, , with a stare, as he leaned forward to they went in to see for themselves, look; "pray, madam, what has the and shortly after came out with a page to do with it?" body wrapped in a sheet, which they The two peers had ascended the stairs, and was already on the bridge. The page loitered behind, put in a pest cart going by, and had it buried, I suppose, with the rest, in the plague pit."

talking, as it seemed, to the water-The stranger fairly staggered back, man. and caught at a pillar near for sup-"He wears the livery of the Earl port. For nearly ten minutes he of Rochester," said Ormiston, speak-ing for the first time, "but I q nnot stood perfectly motionless, and then,

without a word, started up and see his face." walked rapidly away. The friends "He will follow presently, a sure you see it then; possibly you looked at him curiously till he was may not find it entirely new to you." out of sight.

"So she is not there," said Ormis-She drew back into the shadow as she spoke; and the two nobles, as ton; "and our mysterious friend in the cloak is as much at a loss as we are ourselves. Where shall we go they advanced, talking earnestly beheld Sir Norman and Ormiston. Both raised their hats with a look of renext-to La Masque or the pestcognition, and the salute was courtehouse?'

"She may be there, nevertheless ously returned by the others. and under present circumstances it is "Good night, gentlemen," said Lord Rochester; "a hot evening, is it not? the best place for her." "Don't talk of it," said Sir Nor-Have you come here to witness the man, impatiently. "I do not, and will not believe she is there! If the illumination?" "Really, said Sir Norman; "we spreeress shows her to me in the cal-

dron again, I verily believe I shalt jump in headforemost." "And I verily believe we will not find La Masque at home. She wan-

ders through the streets at all hours, but particularly affects the night." We shall try, however. Ċome

along!" The house of the sorceress was but a short distance from that of Sir

Norman's plague stricken lady-love's; and shod with a sort of seven-league boots, they soon reached it. Like the other, it was all dark and deserted

"This is the house," said Ormiston, looking at it doubtfully, "but where is La Masque?' "Here," said a silvery voice at his

elbow; and turning round, they saw a tall, slender figure, cloaked, hood-ed, and masked. "Surely you two do not want me again to-night?" Both gentlemen doffed their plumed hats, and simultaneously bowed. "Fortune favors us," said Sir Nor-

"Yes, madam, it is even so; man. once again to-night we would tax your skill."

"Well, what do you wish know?" "Madame, we are in the street."

"Sir, I am aware of that. Pray proceed. 'Will you not have the goodness to

permit us to enter?" said Sir Nor-man, inclined to feel offended. "How from the plague-pit: can you tell us what we wish to "Am I same or mad?" inquired Sir know here?' Norman, looking hopelessly about him for information. "Surely that is

"That is my secret," said the sweet voice. "Probably Sir Norman Kingsley wished to know something of the fair lady I showed him .some time ago."

Where are the wonders of this night to end?" "Madam, you have guessed it. It "Satan and La Masque only know; is for that purpose I sought you for they both seem to have united to drive me mad. Where is she?"

Then you have seen her already?' "I have."

nushed and haughty,

"I have seen it a hundred times,"

broke in Sir Norman. "Surely you

to not mean to say she is there?"

"Go there and you will see.

there to-night, and lose no time-

"I have one already. I have a

better go on horseback, if you desire

to be back in time to witness the il-

"I don't particularly desire to see

the illumination, as I know of; but

I will ride, nevertheless. What am

"You will enter the ruin and go on

until you discover a spiral staircase

leading to what was once the vaults.

The flags of these vaults are loose

from age, and if you should desire to

remove any of them, you will prob-

"Why should I desire to remove them?" asked Sir Norman, who felt

Aubious, and disappointed, and in-

light-hear strange noises; and if you

remove the stones, may possibly see

strange sights. As I told you before

it is rumored to be haunted, which is

true enough, though not in the way

they suspect; and so the fools and

"And if I am discovered peeping

"Very unpleasant ones to you; but

She pointed to the river, and both

her companions looked. A barge

light in prow and stern, came gliding

up among less pretentious craft, and

stopped at a flight of stairs leading

to the bridge. It contained four per-

sons-the oarsman, two cavaliers

sitting in the stern, and a lad in the

rich livery of a court page in the act

of springing out, Nothing very won-

and Ormiston, looked at her for an

in all this; and Sir Norman

you

the common herd stay away."

the consequences?"

derful

explanation,

like a rascally valet, what will

you need not be discovered if

gayly, painted and gilded, with

take care. Ah! Look there!"

"Why, you may see a glimmering

clined to be dogmatical.

ably not find it an impossibility."

I to do when I get there?"

lumination."

"And love her?"

"I know it !!

"With all my heart." "'A rapid flame," said the musical voice, in a tone that had just a Norman, looking round at the spot where she had stood a moment be-

fore, found that she. too, had disappeared. (To be continued.) 1488. thought of sarcasm, "for one dream of two hours aro." did not WHAT IS FAIR IN WAR.

"Madame La Masque," said Sir We read and hear much of "the laws of

HAVING NO THEKET SHE COT

NO RIDE "Do I look as if L would (steal) a ride

on a cowcatcher?" said a diguified young woman who is an honorary member of the Press league.

"Why, no, of course not," replied her friend. soothingly.

"And I don't seem like the sort of a person who might ride on the trucks to save car fare ?" Hardly.'

"Well, I simply wanted to know the worst. I thought I had had a few humiliating experiences, but I never felt positively guilty until to day. I was going to take a car with a friend at the Randolph-street station on the Illinois Central. She has a pass. The train was

"I'll pay on the car," I said, as we hurried up breathlessly.

"' No. no, can't get through the gate, she called back to me. for, thinking that I had a ticket, she had rushed past the ticket man and now gazed at me through the turnstile.

But I saw that there was no time, and 1 lelt sure, anyway, that I could pay on the train, I fell in at the head of the procession going through the gate.

"'Your ticket!" yelled the ticket man, holding the turnstile. The en-Your ticket!" gine was puffing away its last puffs

"Ticket's in : my pooket," I said. Really, lying is my forte, but I felt almost proud of that prevarication. "Show it to me!" roared the guard.

' A handsome and severe elderly lady, her daughter, a fat man who was swearing, a woman with a baby, two drum-mers with satchels, and, in fact, a tremers with satchels, and, in lact, a tre-mendous string of passengers, were waiting for me to exhibit my ticket and get past that turnstile. "My friend, com-pletely chagrined, had moved off and turned her back on me so "as not to appear connected with me in anyway.

fished up the end of a theatre ticket and allowed theredge of it to be seen over my coat poeket. "There's my ticket," I said sternly,

"' No, it ain't; you can't ride on these trains without paying!' yelled the ticket

man. "Did you ever?' ejaculated the respectable elderly woman, as I backed out

" Awful!' said the girl, eyeing me

scornfally, "'If people want to cheat the com-pany, I wish they'd manage to do with-out making two dozen people lose a train,' growled the fat man.

"The express pulled out. Everybody in the line was left, including myself.

#### EMBARRASSING TO "THE "YOUNG MAN

It happened on a street car, says the Chicago Journal "-perhaps that was the reason the young woman was telling it to her friends as they rode on a street 08r.

" Say, girls," said the girl with auburn nair, in a voice which: was and ble even unto the rear platform, "iyou mayitalk about being embarrassed. but I; will wager. a. Studebaker matinee against a chocolute that you have never undergene anything that's comparable to the sgony I suffered this afternoon,

the listeners. "Well," continued the auburn-haired one, ignoring the interruption, "we boarded an Indian avenue car at Thirtyfirst street, and when the conductor bel-lowed out. ' Fare, please,' Watter shoved a bill into his hand and continued to

bit into his hand and construct to praise the landscape l'finished last week. He was soon interrupted by the con-ductor, who, pointing his finger at s little urchingsested near us, said:

"Poor Walter! You know how easily

" And the worst of it all was that that

he is embarrassed. If you could have

sedate Miss Fay, who prides herself about her savoir faire, was seated

directly opposite us and grinned

HOMELY PROVERBS.

Suspicion has a key that fits every lock.

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Don't pull the house down because the

If you give me a knife, give me a fork, too.

A hole in the purse, and the cupboard the

The fuller the hand, the harder to hold.

Stroke the dog, but beware of his bite.

Heap on the coals, and put out the fire.

The fool kept the shell, and threw away

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The shorter the wit the longer the word.

Saw off any branch but that you are sittin

My partner ste the mest and left me the

Don't wait till it is dark before you light

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If you shoot one bird, 'you scare the whole

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You must shut your eyes if the dust blows

SIXTY-SIX YEARS AFTER.

Most people, says the "Westminster

Gazette." will have forgotten the man who

loaded a chest with books and letters, and

left it to be opened 66 years after his death.

The 66 years have now almost expired, and when, the new year comes the suthorities at the British Museum will be able to gratify

their curiosity by opening a mysterious box which came into their possession in 1834. At

the said of March in that year died Francie

Douce, the antiquary. He was forn in Lon-don in 1767, and, having notices of nu ney he

don.in.1767, and, having no lack of us ney he was able to give most of his life to a diligent study-of antiquities. At one time he was keeper of the manuscripts in the British Museum, and he is known for his '' Illustra-tions of Shakespeare'' published in 1807, "The Dance of Death," which appeared in 1833, and for other literary work. When he allocal the submanuscript on literary work when he allocal the submanuscript on which a place

1833, and for other literary work. When he died he bequesthed: a very valuable collec-tion of bookmand manuscripts to the Bodleian Library, and his curiosities went to Sir Bannel R. Mayrick. His letters and com-monplace books were placed in a chest and were bequeathed to the British Museum, but the chest was not to be opened until the year 9000. Thus in a few weeks the time will thereine in a constraint Manuscript Theorem

shave arrived when eccentric Francis Douce's

" Lace that in Italy it is the fad for society

girla to have pet calves tied with ril bens." "That's no novelty. I've noticed the very

name thing on bicycles here at home."

Every bell must ring its own tone.

Beware of pride, asys the peacock

In comes the fiddler, and out goes the mo

One cock is sure to crow if he hears

Give me a drink, but drench me not.

"How old is he ?"

out. ' He is not ours!'

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the lamp,

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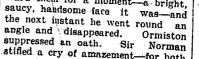
have come for a very different. purpose, my lord." "The fires will have one good effect," said Ormiston, laughing; if they clear the air and drive away this stifling atmosphere." "Pray God they drive away the plague!" said the Duke of York, as he and his companion passed from view. The page sprang up the stairs af-

ter them, humming, as he came, one of his master's love ditties—songs,

saith tradition, savoring anything but the order of sancity. With the warning of La Masque fresh in their minds, both looked at him earnestly.

His gay livery was that of Lord Rochester, and became his graceful figure well, as he marched along with a jaunty swagger, one hand on his side and the other toying with beautiful little spaniel, that frisked in open violation of the Lord May-

or's orders, commanding all dogs, great and small, to be put to death as propogators of the pestilence. In passing, the lad turned his face to-



#### stifled a cry of amazement-for both recognized that beautiful colorless face, those of perfect features and ereat, black, lustrous eyes. It was the face of the lady they had saved

she we were in search of?"

"It certainly is," said Ormiston,

"Where, indeed?" said Ormiston;

'where is last year's snow?'' And Sir

war," but in reality there is no such thing,

and for the term should be substituted " the

customs of war." The customs of war:are

based upon the practice which has prevailed

amongst civilised nations from the earliest

time, although in some respects their severity

has been mitigated of late. For instance, in

Woodstock we read that by the customs of war then iprevailing the defenders of an un-tenable post were liable to death when cap-tured. We should in these days shrink from

an act of such barbarity, but the penalties

an act of such Darbarity, but the penalties for infringing the customs of war are still severe enough, and a little consideration will show that in justice to his own troops a com-mander is compelled to enforce them. It is generally admitted, however, that in the Franco-Prussian War they were enforced competimes with

UNNECESSARY BRUTALITY.

The customs of war are based on custom and are to a great extent formulated by Val

and are to a great extent formulated by Vat-el and other writers on International law, by the American regulation issued in 1863, the French military regulations, the Brus-sels Conference, and the Geneva Convention. We do not propose to discuss the subject exhaustively, but only to draw attention to one or two points which immediately con-cern us in connection with the present rece

one or two points which immediately con-cern.us in connection with the present war in South Africa. The first question, and one which may become very important in the latter stages of the war, says "Broad Arrow," is that of uniform. During the Franco-Prussian War there were several cases in which civilians were summarily shot by the Prussians for warding unaity shot

by the Prussians for waging unauthoris

NOXIOUS WILD BEASTS

NOXIOUS WILD .BEASTS civilians who, actuated by patriotism, wage war upor the invaders of 'their country. A little reflection 'will show; however; that it would be unfair to the troops of the invad-ing forces to spare such irregular enemies. A mai might otherwise lurk about the camp or bivouac, pick off a soldier, and the next moment hiding his gun play the part of a peaceful peasant working in his garden. Hence the rule is generally admitted and acted upon as laid down in Dovey in the fol-lowing words: "Every combatant shall be clearly recognisable by the enemy at a reasonable distance, and the distinctivamark by which he is so known shall be fixed, and not capable of removal at short notice." For

not capable of removal at short notice," F

SPECIAL HAT OR SASH

of not suffice, as either might be got rid of in a moment. 'Now few of the Boers have any uniform whatever, and a militant Boer cannot be distinguished from a psaceful non-

cannot be distinguished from a peaceful non-combatant Boer save by his actions and the possession of arms. Should the present operations wind up, as it is not unlikely they will, with a guerilla warfare, how are we to deal with detached Boers found under sus-picious circumstances ? It seems to us, con-sidering the special conditions of hospital, they should be treated as ordinary prinonare

they should be treated as ordinary prisoners

they should be treated as ordinary prisoners of war, unless it was evident that they had .assumed .a ; peaceful attitude--had feigned in fact, to be .non-combatante--in order to obtain information, carry; messages,

or approach us with a view to firing on us t

better advantage. In such cases as these it would be perfectly legitimate to shoot them

The Germans in 1870-71 would thave shot

ut were under officers duly com-

them promptly unless they not only wore uniforms but were under officers duly com-

missioned by the authorities. In the Benin-

sular War the French remoraclessly shot any guerillas who fell into their bands, but to

treat Boer guerillas in a similar manne would be unwise,

UNREASONABLE, AND CRUEL

Those of them who might behave with perfidy

should be remorableady dealt with but those who were merely hostile should be treated as prisoners of war, uniform or no aniform. As British subjects captured when bearing arms gainst us are liable, by the law of this country by universal pression and by the

arms against us are name, by the lawlor the country, by universal, practice, and by the outtoms of war, to death, the punishment should be left to the military authorities. As

to the advisability, however, of summary execution there must be strong doubts for fear of retaliation. Traitors therefore caught

firing in the ranks of the enemy should be kept

prisoners until the end of the war and then tried by court-martial.

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army mobilizing, 'Hiram?'

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Mr. Hay-Why, it means it assem

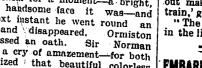
as soon as their guilt was proved

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. Juckson, their conevery credit for the marhad brought the perform-in fing, he remarked that I he would be only too over the prize-money in back of the hall to the tiver, and only hoped to blek next year. to give justice and fsin run. (Applause.) They programme was the B. E. Carthew rendered. sleep in the Deep." for miliy cheer-d. Mr W. tune on his pipes, to th the audience Mr Jas " B cause I Love You," lly received, and sang Rory O'More "-another een minutes were then ars T. and I. Thomas in ionce by juggling and Thomas excelling himself. Mr H. Lister next sange a-Grumbling," followed in "A Pattern to the a Peter Scotland and J. an exhibition of Scottish usic of the pipes, and d his dancers have the night their efforts were ed and -ed and greatly appreciations stie (by special request) The Skipper," and wat bived. Mr D. Thomas npipe, for which he was Moasra B. E. Carther H. Lister supplied itled "Diseting"; ! well sustained. ciently played the ac

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The receipts from

to £23 164-shout £

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holidays passed of ere no public func e picnics and fishin nterfered with by th ternoon, when ther nts. competition for th

on Saturday for th e catches were smal Mr R. Scott, onl postly all perch. was a tench weighin

HIS DOCTOR. sued me for twelve which I claimed way of cholera morbus, Coachella, California the praised his med I asked him if I Colic, Cholers an used, as I had goo was not." No doct edy than this in # C3 nevesfails. Sold b & Co., Merchan

That face was like snow now: and in its calm, cold majesty, looked as exquisitely perfect as some a wan, watery glimmer. For weeks ancient Grecian statue. The low, pearly brow, the sweet, beautiful the weather had been brilliantly fine pearly brow, the sweet, beautiful hps. the delicate oval outline of -the days all sunshine, the night all moonlight; but now Ormiston, countenance, were perfect. The eyes looking up at the face of the troubled were closed and the long dark lashes sky, concluded mentally that the rested on the ivory cheeks. A pro-Lord Mayor had selected an unpropifusion of shining black hair fell tious night for the grand illuminaelaborate curls over her neck and tion. Sir Norman, with his eyes on standers. Her dress was that of the pest-cart, and the long bridge, a robe of white satin brocaded figure therein, took no heed of anywith silver, fairly dazzling in its thing in the heaven above or in the stining radiance, and as brief in the beneath, and strode along in earth article of sleeve and neck as that of dismal silence till they reached, an modern belle. A circlet of pearls last, their journey's er was clasped round the snow-white As the cart stopped, the two young

throat, and bracelets of the same men approached the edge of the newes encircled the snowy, taper plague-pit and looked in with arms. On her head she wore a bridshudder. Truly, it was a horrible al wreath and veil -- the former of sight, that heaving, putrid sea of corruption; for the bodies of the jewels, the latter falling around her like a cloud of mist. Everything was miserable victims were thrown in in perfect, from the wreath and veil to cartfuls, and only covered with a the tiny sandaled feet; and lying handful of earth and quicklime. Here there in her mute repose she looked and there, through the cracking and more like some exquisite piece of sinking surface, could be seen prosculpture than anything that had ever truding a fair white arm or a baby lived and moved in this groveling face, mingled with the long, dark world of ours. But from one shoultresses of maidens, the golden curls der the dress had been pulled down, and there lay a great livid purple "Come away!" said Ormiston,

catching his companion by the arm. "It is death to remain here!" vey. It was indeed, as Sir Norman had said, a horrible grave wherein to Sir Norman had been standing like one in a trance, from which this address roused him, and he grasped Or-

miston's shoulder almost frantically. to business, and no time for such "Look there, Ormiston! There lies nonsense as melancholy moralizing, the very face that sorceress showed had laid the body of the young girl me fifteen minutes ago in her infernal an the ground, and briskly turned lot

caldron! I would know it at other end of the world!" his cart and dumped the remainder the of his load into the pit. Then, hav-"Are you sure?" said Ormiston, ing flung a few handfulls of clay over glancing again with new curiosity at it, he unwound the sheet, and kneelthe marble face. I never saw anying beside the body prepared to rething half so beautiful in my life; move the jewels. The rays of the

but you see she is dead of the moon and his dark lantern fell on plague.' the lovely snow-white face together, "Dead! Oh, she cannot be! Nothing and Sir Norman groaned despairing-Bo perfect could die!" ly as he saw its death-cold rigidity. Look there!" said Ormiston. The man had stripped the rings of

plague-spot!

pointing to the plague-spot." "There the fingers, the bracelets off the fatal token. arms; but as he was about to per-For heaven's sake, let us get out of this, or we form the same operation toward will share the same fate before morn necklace, he was stopped by startling interruption But Sir Norman did not move -

his haste the clasp en ers: the beau could not move; he stood there roottiful neck, milicting a usep scratch, from which the blood spurted, and ed to the spot by the spell of that lovely, lifeless face. at the same moment the dead Usually the plague left its victims opened her eyes with a shrill

hideous, ghastly, discolored and cov-Uttering a yell of terror, as well he ered with blotches; but in this case might, the man sprang back and there was nothing to mar the pergazed at her with a look of horror, fert beauty of the satin-smooth skin believing that his sacrilegious robbut that one dreadful mark. bery had brought the dead to life. Even the two young men - albeit,

There Sir Norman stood in his trance, as motionless as if some genii out of the "Arabian Nights" had suddenly turned him into stone (a trick they were much addicted to), as the whole truth struck them, that

and destined him to remain there an the girl had been in a deep swoon, ornamental fixture forever. Ormiston and not dead, both simultaneously oked at him distractedly, uncertain darted forward, and, forgetting all whether to try moral suasion or to fear of infection, knelt by her side. take him by the collar and drag him A pair of great, lustrous black eyes headlong down the stairs, when a brovidential but rather dismal cir-cuinstance came to his aid.  $A^*$  cart en then on the other. "Where am I?", she exclaimed, were staring wildly around, and fix-

was loudly rung, and a hoarse voice with a terrified look, as she strove Prose with it: "Bring out your dead! to raise herself on her elbow, and Bring out your dead!" fell instantaneously back with Ormiston rushed downstairs to incry of agony, as she felt for the first time the throbbing agony of the

tercept the dead-cart, already almost full on its way to the plague-pit. The driver stopped at his call and wound, "You are with friends, dear lady," instantly followed him upstairs and said Sir Norman, in a voice quite into the room. Glancing at the body tremulous between astonishment and with the utmost sangfroid, he touchdelight. "Fear nothing, for you shall be saved."

ed the dress, and indifferently re-"A bride, I should say, and an uncommonly handsome one, too, We'll

upon him, while a fierce spasm convulsed the beautiful face. "Oh, my God, I remember, I have

neither of them was given to ner-

whose gloomy portal was illuminated by a large lamp. my man, just carry the lady in." He unlocked the door as he spoke, and led the way across a long hall to a sleeping chamber, elegantly fitted up. The man placed the body on the bed and departed, while Sir Norman, seizing a hand-bell, rang a peal that brought the staid-looking white house-keeper to the scene directly Seeing a lady, young and beautiful in bridal robes, lying apparently dead on her young master's bed at that hour of the night, the discreet

matron, over whose virtuous head fifty years and a snow-white cap had passed, started back with a slight SCream. "Gracious me, Sir Norman! What

on earth is the meaning of this?" "My dear Mrs. Preston," began Sir Norman, blandly, "this young lady is ill of the plague, and \_\_\_\_\_' But all further explanation was cut short by a horrified shriek from the old lady, and a perceptible rush from the room. Down stairs she flew, informing the other servants of children and the white hairs of as she went, between her screams, old age. The pestilential effluvia and when Sir Norman, in old age. The pestilential effluvia and when Sir Norman, in a arising from the dreaful mass was so overpowering that both shrank back, faint and sick, after a moments's sur-he found not only the kitchen, but the whole house deserted.

"Well." said Ormiston. as Sir Nor man strode back, looking flery hot Meantime the driver, with an eye and savagely angry.

"Well, they have all fled, every quite proper, behind his mus-. "I shall have to go for the tache. loctor myself. Dr. Forbes is a 'riend of mine, and lives near; and you," looking at him rather doubt-'ully, "would you mind staying here est she should recover consciousness before I return?'

"To tell you the truth," said Orniston, with charming frankness, I should! The lady is extremely peautiful, I must own; but she looks incomfortably corpse-like at this the present moment. I do not wish to lie of the plague, either, until I see La Masque once more; and so, if it the same to you, my a all riend, I will have the greatest pleasare in stepping around with you to if that were the bridegroom," whisthe doctor's," pered Ormiston, maliciously.

enough.

giŕl Sir Norman, though he did not cry. much approve of this, could not very well object, so the two sallied forth together. Walking a short distance ip Piccadilly, they struck off into a by street, and soon reached the hous hey were in search of. Sir Norms mocked loudly at the door, which was opened by the doctor himself. vousness or cowardice-recoiled for Briefly and rapidly Sir Norman in an instant and stared aghast. Then, lormed him how and where his services were required; and the doctor being always provided with everything necessary for such cases, set but with him immediately. Fifteen minutes after leaving his own house " Norman was back there again, and standing in his own chamber. But a simultaneous explanation of unazement and consternation broke

from him and Ormiston, as on entering the room they found the bed mpty, and the lady gone. a dead pause followed, during A which the three looked blankly at the bed, and then at each other. [ The

tiently, "have you no tongu low? Where are they, I say?" scene, no doubt, would have peen ludicrous enough to a third party; but neither of our trio could see anything whatever to laugh at. Ormiston was the first to speak. The great black eyes turned wildly "What in heaven's name has hap-

pened?" he wonderingly exclaimed. "Some one has been here,", maid Sir Norman, turning very pale, fand

I you-I am fairly before a large and handsome house, it her own house, I have half wildered. If we don't find the lady s not a question of time." "Sir Norman Kingsley," said the mind to apply to your friend, La acy, somewhat sadly, "Lam aware "Here, of that. Tell me what you wish to Masque, again."

"The wisest thing you could do, know, and if it be in my power, you ny dear fellow. If anyone knows shall know it." 70ur unfortunate beloved where-"A thousand thanks! Tell me, thouts, it is La Masque, depend then, is she whom I seek living or lead" "She is alive "

"That's settled, then; and now, ion't talk, for conversation at this "She has the plague?" said Sir mart pace I don't admire." Norman. Ormiston, like the amiable, obedient young man that he was, instant-"Will she recover?" y held his tongue, and they strode "She will."

long at a breathless pace. "Where is she now?". La Masque hesitated, and seemed was an unusual concourse of men ncertain whether or not to reply. abroad that night, watching the Sir Norman passionately broke in: gloomy face of the sky, and waiting the hour of midnight, to kindle the "Tell me, madam, for I must know!' myriad of fires; and as the two, tall "Then you shall; but, remember, if dark figures went rapidly on, all you get into danger, you must not supposed it to be a case of life or blame me." "Blame you? No, I think I would

death. In the eyes of one of the party, perhaps it was; and neither nardly do that. Where am I to seek halted until they came once more in for her?" sight of the house, whence a short "Two miles from London, beyond time previously they had carried the Newgate," said the mask. death-cold bride. A row of lamps stands the ruins of what was once over the door portals shed a yellow, long age a hunting-lodge, now a uncertain light around, while the crumbling skeleton, roofless, and winlights of barges and wherries were dowless, and said, by rumor, to be sown like stars along the river. haunted. Perhaps you have seen or heard of it?"

"There is the house," cried Ormiston, and both paused to take breath; "and I am about at the last gasp. I wonder if your pretty mistress would feel grateful is she knew what have come through to-night for her sweet sake?" that is supposing you can procure a

"There are no lights," said Norman, glancing anxiously up at license.' the darkened front of the house : even the link before the door is un-

pass from the Lord Mayor to come and go from the city when I please." it. Surely she cannot be there." "Good! Then, you'll go to'night?" "That remains to be seen, though

"I will go. I might as well do 'm very doubtful about it myself. that as anything else, I suppose; but who have we here?"

it is quite impossible," said Sir Nor-

The door of the house in question

'that she can be seen there."

opened as he spoke, and a figure-a "Very well-you'll see. You had

man firmly, not to say obstinately,

and long, dark cloak, came slowly out. He stopped before the house,

and looked at it long and earnestly; and, by the twinkling light of the

him to know he was young and dis-

"I should not wonder in the least

Sir Norman turned pale with jeal-

ousy, and laid his hand on his

sword, with a quick and natural im-

pulse to make the bride a widow

forthwith. But he checked the desire

for an instant as the brigandish-look-

ing gentleman, after a prolonged

stare at the premises stepped up to

the watchman who had given them

information an hour or two before,

and who was still at his post. The

friends could not be seen, but they

could hear, and they did so very ear-

"Can you tell me, my friend," be-

gan the cloaked unknown, "what has

become of the people residing in yon-

The watchman held his lamp up to

the face of the interlocutor-a hand-

some face, by the way, what could be

scen of it-and indulged himself in a

"Well," said the gentleman, impa-

"Blessed if I know," said the

keep guard over them, was I? It

looks like it, though," said the man,

n parenthesis; "for this makes twice

to-night I've been asked questions

"Ah," said the gentleman, with a

slight start. "Who asked you be-

"have you no tongue, fel-

"I wasn't sent here to

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### MY LADY'S SIN. ⊙ OR ⊙ {ອີກອກ THE WICKED PLOT THAT FAILED.

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Claimants," Etc., Etc. -----

PART 9.

She went straight to the cabinet in which Nina had locked her bottle of medicine the previous night. Looking neither to right nor to

left, she pushed the key she carried into the lock. Opening the door her gaze ran breathlessly over the shelves, and the

next moment the bottle was in her hand and safely hidden among the folds of her nightdress. Uttering a stifled ejaculation of thankfulness, she relocked the cabinet, and in another moment was

back in the corridor again. But as she reached her own room, her fictitious strength gave way. A wild ringing in her ears, and a thick black pall before her eyes, she sank helpless upon the floor. Still her indomitable will sustain-

cd her. "I will not faint ! I will not !"

she said over and over in her mind. "There is more to do. I will not faint !' Clutching the bottle in a feeble

grasp to her breast, she lay there supine till the sluggish blood began to flow more healthfully through her veins again.

In momentary dread of intrusion, she rose at the first moment pos-sible. She went straight to the box ready packed for her anticipated iourney.

After two or three ineffectual attempts to raise the lid, she succeeded That done she caught the bottle from the floor where she had stood it, and thrust it, with the cabinet key, down to the very bottom of the

Nox. With a great sigh of relief she relocked the box and hid the key beneath the edge of the carpet, then tottered blindly back to bed. 'Sale !'' she panted, as she sank

among her pillows. "Safe from my poor dearie, and safe for-my future For a little she lay faint and white

with closed eyes, and almost imperceptible breath. Then her colour changed; her the guard rushed the travelling breath began to come and go more party into the railway carriage at

naturally. Finally her eyes opened, and fixed themselves upon the box in a long, steady stare. 'Yes," she whispered, "safe ! She

has forgotten it in her distress, and I'll die sooner than give it to her. It may be all right, but how can know since last night? Since I am here ? Since "--

She suddenly checked herself. Her sharpened senses had caught the faint, stealthy sound of rustling garments.

A shrewd angry gleam darkened her cried out, cheerfully : hollow eyes for an instant. "Dolores again !" she breathed The next moment the door which

You irighten me ! If the bottle station Sir Robert looked pale and agitais not among her luggage, where i ted, and Lady Beauchamp was con- it? While fully appreciating the sulting her watch, and at Nina's difficulties you have had to encounter approach hurriedly addressed here. in gaining the opportunity to "I am glad that you have finished examine her boxes, I deeply regret making your adieux, Nina. We are the delay occasioned by those diffi-late and will have to drive rapidly culties. "Till this moment I have not felt to catch the train. Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries will be wondering at our the least anxiety—have waited your delay."

delay." Nina made no reply. She was noon of her departure, with the most looking at Sir Robert. She had undisturbed composure. That you would find the bottle and make use On leaving the breakfast room she ed, J had not the slightest doubt. had gone to the library, hoping to secure a last quiet half hour with "But you will better understand my anxiety if I go back to the day him before her departure. of Nina's departure and narrate cer-But they were yet discussing, in a tain particulars which my haste in

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sad, constrained sort of way, Lucy's illness and accident, when Lady Beauchamp returned from Dr. Jefwriting at that time made impossible. "My note, as you will remember, fries's, and the unsatisfactory interbriefly stated that she thought her view was brought to an end. medicine had been forgotten, but But now, as the girl observed the that, in reality, it was safe in one marks of agitation on his face, her of her boxes. Supplemental to that statement was the request that you heart rose to her throat. The next instant, with a low, sobbing cry she would find the bottle, and properly

dispose of its contents ! Surprised and deeply affected, the "Let me now outline what occur-

baronet forgot all but that he was about to lose her, and perhaps for ever. He drew her to him, and kis-"At the most unfortunate moment possible-just as the train was leavsed her with the fondest tenderness. ng-Nina declared that the medicine The girl threw back her head and had been forgotten. My dismay was unbounded. The pellet was invalu-uble (I have but eight left). What if "Oh, papa, you do love me little, do you not ?" she cried, with the housenaid had already mislaid streaming eyes, and lips tremulous the bottle? Or worse, what if she had appropriated a portion of the contents for a twinge of headache or Before he could answer, Lady Beauchamp broke in, her voice clear neuralgia ? "With these questions torturing my

"We are losing valuable time. I brain I reached Grosvenor-square. I looked at the footman who admitted track that the sum is sumpled with will go and take my seat in the carlooked at the footman who admitted us in mute expectation of hearing of teach that the sun is supplied with riage." "Yes, yes !" nervously exclaimed some awful event. His face was a fuel by Sir Robert, fully recalled to himself.

respectful blank. I rid myself of "We must not loiter here. Come, Robert, and flew, rather than ran, up to Nina's apartments. He released himself from the girl's "As I anticipated the housemaid

clinging arms, and then, all at once, was there. To my somewhat impet- process of nature, but other asstopped her as she was turning away uous inquiries she answered that she had seen no bottle whatever. After "I have a little gift for you, my child," he said, in lowered tones, a sharp pang at his heart as he nothad seen no bottle whatever. After a vain search I sought Lucy. The tic supply of fuel, and they believe poor, unsuspicious wretch was asleep and looked ill enough; but I awak-in size at the rate of 220ft. of its iced the sadness overspreading the lovely young face. "Five hundred pounds, my love, for pocket money. ened her instantly. I intended slipping it into your bag bottle of medicine,' I said, sharply. "Where is it ?" at the last minute, but perhaps it is better to give it to you. And my dear," he concluded abruptly, "it is word but lay staring up at me with the strangest look I ever saw in my life. Supposing she felt confused the strangest look I ever saw in the strangest look I ever s not worth while to speak of the amount. It is quite between our-The girl's thanks uttered, they

my question. "This time she replied, and so of a candle. hastened to the carriage. As the footman slammed the door, Lady naturally that I have never thought Beauchamp called out sharply : of the interview from that hour to "As fast as Bilby can drive,

" 'Oh the bottle ?' she cried with a Thomas, or we will be in disgrace ! It would he awfully mortifying for weary breath. 'Yes, yes, I packed it us to delay Dr. and Mrs. Jeffries. my lady.' ''Feeling as if the world had been she continued addressing Sir Robert as the carriage dashed from the kerb lifted from my shoulders, I echoed : "'You packed it ?' But Bilby, by dint of hard driving spared them that mortification. "Evidently she imagined my words Ceremonious leave-takings, how interrogative. She answered wearily ever were out of the question. "'In one of the boxes that was to There was not a minute to lose and go, my lady.

"On the strength of that rejoinder my note was written to you. But But as Nina was stepping in, Lady Beauchamp caught her breathlessly now, my friend-where is the bottle? Under the circumstances, it won't do my friend-where is the bottle? to put the question to Lucy. Neither will it do to put it to Nina ! But

'Your medicine !" she cried. "You where is it, in appalling black and white-where is the bottle? Dolores have it in your bag ?" Nina's quick, backward glance laughs at my fears; says Amelia has undoubtedly removed it at one ismay answered her. "Oh, you have forgotten it !" cried

of the stopping places, and then for-gotten all about it. But even so, some fools might venture to test its Lady Beauchamp, her voice a triffe Dr. Jeffries, catching the hurried colloquy as he followed the girl, A long train of circumstantial evi-

"Never mind. I can make that all dence ! the hangman's rope ! the "-Mrs. Allingham suddenly removed her finger from the sheet, leaned Lady Beauchamp felt as if every

### ELECTRICITY FROM THE WIND.

In the great corn and wheat belt of America, improved windmills are now used to develop electric power for general use on the farms.

At first the electricity so obtaine was employed only for lighting purposes, but more recently it has been utilized for running small motors For many years windmills for raising water to irrigate the land have been almost as common in some of the prairie States as in Holland, but often they are quite crude in con struction.

The Department of Agriculture has a frying-pan. The last were sampl-now taken up the subject, and be- ed by members of the audience. gun the distribution of information Flowers and fruit brought by gentleamong the farmers concerning the men in the audience were dipped in latest forms of windmills, and it is liquid air, and returned in a petrisuch improved mills that are found useful for developing electric power. In Germany electricity derived from the wind for agricultural purposes has been used successfully for the wards past two years.

THEORIES ABOUT THE SUN.

The current theories concerning the sun and the planets are that the "My experiments here," said Dr. Boyd. "are but the forerunner of sun was once vastly hotter than it is now, and that for a long period many marvels to come. Thirty years ago scientists thought the, air was it has been slowly but steadily cooling. The doctrine is built on the notion that the sun is a mass of fire in progress of intense and a permanent gas. Then Professor Dewar, exploring in the North Pole fierce combustion, and that, like any of temperature, liquified oxygen and nitrogen. and then produced liquid other fire, unless its fuel is repleniair. The first ounce cost him £800 to make. To-day it can be produced for nothing a gallon when your plant has been installed and paid for.

VAST QUANTITIES OF COMETS AND METEORS.

that are shovelled into it by some tronomers like Sir Robert Ball reject in size at the rate of 220ft. of its diameter in a year. As the mass "Your mistress has forgotten her of the sun is about eight hundred the compression. This is removed by "The creature never answered a at least for a long time, but there Fahr. by the sudden awakening, 1 repeated with a spasmodic gleam and a whiff

of ill-smelling smoke like the snuff IS IT RADIUM?

It is with great satisfaction that we are allowed to believe in the possibility that the sun is made of radium, and that it can continue to give off heat and light for an inconceivable lapse of ages without being in the least diminished either in size or capacity to warm and illuminate us. The idea that it is not losing 220ft. of its diameter is par-ticularly consoling. There is another suggestion which

would enable our solar system to gical purposes with the greatest suc-continue its operations without suffering an instantaneous conflagration CONSUMED BY SLOW COMBUS-

TION.

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This theory is that the sun and various bodies which revolve round it constitute an electric dynamo and an incondescent lamp on such a dipped in liquid air, it burns like a greasy bit of pork rind. Ordinary woollen felt is very hard to burn, but if it is dipped in liquid air, it will and is very hard to burn, but if it is scale as could be designed and dipped in liquid air it will explode nary kind, without ornaments. As and burn with all the voilence of soon as the occasion offers I shall omnipotence, to go on its beneficent course for ever.

#### THE POWER OF THE SOUTH SEA ISLANDS EXPORTS. \* OTHER LANDS. \* <u>\_</u>

-----•**[**•----PRACTICAL DEMONSTRATIONS One of the greatest wonders of THAT UPSET THE TEACHING Java is a large lake of boiling mud. It is two miles in circumference, and OF CENTURIES.

FUTURE.

of soft, hot mud which is seen con-At the London Hippodrome lately tinually rising and falling. There Dr, Maxim Boyd cooked a steak on are several columns of this kind and ice, he showed his audience how it besides, there are two gigantic bubwas possible to wash linen in a silk bles near the edge, which fill up like huge balloons and explode on an hat without the aid of water, then he lit a cigar with the vapour from average three times per minute. the liquid air, and poached eggs in

prolonged storage of apples may be successfully carried out has been studied during the past two years by the United States Department of fied condition to their owners. In Agriculture, and the cold storage of many cases it was difficult to pulapples has now made this fruit verize them with a hammer afteravailable practically the whole year

round. Several hundred different Dr. Boyd has so far investigated varieties were stored in order to the possibilities of liquid air that make the tests. It appears that there is no difficulty whatever in he hopes, in the near future to drive a four-horse-power ordinary gas enstoring apples in the autumn and gine by liquid air. Professor Dewar keeping them until late in the fol-lowing spring. All that is apparently has openly stated that the man who can do this will become not only the greatest scientist, but one of the necessary is to keep an equable temperature; just about freezing point s the most satisfactory. richest men in the world as well.

The old art of taxidermy has been superseded in the American Museum of Natural History by the new me-thod of modelling the bodies of animals in clay and fitting the skin over the model. This method is regarded as revolutionary in its effects on the exhibition of animal life in museums.

The clay models are made as carc-Liquid air is the power of the future. There is a model railway enfully in all their details as are the products of a sculptor's studio, and the artist, departing from the congine in existence that is driven by it. The little "flyer" makes its own ventional ways of the taxidermist, is able to impart to the reconstrucpower, gives out no heat or smoke. and produces no ashes. A machine to make liquid air ted animal such forms and attitudes

teristics. scenis a mass of pipes and coils, and nothing more. Two sets of pipes lead to a compressor, where air stored under pressure of 2,500lbs. to the square inch. Heat is caused by crints. pipes to coolers filled with running water, so that the air enters the liquefier at a temperature of 50deg.

There is one pipe containing the air garden; yet, curiously enough, there is no reference to the flower to be liquefied, and the other contains air to do the liquelying. When a valve is turned on, the air in the liquefying pipe escapes through a small hole. It rushes over the first pipe, expanding rapidly and taking up heat. This process continues un-til such a degree of cold prevails in

the first pipe that the air is liquefied, and drops down into a receptacle. A valve is turned, and the liquid air pours out ready for use. Liquid air is 312deg. below zero. Ice is warmer than liquid air by lowing address :

much more quickly than costic potash. and it can be controlled in the operation. Disease germs, such as scarlet fever, liquid air kills outright If a burning match is applied to a bit of steel that has been dipped in liquid air, it burns like a greasy bit

guncotton. Dr. Boyd hopes that when manu-

Few problems have had greater in- | Oysters are now examined by Xturers and directors of railway

\_\_\_\_•<u>\*</u>•\_\_\_ The cocoa-nut product for export bears that magic name of South Sea tales, copra. This is simply the meat of ripe cocoa-nuts cut out in little strips and dried in the sun. The oily, shrivelled bits are packed in the centre is an immense column into sacks and sold to the traders, who ship them to Hamburg, to San Francisco, or to Sydney. From this copra is expressed the familiar cocoa nut or palm oil used in making certain soaps. All the copra from all of Samoa-and by far the major part of it comes from the German The conditions under which the island, Upolu-amounts to barely

£100.000 worth a year. And beyond Copra the Samoan exports consist chiefly in much hopeful talk about future cocoa (chocolate.) Besides cocoanuts, the banana bread-fruit, papaya, orange, mango, and a few other food trees grow freely, although but little attention is paid to their cultivation. Without effort on the part of anyone there is fruit enough for all. Add to this fruit, fish, chickens, pigs, beche de mer, and squid, and the island contributions to the Samoan's bill of fare are practically named. As bonnes bouches, fat larvae of giant wood-boring beetles or the uncooked insides of fresh sea urchins may be added. Once a year, too, in the full moon of November, the strange sea worm Palolo rise from the depth to spawn, and to furnish the natives with their daintiest tit-bit.

### HOW TO POLISH COW'S HORNS.

#### Cow's horns are easily polished if the following simple instructions be

carried out carefully. First make the horns smooth and even with a course file or rasp, and then take a fine sandstone and water and rub the file marks out then as best represent its natural charactake a fine whetstone (a water stone is best) whet or rub out all marls, Rose culture's beginning goes back as the least scratch will show when polished. Then get some tripoli, wet beyond record. The flower is menas much as you want to use, then tioned in the earliest Coptic manuwith a rag rub the horn well with India's traditions take the rose to it; then polish with the palm of the hand. Don't be afraid to bear upon the times of the gods on earth. it and rub quickly. Boiling water will not take the polish off. They Egypt had roses, wild and cultivated efore the Roman occupation made will take any colour wanted by boilit in a way, Rome's commercial rose

#### in painting, sculpture, or hierogly-phics. Japan, in our time, parallels Egypt. Roses flourish there, but do **GENERAL INFORMATION.** not serve as a model for artists. There is this further likeness-neither Egypt nor Japan has a rose song or Some 2,289,578 patients are an-

a love song propér. nually treated in London hospitals What is probably the most ancient

letter in the world has just been discovered in some excavations being made in the province of Attica. It

ficial preparation of diamonds and

other precious stones, though their

efforts have not been marked with

is asserted that it was written four centuries before Christ. It is engra-ed on a leaden leaf, folded in two, identical in chemical camposition. and it bears on the outside the fol-

"To the porter of the market at active. Potis, to be delivered either to Nausias or to Thrasicles, or to

their sons." The text of the letter is as follows

them that he is in good health Please send me a blanket or some every night. sheepskins, if possible of the ordi-

Third-class railway fare reaches a limit of cheapness in India. It is return them." less than a farthing a mile.

terest for the chemist than the arti- rays to ascertain if they contain

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pearls. This saves injury by opening

It is stated that the Rassian offi-

cers are without good maps of Man-

Sugar and salt will both preserve

meat, because they absorb the mois-

ture in it, and so prevent decomposi-

During the South African War 789

During the past twenty years Jews

have acquired 51,540 acres of land

in Palestine. On this land have

been established 21 villages and 13

After numerous experiments Pro-

fessor Greef, of the Berlin Univer-

sity Eye and Ear Hospital, declares

An orange tree will continue to ear fruit until 150 years old. The banana and potato are almost About sixty different kinds of substances are known to be radio-

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back in her chair, and indulged in a had been left ajar, was pushed gently drop of blood in her body had turn-open from without, and Dolores apsoft laugh. open from without, and Dolores ap-"What an imagination that crea-ture has !" she muttered, amusedly. "All right !" she gasped under her peared. breath. "I must get the bottle !" As she whispered these frightened The woman's little black eyes were directed intently towards the bed, "Of course Nina's prepared system would resist a dose that, to one un-prepared, would inevitably prove fatal. But why picture the ugly and, after a moment's pause she apwords the car · door banged and proached. the train was Sir Robert stood gazing after it "Ah, awake !" she exclaimed as like one in a painful dream. "Gone !" he faltered. "Gone, poor Lucy looked up. "I feared as much, slip-knot.' and, notwithstanding Miss Dolby's "Gone !" he faltered. "Gone, poor orders came in to see if I could be grain?" Having delivered herself of that amused comment, Mrs. Allingham returned to her task. Had Lucy followed the dictates of Lady Beauchamp caught the words She looked over the gloomy forewould have rid her of the woman's blazed with a triumphant fire. For hodings into which my lady had allowed herself to glide, and resumed at these words : presence instantly. Having, however, a moment the bottle was forgotten. "Entertain no fears of Lucy's preher own secret purpose to serve, she "Yes, 'when and how !'" she re-couched her negative in terms so peated to herself, her mind reaching mature recovery. It has thus far heen very slow, but-always attriout to the anticipated future. courteous that Dolores's black eyes butable to natural causes ! During twinkled with satisfaction. But even my lady's bold spirit the next three weeks it will be still would have quailed into utter im-Quietly observant, Lucy waited. slower. Wherefore? She left us in Dolores justified her expectations to potence could she have lifted the veil the most precipitate manner, Dolores discovering her intention only just in time to ensure against the preand have seen what the future was the letter. destined to bring forth. mature improvement which you have CHAPTER XIX. feared. It happened the day she re-ceived Nina's letter announcing her CHAPTER XX. With a burst of friendly condolence Dolores cried out, suavely : Near an open window of a certain father's wish that she should employ "Such a pity you took that late pleasant room at the hotel, the Bad-Brigitta during her stay in Gerlunch ! Such a pity ! When I think ischer Hof, a tall, queenly-looking woman sat, thoughtfully bending many. "A few hours previous to receipt of your eating cherry pie"-Lucy broke in upon her passionateof said letter, Sir R., at my request personally informed her of the com-mands he had laid upon Nina, salv-ing the unexpected dismissal with a over a letter. ly: "For Heaven's sake don't say The woman was Mrs. Hildegard Allingham. The letter was Lady Beauchamp's communication. The 'cherry pie and buttermilk,' to me as long as you live. Here I am laid up and poor Miss Nina left without me at the worst possible time. Then gift (not at my request) of one hundred pounds. In view of her long don't go reminding me of that lun-cheon, unless you want to drive me crazy." At that outburst Dolores's bead-like eyes twinkled brighter than ever like eyes twinkled brighter than ever and crowned by a lovely mass of tion from Nina. She shed tears Nevertheless, she essayed the part of faxen to grey, but denying the "And now, my dear friend the second trans the second tra "And now, my dear friend, let me express my limitless admiration and "Yes, yes," answered Lucy; "I've change with a success so absolute heard about the French maid. Miss Beauchamp-bless her kind heart-sent Miss Dolby to tell me, hoping that no one unacquainted with the profound gratitude with which I rewoman's age would have suspected view your tactics. that the pale gold was other than "The unrivalled manner in which that the pule gold was outer that its pristine hue. Nature having thus aniably set Time at naught, Art stepped in to the rescue of the face below, and the rescue of the face below, and it would cheer me a bit. But what's a French maid? I'm the one that knows what Miss Beauchamp needs." Having delivered herself of this expression of feeling, Lucy deter-minedly closed her eyes. Her pa-tience had reached its limit. with the same satisfactory results. It was a beautiful face, and as rewoman, Brigitta, was inducted into the vacant office of lady's maid, all markable in its peculiar characteris-Dolores looked at her a moment, tics as beautiful; strangely pale, inspire me with the most fervent and, then, with a satisfied nod and and intellectual, oval in form, and emotions of gratitude and admirasmile, left the room. perfect in feature. perfect in feature. But it was in the eyes that the woman's supreme, all-triumphing ing draft from Sir Robert. He read Lucy lay still till assured that the woman was really gone. She then opened her eyes. A grim expression your letter (the letter intended for his eye!) with sentiments too proower lay. of amusement showed about her Large, luminous, and deeply blue, his eye!) with sentiments too pro-they looked out from beneath the thick, curling lashes with a compel-line to the sentiment of the sentimen mouth, and she muttered slowly : "Fooled ! You came to pump me Mistress Dolores, and you did pump me to your own satisfaction ! You ling beauty hard to describe. They were eyes that changed with every changing emotion. Now softened to a dove-like tenderness, now ablaze with the fire of genius; now sparkhave gone away sure that I made no awkward discoveries last night | HAIR-PIN MAKING. Very good, Mistress Dolores ! I will take the best care not to place you ling with a sudden enthusiasm, or gaiety, they fascinated one and all on your guard by undeceiving you ! Yes, the best-for I too, have some-A RURAL INDUSTRY. with a single glance. There is little danger nowadays of thing to find out ! I'd like to know, As Mrs. Allingham sat bending Mrs. Allingham sat bending any person or place, however obscure eight pieces; put on them a pound that open letter there was a he or it may have been, blushing of salt, six large cloves of garlic, Mistress Dolores, why you wanted me ill just now." over that open letter there was a look in those wonderful eyes that none save certain persons within the pale of her confidence were ever per-mitted to see-a look that in the with the Jeffries and Nina, neither of them had once surprised In the consideration of that un-solvable problem, Lucy finally fell asleep. She slept long and heavily. A housemaid stole up to her room. Miss Dolby stole up, and then Nina, dressed for her journey, Lent sadly For a time she sat quite motionover the slumberer. less, wholly absorbed in her task. With a dull, sickening sense of de-Then she rose and leaving the letter pression, she softly kissed the wo-man's cheek, pinned a gift of ten pounds among the folds of a hand-Directly she turned from the win-Directly she turned from the winkerchief, and crept noiselessly away. At the foot of the stairs she found table. operation transforming miles of wire into tons of finished pins- tons to Sir Robert and Lady Beauchamp Sir Robert and Lady Beauchamp waiting for her. The carriage was at the door, and both stood in readi-ness to attend her to the railway in these words: "I will read it once again," she be lost little by little till each lady third strongest force in the animal many cases of the lion's paw is the into tons of minished pins- tons to third strongest force in the animal many cases of defective eyesight are sease is on the stage, what thoughts in these words: "I will read it once again," she be lost little by little till each lady in these words: "I will read it once again," she be lost little by little till each lady in these words: "I will read it once again," she be lost little by little till each lady in these words:

sun, that must sooner or later burn itself out to complete extinguishment. HOW TO LIVE TO BE ONE HUNDRED. Sir James Sawyer, the well-known physician, has formulated the fol-lowing 19 rules for prolonging life to 100 years. Eight hours sleep.
 Sleep on the right side. 3. Keep your bedroom window open all night. 4. Have a mat at your bedroom door. 5. Do not leave your bedstead against the wall. 6. No cold bath in the mornings, but a bath at the temperature of the ody Exercise before breakfast. Eat little meat, and see that 8. is well cooked. 9. (For adults.) Drink no rolk 10. Eat plenty of fat to keep the cells which decay. 11. Avoid intoxicants, which destroy these cells. Daily exercise in the open air. 13. Allow no pet animals in your iving rooms. They are apt to carry bout disease germs. 14. Live in the country if you can. 15. Watch the three D's-Junking vater, damp, and drains. 16. Have a change of occupation. 17. Take frequent and short holidays. 18. Limit ýour ambitions, and 19 Keep your temper. MORE THAN HE EXPECTED. ·----A well known Dean had the misfortune to lose his umbrella; and suspecting that it had been taken out of the porch, anounced on the following Sunday that if the pre-sent possessor was present and would drop it over the deanery gar-den that night, nothing more would be said about it. be said about it. The next morning he took his usual walk before breakfast in the garden, and there, scattered all over the path that ran along the hedge, he came across no fewer than forty-five umbrellas. The meeting of some of the repentant thieves on the other (To be continued.) 1438. side of that hedge must have been an amusing affair .-- "Sketch." LEMON PICKLE. Wipe six lemons, cut each into

that the greatest of the world's mustard; to these put two quarts of manufactories of hairpins are at Painswick, a village which stands in the Stroud Valley, at the foot of the Cotswolds. There are no fewer than 300 hands is better, do it in a strong jar, in a kettle of boiling water; or set the strong out these triffes of the boudoir, and hundreds of automatic machines are in constant it into small bottles.

Such a notion only meets the contempt of science, which insists upon his experiments and grasped the economic possibilities of liquid air, its universal adoption as an agent for motive power will immediately fol-

conspicuous success, despite the invention of the electric furnace and churia and Korea. The Japanese other means of producing high tem- are well provided with them. peratures.

THE BLOOD OF MEN AND APES. A recent process is the making of artificial rubies, and has been dis-covered by a German chemist named An interesting departure from the Vernenil. It consists of fusing a usual methods of studying the simi-larity between men and the other mixture of clay and chromium oxide with the heat of an oxyhydrogen sor Uhlenmuth, a noted German anthropologist, who has recently car-ried on a series of interesting ob-servations on the blood of survey. placed in alternate horizontal layers servations on the blood of men, apes and the heat, which is as intense as

and monkeys. Between the blood of the first two possible, is applied from above. The quick cooling caused by suddenly shutting off the blast produced the disease. there are many points of similarity and, indeed, the evidence of distinct relationship; but the blood of monkeys can readily be distinguish-ed from that of man. The difference

is more marked or less marked, ac-cording to the species, the greatest resemblance being seen in the case of the gorilla, and the least with the lemurs—a small epecies about the size of a cat, and having a face somewhat like a fox. A singular fact is that, judged by the blood, there is less evidence of relationship

WHERE BULLETS MUST STOP.

found in the American families of apes than in those of the Old World.

A series of interesting firing trials A series of interesting firing trials just the story of two people who was recently undertaken by the Swedish Government. The purpose of these experiments are the purpose. Attachment. Nicholas was the The increased produ of these experiments was to examine Czarevitch and 19 years of age when he met Maitza Tichinska, a beautithe effect of shooting against pasteboards. ful singer and ballet dancer on the

The trials were conducted on the Russian stage. She was the daughter wharves of the Swedish navy and of the ballet-master at the Imperial the target used was a prepared one Theatre, where the meeting occurred of millboard, against which fire from revolvers, rifles, carbines, and mach-ine guns was directed. The paste-be presented, and, of course, was board, which was three inches thick, resisted completely the bullets fired from the small arms, but was per-of the affair and sanctioned it after

forated by the projectiles from the a fashion. If the Czar knew of the machine-guns. machine-guns. The experiments may be said to seven years that the couple lived to-

ARTIFICIAL COTTON.

After artificial silk, we have now lulose, and a German chemist has

cult to distinguish from ordinary marriage, it is said, but he goes of-

Beware of tight collars An author-

hardness characteristic of the ruby, and the resulting crystal, which is pure and brilliant, is said to pos-sess all the physical properties of the natural gem, being cut readily and taking a fine polish. ROMANCE OF THE CZAR'S LIFE, HIS INFATUATION FOR A DANC-

that radium offers nothing to the blind in the way of relief from their ING GIRL. affliction. There is a story of the Czar, well known in Russia, but practically un-

heard of outside that country, which is interesting as well as pitiful. It is a simple romance in itself;

The increased production of coal in Great Britain last year led to the employment of 17,275 more persons than in 1902, the total number engaged in 1903 being 842,066 and in 1902, 824,791.

Fashoda has ceased to exist. Hereafter the province, town and village of that name will be known as Upper Nile Province, Kodok, and Dalwar respectively.

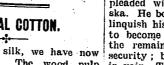
Manchester sacrifices from £12,000 to £15,000 every year by declining to have advertisements on its cars,

have given very interesting results. Bullets from the carbines used are land hidden away in the Imperial able to penetrate wooden planks 5in in thickness, but they could not pene-trate the paste-board, which was on-ly 3in. thick. in search of a Royal bride. He of a Russian barracks are plastered pleaded with his father for Tichin- with pictures of what the soldier is ska. He begged to be allowed to re-linquish his right to the throne, and

to become a plain citizen and pass the remainder of his days in ob-security; but all his petitions were into the military chest are gold artificial cotton. The wood pulp in vain. The sequel to his tour was coins issued three centuries ago. from which paper is made is but cel- that he married the Princess Alix They are of large size, and of almost pure metal, and worth much more

Nicholas succeeded to the throne in 1895, and Maitza Tichinska re-turned to the stage, where she is a general favourite. His Majesty in Dark has now heen corroborated Jonah has now been corroborated in part. A basalt stela found by Father Schell in the Archaeological has never spoken to her since his ten to the theatre when she per-forms. He sits in the Royal box, an Assyrian inscription of King Nobonod of the sixth century far back in the shadow, and watches Christ, telling of the destruction of her. If she knows when he is there she gives no sign. She dances and Nineveh, an event hitherto found recorded on no monument. smiles and bows just as in the days before she met the Czarevitch. She

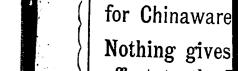
hides the tragedy in her eyes. For According to Paris newspapers, the in Russia they say there was and is in Russia they say there was and is surgeons are now dressing wounda genuine affection between the couple, with silver leaf. The silver is simwho are so close together and vet so effects of this sheet of silver are said far anart ! to be very remarkable. 1438



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The Japanese have a chorus on the stage called Joruri. The Joruri sing what the actor is supposed to be thinking, and he shows his emo-tions by his gestures and the ex------



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### THE RIPONSHIRE ADVOCATE, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1904.

THE HAND UPON THE LATCH BY E. C. KENYON.

"It's a dark day, Barnabas. A ver dark day!"

"It is nothing of the sort. You al ways take such a gloomy view of things, Rebecca!" grumbled the small farmer, Barnabas Scott, as he button ed up his overcoat, which was turning Barnabas got down from his cart, threw the reins over the horse's back, green with age, preparatory to going out to the dogcart waiting for him at and lifted the door-latch, Almost to his surprise it yielded to his touch, and the door.

"Then it's my eyes that are failing me, Barnabas," his wife rejoined timidthe next moment he stood within the house shrouded in darkness. ly, with a half sob. She was a thin. careworn little woman, with an habitually sad countenance.

Very like. You're getting old, you know. You can't expect to grow young er." "I am no older than you, Barnabas

But you never complain of your eye sight

"I never did go grumbling about like you!" was the retort. "I've something else to do.

had fallen forward on the hearth. The remains of what should have been his His wife was silent for a moment or two. She clasped her hands nervous-ly together, and looked at her husband unper, which the cat had comman-leered during the long hours she had strough her dim eyes, which scarcely saw him. All her married life she had submitted meekly to his imperious will. Ever since being united to him in the herds of being united to him in the bonds of ho,y matrimony she had renounced self, and accepted his wishes as the law of her daily life. Man was the head of the woman, and hus-band of the wife, she firmly believed. and turned away from and abhorred all thoughts of the contrary. "I promised to obey him," she whispered to herself sometimes, when he was most auto cratic and over-bearing, and never had to say it twice; for she was a woman whose spoken word was more binding than many a note of hand. She had submitted in all things; yet now, after thirty years of thraidom, she was bracioned. ing herself to assert, in one instance, a desire of her own. "Barnabas," she said, desperately, as im with such bitter pain as avenged

he was turning to the door, "stay a minute. I want to ask you something

Rebecca

nimals.

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old her so.

He did not sleep much that night,

ecca had been to him for thirty years.

"But 1 never thought she would have

n his heart he had often admired her

"You do?" he snapped, looking at her with a frown. She would not let him snuff her out

"We've been married thirty years," she faltered, "and I've been a good wife to you, always at your beck and call, al. ways serving you to the very best of

my abilities-." "What's up now?" he interrupted gruffly, looking at her in amazement. "Do you want something?" "Aye," she cried, big tears coming

into into her poor eyes, and trickling slow-ly down her faded cheeks. "Aye, I want something more than I have ever wanted anything for twenty-six years." He started. Was it twenty-six years He started. Was it twenty-six years since she made her last request? He remembered it well. She had begged him to buy a toy horse-and-cart for their little boy-their only child-and he had refused, saying he had no mon-ey for extravagances. The child died a few days afterwards, having sickened of some infantile complaint and auc lone me such an ill turn as to go and eave me!" he groaned. "How am I. o get along without her?" He really ielt quite injured. "It would cost so of some infantile complaint and suc-cumbed to it in a few hours, as child-ren do sometimes, and he had remarked to his wife that it was just as well that he had not wasted money over toy. He remembered now the look she gave him-a look which had come into her eyes, now and sgain, ever since, at intervals, the ghost of which at other times seemed to linger in her sorrowfal ife, I don't know, I'm sure." expression of countenance.

It's just this, Barnabas," continuet the poor woman. "I want you to take me with you to town to-day, that I may go and see a doctor about my eyes—I must see a doctor," she sobbed, "for I'm afraid—I'm sorely afraid that I am going blind."

"Nonsense !" he shouted, incensed as the idea of such a calamity, and angry suggesting it sense! Don't be an idiot! Blindness never was in your family, and never will be in ours. I won't have you go to a doctor. Do you hear? I won't have my hard-earned money wast-d in the transformed money wasted in that way. Go and get some work to do, and don't talk rubbish!" He went out, banging the door after him. and muttering strong words, very strong words indeed, as he elimbed in to his dogcart and drove off. Left alone, his wife sank down on the old settee, trembling in every limb, whilst slow helpless tears rolled down her faded cheeks. The prospect of becoming blind, un-less advice was taken and perchance some operation performed, was appal-ling. Yet what could she do? She knew her huebend too well to expect him to change his mind. He had an unresconable prejudice argingt doo her laded cheeks. nim to change his mind. He had an unreasonable prejudice against doc-tors, having no faith in their power to cure; and moreover he was of a most obstinate—some said pig-headed—dis-position. Rebecca had never disobeyed him since they were married, the thraldom of habit bound her hand and foot. Yet was she to sit still until a terrible doom which might be averted came upon her? Was she to make no effort to prevent the threatened calamity? To be blind? The dimness of sight from which she suffered was a foretaste of what it would be. Still she could see a little, now, therefore she shut har eyes in order that she might realise more correctly what it would be to have them closed for life. "I must do somethine," she said to herself, at length. "Any woman in her senses would. But I shall have to leave Barnahas, for if he is terrible when I went anything against his will, what will he he if I do anything against it? I shall have to leave him. Oh! Barnabas! After thirty years! I did not think our wedded life would come to this !"

in their styes, wanting their suppor, and the lowing of the cows, whose milking had been neglected, toid a sorry tale to their listening owner. His wife, the beginning and the end. to go at once to a London Ophthalmic Hospital, where the ophthalmic surgeons treated her for cataract of both yes, which were successfully operated on, in due course. She remained in the hospital until her sight was quite ing of his domestic staff, was gone, and the house was like a character without a soul, like a play of "Hamlet" with Hamlet left out, like a body from which the life had been expelled. restored, and a little longer still to as-isis the nurses, as they found she had no home to which she could return. But as she grew stronger the desire to

go to her husband, to see if he would forgive her, became so strong that she ventured upon doing it. There was no talk of forgiveness be

ween Rebecca and Barnabas, no talk of forgiveness at all, but love, real love ween Rebecca and Barnabas, no talk of forgiveness at all, but love, real love for each other healed the breach and placed their relations on a far happier basis than they were the same." "Is it so long as that since you made the recovery I've heard" meutioned ?" enquired a reporter. His hand shock when he fumbled for his matches, and, when found, his his matches, and, when found, his fingers seemed too cold and helpless to readily light one. As he bungled over the task his wife's big tabby cat same to rub himself against his legs. basis than they had ever been before. "Darby, and Joan," people called them. And whenever Rebecca was asked where she had been during her

When the can lle, placed ready up-on the table, was lighted, he looked round upon a scene of desolation such as he never before beheld in his house. long absence from Barnabas, she an-swered promptly, "With friends in London." Which tallied with what her husband had said, and was quite The kitchen fire had burned out, and dead ashes half filled the grate and true, as the doctors and nurses had been friends in her time of need.

WHAT IS CORAL?

been shut up with the temptation, were scattered over the cloth, whose white-More than wonderful, and differing from every gen or stone used in sim ness was also sullied by some spilt vinegar. The table to which Barnalar ways, is coral in production and growth. It might be called a sea-tarn or, fruit, solidified and marvellous-ly coloured by the actions of Nature, here's hungry eyes first looked being wholly unsatisfactory, he stared round naments of any kind upon the mantel-piece, but he observed that one, a branching, tree-shaped, in flat, round-itle faded photograph of a three year ed and dome-shaped masses, and there itle frame in which it had stood for wenty-six years. The frame was left and by the same unrivalled expert, moulded and curved into graceful despite its strong resemblance to the latter, as it is actually the product of I his wife for the wilful waste of noney which its purchase had occaa little aquatic animal known as the polyp, and altogether one of the most oupled with his wife's absence, smote industrious and interesting workers in Nature's cause.

"Rebecca!" he cried out lamentably. This curious little coral-maker j very like a flower in form and colour-ing; it is often compared to the aster But only the old cat turned, and poking up to his face, winked solemnand for many years scientists were un-able to decide to which kingdom coral rightly belonged—the animal or the vegetable. But it has been definitely classified and it is now known that coral is formed by myriads of polyps, He gave it a savage kick which sent t flying across the room. Then he wont out in a dogged, dazed manner, a put his harse up and attend to the or coral animals, that deposit a secre-It was almost midnight betion of calcareous matter on rocks or shells to which they attach themselves, re he had done everything, and reurned to the house with two big pails at a moderate depth, in warm waters. Always interested in this formation. milk, and when he had poured it not the bow's left ready, he was too red and too full of trouble to partake I long ago clipped from the writings of a traveller the following description of coral-beds that impressed me as a graphic pen picture:---"The coral-groves of the ocean-floor are decorated like the gardens of the land, the floweris thoughts were so busy in the past, a the present, and in the future. He remembered what a good wife Bolike polyps answering to our pinks and daisies, violets and lilies. Some of them are of the brightest and softes or it, though unfortunately he had not tints, pink, pearl-colour, green, purple and yellow. They strew the bottom, which is of the whitest and pures: sand, or hang like leaves and flowers, or cling like mosses and lichens to the branching coral, and lend rare enchant ment to the scene."

nuch to have a servant girl, or a house-keeper!" he said to himself, "and a Coral is produced in waters almost the world over. The most important fisherics extend along the Mediterran sharwoman would cost more. Two hillings a day as well as food. Oh tear!" he said aloud. "I shall never ean Sea, on the coasts of Morocco. Algiers, and Tunis, though fine speci-mens are found near Naples and tear! ne said aloud. I shah hever! the served so cheaply again Never! and what I shall do all the rest of my Genoa. It is very difficult to procure. requiring large crews of stalwart men It never entered into his ex-sectations that Rebecca would rewilling at times to risk limbs and even life, who work with grappling apparaitectations' that Rebecca would re-ity about her abrupt dcpartue which are frequently attached firmly is lateness, it burnt itself out, the imm to light. all these things suggested and more, than suggested that she mad gone away deliberately intend-ind more away deliberately intend-intended in the suggested that she might be made to thrive when out of the polype were distinctly alive, but the polype were at the fact could be as-the polype were at the fact or an mal-the polype were at the coral an mal-the might be made to thrive when out of the polype were at the polype were at the suggested that she might be made to thrive when out of the polype were at the suggested the the suggested the the might be made to thrive when out of the polype were at the suggested the suggested the the might be made to thrive when out of the polype were at the suggested the suggested the the the the suggested the the the the suggested the suggested the suggested the the the the suggested the su which are frequently attached firmly to rocks deeply embedded in mud. Not long since an interesting exhibition of living coral was given. The polyps were distinctly alive, but

FACTS IN FITZROY, The Proof by Others Tests

The Case of Mr. U. U. FARMER, (By a Melbourne Reporter.) In the sunshine of his own huppiness who is thoro that does not feel for tho miseries of others? "It is then," said Mr. George James Field, of No. 48 Atharton-street, Fitzroy, "that we The Case of Mr. G. J. FIELD.

Atherton-street, Fitzroy, "that we should be most sympathetic, and now that my days are so much brighter than they were twelve years ago, I must try fort.

enquired a reporter. "Quite," was Mr. Field's brisk reply, "and for that very reason I ought to be all the more thankful, as all these years I have been perfectly free from the complaints with which I formerly suffered so much. It was whilst I was iving in Hanvas strait. living in Hanover-street, near here, that my liver and kidneys played up with me with more than usual severity, and I may tell you that during my many years of suffering the agony I endured would have killed inost men. From twelve stone I had got worn down to ten stone and half-a-pound exactly, so imagina, what a wreak I was and

imagine what a wreck I was, and, strange to say, although I was so weary always, I could not rest when I turned in, for I seldom dozed off until I had fairly worn myself out by turning about in bed most of the night, and when I got up I was quite unfit for anything. My mouth had a bad taste, and the un-healthy condition of my stomach could be seen by the conting on my terms be seen by the coating on my tongue, and another sign of my internal dis-orders was evidenced by the severe pains I suffered."

"When did you usually feel them?" "Always, but after taking food they were terribly acute. The stomach soon felt over-loaded, even before I had eaten anything worth speaking of, and it was remarkable what a nasty, heavy, suf-focating feeling affected my chest. The pains across my loins and between my shoulders fairly crippled me, and my life was made quite dismal by the in-tensity of my headaches. If I slept for an hour I had awful dreams, when I fancied I was falling from a great height, or something equally terrible, and my norves were so shattered that I could not keep them still. Indeed, nervousness troubled me so much that I always imagined somebody was standing behind me with evil intent, and my life was a perfect misery. My eyes felt double their proper size, and my sight was very bad; I grew giddy at inter-vals, my appetite had left me long ago, and even what I ate I could not always keep down. Fits of dry retching came keep down. Fits of dry retching came on frequently, and I really don't know how I escaped breaking a blood-vessel, the straining was so severe. Heaven knows that I never expected to recover, and but for Chements Toris I really knows that I never expected to recover, and but for Clements Tonic I would have been dead long ago, as the doctors could do positively nothing for me, and I had been under dozens of them. Every medicine available I had tried in vain, and I tell you frankly that I got Clements Tonic just in the pick of time. Thank God, that remedy completely conquered my ailments."

"And have you remained cured for twelve years?" "I am happy to say I have, for Cle ments Tonic eradicated my liver and kidney troubles so thoroughly that they have never since returned and for that reason I recommend the same remedy wherever I go, for I know there is nothing like it to cure nervousness and weakness, and to destroy those headweakness, and to destroy those head-aches that had made me wretched so long. Often I had had my back and shoulders rubbed with liniment, think-ing I had lumbago, but Clements Tonic was the only medicine which brought entire relief, which, after all the un-availing treatment I had received, in-cluding a fortnight in hospital, speaks

cluding a fortnight in hospital, speaks for idself. The vomiting and dry retch-ing also ceased, giddiness never oc-curred again, and my sight became as clear as ever. My sleep became regular, peaceful, and refreshing, and the appe-tite I got through using Clements Tonic was remarkable. After thinking my al-ments were incurable, and that I was surely going to die, just fancy how surely going to die, just fancy how grateful I was, and how astounded, too, at what Clements Tonic had done for me, which amounted to nothing more nor less than an entirely new lease of hor less than an entirely new lease of life. I was born at sea on board the 'Oliver@Lang' on July 11, 1830, so I am getting on in years, yet my health has remained better since Clemonts 'Tonic cured me than ever it was, and you can publish these facts in any man-

UNKNOWN FRIENDS. Important to Applicants for There are many prople who have u cd Chamberlain's Col.c, Cholera and Diarrhos R m dy withsplendid result, but who are Applicants for leases within the dis Hairdresser, Tobacconist, and unknewn because they have besitated about trice covered by The Riponshire Advocate giving a testim ny of their experience for publication. These people, however, are none the lets friends to this remedy. They are invited to peruse the following facts:---The New Mining Regulations require that when a lease is marked out the have done much towards making its house hold word by their personal recommenda-tions to friends and neighbors. It is good medicine to have in the home and is widely known for its cures of diarrhos and all forms of bowel trouble. For sale by J. R. WOTHEBSPOON & Co., Merchants, Beau-

### Police Magistrate's Fixtures.

The following are the police magisrate's permanent engagements in the Ballarat district, with the necessary proviso, added by Mr Dickson, " unless therwise engaged";----

Ballarat-10 a.m., daily. Ballarat East-10 s.m., 3rd Wednesay and fourth Thursday. Beaufort-1.30 p.m., 1st Thursday and fourth Tuesday. Bungares-9 a.m., 4th Monday.

Buninyong-3.15 p.m., 3rd Friday. Carogham-2 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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TOMBOY is a brown or black pony, foaled TOM BOY is a brown or black pony, foaled in 1889, stands 14 hands high, with a flowing mane, and plenty of bone, and is a fast trotter in-suddle or harness. His sire, BRIGHAM YOUNG, is a jet black, with a lone, flowing mane and tail, standing 134 hands high, possessed of great strength, and is a very fast trotter; he has taken over 100 first prizes, including the grand champion prize of Australia at the Melbourne Exhibition of 1889, also the first grand champion prize at the Geelong show in 1889. TOM BOY'S Exhibition of 1889, also the first graud champion prize at the Geelong show in 1889. TOM BOY'S dam, MAGGIE, was by ST. GEORGE, the well-known pony of Mr. Bell's, late of Bea'esville, and which was bought by Mr. Lee, of Tarwin, about nine years ago, and who has been breed-ing from him ever since. St. George's ponies fetch the highest prices of any sire coming to Molbourne. TOMBOY'S grand dam was by a Welsh pony, owned and bred by Mr. Ware, of Barwidie. Painter, Paperhanger, and Glazier arwidii

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has been defined by the Crown Solicitor NEILL STREET, BEAUFORT, to be read as locality, and not as mining with a staff of -killed mechanics and up-to-date district, and the lease should therefore with a staff of skilled mecoanics and op-ressau machinery, and is prepared to except any orders entrusted to him with promptness and desnatch. Prices as low as possible, consider be advertised in the paper nearest the and for which application is to be made. As TEN days (not seven as formerl.) are in a for the seven as and for which application is to be

formerly) are given in which tocomplete the application, no valid excuse can SPECIAL NOTICE. now be uged for failure to advertise the lease in the district paper, though

In thanking the public or the support accorded me for the past 44 years, I beg to announce that I have taken the it basonly a weekly, and not a daily issue. This is borne out by the following memo, from the Mines Department re-Golden Age Hotel, ceived by Mr H. A. Adams, Grenville

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clerk at Smythesdale has been instructed to receive a share of public patronage. to advise intending applicants for I will be in possession on and after Saturday, January 30th. mining leases, where opportunity offers [i.e., for tendering such advice], that

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It was late when Barnabas returned from market, very late. He had been in a sullen, obstinate humour all day, and had not so'd the cattle he mean to sell, owing to his unwillingness to abate a trifle of the price, though he knew that there was not sufficient grass in his pastures to keep them in good condition until (lie next fair-day, and that if they fell on in annearance has could not expect to get nearly so much for them.

"It was all owing to my wife's bothering me with the row line to me write a bother-ing me with the row silly whims and fan-cies this meming," he said to himself, putting all the blame as usual upon her, and determining to "blow her up well," when he reached home.

Well, when he remarked nome. He was hungry and cold, for it was a chilly evening as he drove up to the farmhouse, and he looked eagerly for the light in the window of the kitchen, where his support would be laid.

During all his married life a light in the window and a hot supper had from market on a fair day. It was therefore with a start of surprise that he perceived that no light shore from the window, nor was there any gleam of light proceeding from any part of the house All was in darkness "What can Rebucca he thinking of

not to have lighted up hy new?" said old Barnabas to h'mself, resolving that, for this, 'oo, he would, as he ex-pressed it, "give it has well" "Reheard I. Ebecca" he should, as he milled up of the Joor, "Rebecca,"

where are you?" There was no on-wet. Only the dogs

barked more loudly the pligs squealer

and gone away deliberately intendng to do so, and, knowing him is she did, it was not likely that she vould venture to return. She was of t timid nature, and stood in great awe of him, and this was a tremendous of ence that she had committed-the vorm that he had trodden upon so long ad turned. What offence could be vorse than that of the turned worm?

In the days that followed Barnabas hade no effort to search for his wife. ind caused no enquiries to be made about her, and to such of the village bout her, and to such of the vinage people as ventured to ask questions he inswered vaguely that she had gone way on a visit—always that, she had (one away on a visit—and; he did not mow, when she would return.

He engaged a wortan to come and ook after the dairy, clean the house, and cook him his tood, and paid her for the did not do the work as it had al-cays been done before. And he aged considerably in those days, stooping nore than of old, and growing thinner nd more careworn in appearance. In the evenings, when the char-oman had gone away, he sat by his olitary hearth broading over the past, nd fretting at his ionetimess and the esertion of the woman who had prolised to "love, cherish, and obey him " ntil death them did part. One evening, as he was sitting thus, he bells of the village Church began to ng a welcome to a newly-married pair tho were returning home, after their the were rearning home after them ioneymoon, and the sound caused him o think of his own wedding and the lay when he brought pretty Rebecca london home to be the mistress of the

d farmhouse. "I meant to be good to ber then," he aid to himsels, admitting, at last, that he had failed in conduct towards her. I loved her then-as I suppose I did ilways, though other things crowded ny thoughts and hard work drove all soft sentiments out of me." And he inhed, regretting the fact for the first

ime.

What was that? The door latch mov-ed as if it were lifted a little way, and then fell to. He listened, startled, and, saying to himself, "It will be the wind shaking the old door," began brodding again, until, at last, unable to hear the self-reproach with which conscience, now the output wakened, efflicted him, he dropped his head up-on his hands and wept like a child, with great sobs and the tears rolling fown his checks. The hand upon the latch of the door no longer hesitated and drew back; the timid woman standing there, afraid ef-entering her own home, delayed no more; the latch was lifted, the do n hrown open, and, with a tender, oothing ery. Rebecca ran across the eitchen, calling, "Barnabas! Oh, my lear Barnabas!" What was that? The door latch move

"Rehecca! Rebecca!" He could say to more, for she had taken his plor red head within her tender arms, and red head within her tender arms, and vas kissing his creworn face as sweet-v.as. if he had b er the dearest and nost loving husband in the world. The cat rose slowly from his plact upon the beath and looked at them. with blinking eyes, but he received no ick for it now, only by the by when here was time much arc, from

might be made to thrive when out o their native soil, so to speak. The polyps in the aquarium showed a no-ticeable growth, slight though it was after they had been in the tank six months. They were fed on the soft parts of cysters chopped into minute agments.

PROMPT PEOPLE.

Don't live a single hour of your life without doing exactly what is to be done in it, and going straight through it from beginning to end. Work, play, study-whatever it is, take hold at Work, play. study—whatever it is, take nota in once, and finish it up squarely: then to the next thing, without letting any moments drop between. It is wonder-tul to see how many hours these prompt people contrive to make of a day; it is as if they nicked up the maments which the dawdlers lost. And if ever you find yourself where you have so many things pressing upon vou that you hardly know how to begin, let me tell you a secret : Take the very first one that comes to hand, and you will find the rest all fall into file, and will find the rest all fall into file, and follow after, like a company of well-drilled soldiers; and though work may be hard to meet, when it confronts one in a mass, it is easily vanouished if you can bring it into line. You may have often seen the anecdote of the man who was asked how he had accom-plished so much in his life. "My father taught me," was the reply "when I had anything to do, to go and do it." There is the secret—the mag c do it." There is the secret—the mag c word "Now!" Make sure, however, that what is to be done ought to be done. "Never put off till to-morrow what you can do to-day," is a good proverb; but don't do what you may regret.

#### GIVE AND TAKE

When one member of a family has better ideas than the others of the way things should be done, he needs to put a guard upon his spirit that he does not make himself a fruitful cause of household discomfort. Suppose your notions of matters are exceedingly wise, you have to reckon with fact, and one fact have to reckon with incr. and one race may be that the other members of the household do not recognise the superi-ority of your ideas. If you are set upot instituting a reform you will find that a little tact and patience will serve well little tact and patience will serve well in maugurating your projects without fric-tion and heart-burning. "Ah!" you say, "but my way is so reasonable and judicious that it needs only to be stated to have its excellence recognized. I do not see why my father and mother and' brothers and sisters are not clear-sight-ed enough to do as I wish. It is not duty to institute a reform. and I will en enough to up as a wish. It is the duty to institute a reform, and I will not rest until I have done so." But softly, my friend; would it be worth while to have the family life reformed according to your ideas, at the expense of its peace and harmony and swort con-tent? Other people have a right to their notions as well as you to yours, their notions as well as you to yours, and you are assuming much to think that your plans are so important that they justify/you in imposing them on others at the cost of irritating them and sendors that invited others at the cost of pritating them and offending their dignity. Take our word for it, the domestic reformer, inless the head of the family, usually proves a ick for it now, only by the by when here was time , much, arigh from the head of the family, dsually proves a nusance, if he or she is not gifted with a large measure of that charity which here are in the unreasonable whima of others, and works out the reform icctor of four 6 weat advised her

ther you choose." STATUTORY DECLARATION. I, Guona JANES FIELD, 48 Athorton.et., Fitzroy the the State of Victoria, do solemnily and sincerely de clare that I have carefully read the annexed docu ment, consisting of four follow, and consecutively numbered from one to four, and that it contains and is a true and faithful account of my illness and curre by Clements Tonic, and also contains my full permis-sion to publish in any manner my statements—which I give soluntarily, and without receiving any pay-ment; and I make this solemn declaration conscion-tiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of an Act of the Parliament of Victoria rendering persons making a faise declaration punish-able for wilful and corrupt perjury. Decl red at Fitzroy, in the State of Victoria, this 25th aer you choose."

Decl red at Pitzroy, in the State of Victoria, this 25th day of January, 1905, before me, W R, DENNETTS, J.P., a Justice of the Peace in and for the Central Bailiwick of the State of Victoria

Railway Time-Table, The following is the local railway timetable :-- A mixed train leaves Bal-larat 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 Buangor at 1.4. The Adelaide express leaves Melbourne at 4 40 p.m. (Sundays excepted), Ballarat at

week day 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. The morning mixed train from Stawell to Bal-

larat leaves Stawell at 6 a.m. instead of 6.15 s.m., and is timed to leave the district stations every week day as follows:-Buangor, 7.48; Middle Creek, 8; Bean-fort, 8.37 (arriving here at 8.27); Trawalla, 8.50; Borrumbeet, 9.16, The 8.20 p.m. train from Stawell to Ballarat, arriving at Beaufort at 11.10 p.m., runs every week day.

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