

annual picnic in Jacob Markell's wal-	the county commissioners to get Main	street from State to Harrison by Mr.	fered to Gen i	church of Florence, who has been	bile. I visited the exposition grounds.
nut orchard A newspaper man from	street paved from Briggs to the	Charles Baughman. The request was	fund 7.86	cauten of riordice, and has been	The buildings remain, you know, as a
here joined a delegation and took	Omaha city limits, and they should	not acted on.	Aug. 31. Spec'l	visiting old friends the past two weeks, returned to his old home in	narr of the university The steen
	have the co-operation of the city of	Charles Allen was granted a leave	Grad. trans-	weeks, returned to his old nome in	grades and some of the sky consumer
items.	Florence in their undertakings.	of absence for a period of sixty days.	fered to Gen'l	Wyncote, Pa., Tuesday. He filled the	sidewalks of Elevenes are not in it
00		The following bills were allowed:	fund 19.07	pulpit last Sunday evening and those	with Southly and I have my friends
Olin Athen, a Washington county	₹®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®®	J. H. Price\$ 7.35		present say he has improved wonder-	didn't know how from the line
school teacher for over twenty years,	× ·	J. P. Cooke 1.45	and grading	rung as a speaker since he terr	didn't know how frequently I held my
was hauling sweet corn to the Blair	🔹 .'. IDLE CHATTER .'. 💈	Emil Hanson 42.75	fund 37.16	Florence.	breath in terror.
canning factory.	S I I VILL VILLILI I S			$\sim \sim$	Portland surpassed my anticipa-
~~	ě Š	Tribune 1.71	Bal. in all funds \$825.01	Last Saturday afternoon J. P.	tions by far for its beautiful homes,
	&&& &&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&&	*** ***	GEORGE SIERT,	Brown presented the county commis-	splendid business districts and the
farm has a field of corn where some				sioners a protest against their paying	wonderful roses for which it is far
of the ears measure twelve inches	G. B. Weltz and C. B. Janssen will	A INIT ONITTEN	City Treasurer.	and 07 700 as that share of marine	famed. But no coast city can equal
long and twenty-two rows on an ear.	start erecting homes for themselves	🏂 🗄 IDLE CHATTER 🔆 🚦	**** ***************************		Frisco. Everything here, and the way
~~	the coming week.	Ŷ			it has been rebuilt, is a marvel. Am
Cachelan and Mack are trying to	\sim	* ***********************************		J. H. Faris accompanied him and evi-	seeing California the worst time of
open up the old Desoto sand pits.	Mr. and Mrs. Gabrielson are rejoic-		💲 🕂 IDLE CHATTER 🚊 🥇	dently concurred in the sentiments	year-their "winter season"-but am
~~~	ing over the arrival of a boy Sunday	Wednesday, Sept. 21-25 cents.		expressed in the protest. Just what	charmed with it so much, so that
Olin Athen on a Desoto "sky" farm,	evening.	$\sim$	<b>*</b> <b>*</b> \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	they hope to accomplish by having the	
reports a good crop of corn with some	$\sim \sim$		••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	county withhold this money is not shown on the face of things. Should	bomes and wonderful trees and flow-
\$ hard enough to feed.	Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Taylor and Mr.	The Carpenters and Joiners union	Don't waste your money buying	che da da da che che che con contra	er gardens of Kerkley the other day
	Ray Taylor left Wednesday for Lin-	held their Labor day picnic Monday	plasters when you can get a bottle of	the commissioners heed the protest	I heeded not the warning to "look out
Pioneer Urban Cachelan says he is	the second second second	at Coney Island park. They were	Chamberlain's Liniment for twenty-	and not pay the money it would mean	for fresh paint" and ran into it. En-
digging 200 bushels of potatoes to the	$\sim \sim$	given a welcome by Mayor Tucker	five cents. A piece of flannel damp-	that amount would have to be as-	tertained here by Prof. and Mrs. Sears
	Mr. and Mrs. Herzog are the guests	who told them he was glad they had	ened with this liniment is superior to	sessed up against the already over-	of the university and Rev. and Mrs.
acre on the bottoms.	of Mrs. Herzog's parents, Mr. and	come to Florence and that for the	any plaster for lame back, pains in	burdened taxpayers of Florence.	Lathrop of the University church.
	Mrs. James Brenneman, for a few	day they owned the city, and all they	the side and chest, and make cheaper.	$\diamond\diamond$	close friends of M". Wedge, whose
Mrs. Beiden is postmaster, rairoad	dove	had to do was to ask for anything	Sold by Geo. Siert.	The Ponca school this year has	work on Barbary Coast is winning
agent and storekeeper at Desoto. She		they wanted and it was theirs. His		two new teachers. Miss Dietrick and	him the friendship and co-operation of
keeps the telephone exchange and is	Mrs. Robert and Eacon and Miss	address made quite a hit, especially	$\sim$	Miss Henrickson. Many improve-	the most prominent and better citizen-
doing a nice business, with her sister	Bacon were the guests of Mr. and	as he did not mention polities or that	Everybody will be there on Wednes-	ments were made in the building the	ship of Prisco
as assistant.	Mrs. J. L. Houston Monday.	be was a candidate but confined him-	day, September 21.	past year and the attendance at the	No time for more.
00		self to the advantages of Florence.	~~~	school shows a substatial increase.	OLIVE P. TRACY.
Claude Nethaway, who has been	Steve Goodell is again very low. His	~~	Miss Allie Houston was the guest of		ODIVE F. IARCI.
very ill since his return from Colora-	daughter, Mrs. Bert Andrews of Des	"Can be depended upon" is an ex-			
do, is again able to be out.		pression we all like to hear, and when		day, September 21.	The transcript for the removal of
~~	Moines arrived Monday evening and	it is used in connection with		~~~	the case, Emma F. K. Paulson against
Henry Rix is shipping grapes. The	is now the guest of Mrs. George	Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and		Captain Francis J. Ellison. alias	the Omaha Water company and
crop here is very light this year.	Foster.	Diarrhoea Remedy it means that it	Mrs. W. H. Thomas entertained a		George Dial, from the district court of
00	~~		number of ladies at her home on Main	ilmothy Sherwood, aras merrer.	Douglas county to the United States
Jud Taylor of Blair has a force of	Mrs. M. F. Powell of Omaha was	never fails to cure diarrhoea, dy-	street Monday afternoon in honor of	hero of many matrimonial engage- ments and captain of the defense in	circuit court was filed on Tuesday.
men cleaning the school rooms for	the guest of Mrs. George Foster Wed-	sentery or bowel complaints. It is	Miss Christine Gordon whose wed-	ments and captain of the defense in several courtmartials and well known	The case is one growing out of the
the new term which begins Monday.	nesday.	pleasant to take and equally valuable	ding to Mr. A. H. Chisholm took place	several courtmartials and well known in Florence, has bobbed up again.	drowning of Hans J. Paulson in one
$\sim \sim$	$\sim \sim$	for children and adults. Sold by Geo.	Wednesday evening. Miss Gordon was	in Florence, has bobbed up again. Busy rumor has once more seized	of the settling hasing at Flarence on
Veteran Noyes and Henry Taylor	Wednesday, Sept. 21-25 cents.	Siert.	happily surprised with a linen shower	Busy rumor has once more seized	June 95 The wife of the deceased
were down from Blair, the latter to	00	00	and received many useful and beauti-	upon the captain and is now assert-	
run the postoffice while W. R. Gale	Mrs. James of Omaha entertained	I. W. Brown moved his butcher	ful presents. The afternoon was spent	ing, that the checkered career has	of \$25,000. The petition for removal
ment to Omoho	the Literary society at the home of	shop this week further up-town, to	with games and music after which re-	reached a parred and surped end.	was allowed by Judge A. C. Troup on
went to Omaha.	how many Mrs Herver Smith Tups.	the building south of the Hemping	freshments were served. Mrs. J. We-	Cantain Ellison is declared to have	
out That has a fame and shalls of	day offernoon Those from Florence	drug store. The change gives Mr.	her received first prize in the guessing	got into trouble over indian land	August 22.
	uay alternood. Those nom Photonec	Brown a hotter market and more	contest and Miss Gordon the consola-	titles in Idaho and a statement not	
	Detable Mrs. J. D. Blishin, Mis. Hally	room to wait on his customers. His	tion prize Those present were Ves-	fully verified is to the effect that he	Deputy Sheriffs Thompson and Flan-
$\sim$	Brisbin, Mrs. J. Webel, Jr., F. D.	trade had as increased that he virtu-	demos I Johnson I I Cole I Weber	has received a five year sentence in	nigan Monday arrested O. Gilbert at
Mr. and Mrs. Evans were up from	Nichols, Mrs. J. L. Houston and Mrs.	ally automout his ald lagation	The D D Faller D D Viciola Hugh	the penitentiary. If true it will not be	the Florence postoffice, just as he was
Omaha.	Victors.	ally outgrew his old location.	Cuttie W II Theres Misson Theres	the first time Captain Ellison has	inquiring for mail. Gilbert was want-
$\sim$	$\sim$		son, Marguerite Suttie, Christina Gor-	hear cooped up in durance upplace	ad by Shariff Young of Aurora. He is
Master Albert Christensen gave W.	F. S. Tucker spent Tuesday in	The Florence Coal and Lumber Co.	son, Marguerite Suttle, Unristina Gor-	ance. He left Florence in company	accused of skinning off from the hotel
	O the first we his forces of andi	there econtrod the contract for the	aon, Myra Goodlett, Belle Thompson,	with James Nichols and mont to Day	there leaving a \$12 heard hill behind
found in his father's cornfield. The	date for state representative in the	brick and lumber on the new Price	Bessie Robertson, Lena Huriz, Maud	with James Michols and went to Day.	him
workmanship on this blade is perfect.	election this fall.	building on Main street.	Goodlet and Anna Boening.	ton, Moni.	him.



#### SYNOPSIS.

At a private view of the Chatworth personal estate, to be sold at auction, the Chatworth ring, known as the Crew Idol, mysteriously disappears. Harry Cressy, who was present, describes the ring to is fancee. Flora Gilsey, and her chap-eron, Mrs. Clara Britton, as being like a heathen god, with a heautiful sapphire jet in the head. Flora meets Mr. Kerr, in Englishman, at the club. In dis-russing the disappearance of the ring, the exploits of an English thief, Farrell Wand, are recalled. Flora has a fancry that Harry and Kerr know something about the mystery. Kerr tells Flora that he has met Harry somewhere, but cannot place him. \$20,000 reward is offered for flora that he dislikes Kerr. Harry takes Flora to a Chinese goldsmith's to buy an engagement ring. An exquisite sapphire set in a hoop of brass, is selected. Harry arges her not to wear it until it is reset. The possession of the ring seems to cast a spell over Flora. She becomes uneasy and apprehensive. Flora meets Kerr at a bo, party. She is startled by the effect on him when he gets a glimpse of the sapphire. The possibility that the stone is part of the Crew Idol causes Flora much anxiety. Unseen, Flora discovers Clara ransacking her dressing room. Flora refuses to give or sell the stone to Kerr, and suspects him of being the thief.

CHAPTER XIII.

#### Thrust and Parry.

My dear Flora: I am going out early and shall not be back to dinner. CLARA.

Flora let the little note fall as if she disliked the touch of it. She was relieved to think she would not have drop into the Bullers' yesterday; find to see Clara that day. It was her desire never to see Clara again. If only they could part here and now! How she wanted to shake the whole thing off her shoulders! How foolish not to have gone to Harry when she had first made up her mind to! For why, after all, make him any explanations? Suppose she should just take the ring to him and say: "It gives me the shivers, Harry. Let's take it back and get something else." If he didn't suspect the sapphire already, he would never suspect it from that.

But did she really want Harry to rid her of the ring? She would get hold of him first and then she would see what she would do.

She stepped into the hall with all the confidence of one who has fully made up her mind to carry matters with a high hand; but at the telephone she hesitated. Calling him up at such an hour of the morning demanding his attendance on such a fanciful errand-wouldn't he think it odd? No, he would think it the most natural thing in the world for her to be so flighty. Reassured, she gave the club number and stood waiting, listening to the half-syllables of switchedoff voices and the crossing click, click, that was bringing her fate nearer to her. She heard some one coming up the stairs and down the hall toward her. Marrika stood stolid at her elbow.

"Mr. Cressy," she pronounced.

club clamoring in her left ear.

didn't follow his direction. She continued to stand, while he, siting on the table's edge, drumming the top of his hat, gloomily regarded her. "Well?" she persisted, troubled by this look of his, and this silence.

"Look here," he began, "I have to be away a couple of days and I wish you'd do me a favor."

Flora's thought flew to the ring. Was he going to ask for it back, to have it reset, as he had promised on the threshold of the goldsmith's shop? Here might be the chance she had hoped for of getting rid of it. She grasped at it before she had time to waver.

"I wonder if it's the very favor I was going to ask of you?"

But he didn't take it up. He seemed hardly to hear her, as if his mind was too much absorbed with quite another question-a question that the next moment came out flat. "What was that Kerr doing here yesterday?"

She was taken aback, so far had her apprehension of Harry's jealousy slipped into the background in the last 24 hours. But her consciousness that Harry was not behaving well, even for a jealous man, made her take it up all the more lightly.

"Why, he was calling, chatting, taking tea-what anybody else would do from four to six. What in the world gave you the idea that he was doing anything extraordinary?"

Well," he said, "you shouldn't do the sort of thing that makes you talked about."

"That makes me talked about?" It made her vause in front of him.

"Why, yes, it isn't like you. It never happened before. Look here. I Clara sidled up to the judge; look around for you. 'Hello,' I say, 'where's Flora?' 'Oh,' says she, 'Flora's at home amusing Mr. Kerr.' 'Amusing Mr. Kerr!'" he repeated. "That's a nice thing to hear."

Flora went red. She walked down the room from him to give her suddenly tumultuous heart time. However little he might guess the real trend of her interview with Kerr, she couldn't hear him come near it without apprehension. She was angry, helplessly angry at Harry that he had taken this moment for his stupid part wasn't carelessness.

She tried to laugh him out of it. "Why, Harry, I never saw you jealous before!'

"It's all very well to say that-and you know I've never made a row about the other Johnnies. I knew you didn't care for any of them."

Her eyes narrowed and darkened. "And you take it for granted I care for Mr. Kerr?"

"Oh, no, no!" He pushed his hand around my girl."

breathing a little hurriedly, feeling rather as if she had been shaken. opened the door for him herself. "Yes, yes," said Flora, with the Harry, standing with his hands in his pockets, looked not unlike the threat- side. Harry turned on the brink of it.



actual knowledge, knowledge that, jealousy. But she was more angry at with her own fitted to it, would make Clara, since such a speech on Clara's for him a complete figure. She caught her breath at the thought of how near she had come to actually betraying Kerr. Until that moment she had not realized that through all her waverings her one fixed intention had been not to betray him.

Harry had risen and was buttoning his overcoat. "You know you're never at home if you don't want to be,"



"I'll Speak to Clara To-night."

could not tell. She stood hesitating,

looking out into the obscurity of the

fog, as if she hoped to read the an-

thoughtfully down the rose-colored vis-

ta of the drawing-room, and up at the

broad black march of the stair. Vague

mysteries peered at her from every

side. Which should she flee from?

Which walk boldly up to and dispel?

unyielding stone of the ring under the thin bodice of her gown. She recalled the morning when she had gone to get it, before anything had happened and the lure of life had been so exquisite.

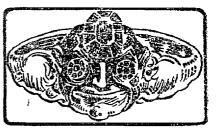
And yet she didn't wish herself back, but only forward. Now she had no leisure to imagine, to pretend, to enjoy, only the breathless sense that she must get forward. The chattering clock on her mantel warned her of the passing time and set her hurrying into her walking gown, her hat, her gloves, as if the object of her errand would only wait for her a moment longer. When, for the second time, she opened the house door, she didn't hesitate. She descended into the white fog that covered all the city.

Above her the stone facade of her house loomed huge and pinkish in the mist. Her spirits rose with the feeling that she was going adventuring again, leaving that house where for the last two days she had awaited events with such vivid apprehensions. She hurried fast down the damp, glistening pavement, sesing long, dim gray faces of houses g immer by, seeing figures come toward her through the fog, grow vivid, pass, and hearing at intervals the hoarse, lonely voice of the fog-horn at "The Heads," reaching her from over many intervening hills. She did not feel sure what she

should do at the end of her journey or what awaited her there. She knew herself a most unpracticed hunter, she, who all her life had been the most artful of quarries.

She turned in at the low gate of imitation grill in front of an enormous wooden mansion, with towers and cupolas painted all a chill slate gray, with fuchsias, purple and red, clam-bering up the front. She rang, and was admitted into a hall, ornate and very high, with a wide staircase sweeping down into the middle of it.

The maid looked dubiously at Flora and thought Miss Bulier was not at home, but would see. Flora turned into the room on her left and sat down among the Louis Quinze sofas and potted palms with a feeling that Miss Buller was at home, and, for one reason or another, preferred not to be seen. She waited apprehensively. wondering whether Ella was not seeing the world-in-general, or had really specified against herself. Could it be that Ella was one of those women whom Harry had alluded to as running after Kerr? In the short 24 hours every individual help she had counted upon had seemed to draw away from her-Kerr, whose understanding she had been so sure of; Clara, whose propriety had never failed; Harry, whose comfortable good nature she had so taken for granted! It seemed as if the sapphire, whose presence she was never unconscious of, for all she wore it out of sight, had a power like the evil eye over these people. But if it could turn such as Ella against her. why, the Brussels carpet beneath her might well open and let her down to deeper abysses than Judge Buller's wine-cellar.



shoes hardly touching the floor, looked at Ella fascinated, her lips a little apart. Ella had so exactly pronounced her own secret thought of Clara. She was breathless to know what had been Clara's performance at the Bullers'.

"Of course I've always known she was like that," said Ella, leaning back in her chair with an air of resigna-"She's always getting sometion. thing. It's awful. It was the same even when we were at boardingschool. I suppose she never did have enough money, though her people were awfully nice; but she worked us all for invitations and rides in our carriages, and I remember she got lots through Lillie Lewis' elder brother, and he thought she was going to marry him, but she didn't. She married Lulu Britton's father; and I guess she worked him until he went under and they found there really was no money. So she's been living on people ever since." Ella rocked gloomily.

"But she does it so nicely," Flora suggested. She still had the feeling that it was not decent to own up to these most secret facts of people's failings.

"Oh, yes, she's a perfect wonder," Ella admitted grudgingly; "look at what she's done for you!" Ella's gesticulation was elequent of how much that had been. "But don't you imagine she cares about you any more than she cares about me!" E.la began to cry again. "You were an awfully good thing for her, Flora, and now that you're going to be married she's got to have somebody else. But I do think she might have taken somebody besides papa.

Flora gasped. "'Taken!' Ella, what do you n-ean?"

"I mean married." said Ella. "'Married." For the time Flora had become a helpless echo.

"Oh, not yet," Ella defiantly nodded. "Not while there's anything left of me.'

Flora stammered. "Oh. Ella, no. Oh. Ella, are you sure?" She felt a hysterical impulse to giggle.

"Well, I'd like to know why?" Ella snapped. "I'm sure papa is twice as rich as old Britton was, and twice as easy." She went off into sobs be hind her handkerchief.

"Oh, don't, Ella, don't cry!" Flora begged, petting the large expanse of heaving shoulders. "I didn't mean anything. I was just silly. Of course it may be that she wants to marry him. But she never has before-at least. I mean, I don't believe she wants to now. What makes you think she does? What has she done?"

"Well," Ella burst out, "why is she coming here all the time, when she never used to, and petting papa? Why She started nervously at the step of does she Lother to be so agreeable to the maid returning. The message me when she never was before? Why brought was unexpected. "Miss Bul-does she make me ask her to dinner,

"Why, Harry, I Never Saw You Jeal ous Before!"

he said.

She stood misleadingly drooping be fore him. But though her appearance through his hair with an irascible was passive enough for the most exgesture. "But it's plain enough you acting lover her will had never been like him—you women always like a in more vigorous revolt. She knew fellow that flourishes-but that's not Harry was taking her weariness for the sort of man I care to see hanging acquiescence, and she let him take it so. She even followed him into the Flora stood leaning on the table. hall, and with a vague idea of further propitiation, nodded away Shima and

The fog was a chasm of white out-

'He is down-stairs.'' said Marrika. Flora nearly let the receiver fall. back of the goldsmith's shop. Harry here? What a piece of luck! But here on his own account, at such an hour-how extraordinary!

"Hello, hello," persisted the club. "What's wanted?"

"Why, I-" Flora stammered. "It's a mistake; never mind. I don't want told you that?" him now." She hoped that Harry had not heard her as he came in, since it the club." was his informal fashion to await her in the large entrance hall. She didn't had to introduce him there." want to spoil the chance he had given her of seeming off-hand about the to bow to some of those club memring. But the hall was empty, and as bers." she descended the stairs she amused have to ring up the club and explain to the attendant that, after all, she wanted Mr. Cressy.

Then from the drawing-room threshold she caught sight of Harry standing in the big bay window of the drawfreshly colored, and yet he did not fill the room to her as the other man had done. He met her, kissed her, and she turned her head so that his lips met her cheek close beside her ear. She did not positively object to his kissing her on the lips, but her isstinct was strong to offer him her theek. He had sometimes laughed at this, but now he resented it. He insisted on his privilege, and she was passive to him, conscious of less love In this than assertion of possession.

"You are not going to Burlingame, are you?" she asked him with her first breath.

He looked down at her with a flushed and sulky air. "What difference would that make to you? I am, as it happens, but I suppose you think that's no reason for disturbing you so early." He was angry, but at what, that I don't want you to see him?" she wondered, with creeping uneasiness.

"What is the matter?" she urged. lingame?"

you."

ening image he had appeared in the "Of course, the fellow can talk," he

admitted, "and he has a manner. But the Willie Herricks." Lord knows where he comes from or who he is. Why, even the Bullers don't know."

Flora turned sharply on him. "Who "The judge. He picked him up at

"Well," she kept it up, "some one

Harry smiled. "You wouldn't care

"Harry, do you know how you sound herself with the fancy that Shima had to me?" She was trembling at the had a vision, and that she would still daring of what she was going to say. "You talk as if you knew something against him."

> Her statement seemed to bring him up short. "No, no, I don't," he said hastily.

She made a little gesture of desing-room, in the same spot where pair. How was she to count on Harry No, I just chaffed her. I'd look out, if he was going to behave like this? if I were you. She strikes me as before. Harry was tall and large and How trust him when he was shuffling damned curious." He stood a moment so?

She made one more bold stroke to make him speak out.

"Harry, you do know something about him! I know you have seen ing." he said slowly. him before."

"Why, yes, I've seen him before. But that's got nothing to do with it." He looked surprised that she should face, she realized how impossible to plain. His manner, when he had deseem to accuse him of it, and she make a scene over what must still be clared his intention of taking the wondered if he could have forgotten maintained as a trivial matter be ring, had been anything but the manhow he had denied it before.

him?"

his hat stopped.

"I don't distrust him."

"Well, dislike him, then. When was it you saw him hefore?" "Isn't it enough for me to tell you "Oh!" She turned away from him. Every nerve in her was in revolt.

Then he really wasn't going to tell her in no great hurry about the setting? *Are things going crookedly at Bur- anything. He was keeping her out of it as if she were a child. She had re-

"Things are going as crooked as lied on him to return the ring. She you please, but not at Burlingame. Sit had counted upon his indifference and peared, but she could still hear his over there," he said, nodding toward good nature. And he was neither inthe window-bench; "I want to talk to different nor good-natured. All desire of even mentioning the ring to him

Harry had the air of one about to left her; and as to giving him her conscold, and certainly Flora thought if fidence- These hints that he had anybody was carrying matters with thrown out about Kerr-they might

"By the way, where's Clara?" "Why, do you want to see her? She will be out all day. She's dining with

"No, I don't want to see her, but, by the way, she's not dining with the Willie Herricks; she's dining with the Bullers. I heard her make the engagement yesterday."

"Oh, no, Harry, I'm sure you're mistaken."

"Well, it doesn't matter. All I want to know is, why did you show that ring to Clara before it vas set?" She was genuinely aghast. "I did not," she flashed. "What made you think I had?"

He shrugged. "Well, she asked me where we got it. I don't see why woment. men always talk those things over." He was looking at her inquiringly. Well, I haven't," she said quickly.

'Have you?" He looked out upon the fog. "Told

on the threshold, looking from Flora to the chasm of fog outside, as if he were choosing between two chances. "I think I'll take that ring this morn-

The deliberate words came to her with a shock. But in the moment, while she looked into Harry's moody utes of their interview had made that twixt them-the mere resetting of a ner of a carefree lover merely con-"And that isn't why you distrust jewel; what should she do to put him cerned with pleasing his lady. Then off? She looked up at him and saw they were all of them racing each oth-The devil's tattoo that he beat on with relief that his face was turned er for the same thing-the thing she from her to the icg, as if he had for- held in her possession; and whether gotten her. Then, still with averted she feared most to be felled by a head, as if he addressed the white blow from Harry, or hunted far afield ness, or himself,-"No." he deter by Kerr, or trapped by Clara, she mined, "I won't. I'll take it when I come back" He pulled himself together with an effort, with a smile. "That is," he turned to her, "if you're Very well, then. In a day or two." He plunged away into the fog. A hall she paused again, looking few rods from the door he disapfootsteps growing thinner, lighter, passing away in the whiteness.

CHAPTER XIV.

She stood where he had left her in

ler says will you please walk up when I don't want to?" dy of the fog blowing on her. She had stairs?"

had a narrow escape; but after the Flora was amazed. That invitation fest fullness of her relief there returned upon her again the weight of time, for she and Eila were hardly on her responsibility. There was no slip- such intimate footing. But now she surd as it seemed, coming on top of ping out of it now, and it was going was ushered up the majestic stair, to be worse than she had imagined, and from the majestic upper hall So much had come out in the last abruptly into a wild little cluttered half-hour that she felt bewildered by sewing-room, and thence into a wilder it. What Harry had let slip about but more spacious bedroom, large cur-Clara alarmed her. What in the world tains at the windows, large roses on was Clara about? With one wellthe carpet, and over all objects in the aimed observation she had stirred up room a clutter of miscellaneous ar-Harry against Kerr and against Flora | ticles, as if Ella's band-boxes, bureaus herself. And meanwhile she was runand work-baskets habitually refused ning after the Bullers. Twice in two to contain themselves. days, if Harry was not mistaken, and

From the midst of this Ella conshe was even nearing another engageand with the large puff of her hair a

After all her fruitless mousings, little awry. Under it her face was short. "Why, when she came yester curiously pink, a color deepening to day he was just going out, and she Clara had too evidently got on the the tip of her nose and puffing out un- went for him and made him stop to scent of something at last. How much she knew or guessed as yet, Flora der her eves.

could not be sure, but certainly, now, "Well, Fiora." she greeted her she couldn't let Clara go. For that guest. "You were just the person I to have her make up to him. He has wanted to see. Sit down. No, not not the least idea of what she's after would be turning adrift a dangerous there—that's my bird of paradise Papa isn't used to ladies. He's always nerson with a stronger motive than feather! Oh, no, not there—there the just lived with me." ever for pursuing her quest, and the opportunity for pursuing it unobbreakfast. Well, I guess you'll have served, out of Flora's sight. Clara to sit on the bed. was at it even now, and the only con-

Flora swept aside the clothes that streamed across it and throned hersolation Flora had was that Harry, at

least, would not play into her hands. self on the edge of the high, white For Harry had a special secret inplateau of Eila's four-poster. Ella, terest of his own. The last ten minfor all her eager greeting, looked upon her friend doubtfully, and Flora recognized in herself a similar hesitation, I shall tell her what I think of her, Le as if each were trying to make out, without asking, what thoughts the other harbored.

> "I was airaid I shouldn't see you at all," Flora began at last.

> "Well, you wouldn't if it hadn't happened to be you," said Ella paradoxically. "Look at me; did you ever see such a sight?

"You don't look very well," Flora cautiously admitted. "Why, Ella, you have been crying!

"Yes, I've been crying." said Ella. swer there. Presently she returned to mopping her nose, which still showed the fact that Shima was waiting to a tendency to distil a tear at its tip. close the door. Half-way across the "And it's perfectly awful to me to think you've been living so long in the same house with her."

Flora murmured breathlessly: 'What in the world do you mean?" "If you don't know, I certainly ought to tell you. I mean Clara," said Ella Flora heroically, "or to-morrow." she She went up-stairs slowly. She stood distinctly.

in her dressing room absently before | Flora, siting up on the edge of the night." a high hand, it wasn't herself; but she be mere jealous" but he night have the open doorway, with the damp ed the mirror. She touched the hard, high bed with the tips of her little

Each question knocked on Flora's brain to the accompaniment of Ella's would have been odd enough at any furious rocking. She could not an her high expectations, wasn't impossitle. It was like Clara to have more than one iron in the fire; but when Flora remembered the passionate intentness with which Clara had de molished the order of her room, she couldn't believe that Clara would pause in the midst of such pursuit to pounce on Judge Buller.

"Oh, Ella," Flora sympathetically urged, "I don't believe there's really any danger. And surely, even if she fronted her, still in her "wrapper" meant it, Judge Buller wouldn't be---

"Oh, yes, he would," Ella cut her tea. Think of it-papa stopping tc tea! And he was as rieased as Punch

This astonishing statement looking at Flora through Ella's unsuspecting eyes had nevertheless a pathos of its

"But I'll tell you one thing," Ella endea, still recking vigorously; ".1 she comes here to-night to cinner when she knows I ugh't want her fore she leaves this house! See if I don't."

"Don't do that, Ella," F ora entreated, "that would be awful." She was certain that such an interview would only end in Clara's making Ella more rialculous then she was already, "Let me speak to her. I don't mill at and she declared bravely, and it a manner truly, though she was fully aware that speaking to Clara would be anything but a treat.

"Ch, would you?" said Ella eagerly 'I really would be awfully obliged, I hated to ask you, Flora, but I thought perhaps you might be able to-:o well, perhaps be able to do some thing," she ended vaguely. "Do you think you could?"

"I'll speak to Clara to-night," said added; "I'm afraid I won't see her to

TO BE CONTINUEDS

# **INDEPENDENCE**

SPLENDID RESULTS FOLLOW FARMING IN THE CANADIAN WEST.

Americans In Canada Not Asked to Forget That They Were Born Americans.

Farm produce today is remunerative, and this helps to make farm life agreeable. Those who are studying the economics of the day tell us that the strength of the nation lies in the cultivation of the soil. Farming is no longer a hand-to-mouth existence. It means independence, often affluence, but certainly independence.

Calling at a farm house, near one of the numerous thriving towns of Alberta, in Western Canada, the writer was given a definition of "independence" that was accepted as quite original. The broad acres of the farmer's land had a crop-and a splendid one, too, by the way-ripening for the reapers' work. The evenness of the crop, covering field after field, attracted attention, as did also the neatness of the surroundings, the well-built substantial story-and-a-half log house, and the well-rounded sides of the eattle. His broken English-he was a French Canadian-was easily understandable and pleasant to listen to. He had come there from Montreal a year ago, had paid \$20 an acre for the 320-acre farm, with the little improvement it had. He had never farmed before, yet his crop was excellent, giving evidence as to the quality of the soil, and the good judgment that had been used in its preparation. And brains count in farming as well as "braw." Asked how he liked it there, he straightened his broad shoulders, and with hand outstretched towards the waving fields of grain, this young French Canadian, model of symmetrical build, replied: "Be gosh, yes, we like him-the farmin'-well, don't we, Jeannette?" as he smilingly turned to the young wife standing near. She had accompanied him from Montreal to his farwest home, to assist him by her wifely help and companionship, in making a new home in this new land. "Yes, we come here wan year ago, and we never farm before. Near Montreal, me father, he kep de gris' mill, an' de cardin' mill, an' be gosh! he run de cheese factor' too. He work, an' me work, an' us work tarn har', be gosh! Us work for de farmer; well 'den, sometin' go not always w'at you call

RANG THE BELL, ALL RIGHT



been re-sown to feed. There are individual crops which will run as high as 45 bushels on acres of 500 and 1,000 ON THE FARM acres, but there are others which will drop as low no 15. A profession acres, but there are others which will drop as low as 15. A safe average for winter wheat will be 19 bushels. The sample is exceptionally fine, excepting in a few cases where it has been wrinkled by extreme heat.

The northern section of Alberta has been naturally anxious to impress the world with the fact that it has not suffered from drought, and this is quite true. Wheat crops run from 20 to 30 bushels to an acre, but in a report such as this it is really only possible to deal with the province as a whole and while the estimate may seem very low to the people of Alberta, it is fair to the province throughout.

When the very light rainfall and other eccentricities of the past season are taken into account, it seems nothing short of a miracle that the Cana-

dian West should have produced 102 million bushels of wheat, which is less than 18 million bushels short of the crop of 1909. It is for the West generally a paying crop and perhaps the best advertisement the country has ever had, as it shows that no matter how dry the year, with thorough tillage, good seed and proper methods of conserving the moisture, a crop can always be produced.

As some evidence of the feeling of the farmers, are submitted letters written by farmers but a few days ago, and they offer the best proof that can be given.

Maidstone, Sask., Aug. 4, '10.

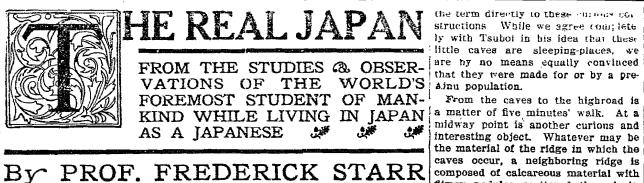
I came to Maidstone from Menominee, Wis., four years ago, with my parents and two brothers. We all located homesteads at that time and now have our patents. The soil is a rich black loam as good as I have ever seen. We have had good crops each year and in 1909 they were exceedingly good. Wheat yielding from 22 to 40 bushels per acre and oats from 40 to 80. We are well pleased with the country and do not care to return to our native state. I certainly believe that Saskatchewan is just the place for a hustler to get a start and make himself a home. Wages here for farm labor range from \$35 to \$45 per month. Lee Dow.

Tofield, Alberta, July 10, 1910.

I am a native of Texas, the largest and one of the very best states of the Union. I have been here three years and have not one desire to return to the States to live. There is no place I know of that offers such splendid inducements for capital, brain and brawn. I would like to say to all who are not satisfied where you are, make a trip to Western Canada; if you do not like it you will feel well repaid for your trip. Take this from one who's on the ground. We enjoy splendld government, laws, school, railway facilities, health, and last, but not least, an ideal climate, and this from a Texan. O. L. Pughs.

James Normur of Porter, Wisconsin, after visiting Dauphin, Manitoba, says: "I have been in Wisconsin 25 years, coming out from Norway, Never have I seen better land and the crops in East Dauphin are better than I have ever seen, especially the oats. There is more straw and it has heavier heads than ours in Wisconsin.

"This is just the kind of land we are looking for. We are all used to mixed farming and the land we have seen is finely adapted to that sort of work. 'Cattle, hogs, horses and grain will be my products, and for the live stock, prospects could not be better.



The Caves of Konosu.

us to Konosu, from which point we called to them by Professor Tsuboi took basha. A basha is an ugly one- of the Imperial university. There horse wagon, with a wooden cover; has been a good deal of discussion in passengers enter from the rear by regard to their use. Tsuboi himself means of a step; the driver sits on a believes that they were dwellingfront seat; two seats run lengthwise places, and attributes them to a preof the body of the vehicle, each suf- Ainu population. Most writers, howficient for three medium-sized Jap- ever, among them Aston and Basil anese; six passengers, then, is the supposed and intended limit of ca-burial places of an olden time. They pacity, and for comfort they should have been taken possesion of by the be little passengers. The basha was waiting close by the station, two passengers already in their seats. The the office where we paid the triffing driver had a load of freight with him fee demanded from visitors, amounting in front, and when we stepped in he to one cent of our own money, we bestarted promptly on the six or seven gan to climb about the face of the mile drive that lay before him. We white cliff. It is perhaps 100 to 150 ourselves were bound for the famous feet in height. Chamberlain says that caves five miles from Koncsu village, it is "a gray, tufaceous sandstone," and a little before the terminus of the which we are in no position to deny. basha line. We had gone no great It is soft, especially when moist and distance before we picked up two not exposed to the open air; it is more passengers, and our little wagon probable that it is easily excavated by was more than comfortably filled. We means of a cutting instrumentrode out through a level country occu- knife, or even spade. The cliff prenied by rice fields. It is the time of rice harvest. In all the little fields faces exposed to the midday sun; that. men, women and children were busy. Horses were being brought in loaded long exposed the material is almost down with sheaves of the yellowed grain. In yards about houses and out- the base and on the summit of the houses shocks were spread out to dry. Handfuls of the loaded stalks were exposed cliff faces there is a growth taken and drawn through coarse metal combs to separate the grains; these still in the husk were further cleaned by flailing with flails quite like those of Europe of a hundred years gone by. Two or three or more persons

threshed in unison or alternately, and a pretty sight it was to see the move | commonly there is a ledge or platform ment of the falling instrument and to note the rhythm.

course, the basha stopped for its small rectangular vaulted chamber; midway rest. An old woman brought the floor, level with the bottom of the out a tabako-bon at which the passen- entrance doorway, forms usually a gers might warm their hands or light narrow aisle running from the front

Less than two hours by rail brought | thirty years ago and public attention public authorities and are maintained at government expense. Stopping at sents itself in two slightly separated is, facing southward. Where dry and chalky white and nearly hard. At ridge and on the slopes beyond the of pines sprinkled with maples. the latter of which were in fine coloring. There is comparatively little diversity in the caves. They have rectangular openings ranging from 1½ to 3 feet or so in height and Very of somewhat lesser breadth. preceding the doorway and excavated from the mass itself; passing through When it had accomplished half its the little door, one finds himself in a

little caves are sleeping-places, we

that they were made for or by a pre-

From the caves to the highroad is midway point is another curious and interesting object. Whatever may be the material of the ridge in which the caves occur, a neighboring ridge is composed of calcareous material with filmsy nodules scattered through it. This limey ridge is cut by a narrow gulf, and in this gulf is perched a little temple or rather shrine to the goddess of mercy, Kwannon. The little shrine is wedged in between the scanty and looked like blood. For over rock walls in queer and pretty fashion, and is raised high on a cobwork of supporting poles and posts. To reach it one climbs up a rickety stairway. When he reaches the level of the little shrine he sees excavated in the cleft of rock behind him a little niche in which is a strong figure of the goddess. The shrine is in no way of special importance or interest apart from its picturesque position. There seems to be no resident priest or caretaker, and the place is sadly neglected. The shed before the altar contains indeed some curious votives, among them a great board on which are represented in brilliant colors and poor art the heads of something like 300 horses, each accompaned by a written name. Why these horses should be here represented by a votive we cannot say, but interesting surmises might be framed. On either side of the supporting cobwork there are cavities within the limestone rock. One of them is directly under the shrine itself. The other has been cut into the opposite wall of the rock cleft diagonally through to the natural front face of the ridge. In both these cavitles there are today ranged great numbers of little figures of the kindly goddess. They make a strange impression of loneliness here in their chilly, unsunned, neglected caves.

But we hear the tin horn of the basha driver, hasten back to the roadside, and crowd our way into the unfortunate vehicle.

Japan is a great country of connoisseurs and collectors; it is a land of perennial exhibits. Yesterday we had the pleasure of seeing a curious collection by a well-known connoisseur, a man of wealth, education and position. It was the collection of toys of Marquis Tokugawa. The marquis is a younger member of the family of the last of the Shoguns of Japan. He has a beautiful property behind the Shiba park. On his property a large building is devoted to his private library, one of the best in all Japan. He is interested in various subjects in ethnography and anthropology, and among other things has made a very considerable collection of toys, not only Japanese, but from all portions of the world. These have been on exhibition to invited guests for the past three days, and it was this exhibition that we had the pleasure of seeing.

There had been a large attendance of visitors, and printed catalogues were given to all. Several large halls were devoted to the display which was arranged upon a series of tables and to some degree upon the walls. A classification had been adopted, and the specimens arranged with reference to it. Japan. as everyone knows, is a veritable chiling paradise. Nothing too good for the little ones. From the beginning of the year at January 1, with its kites and battledore and shuttlecock, on to the closing of the year, the childrens' year is marked by a succession of toys appropriate to the season. Lafcadio Hearne never wearied of mentioning the variety and daintiness of these devices. Well, here they were displayed in all variety. Notable .of course, were the different kinds of dolls, in which Japan delights. There are dolls in old families that have been passed on from generation to generation through 200 years. In the dolls of such colthe original rock some eight inches to lections one may follow something of of welcome. In replying Sir Wilfred freshment did so, and left upon the a foot higher than the floor; these the history of hairdressing among tray on which the tea was served five platforms are usually bordered by a these people. There are dolls of rin (one-quarter cent) or one sen narrow rim or margin 11/2 to 2 inches every size from little creatures less wide rising above their general level. than a half-inch in height to dolls as While this form may perhaps be con- large as the children for whose amusement they were fabricated. Most curisidered typical many of the caves ous perhaps of all are the dolls with ly for some sign of their existence. of two; a very few have three, the little heads of peas and clothes of ancient damasks and brocades; these seemed unfavorable for caves. It others and at the rear of the apart- are 200 years or more of age. Also have come to what is a crowned was an almost level plain, and the ment. Of course, where there is but a notable among the toys of Japan are democracy. The King, our sovereign, only hills of consequence seemed in- single platform-bed the flooring of the the great variety and range of wire puzzles; we have ourselves some of these, but in comparison with the Japanese ours are nothing. In kiteof the line or the other, we are all came nearer, we found that there was leight feet square to twelve; the usual flying perhaps no people reach the Chinese, but certainly the Japanese of relationship. In coming here as composed of soft calcareous or arena- to seven feet. At the office we had are a close second. The walls of a whole hall were occupied with different types of kites. The local variation of toys in Japan Its base, we suddenly saw, off to our twenty of these curious affairs. Per- is rather interesting. The same toy may have characteristic differences in different areas. A whole room was which he came from. The two greatest was perforated by scores and scores contrary opinion. In the idea that devoted, in connection with the exso close to each other as almost to cave-dwelling peoples for the old cave fully arranged in geographical position the characteristic types of some combed" in reference to the cliff We poses, and it is possible that such has of the more common toys, giving a had not been prepared for seeing so been the case in this locality. But, most suggestive illustration of the many at one time in so small a that the chambers were originally difference in art ideals and technique. space. We knew, indeed, that almost made for living and no dead per- it will be seen that the marquis has 400 caves existed in this immediate sons, seems to us quite clear. The an educational idea underlying his disneighborhood, but had supposed that fact that practically all of the nearly play. In a handsome lecture hall in they would extend over a considerable 400 caves face southward is a strong the library building, during the three argument for this point of view; the days of the exhibit, lectures were The driver of the basha told us that living call for the sun's warmth and given upon the subject of toys in he should return at 2:30, and that he light: the dead need no heat. The their historical, ethnological and educational aspects. When we were raised platforms usually bordered by wished to make the train, as the a narrow elevated margin seem to there yesterday a professor of the pasha was punctual in its service and us intended for beds or sleeping- Women's Normal school was speakhe would have no time to wait for us places They are curiously like the ing to an audience of perhaps 200 Japanese tokonoma. If, as has been persons upon the subject of the eduminutes' walk from the place where claimed, the Japanese name "toko cational meaning and value of chilnoma" means a sleeping-place it gren's toys "Coryright, 1910, by W. G. Chapman.)

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Source of Revelation.

Twenty-seven new, crisp \$1 bills, says Harper's Weekly, weigh as much as a \$20 gold piece. Wouldn't have thought it, and have no means of proving the assertion, but if so it is probably owing in some way to the recent activity of the inspectors of weights and measures.

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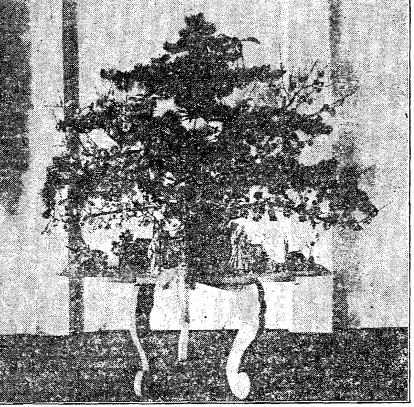
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### mates of Yield of Wheat in Western Canada for 1910 More Than One Hundred Million Bushels.

de' right, an' de farmer be say de mean ting, be gosh! and tell us go to -well, anyway he tarn mad. Now," and then he waved his hand again towards the fields, "I 'ave no bodder, no cardin' mill, no gris' mill, no cheese factor'. I am now de farmer man an' when me want to, me can say to de oder fellow! you go--! Well, we like bim-the farmin'." And that was a good definition of independence.

Throughout a trip of several hundred miles in the agricultural district to the south of us-a land which is of Western Canada, the writer found the farmers in excellent spirits, an optimistic feeling being prevalent everywhere. It will be interesting to the thousands on the American side of the line to know that their relatives and friends are doing well there, that they have made their home in a country that stands up so splendidly under what has been trying conditions in most of the northwestern part of the farming districts of the continent. With the exception of some portions of Southern Alberta, and also a portion of Manitoba and Southern Saskatchewan the grain crops could be described as fair, good and excellent. The same drought that affected North and South Dakota, Montana, Minnesota, Wisconsin and other of the porthern central states extended over into a portion of Canada just mentioned. But in these portions the crops for the past four or five years were splendid and the yields good.

The great province of Saskatchewan has suffered less from drought in proportion to her area under cultivation ! being confined very largely to the south of the main line of the C. P. R. through the center of northern Saskatchewan also. In spite of this, however, Saskatchewan has a splendid crop. A careful checking of the avereges of yield, with the acreages in the different districts, gives an average yield of 15% bushels to the acre.

winter wheat will not be cut, or has

I have never seen such cattle as are raised here on the wild prairie grasses and the vetch that stands three or four feet high in the groves and on the open prairie.

Sir Wilfred Laurier Talks to Americans.

Sir Wilfred Laurier, Premier of Canada, is now making a tour of Western Canada and in the course of his tour he has visited many of the districts in which Americans have settled. He expresses himself as highly pleased with them. At Craig, Sasjoined with the others in an address said in part:

"I understand that many of you akin to us by blood and tradition. I try you realize that you come also to another free country, and that although you came from a republic you has perhaps not so many powers as you have come and becoming naturalized citizens of this country no one deancestors. It would be a poor man who would not always have in his heart a fond affection for the land Ireland and the Republic of the Unitgether and the peace of the world will be forever assured.

"I hope that in coming here as you have, you have found liberty, justice than either of the other provinces. On and equality of rights. In this counthe other hand, instead of the drought iry, as in your own, you know nothing of separation of creed and race, for you are all Canadians here. And if it is to be found in patches right I may express a wish it is that you would become as good Canadians as you have been good Americans and that you may yet remain good Americans. We do not want you to forget what you have been; but we want you to look more to the future than to the past. Let me, before we part, tender In Southern Alberta one-fifth of the you the sincere expression of my varmest gratitude for your reception."

A Shimadai.

their cigarettes. She also served hot | to the rear of the cave; on either side katchewan, the American settlers tea and little cakes. Those who of it there is a platform or bed of wished to avail themselves of the re-

have come from the great Republic (one-half cent) as they chose. Our animal was a sorry one, our progress slow and jerky. Long before we hope that in coming from a free coun- reached the caves we looked anxious- hav. but one platform or bed instead The country through which we rode third transverse with reference to the deed far distant. Just before us. central aisle is extended over the rethe President of the United States, however, was a little irregularity maining section of the room. The but whether we are on the one side which looked promising, and, as we chambers range perhaps from six to brothers by blood, by kinship, by ties a low ridge of considerable extent. height at the highest part is from six ceous rocks. This we followed for seen some ancient pots-presumably some little distance, and at last, after found in connection with the caves. sires you to forget the land of your making a considerable detour about We had time to examine perhaps right, a beautiful roca cliff, almost sonally we are inclined to believe with white in the bright sunshine, which Tsuboi, and against almost general countries today are certainly the of small rectangular openings. There they were dwelling-places originally, hibit, to a great table-map of the em-United Kingdom of Great Britain and were so many of them, and they were It was no uncommon thing among pire, and upon this map were careed States. Let them be united to warrant the expression "honey to be afterwards used for burial pur-

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would expect us at that time if we d we were tardy. It was but a few we descended to the caves.

These caves were "scovered some would not be inappropriate to apply i

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A New York couple got married the other day because, they said, they both loved the same bull pup. The silly season is showing results all right

New York druggist thinks rattlesnake poison is a cure for consump-Consumption is also a cure for tion. rattlesnake poison. But who gets the first bite?

American tourists are reported to be the most eager patrons of dirigible balloons in Europe. Their experiences with the tip-custom in their travely seems to make them careless of life.

The only doubt to be thrown on the story of those quadrillious of microbeA in frozen eggs is that it is almost beyond belief that any self-respecting microbe would relish that sort of food



ON THEIR AMERICAN TOUR

Mary had a little calf As soft and white as snow, Because I am Mary's better half I guess I ought to know. -(Contributed.) .....

of that coal bin and getting it filled for a most delightful afternoon. before the first storm of winter comes and the yards are blockaded with orders.

street car company should not be have returned home.

Reynolds sang. Miss Reynolds has an excellent voice which she has trained to a high degree of perfection. After several more numbers played by Mr. Potter upon the mandolin and guitar, refreshments were served. The ladies voted to extend a vote of thanks to Mrs. Goetche, Mr. and Mrs. Potter. It's pretty near time to be thinking Miss Reynolds and Miss Hartmann

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Baird of Linroln who have been the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Thomas D.

If there is any valid reason why the Grane, and Mr. Crane the past week.

IDLE CHATTER . **______** 

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The big event, Wednesday, Sept. 21.

00 Mr. and Mrs. John Gleason and

Mrs. Draper of Lockport, Ill., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Gleason. 00

In celebration of his election as a councilman C. J. Kierle entertained R. H. Olmsted, John Lubold, Hugh Suttie, Robert Craig, J. H. Price and Charles Allen after the council meeting last Monday evening. 00

Mr. Gus Peters of Grand Island was visiting with Florence friends Tuesday evening.

00 Miss Edna O'Connell of Pawnee City, Neb., is the guest of Mrs. Lewis.

A very pretty wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gordon of Florence Wednesday evening when their "daughter, Christine Ross, was married to Mr. Alexander Hugh Chisholm. The wedding was the culmination of a boyhood and girlhood romance begun in Scotland. The bride came to America from Scotland some four years back, the groom soon following and beginning what is proving a very successful career, having begun at the foot of the ladder at the First National bank and now being a teller. The short wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. George S. Sloan of the Presbyterian church in crop. The bed is attracting a great the presence of about fifty guests. Miss Bessie Robertson played the see strawberries at this time of the wedding march and little Margaret Paul and Eloise Thomas were ribbon bearers. Miss Janet Paul carried the ring in the heart of a lily. Miss Margaret Gordon, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Mr. James Suttie was best man. The bride wore a whole batiste gown trimmed in valenciennes and baby Irish lace. The bridesmaid wore a pale blue mull and pointed lace. The wedding presents were numerous and among them were a beautiful pendant with pearl and amethyst setting, a present from the bride's aunt in Scotland, and a ring set with pearls, the gift of the groom's mother and father, which the bride wore during the evening. The young couple will make their home in Florence where they have furnished a house and will be at home to their friends after October 1.

 $\sim \sim$ Everybody will be there on Wednes-

day, September 21. 00

L. H. Griffith and E. L. Platz spent | Wednesday returning home. Outside Wednesday in Lincoln where they of being bruised and sore he is gettook in the state fair and state farm. ting along nicely.



The Boosters Committee of the R. N. of A. met at the home of Mrs. Green Wednesday afternoon. 00 Mrs. Cook of Omaha was a Flor-

ence visitor Tuesday evening. 00 The big event, Wednesday, Sept. 21.

00 H. P. Kuhl took the third ribbon with his Lonergan bred hog, Big Tom, at the state fair this week.

00 Lyman Peck secured first and champion on Bib Mischief and fifth on sow at the state fair this week. This illustrates pretty well the kind of foundation stock D. C. Lonergan handles.  $\sim \sim$ 

Mrs. D. F. Kelly entertained Thursday in honor of Miss Desmond of Denver, who was her guest last week. 00

Misses Mahel and Sophie Anderson entertained the Philatea society Monday evening.

> 00 Wednesday, Sept. 21-25 cents.

00 D. Deov marketed 535 baskets of grapes in three trips to market. He received a fair price and is well pleased at the way his grapes have turned out this year.

00 The fruit growers association will ship a car of grapes from Florence Friday evening. This is the first car this year. In ordinary years three to five cars a week are shipped. 00

H. S. Raymond has a bed of strawberries that is now bearing its second deal of attention as it is a novelty to year.

 $\sim \sim$ Some of the residents of Florence are predicting a hard winter this year because several flocks of geese were seen flying south on both Sunday and Monday evenings.  $\sim \sim$ 

The school board held their regular monthly meeting at the school house Tuesday evening.

The big event, Wednesday, Sept. 21.  $\sim \sim$ 

Cyril Kelly was a visitor to the state fair Thursday. 00

Last Friday afternoon while driving the team belonging to the Florence Coal and Lumber company. Fred Mortig was badly hurt by the team running away and throwing him out, the wagon passing over his body. He was taken to the Swedish hospital where it was found that he was not seriously hurt. He left the hospital

## THE SILENT WITNESS

### By TEMPLE BAILEY

(Copyright, 1910, by Associated Literary Press.) No one knew just where the white kitten belonged. The chances were The man who came later moved her that she came from one of the low gently. When he had gone there gray cottages along the line of the peeped from the hole the edge of a beach. She could generally be found white envelope. on sandy hillocks at the remote end The spring breeze blowing from the of the peninsula where she dug sunny 'ocean beat against the bit of paper, nests for herself and basked lazily and the crackling made the white watching the sandpipers between kitten sit up and take notice. She half-closed eyes. There were traces patted the paper with her paw. It of distinguished ancestors in the gave a little and came half out from length of her hair, the bushiness of the hiding place. Helped by the kither tail and the blueness of her eyes. ten's eager paw and by the wind it Now and then she drifted down close | lay fluttering on the ledge. Then the to the water's edge and played with wind took it again, down the beach. the foam, of which she seemed al- Once it went sailing over the tops of most a part, with her snowy fur and the waves, like some strange bird. her light movements.

There were two persons who came ten's plaything. often to that end of the peninsula and who played with the white kit-ten. The girl who came wore white came. She was alone, and when she gowns, so that when the kitten lay had looked and found no letter she on her lap they seemed merged one sat down on the sands and cried. into the other.

"She is a beauty," the girl said one day in late summer. "I am going to her. steal her and take her home with me, Richard."

The man laughed lazily. "If you find out to whom she belongs, I'll buy her for you, and save the sin of stealing."

The kitten blinked and yawned. She had always lived by the sea and she loved it. She did not know that,



over her head, they were planning to

carry her to the city, where she would be shut in from the wind and wave. After that they talked sweet nothings over her head, but finally they

disagreed. The loud voices startled the kitten and she sprang from her resting place and flew down the ter had been a plaything; to the girl sands. But they did not notice her, it meant life. The girl's face was as white as her iress.

But she would not tell him, and, jealousy getting the better of him he insisted that she should. The quarrel that followed made the white kit. ten cringe and then, fly down the beach toward the gray cottages. Late that night, however, she scuttled back to the ledge. It was moonlight The waves seemed crested with silver. The white kitten stretched her snowy length along the ledge, half closing the opening to the mail box.

only to be brought back for the kit-

Presently a man came along the beach, and seeing her came toward

"Radcliff," she looked up startled. 'I thought it was Richard."

he asked. "Perhaps I should not have written, nor have put it here. But I had seen you two people exchanging notes, and it seemed inter-

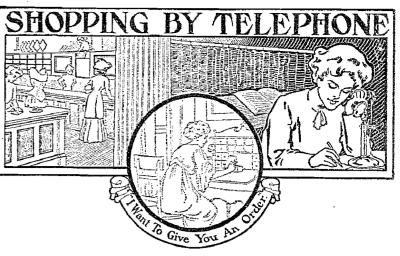
She looked at him reproachfully. Your joke has made me very unhappy," she stated. "You know how jealous Richard is. He wanted to see the note, and made so much out of a trifle that I would not let him-just to punish him. I told him that he must write to me and apologize. I thought, of course, he would, but he hasn't."

In the days that followed, the kitten and the girl sat often together on the sands. Both of the men had left, and the girl was very lonely. Now and then she played with the kitten, but usually she sat looking listlessly out to sea.

The kitten played, however, racing up and down the sands, chasing the waves. leaping after every stray

thing that fluttered in the wind. One day there came flying down the beach a bit of yellowed paper. The kitten pursued it, leaping high in the air after it as it was carried aloft by the strong breeze. She flattened herself on top of it when she had gained possession. The girl laughed at her antics and, growing interested, caught up the bit of paper crushing it in a ball to throw toward the eager animal. As she did it, a line of writing caught her eye. It was a familiar masculine scrawl. With eager haste she opened it and read the letter that the kitten had drawn from the hole two weeks be-

The kitten sat and looked at her.



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The next morning the kitten was

"Did you get my note yesterday?"

esting to see what would happen."

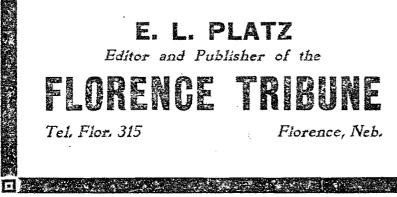
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to you, Richard." she said, "not until after our engagement is announced."

"Then announce it," he demanded. Why is it necessary to keep it secret, Elizabeth?"

"I have told you and told you," she stated, "that until mother returns from abroad and ratifies it I must not let the world know."

"I am so afraid of losing you." he said, "that perhaps I am unreason able. But you danced so often with Radcliff last night that my heart was heavy as I watched you."

"Oh, Radcliff!" She threw out her hands in a gesture of scorn. "As if any woman would look at him twice when you are around, Richard."

His face cleared at that and they began their walk back toward the hotel. talking peacefully as they went. The white kitten trailed along behind, making mad dashes down the beach, and, at length, rushing on ahead of them, she landed on a ledge hollowed out by the waves. There was a hole in the ledge where a bird had made a nest. Elizabeth stopped and examined it. "It's like a little mail box," she said. "Some day I am going to leave a letter for you here, Richard."

"Every day I shall look for it," he declared, ardently.

After that the kitten stood guard often over letters which came to the strange hiding place. Some of the letters were in pale gray envelopes and addressed in a feminine hand others were big and square with a masculine scrawl. One day a strange man left a letter and when Elizabeth opened it she gasped: "How did he know?

"What is it?" Richard demanded. "How did Radeliff know that we mailed our letters here?"

"You must have told him," Rich ard said. "You have been with him able flavor. often enough lately."

"Oh, jealousy!"

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Her eyes blazed. "Will you never friend? Why I have known him from a boy."

"Why should be write you letters?" "It's just some foolishness." She tore open the envelope and gasped. "What does he say?" her lover de manded.



Didn't Want His Chewed. Bill-Don't you like to see a dog chewing a bone?

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A Summer 'Resort. Noah disembarked. "A combination of the mountains and seashore!" he cried. Herewith he resolved to advertise the tour.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly follow iew years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional dis-ease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hail's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo. Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a tenspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio, Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constigation,

Something Dreadful. Wee Anita was listening to a story of the Johnstown flood.

"What made it?" she asked "Oh, the dam broke," replied grand-

ma. The next morning she ran into her brother's room and, climbing up on the bed, inquired anxiously: "Buvver, wasn't it just drefful 'bout that swear breaking and killing all dose people?"

#### Slightly Confused.

All of us become confused and all of as mix our language sometimes, but the preparation of an old negro preacher's sermon was the greatest confusion of metaphors I ever heard says a traveler. When the lengthy discourse was nearing its close and he had reached his "Twenty-third and lastly, brethren," he wound up by the following elaborate figure:

"Everywha, bredren, we see de almighty-all down de untrodden paths of time, we see de footprints of de Almighty hand."-Human Life.

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SHOWING USE THAT MAY BE MADE OF LEFT-OVERS.

PICK UP LUNCHEON

Canned Salmon Salad an Always Acceptable Picnic Dish-Many Methods That May Be Employed to Utilize Tongue.

Canned Salmon Salad.-From canned salmon or a boiled left-over of the fresh fish a delicious salad is available or a warm day's luncheon. Flake a pound of it into small

pieces with a silver fork. Mix caretully into this a tablespoonful each of capers, olives and gherkin pickles chopped fine. Arrange the mixture on white lettuce leaves, garnish with thes yolks of hard-boiled eggs and cover with mayonnaise. Decorate with little touches of aspic jelly if this is at hand

This is a foreign recipe "choicely good."

On a day when a rather substantial course is wanted to accompany the roast try the following original recipe of peppers with pasta: One quart of tomatoes, three peppers sliced fine. Let them simmer together two hours. Boil tender in salted water a package of spaghetti and brown well three good-sized onions in a little rendered beef suet. When the spaghetti is tender drain it, add tomatoes and onions. Let boil two minutes. Serve with gra ted cheese.

Tongue as a Left-Over.-To many housewives cold boiled tongue does not present itself as a left-over susceptible of metamorphosis. If no longer sightly for slicing it must be dis carded.

Yet to the initiated a cold boiled end which would not be appetizing sliced is most piquant when creamed Cut the meat into small hits, remove all skin and gristle and heat up in a cream sauce. Serve on rounds of toast or fried bread or in individual dishes with bread and butter sandwiches.

In suburban places where fresh bonbons are not always obtainable on short notice a good recipe for a homemade sweet is often treasure trove to the house mother. Peppermint is an excellent digestive in addition to its tastiness and in some

form is universally liked. Peppermint drops with fruit are something of a novelty and are not difficult to accomplish in the home kitchen.

In a quarter cup of lukewarm water soak one ounce of gum tragacanth until it becomes tender. Wring dry in a straining cloth and knead with the hand, adding five drops oil of peppermint. Continue to work it until white and elastic. Work in little by little 21/2 cups of confectioners' sugar and one-half cupful each of dates, raisins and cancel peels (orange and lemon equal quantity), mixed and chopped

fine. Roll cut on a marble slab, pastry board or strip of canvas, using the sugar in lieu of flour. Roll to the thickness of hall a dollar, stamp out and place on waxed paper in a warm room until dry.

For the Housewife. A suspected sample of ground coffee may be tested in this way: Place a teaspoon of the coffee in a wineglass containing water. If a part floats and a part sinks it is adulterated. If soot falls upon the carpet or rug do not attempt to sweep until it has been covered thickly with dry salt. It can then be swept up properly, and not a stain or smear will be left.

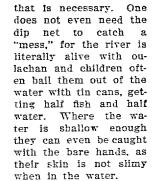
ULACHAN?" The old Indian turned his face from the camp fire and fixed his bead-black eyes on mine. "Oulachan," [ **re**-

peated. "Why do mea call you Oulachan?" He turned his wrinkled face to the fire again and we sat awhile in silence.

Then, in the deep gutturals and short, broken words of his native tongue, he told me.

"Many summers ago," he said, "the teepees of my father's tribe stood where we sit tonight. The white man was not here then"-he pointed up the river toward Kelso-"the woods and the open were the Indian's. The Indian hunted and fished and was happy. But white men came up the big river in canoes and they brought with them the black death. Warriors, klootchmen, pappooses, all alike sickened. Many died. When the rain and the winter came, no deer meat, no fish hung beside the teepees. For when the frost drove the black death away, the hunters were weak. They could not go to the woods for deer, and the salmon had passed on up the little river. The Indian was very hungry. The klootchmen and the pappooses cried for meat. And when the Indian was ready to fold his blanket around him and lie down to the long sleep, the Great Spirit saw and sent food. From the north it came, from under the frozen water. Swimming together. A long rope-bigmany suns long. Many little fish swimming at the bottom of the big water-"the Pacific-"along the bottom of the big river"-the Columbia. "They came here to the mouth of the little river"-he pointed to the Cowlitz flowing past us in the darkness to the Columbia-"and here they came to the top of the water. My father saw





The run is always heralded far down the Columbia by flocks of

5.000 tons of oulachan, and as the fish average about eight to the pound \$0,000,000 of them went the way of the market and the frying pan.

The fishing grounds of the Cowlitz are practically the only ones where the oulachan can be caught in paying quantities. On the Columbia some few are caught by gill netters. But the river is deep and for the most part the fish swim beyond the reach of the widest net. Even when caught they have to be picked one by one out of the meshes, so putting the gill netter out of competition with the Cowlitz man and his greedy, long-handled dipper. The grounds extend but eight or ten miles in the Cowlitz. Before Kelso was on the map the best location is said to have been directly opposite where the Northern Pacific depot now stands, but the growth of the town has driven the fish farther up and the best



Smudge-He calls his new invention a "noiseless automobile."

Grudge-Noiseless? It makes an in-Pernal clatter.

Smudge-He claims that the loudness of the smell drowns out the loudness of the noise, and vice versa.

#### Brussels Sprouts.

These are next to the cauliflower in delicacy and easier to grow. They form in many small heads about the size of an English walnut on the stalk of the plant, to prepare for the table. The little heads are blanched first, after which they may be served with any kind of sauce or be simply sauted in olive oil or butter. To blanch them remove the wilted and yellow outer leaves from the little heads or sprouts. then having removed the stalk close to the head soak the heads in cold salt water for an hour. Drain, cover with boiling salted water and cook rapidly for 15 or 20 minutes until tender. Be sure and have plenty of water for this cooking. Drain in a colander, throw cold water over them and drain again. They are now ready to reheat in butter or be simply seasoned with salt, pepper and butter or to be reheated and served with sauce.

#### For the Household.

Luncheon cheese mixed with minced green peppers or olives. moistened with salad dressing and spread on crackers for the salad course or on hot crisp toast to precede the soup or make a substantial for a little supper, is another of the demonstrator's prize dishes.

#### Eaking Powder Biscuit.

Sift two cupfuls flour into a basin. add half a teaspoonful of salt and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder; then sift it again; then rub one tablespoonful of butter and one tablespoonful of lard finely into it with the tips of the fingers. Add gradually enough sweet milk to make a soft dough. Knead a little on a floured board; do not handle much; roll out half an inch in thickness, cut into rounds with small cutter. Lay on a greased baking tin, and bake till ready in a bot oven, usually about 20 minutes.

When boiling milk put two tablespoonfuls of water in the pan first, and let it boil. Milk boiled in this way will never burn the bottom of the saucepan.

If salt is sprinkled over the range before frying is commenced there will be no disagreeable odor if the fat spatters over.

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A Good Corn Recipe.

When cutting sweet corn from the cob cut lengthwise through the center of each row of kernels with a sharp knife, then cut off the tips of the kernels without entting into the cob and scrape the milk from the cob. Put into a well buttered pan with salt, pepper and butter and steam threequarters of an hour over a quick fire, keeping plenty of water under the steamer. Cooked in this way, the corn retains all the juices and will be found delicious.

Pitches to Which Boys Won't Object. to mend the knees of little boys' trousers so they will look as well and wear as well as when new, rip the seams as far up as worn, cut away the worn part, take a piece of cloth like the garment, sew straight across thhe front, carefully matching goods: press the seam well, then shape by the niece cut off, sew up the seams and hem across the front.

If the pressing is well done one could not tell they had been mended

them and shouted, 'Oulachan.' Hunters and klootchmen went into the water and caught the oulachan with their hands. 'Oulachan,' they shouted. They made potlach and were filled. In that hour was I born. My name is Oulachan."

The oulachan still runs in the Cowlitz and every year there is a feast, but it is a feast for white ment the Indian tribes have vanished from the river. During the early months of winter Portland and all the cities and towns within reach of the fishing grounds look forward to the feast. In the old days when Portland was the only market fishermen scrambled for the first of the run. A wild race of the deep-laden boats up the Columbia followed, and the first boatload to reach the market sold, smelt for silver, weight for weight. But since railroads and refrigerator cars have put smelt fishing on the basis of a practical industry, the first run of the oulachan does not bring more than 20 cents the pound in the northwestern retail markets, though the very first to arrive are eagerly sought at prices somewhat higher.

Known commercially as the Columbia river smelt, the king of pan fish has several names. Ichthyologists classify it as thleichthys pacificus, of the smelt family. The Indians of the Columbia river region knew it as oulachan and the ploneer fishermen called it the Eskimo candle fish. In shape it resembles the smelt of the eastern states and Europe, but its rich yet delicate and sweet flavor places it far above them in the estimation of the epicures. Indeed, enthusiasts insist that as a pan fish it is superior to trout of any kind.

For unnumbered years the outachan has made the Cowlitz river its spawning ground and of course the Columbia river Indians were the first to use it for food. During the runs they caught the fish in vast quantities. drying and smoking them, and dried, actually used them for light in their teepees. For so much is the oulachan in oil that, with a strip of bark run through it, the dried fish will burn with a clear fiame from nose to tail.

In the early months of the northwestern winter the oulachan gather in uncountable millions at some unknown spot in Bering sea and begin their southward swim. Always close to the ocean bed, traveling in the form of a monster rope miles in length, they pass all the river and fiord openings along the coast until the mouth of the Columbia is reached. Then, so closely bugging the river bottom that kill nets are all but useless, to reach them, they make for the Cowlitz. A few miles up from the mouth of that river they strike the shallower water, and come within casy reach of the waiting fishermen.

From Indian times until the great catch of last season the method of fishing has been the same. A hoat or a canoe to fish from, and a dip net with a long handle for fishing tackle, are all

eagles, gulls and hawks, following in the wake of the living rope of fish and picking up the dead as they come to the surface. Then the fishermen gather by hundreds in their boats along the fishing grounds and feel along the bottom with the pole ends of their dip nets. When the pole strikes the small, wriggling bodies swimming along the river bottom in solid phalanx. it is simply dip and fill, empty the net into the boat, dip and fill again, until the boat can hold no more. There is not much sport about it. It is just about as exciting as clam digging and requires no more skill. Quantity caught, and quickness in dipping one's boat full to the gunwales of flapping little fish are the smelt fisherman's ideals of sport. And during the runs fishermen, fish eaters and even the eternally gobbling seagulls alike become sated. When the gulls are at all hungry the fishermen amuse themselves by tossing up smelt for the gulls to catch in the air. A seagull on the wing will grab a fish by the middle or tail, toss and reverse it in air, and gulp it down head first in the wink of an eye.

Most of the fishing is done at night. Daylight seens to scatter the fish, but even in daytime during the height of the season the fishermen keep at their work with good results. As a rule, there are two men to each boat and the craft are filled in an incredibly short time. One night last season two Kelso men filled a power launch to its capacity of 2,250 pounds in 45 minutes, or at the rate of 59 pounds a minute, and catches of 10,000 pounds in one day and night were frequent.

While the Cowlitz river is the only constant spawning ground, the oulachan has been known to run up the Lewis and the Sandy. At the time of the run up the Lewis, 14 years ago, there was only a small run of male fish in the Cowlitz, and the fishermen made their season's catch in the Lewis. About once in eight years there is a run up the Sandy, apparently independent of the Cowlitz run, as the number in that river is not lessened. At the time of the last run in the Sandy a party of Portland men went out with dip nets. One man lost his dip net but found an old, rusty, discarded bird cage. He tied it to the end of a pole and scored an equal catch with the others. During the same run farmers drove their wagons into the stream, dipped thens full of fish and hauled load after load to their orchards to use as fertilizer. Pork sold in the Portland market some months later had a distinctly fishy flavor and revealed the fact that some of the thrifty agriculturists had fed smelt to their hogs.

Last season the Cowlitz river was the spawning ground of the greatest run of smelt ever known by fishermen who have been in the business over twenty years. At the season's close the river had yielded over 10,000,000 pounds, or

catches are now made two miles above this point. Between the small floating docks of the town and the fishing grounds boats ply day and night during the runs, going upstream empty and returning laden with fish. Over 500 boats are employed in the industry, about 75 of them power boats.

It seems strange that the oulachan, so far superior to the eastern smelt, has never reached the eastern markets. The fish are packed in 50-pound boxes for shipment and the earlier catches sell in the wholesale market at from \$2.50 to \$5.00 the box; but in the height of the season the ordinary fisherman gets only about \$50 for 200 boxes-10,000 pounds. On the river are several men who buy at these prices from other fishermen, maintain boats of their own and ship direct to retail markets. Portland has wholesale buyers on the ground, and probably the greater part of the retail trade is supplied through them. At Kelso smelt have been shipped as far east as Wisconsin. The fishermen say that with cold storage facilities the output could be greatly increased. Canning in the form of sardines has never been tried, though in the opinion of experts the fish so treated would discount the imported sardine. The market is usu ally demoralized early in the five months' season by schoolboys, who go out, load up a few boats with fish and become an easy mark for buyers. Often, tco, Greeks and Italians come up the river in boats, stay a day or two and sell their fish for whatever they can get, and the men regularly engaged in the trade want to make it a licensed one, on this account.

The growing output of the oulachan would seem, on the face of it, to demand a Gifford Pinchot on the fish commission. But the supply increases year after year with the demand and apparently knows no limit. Last year's run broke all records and the Cowlitz smelt fisher is looking forward in happy confidence to the coming winter, when the deeps and shallows of the streams will again be filled with oulachan.

#### Sad Blow.

"Was she overcome by her husband's sudden death?"

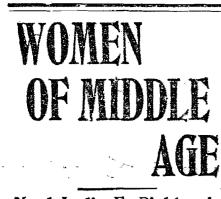
"Oh, yes. She had just bought balf a dozen new ball gowns."-Birmingham Age-Herald.

#### Scaring.

"She married an old man who is very rich." "I went one better on that. I married a young aviator who is a millionaire .- Pele Mele.

#### Hard to Convince.

Little Tommy (eldest of the family, at dinner) -Mamma, why don't you help me before Ethel? Mamma-Ladies must always come first. Tommy (triumphantly)-Then why was I born before Ethel?-Tit-Bits.



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A Shipping Error.

The young Duchess of Westminster, wife of the richest peer in England recently gave birth to her third child. a daughter. Thus there is no heir to the immense Grosvenor fortune, Earl Grosvenor, the duchess' second child, having died at the age of four.

Apropos of all this, a rather cruel story is being told in Newport about Lady Ursula Grosvenor, the eightyear-old daughter of the young duchess.

A friend, the story goes, called at Eaton Hall, and as she sat in the drawing-room, little Lady Ursula entered.

"Oh, good afternoon," she said gravely. "Mamma can't see any one today. She's upstairs with the new baby. They sent her, you know, a gir! when she'd ordered a boy, and she's so upset that she's quite ill."

#### Talking to the Child.

"Mrs. X---- talks to little Madge just as Mr. X---- talks to their dog." said a little girl of a neighboring family. And it was indeed true. Mrs. - is a very well-meaning woman X. and would be greatly surprised if she should hear the foregoing statement. She has simply unconsciously acquired a harsh tone of voice in dealing with her children. This is altogether unnecessary and is not, as many mothers seem to think, a mark of good discipline. The mother whose manner is quiet but firm is generally a much



DEATH TOLL OF A FLOWER

#### Edelweiss, Death Lure of the Alps.

mountains there have been exceptional storms, with the result that several parties of visiting climbers have been swept away by avalanches. But the alluring edelweiss remains the most fatal attraction of the summer tourist.

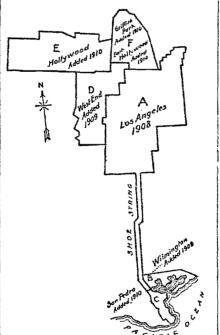
Not in itself a remarkably beautiful flower, edelweiss nevertheless appeals to that side of human desire that craves the difficult. Generally it grows in rock corners that are practically inaccessible. Invigorated by the mountain air, the climber espies the blooms in their dangerous crevice and determines to claim them for his own. Sometimes he succeeds in the quest, only to fall as he returns; sometimes a loose stone. trusted for a foothold, slips away, and the end is deep down in the ravine below.

One by one the edelweiss claims its victims, till the total is higher than that of the avalanche, which destroys the mountaineers in full parties. Thirty flower pickers sacrificed themselves for edelweiss during July, and every week during summer brings its tragic quota till the Alpine snows fill the nooks where now the flowers bloom.

### CITY HAS A CURIOUS SHAPE

Peculiar "Shoe String" Strip That is a Part of Greater Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal.-This city claims the distinction of being one of the most curiously shaped cities in the world, the reason for its peculiarity being the desire to make a seaport out of an inland city. The part of the illustration designated as A shows the city as it was in 1908. In 1909 Wilmington was added, and in 1910 San



WASHINGTON GOSSIP

### To Test New Mail Device for Trains



WASHINGTON -After a series of tests continuing since February the Postoffice Department has arranged for a formal six months' tryout of an invention for delivering and picking up mails by fast trains. As a demonstration of the practicability of the system a live pig, weighing 65 pounds, was recently delivered without injury at Carrollton, Ky., the home of the inventor, without the slightest injury from a train running 25 miles an hour.

For years the Postoffice Department has soughe an improved method of picking up and delivering mails over the old catcher-hook system, and the new device was the result of four years' advertising by the postal authorities, urging inventors to produce something that would meet the reouirements.

It is 40 years since the catcher book came into use, and in spite of the progress in railroading and the tremendous improvement in the mail government to give the more extended service along other directions no for- trial.

ward step is recorded in the matter of exchanging mail sacks by moving trains. Under this system only one small sack could be picked up at any one station, and it is a matter of official history that not infrequently, instead of catching the suspended sack of mail, the hook, operated by a mail clerk standing in the open door of the car. would snatch up a chicken coop or something else not to be found in any classification of mall matter.

The delivery of mail from moving trains is still more primitive, consisting merely of having the clerk hurl or push the sacks out of the car as the train rushes past the platform. Great numbers of persons have been injured and some killed by being struck by the whirling and rebounding sacks,

thrown with the force of a catapult. In a number of instances the bags of mail have rolled under the wheels of the train and have caused wrecks or have been ground to pieces and the mail destroyed. And these defects do not take into consideration the tremendour wear and tear on the mail bags and pouches, one of the largest items of expense to the railway mail service The new device has passed through a successful test of six months at Burnside station, and this decided the

### Women of Diplomatic Set Are Smokers



N CERTAIN parts of the city where labits of the diplomatic set and where igarette smoking is so common among women that it is no longer a matter of much comment, there is a strong eeling that the anti-cigarette agitators have been unfair in directing their criticism at one or two individaal women smokers.

The practice, it was pointed out, was not confined to any special few. but was quite general among fashionable women. As a regular feature of practically every ultra-fashionable dinner party here cigarettes are equally provided for the women. The old custom of the women leaving the men at the table to smoke has almost entirely disappeared.

prominent fer inine member of the 'younger set." The loss was advertised in the papers and among the

### Treasury Department Old Folks Home



this town think you have the grandest climate in the country? Man With a Cold-No: but we claim

HOW A DOCTOR CURED SCALP

"When I was ten or twelve years o'd I had a scalp disease, something like scald head, though it wasn't that. I suffered for several months, and most of my hair came out. Finally they had a doctor to see me and he recommended the Cuticura Remedies. They cured me in a few weeks. I have used the Cuticura Remedies. also. for a breaking out on my hands and was benefited a great deal. I haven't had any more trouble with the scalp disease Miss Jessie F. Buchanan. R. F. D. 3, Hamilton, Ga., Jan. 7, 1909.

Kept with Barnum's Circus. P. T. Barnum, the famous circus man, once wrote: "I have had the Cuticura Remedies among the contents of my medicine chest with my shows for the last three seasons, and I can cheerfully certify that they were very effective in every case which called for their use."

"Do you like Hamlet?" asked the guest.

"Indeed I do," was the reply. "I am excessively fond of it, but I always prefer a savory to a sweet one."

"I gave her ham with an omelette hostess, when telling the story. Scraps.

ter meaning.-T. T. Munger, D.D.



Stranger-I suppose you people in

the greatest variety.

DISEASE

A Liking for "Hamlet."

hostess of her unlettered, if gushing.

There was a momentary confusion.

and then the hostess realized that the admiration of the guest was of a culinary, not literary, character.

for breakfast next morning," said the

The days are not mere repetitions of themselves; tomorrow will have a bet-

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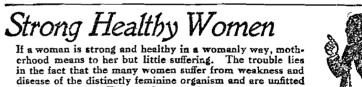
"I have suffered with piles for thirtysix years. One year ago last April I began taking Cascarets for constipation. In the course of a week I noticed the piles began to disappear and at the end of six weeks they did not trouble me at all. Cascarets have done wonders for me. I am entirely cured and feel like a new man." George Kryder, Naroleon, O.

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er was given without any apparent thought of embarrassment. Dealers patronized by fashionable dwellers here carry a large stock of women's cigarettes. It is not a rare right to see the wife of a foreign diplomat smoking complacently as she sits on the lawn of her home on a pleasant evening. Some foreign women promisociety is familiar with the foreign nent here have been known to smoke

cigars.

Episcopal church.

At a recent amateur theatrical performance a purse was stolen from a gospel standpoint is the same for both contents of the purse was a jeweled different ethical code for women for its cigarette case. The name of the own- own protection."

### Though these facts put the Washington situation in a light slightly different from that of other Ameri-

find any defense for the habit. "The habit of cigarette smoking among women is, to my mind, a thor-

point," said Canon Mays of St. Thomas Father Eugene Hannon of the

Church of the Immaculate Conception, was unusually severe in his criticism of the cigarette habit among women. He said: "The habit is obnoxious all around and in women, despite the fact that the law from a

sexes, cigarette smoking is worse with women than with men because of the example they set. Society demands a

can cities, the local clergy fail to oughly pernicious one from any stand-

more successful disciplinarian than the harsh-voiced mother who issues her commands in a dictatorial manner. Kindness never spoils children. It is flabby indecision, sometimes mistaken for kindness, which spoils them.

When the Fish Exploded.

Somebody discovered that fish are fond of gasoline, and this led to the idea of soaking worms in gasoline in order to make them more alluring when used for bait.

Mark the result.

Two of those gasoline-tempted fish exploded in the frying-pan, and broke the kitchen window, and blew the cook's face full of mashed potato, and hurled the teakettle into the flour barrel, and painted the kitchen ceiling with stewed tomatoes.

Call it a lying world and let it go at that.

Living Was Not So High Then. "Well," said the prodigal son, "I'm mighty glad you didn't all turn vegetarians while I was away."

Herewith he helped himself to some more of the yeal.

The Real Thing. "I congratulate you, old boy?" "On what?" "Why, your engagement to Miss Fryte."

"That was a false report." "Truly? Then my congratulations are sincere. Come have a drink!"

Strictly Business.

"That man who passed you in tha hall never comes into my office with out asking for money." "Improvident, eh?" "No, college president."

Blest Be Nothing.

Wife-The doctor writes that in Hew of our poor circumstances he will not present his bill immediately. Artist-We are looky that our circumstances are no better; if they were, we might have to pay at once! -Fliegende Blaetter.

Showing It.

"The clever widow is always on the lookout for a good matrimonial investment"

"Yes, even when she speaks you can detect a catch in her voice."

#### Outline Map of Los Angeles.

Pedro was annexed. The section designated as D was annexed in 1909, and E and F were made parts of the city this year. The coast annexations, San Pedro and Wilmington, are connected with Los Angeles proper by the narrow strip known as the "Shoe String."

Luxury of Ancient Eggs. Chicago .- A chef, discussing the evils of cold storage, said with a smile: "And yet the Chinese, who are great gourmets, adore eggs three or tour vears old, eggs that have turned quite green.

"Don't think they are ordinary bad eggs, these green chaps, though. If you've eaten Chinese food you'll know better than that. The Chinese are gourmets and their ancient eggs are ripened like fine cheese.

"It is a science. The eggs, I believe. spend nine months in a hot temperature, buried in sawdust, another nine months in a cool temperature, buried in chalk, and so forth and so on.

"They are green in the end, and they have an unpleasant, putrid odor. But Roquefort cheese is green, and its odor. too, is putrid and unpleasant. "h.r. Wu, when he last dined here, told me that green eggs of the 1905 vintage cost two and three dollars spiece in Canton."



FEW days ago a woman clerk in A FEW days ago a the comptroller of Currency, Treasury Department, celebrated the 90th anniversary of her birth. The Treasury Department, sometimes facetiously called "the old folks" home," probably has more aged employes connected with it than any other, fce it was under the late United States Treasurer, Mr. Spinner, that women were first given employment there. If the truth could be known probably other females in this department are mighty close to the 90-year mark, but, of course, they are not going to admit it, especially as the talk has been getting stronger and stronger that a superannuated list is going to be made up sconer or later, and a way found to get rid of their services. Not so very many years ago Sen-

ator Teller of Colorado has passed in the senate a resolution calling upon a civil pension list.

### Where the Money of the Country Goes



HE cost of the national government is but a small part of the burden on the expayer. The expenses of cities are manifold greater to each person than are those of the Union. The census brings together the figures for the 158 cities of the country which have a population of 50,000 and over. Their expenditures for the year 1908 were \$16.81 per capita. Boston far surpassed this ratio, and leads in moneys paid for local administration, showing an outlay for each person of \$27.58: New York comes next with its municipal budget of \$24.71 per capita, while Washington follows close with a cost items of expenditure in cities are schools, police and fire protection. Last year under the laws of Cor-\$660,728,353. This amount cared for machinery of the Union.

department, together with the ages when appointed and compensation received.

the Secretary of State for a complete

list of the officials and clerks in his

Quite a number of the venerable women clerks before that had been proud of telling their ages and boasting of how much work they could perform, but on having to give the figures for the scrutiny of the senators it was common talk around the department that a considerable lopping off of years was done, and ever since that information was called for women generally in the government service, who are approaching the sundown of life, have been mighty mum when it comes

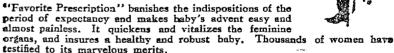
to discussing ages. At the last session of congress numerous bills and resolutions were introduced with a view of trying to reach some solution of the problem of what to do with the aged employees of the government. Many speeches were made on the subject, but the more the question has been discussed. the more confused became the congressmen who take enough interest in the matter to be willing to go on rec-

ord as being in favor of establishing

pensions, the army and navy, the courts, lighthouses, the foreign service and all the departments at the capital. Of this sum \$7.33 on the average falls on each inhabitant. Set this over against \$16.81, the average cost per capita of local rule in the cities, and \$2471 in New York city. The contrast will show that the national machinery costs less than that at home, under the very eyes of the citizens.

The public schools are maintained in the cities at a cost of \$4.70 per capita, while \$2.25 is paid for the police and \$1.72 for the fire department. Thus schoo's and the police in citles cost \$5.95 a year per capita, or only 38 cents per capita less than the total ordinary disbursements of the national government.

The taxpayers are proud of the public schools and do not begrudge the moneys spent for them. The police is required for the safety of the com munity, for the maintenance of law of \$24.68 for each person. The chief and order. If the funds are laid out honestly and wisely, the taxpayer wil not scrimp either schools or the pr lice. People are apt to forget tha gress for all purposes the nation spent these cost almost as much as all th



testified to its marvelous merits. It Makes Weak Women Strong. It Makes Sick Women Well. Honest druggists do not offer substitutes, and urge them upon you as "just as good." Accept no secret nostrum in place of this non-secret remedy. It contains not a drop of alcohol and not a grain of habit-forming or injurious. drugs. Is a pure glyceric extract of healing, native American roots.

### KEEPING THE ARMS WHITE If your skin is sensitive to sunburn

Certain Rules That Should Be Followed By Those Who Wear Short Sleeves.

Now that the elbow sleeve is once more in fashion, it becomes girls to pay attention to the skin of their arms.

Keep a watchful eye for dust. girl who would be horrified at the thought may have a grimy look about the elbow

Use a small flesh brush and pure white soap, with once a week liquid green soap. The latter must be rinsed off thoroughly.

Be careful to dry the arms well after bathing; otherwise roughness of the cuticle often occurs. It also forms from not rubbing hard enough in bathing.

When the skin is thus rough it is more often found on the back of the the arm is well gloved, or in any pubarm than elsewhere. Rub with powdered purifies moistened in water or alcohol. Follow by a thorough rubhir with co'd cream

A learned German scientist, in the course of an exhaustive study of the evolution of the sense of color, discov -red that the rainbow has not looked the same to men in all ages. He found hat it was at first thought to be all of one color. To Homer, he says, the ainbow seemed purple white. At a



or freckles, do not go out in daytime without long gloves. It is almost impossible to remove freckles from the arm, though they may fade of the face in winter.

Where arms are red, see first that there is no pressure around the armhole; also that the corset is not too tight. Use lemon at night as a bleach, followed by a whitening cream. If all methods fail resort to powder well rubbed in. It will take off the most brilliant hue.

If the arm is too thin enlarge it by tensing exercises. A good one is to hold the arm at right angles to the body; then clench the first and draw it up until it touches the shoulder. This should be done as if pulling a heavy weight.

Just a word as to the etiquette of the elbow sleeve. Do not wear them on the street in the daytime, unless lie place. It is to be hoped we will be spared the shocking lack of good taste that was so common two summors ago.

I'wo centuries after this Aristotle distinguished three colors-red, green and blue-and was able sometimes to see yellow between the red and green. Three hundrd years after Aristotle came Ovid, to whom the rainbow was "a thousand dazzling colors, which the eye cannot distinguish separately ater period Xenophon saw in it "a But the tricolor division persisted un urble cloud, red and yellow green til the thirteenth century

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Storz famous Blue Ribbon beer by the case. L. W. Imm. (9)

WHITE Leghorn Eggs from prize stock for hatching. Phone Florence (4) 162

Metz and Schlitz beer by the case. Henry Anderson. (9)

FOR SALE-Corner of Fourth and Monroe, small house, well, outbuildings, fruit trees. G. T. Jackson, Fourth and Harrison. (16)

MAN wants but little here below and he satisfies that want with a Tribune want ad. (5)

WANTED-Bright boys and girls sion himself. State telegraph is a to solicit subscriptions for The Tri-strong feature and sporting cranks bune. Liberal inducements will be are well satisfied. The thing above offered. This is a good chance to make all others is the fact that when you some spending money during your va- see anything political in The Journal cation. See Mr. Platz or telephone him that it's for the benefit of the people (6) at large and not for the selfish politicat 315.

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LOWER PATES ENDED WITHOUT A FATALITY

EFFECT OF WATERWAY COMPETI-TION ON THE RAILWAYS OF THE COUNTRY.

DIRECT AND INDIRECT SAVING

Conservative Estimate is That in a Single Year It Would Be More Than Enough to Discharge the Entire National Debt.

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It was stated in a previous article that waterways produce both direct and indirect sayings in the cost of transportation and also exert what may be called a creative effect. As an instance of the direct saving it was shown that the 100,000,000 tons of freight handled on the great lakes in 1907 were carried for \$550,000,000 less than it would have cost by rail. If the opinion of the United States army engineers is correct-and this opinion is based upon results actually achieved on the rivers of Europewe have a number of rivers on which, when properly improved, freight can be carried for less than on the lakes and many rivers on which it can be carried for much less than by rail. If, therefore, the plan advocated by the National Rivers and Harbors congress should be carried out-which includes the improvement of all our rivers to such extent as shall be found advisable after expert examinationthe direct saving in cost of transportation would be vastly increased. It would probably be increased tenfold,

but if it were only doubled the direct saving in a single year would be more than enough to pay off the national debt. But this is not the end of the bene-

fits which the general improvement of our waterways would bring, it is only the beginning. Beside the direct saving there is an indirect saving which results from the effect of waterways on railway freight rates, for rates are always lower on railroads which meet water competition than on those which do not. The amount of this saving is not everywhere the same, owing to difference in conditions, but we can get a good general idea of it from a study of some sample instances.

#### Freight Rates Affected.

Freight rates from New York to Salt Lake or Spokane are much higher than to San Francisco or Seattle, BOYS BUILD FLYING MACHINE although the distance is much less, be cause goods can be carried to the Pacific coast by water, around Cape Horn, while there is no waterway of any kind to the inland cities named. It is not the ocean alone that affects railroad rates. Compare the rates on first class merchandise to river towns and inland towns situated about 250 miles from St. Louis. Towns on the upper Mississippi get a rate of 33 cents a hundred, inland towns pay 63 cents: towns on the Ohio pay 41 cents. inland towns in the same region pay 87.

A still more striking instance, and one showing the direct result of waterway improvement, is to be found on the Columbia river. Before the locks at the cascades were built freight rates on nails, and that class of goods, from Portland to The Dalles were \$6.40 per ton. As soon as the locks were finished and the steamboats could get through, the railroad rate dropped to two dollars per tonless than one-third what it was before. river improvement is shown by the low the young aviator to correct its fact that rates were not reduced beyond the point to which the steamboats could run. For instance, the rate on salt in car load lots was \$1.50 per ton to The Dalles, and \$10.20 per ton to Umatilla-\$1.50 per ton for the avenue, Brookdale 88 miles with water competition and \$8.70 per ton for the next 100 miles without. These rates have since been reduced as the improvement has proceeded, and when the work is finished and boats can run far up the Columbia river and to Lewiston and other point in Idaho on its principal tributary, the Snake river, the people in all that region will benefit not only

by the direct saving on goods carried

ing through the reduced rate on goods

carried by rail. Exactly similar re-

sults would follow the radical im-

provement of rivers all over the United

Indirect Saving Large.

of finding out just how much this in-

direct saving would be. Rates on some

freight would be reduced greatly, on

some freight slightly, on some, per-

haps, not at all. But we can get some

idea of the amount of freight which

might be influenced. In the fiscal

year ending June 30, 1907, the total

amount of freight handled by the

railroads of the United States was

1,796,336,659 tons. Some of this was

hauled a short distance, some a long

distance, and some was handled by

more than one road, but it was equal

to 236,601.390,103 tons hauled one

mile. If the comprehensive improve-

ment of our waterways should make

an average reduction of one mill per

ton-mile-the difference in the rates

on salt given above is 70 times as

much, or seven cents per ton mile-i.

would make a saving of over \$236,600,-

000 on the value of business handled

At first glance, it looks as if that

would mean disaster to the railways,

but that is the exact opposite of the

truth. Strange as it may seem, the

surest and speediest way to enlarge

the business and increase the profits

of the railways of the United States

in the fiscal year.

United States.

There is, however, no possible way

States.

by water, but also by the indirect sav-

Boyish Affair of Honor Principally Amusing to the Brothers of the Principals.

"Do I look like a man who ever ought a duel?" laughed the portly party. "Well, I did, and it was intend ed to be a duel to the death, too, and, is it often happens, a woman was at the bottom of it. As near as I can figure now I must have been about the ripe age of seven when this deadly afair took place. At that time my heart was wrapped up in a little hina doll girl with blue eyes and vellow hair, who kept me in a continual state of bankruptcy buying her taffy and red apples. Unfortunately or my peace of mird, I had a rival, upon whom she smiled with exasperting impartiality. My first impresion was to pick a fight with him, but I was always cautious, even as a youth and I had grave doubts about the success of such a plan.

"Then I conceived the happy idea of challenging him to a mortal combat. I hadn't the slightest idea that he would accent, to tell the truth, but he did and with what seemed to me almost indecent haste. Realizing that would need a second, I went to an elder brother, explained the matter to him and asked him if he would act for me. He listened to me gravely and then said he would. Here was surprise number two. I had been almost certain that he would frown upon the idea and threaten to tell my father, thus giving me an excuse to retire from the field of honor. But the calm way he accepted the situation gave me a chill.

"'I suppose,' said he, 'that Bobby's brother will act as his second?" "I moistened my lips and said: "I

suppose so.' 'Very well,' said he, 'I will talk the matter over with him and we will let you know when you are wanted.'

"We were wanted the next afternoon, and it was some consolation to me to discover that my rival's face was as white as mine.

"'Now,' said our seconds, 'you two sit down here in the grass back to back, and the first one to desert the spot loses the fight.' "Then they both retired hastily to a

spot that semed to me at the time to be unnecessarily removed from the place of action. A moment later my rival was going one way and I another. Those miserable brothers of ours had caused us to sit on the top of a big bumblebee's nest."

Young American Conspicuous in Sport Just Now Much in the Public Eye.

Alfred P. Morgan of Upper Montlair, N. J., who was graduated from the Montclair high school last year, has completed the construction of a biplane, in which the young aviator spects to fly over the farms of Monlair Heights.

The machine is 29 feet long and the plane is five feet wide. There are 250 square feet of supporting surface upon its frame. Without the engine it weighs 150 pounds. The motor is 25 horsepower.

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"I will certainly fiy," said young forgan, "provided I have got the right engine. If I find I have not, I will take out the engine and get a new one. I intend to build a larger machine if this one proves a success."

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"But the coin was dropped from too great a height, and it bounced out again. It fell and rolled along the pavement, the beggar in pursuit. Finally it lodged in the gutter, whence the blind man fished it out.

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