





## LOVE'S PROTECTION.

The girl closed the door of the crumbling spring house. Her expression was alert and expectant—her movements sluggish, almost dilatory; and yet a chilling wind whistled down the holes of the rotten roof, through the gaps and chinks between the worm eaten logs; it tossed her brown hair, crimsoned her pretty cheeks, all unheeded. Miriam Sagby did not feel the northerly gale. Her gaze fastened itself upon the thickets of laurel, sassafras and creeping bryony, where a narrow path, only a few yards away, abruptly disappeared. The spring bubbled out from under a huge rock, behind which ran a deep ravine where sunlight never penetrated the great pines, even at midday. The spot could not have been more wildly somber; but there was a safety in that black abyss, serviceable more than once within Miriam's memory. Her smile broadened into a pleased laugh as the lapping bushes were pushed aside, and a man looked warily about him before quitting their shelter—a man in the rough home-spun of a mountaineer, but with the handsome face, soft hands and indescribable aspect of one used to ease and luxury.

"It's you, Dr. Heath!" she exclaimed in well feigned surprise.

"Who did you think it was, Miriam?" inquired Dr. Heath, his keen, rapid glance darting with lightning rapidity into every dingy nook and remote shadow. There was something painfully apprehensive in the watchful scrutiny continually in those restless, suspicious eyes, as well as the firm, half menacing hold upon the rifle always carried or at hand for instant use. "Have you seen any strangers?" he questioned.

"Strangers? How should I? Strangers don't come this way, unless they're after the moonshiners," she laughed.

"Don't they?" he said, without echoing the laugh. "There are worse things than free stills."

"Last winter when I went down the ridge to Odds Corner to school, the moonshiners, en' they met me evenin', when I was a-crosin' Diffikil branch, en' offered me a new dress to show the way to Ole Tim Skinner's."

"Did you do it?" and again that sharp glance went off on its perpetual search for secret danger.

"Do it?" she retorted scornfully. "Do you think I'd tell of anybody?"

"Perhaps you didn't know?"

"But I did know," she triumphantly asserted. "I knew just where the still was, en' I knew they were a-goin' off that night with a load, but I'd be dfo' I'd tell of 'em."

"Are you as brave as that, Miriam?" The mounted man became earnest and anxious; his gaze rested on her fine, glowing face a full minute before it traveled away upon its tireless hunt of something or some one never absent an instant from his mind. "Could you, at the peril of your life, save men tracked like wild beasts?"

"If twur father, now, I'd like to see 'em catch him while I'm about, onliest father don't have no mo' to do with the free stills. When he did, I kept him safe, en' give him the signal if ever a stranger prowled the ridge," returned Miriam; "but you ain't no moonshiner."

"No, Miriam, not a moonshiner; but would you stand by me in that way, my girl, and care what became of a stranger?"

"You have been on the ridge six months or better—you are not a stranger," she interrupted.

"No, not a stranger as these people see it," was the half ironical reply. "But, Miriam, would you care enough to marry me? I mean to stay here in the mountains all my life—spend my days in these pines where no one will ever see me. Does it matter to you that I don't want any one to see or know of me?"

A more vigilant apprehension gathered under the intensified suspense. She hesitated and averted her face. The crystal surface of the water at her feet reflected the superb grace and manly beauty of this stranger, so unexpectably different from the rugged sun hardened habitants of ridge and hollow. The girl turned slowly toward him.

"I know, you've got sommat to hide from," he said quietly; "but for all that, Dr. Heath, you're better than I am—you're quality breed, and I am only the old moonshiner's daughter."

"Eh, Miriam! What does it matter what I am?" he broke in passionately. "You're too good for me. Only say that you will marry me and care for me, scoundrel that I am," added the man bitterly.

A dauntless resolution depicted itself upon Miriam's countenance, as she lifted her lustrous eyes and held his shifting glances by the subtle force and fire in their depths.

"Yes, I'll marry you, en' stand by you, too—stand by you en' help you, true en' faithful, if I am onliest a moonshiner's daughter, I'll say it en' promise it, ef so be you're true en' faithful to me."

The harassed tension of Heath's countenance relaxed.

"You have bound yourself to stand by me and love me. I'll hold you to it."

"I want you to hold me to it, onliest I want you to do the same by me," she replied.

Relinquishing his gun for a moment, he drew her into his arms and kissed her tenderly, then, with a guilty start and involuntary glance around him, released the girl and took up his weapon.

"I'm a scoundrel to ask it," he said, with a forced, angry laugh, ignoring the amending request.

"Mirry! Mirry!" called a shrill voice from the house.

"Oh, me! That's grandmother! She'll be after me in a minute!" and Miriam hurried off up the path. Heath followed, easily keeping pace with her rapid steps.

"Miriam, shall I inform Ab and your grandmother?" he asked. "You'll mar-

ry me when there's a preacher comes to Odds Corner, don't you call it?"

"Yes, the preacher can come here. Father don't talk, en' grandmother don't go nowhere, Miriam replied, intuitively divining a reservation of doubt and caution under the phrasing of his question.

"Ab can hold his tongue, and there is no one here who cares to hear of it," he remarked, reflectively. "Ab is shy of strangers."

The girl laughed.

"You need never fault father for talkin' to strangers. You haven't promised, though, to do good en' faithful by me." But her lover had opened the door, and both went in.

"Mirry kin tie ter whomst she please," her father said when Heath, taking advantage of Miriam's absence in the shed, told him of his hopes. "Hit's a good little gal as you'll git, en' she's a smart gal, Mirry is 'a-in't afeared o' nothin'. She'll stick ter you, spite o' ole Nick hisself, less'n you go back on her; 'twouldn't be overly safe fur you then," and Ab chuckled, while the great quid of tobacco oscillated in his cheek.

"She says that she will, and I suppose there are people who are true and can be trusted, though I have never had the good fortune to meet them," replied the stranger, a bitter smile flitting over his countenance.

"Yes so; they be skurce, en' pow'ful good ter come across w'en a shurt en' pack o' Guv'menters kem at yo' els. The gal knows hit—Mirry knows, she's a smart gal."

"Hew! hew! mo' larin'! than we-us, doctor, you mebbe wa'n't fetched up like we-us, en' I'm a-gwine ter say es you mought think yo' set better'n me en' Mirry."

"Miriam is better than I am—that is what I think—and you have been my best friend," interrupted Heath, speaking hurriedly, a hot impatience, almost desperation, in his manner. Old Ab looked pleased.

"Then you won't be 'shamed' o' Mirry ur me, whenst you' luck tu's, en' you' a-in't b'leeged ter hug ter the mountings?"

"You are my only friends. There is no turn of luck can help me, no change whatever that I might wish to quit the mountains," was the deliberate assurance.

"Hit's all right, then. I hain't much tried in my mind long o' whur you be foolin' ur no. Mirry's skil to that ar; hit's her lookout."

Abner relapsed into his m-o-d-e enjoyment of the huge crackling blaze. Grandmother Sagby came in, and soon dozed over her knitting. Miriam sat on the hearth opposite Heath. The firelight glowed over her beautiful face and the strong, shapely figure. Utter repose and the delightful warmth conducted to that half drowsy haziness and abandon of perfect rest. The one exception was the stranger. Apparently he never rested. The watchful, listening, wide awake look seemed never beguiled away by any charm whatsoever. Two or three dogs that slept on the floor near Ab became somewhat restless. An old hound opened his eyes, and pushed himself nearer the door. The movement was slight and noiseless, but Miriam sat up and noted the animal for an instant, then left her seat and stepped slowly past him to the shed room. The dog followed her into the chilly starlight beyond. Then she stopped short and observed the hound. Lifting his nose high, he sniffed suspiciously and gave a low growl.

"What is it, Miriam?"

The girl started. Heath was beside her, an agony of apprehension in his countenance even as he grasped his gun and held it ready to fire.

"Sommat strange," is around. Leader never mistakes," she whispered, creeping closer to him. "Do you think they are hunting for you?"

"I don't know. They are on my track at last. They are hunting for me if they are hunting for anybody, but I'll never be taken, Miriam—never!"

"Taken? no. It's not many get taken in the mountings," was the scornful reply. "Leader'll give tongue time enough; and remember the big hollow tree back of the clearing—the rope is always there to let you down in it," she directed, in quick, low tones.

"Miriam," he whispered, "don't believe their black story of me—don't believe it. I was there—I saw it—but I didn't do it. I never intended the worst. I can't prove my innocence; but I solemnly tell you, I am innocent of the worst—the very worst you will hear."

Miriam laid her hand gently on his arm—her face grew tender—her voice soft and tremulous.

"I care for you John, whether it were true or not. Go—now; Leader sniff's lower—quite there. Leader—sommat's closer!"

The girl's startled, suppressed voice became suddenly shrill in its terror. Heath sprang forward with an agile, chamol's like bound and vanished in the pines. The dogs inside the cabin as well as out set up a simultaneous howl. There was no doubt of an alien presence close at hand. Miriam rushed into the house and fastened the door behind her.

"We know he's in there!" shouted a rough voice.

"He's there! Give him up! We're a goin' to have him!" chorused rougher voices.

"Hit's better ter let 'em come, Mirry. He's done swung hisself in' gainst now."

"Ab unbarred the door, and, opening it stepped on the threshold in cool contemplation of the scene. Instantly a revolver was on each side of his gray head.

"What be you after, shurt?" he asked, thrusting him aside. The men outside rushed rudely past him.

"You might as well give him up, Ab," answered the sheriff; "they've tracked him out here, en' it's 'gainst the law ter shulter a criminal. I don't want'er rest a neighbor. The fellow goes by the name of Heath."

"We're not to search the premises," sheriff, bristled a ferret faced man, more than usually energetic in his efforts.

The sheriff smiled significantly.

"Ef you kin search these 'ere premises, why jes' go ahead, Mr. Paxton—course, sir," he dryly responded.

"I've followed this Heath for a year, and I won't be beat now. There's a reward out for him—dead

or alive—so you may as well tell where he is."

The man Paxton turned sharply upon Miriam as he spoke.

"Heathe is not his name neither, miss, and I'll make it worth your while to tell on him."

Miriam heard him in silence, a set, resolute expression upon her face.

"You shall have part of the reward."

"I don't touch blood money!" she interrupted fiercely.

"It don't matter. I'll catch him yet. He's a cold blooded villain—wanted for murder."

The girl shivered. Her face paled into a whiteness Ab had never seen blanch his deep, healthy hues.

"Murder?"

"Murder," said the man for his money. They're sure to lynch him. If they get him, Murder and robbery, I'm certain to nab him sooner or later," added the detective, with the professional gusto of a man who had bagged human game.

Miriam listened wearily while they told the terrible tale to Ab. She watched her father narrowly. The quasi moonshiner might condone offenses against the revenue but murder—she knew that he had a superstitious horror of a man with blood on his hands.

"He hain't fitten ter git off, Mirry," he whispered, while the search went on in the angry thoroughness of threatened discomfiture. "He'll jotch us trouble lak, ef he's done hit, en', Mirry, he shan't hev you, no ways. We'll git him, trouble long o' him ef we don't tell."

"Father, I've helped 'em stood by you, hev'n't I?" asked the girl, a passionate pleading in every lineament and accent.

"True 'nuff, Mirry; you've helped me pow'ful; but 'twur never murder," he rejoined, uneasily. "Hit's no good a-hopin' murder."

"No, no! I wouldn't do it neither; but he says he is innocent, father."

"Innocent? Mayhap he is, en' likely he hain't likely he's a fool—in wid you, kase he's sartin, you'll help him out'n his trouble," shrewdly interposed Ab.

"Father, he says he didn't murder—he says so," she repeated; "en' don't you tu'n against us."

"Us? He shan't hev you."

The girl clung to him desperate, terror stricken violence.

"No, I won't never go with him till you give the say so, father," she promised, recklessly. "But he didn't do it—he is innocent, en' I'll hold to him till it comes all right."

Ab turned away—his wrinkled countenance had grown hard and stern in aspect. He wished he had heard it all before they told Miriam, or before they had come into the house and the girl had reminded him of the time when her vigilance and devotion had stood him in good stead while "Guv'menters" hunted for the free distillery.

Angry and disappointed of the gains for which they served justice, the detectives came in from their futile search. They had found the two or three brush thatched outhouses an infinitesimal shred of the "premises," compared with the black ravine, the dense thickets, the great pine forest stretching away into untold labyrinth.

"See here, old man," threatened the ferret faced detective, "you'd do well to tell the truth. We're sure the fellow is here, and we're a-goin' to stay till we catch him, so you might as well own up at once."

"Dunno but I might," acknowledged Ab.

"Heathe was here to-day, wasn't he?" questioned the man, in boiling exasperation.

"Jes' so, captin; he wur here ter-day."

"Thought so. Gimme the tobacco now. He's here now, ain't he?"

Ab tore off a long leaf of tobacco from a home grown twist and held it in tempting proximity to his mouth.

"Nuff, nuff, captin; ef he hain't guv you the alip he beash yit."

"Confound the fellow, we might a-known by their takin' it so cool that he had vamoosed; curse the whole business!" angrily retorted Paxton; but Ab had stowed the tobacco leaf safely into his mouth and lazily dropped into a chair before the fire.

His talk was over for the time.

The lukewarm sheriff and enraged detectives had taken themselves off, down the ridge, some time before Ab said, with a satisfied chuckle.

"I wan't no lie to tell 'em, Mirry. I knowed them pow'ful sharp fellows wouldn't believe hit; but mind you, gal, you hain't got my say so ter tek 'em no man commits murder, en' you'll never git hit, kase he don't mean you right, en' hit's a unlucky."

The girl knew her father too well to remonstrate. She knew, too, that Heath was only safe while she adhered to her promise not to marry him without Ab's permission. The cold winter tightened its grip, and a still uneasy sense of surveillance and danger hung over them. The old moonshiner's family had once been full of expedients for deluding doubtful visitors. They seemed to come back to Miriam, along with thousands of ingenious devices for the comfort and safety of her lover. All the winter long he was neither seen nor heard of at Ab's cabin, but all the winter long neither rain, nor snow, nor raging tempest—the tempest of the mountains—prevented the girl's daily pilgrimage to the hut in the black ravine. Ab would watch her as she whirled in snow wreaths, with the basket on her arm, but he never questioned her errand. So the winter dragged its ice cold length away. The fine frosty flakes of snow betokened a fiercer storm coming over the ridge—already it had sifted like white powder into crack and crevice, shutting out the rigid wind roaring savagely among the pines outside, but passing almost contemptuously the warm, substantial cabin crouching beneath them. The snow deadened all sounds without, the dogs gave no howl nor warning, when suddenly the door was thrown open, and with the sweeping gust and snow two men came in. They were the sheriff and a stranger.

"Don't make no stir, Ab!" shouted the sheriff. "It's all right—'t'other fellow confessed. Heathe didn't do it. This here's his brother—'t'other fellow owned up when he's a-dyin'."

Ab smiled grimly.

"I wouldn't hev tuk nobody's wud for a lie but you'n, shurt."

"Yes; we've kem a-purposse ter get the sheriff," added the stranger, "You see Heath kem in on 'em, en' folks knowed that bad blood 'twixt 'em so they pitched on him; en' wouldn't believe nothin' else. 'Twur a clear case 'gainst him; but he's innocent, and me'n his brother kem for him. He's all right now."

"Fotch him, Mirry—hit's my say so."

"You had a close call, young man; they'd hev hanged you sure, ef they'd caught you," the sheriff said, an hour later, when explanations had been made, and Heath stood among them, beside his brother, free and innocent.

"I must have had an inevitable and final call this terrible winter but answered Heath, as he looked down into Miriam's lustrous eyes and with joyful tenderness. "And now, Ab, there is nothing to hinder—we will be married to-morrow. And they were—inde in Frank Leslie's."

Seeking His Own Happiness at Last.

At all, fine looking man of distinguished appearance and clerical air stepped into the office of the Clerk of Courts Hewitt yesterday and asked with great dignity Mr. Hewitt were the one who made folks happy. Mr. Hewitt joined him in a little blush, and shyly admitted that he sometimes distributed great chunks of happiness to young men for consideration.

"I want a marriage license, then," the stranger remarked.

"What is your name?" asked Mr. Hewitt.

"Spratt—Rev. G. M. Spratt, of Philadelphia."

After the usual questions required by law to be asked of those who come there for tickets in the lottery, Mr. Hewitt observed: "Of course I can see that you are of age, but," in an half apologetic tone, "I am required to ask your exact age."

"Certainly, certainly, sir," responded the clerical visitor. "I know how it is. I have officiated at a large number of weddings, since the law went into effect. I am 75."

The bride Mr. Spratt was to lead to the altar was Mrs. Amelia Down Wheeler, of Corky, whose age is 67, so the combined ages of the bride and groom reach the almost unprecedented age of 142 years, an even century more than the age of the average bride groom.—Erie Gazette.

Platonic Affection is a Failure.

From Life.

Disclaiming in derision of marriage, Shirley Dares says: "For the life of me I can't see why a man or woman of taste can't enjoy talking over Howells' last novel, or the affairs of their acquaintance, or their dividends, if they want to, his easy chair with in two feet of her sofa, just as well as if they had a wedding certificate and talked from opposite sides of the room, as they probably would."

"They can, Shirley; they can; just as well; but you don't consider the inconvenience of going home four or five miles to bed, nor yet the size of gas bills nor the cost of keeping up separate establishments. You also ignore the value of a home, which is one of the most felicitous accidents of existence. It is hard for a man to make a home without a woman's help, and unless it is hard for her to give him really valuable help unless she is married to him. One of the handiest things in the world for a man and woman to have when they start housekeeping is a marriage certificate, and be sure, Shirley, that you don't forget it. As for platonic philandering, which you think so satisfactory, that will not wash."

Anxiety to Receive Letters.

"I wonder more and more all the time," said an old letter carrier, "what makes people so anxious to get a letter. If a person is expecting to receive a challenge to fight a duel or the reply of his lady love to a proposition of marriage, or even a check of \$25, I can understand how he can be eager and excited about it. Why, there are some people on my route who, I really believe, don't do anything else but sit down and wait for me to come, or else stand at the gate or window to watch for me. They don't get a letter more than once a month, but they watch for it every day. If I say, 'Nothing today,' they groan and sink away. If I hand them a letter they fly with it into the house as if they had found a pocketbook."

Chicago Journal.

Cheap Postage.

The cheapest postage in the world will soon be enjoyed by the people of Hyderabad. Quarter-anna post cards (a little over 1d.) are to be introduced. Speaking of postage, Bavaria was the first German state to use postage stamps, and she intends to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of their introduction on Nov. 1. The Philatelic society will hold a grand stamp exhibition at Munich in honor of the event.—Berlin Letter.

Anything knit or crocheted of white worsted may be washed more easily in dry flour than in soap and water; and from the flour bath it will come out as fine, new, and fleecy as when it was first made, while if washed in soap and water it will look decidedly "stringy." So if you are the possessor of any soiled white worsted work, some flour, into which plunge the article, where you may rub and squeeze, if you will not wring it, to your heart's content. When supposed to be clean shake out all the flour you can and hang it out of doors in gentle breeze for an hour or so. If the work has been properly performed you will find it as beautiful as when new.

## A WEDDING GARMENT.

Those of my friends who knew me well enough to forego all feelings of delicacy and reserve in the matter often tell me that I am one of the leanest young men they ever saw in their lives. When I walk the streets I am grieved by the remarks of a certain class of small boys who have not had proper home training. These remarks are of a comparative nature—I being one object of comparison, and the lamp posts, by which I am passing the other.

If I go ten blocks without hearing anything said about "bean poles" and "living skeletons" I am glad. Being just six feet three in height does not add particularly to the beauty of my appearance.

Let no one suppose because I write so calmly of my leanness that I am not sensible regarding it. I am.

The day I overheard a young lady say at a picnic that I looked like a section of a railroad bridge was the saddest day of my life.

To overcome as far as possible the grotesque appearance of my excessive lack of flesh, I always wear "heavy weight" goods, and no tailor ever secures my patronage who does not thoroughly understand the art of "padding."

I confess to a certain degree of vanity regarding my personal appearance and when I made the blissful discovery that I was about to be married I gave no little thought to the appearance I should present on an occasion, when, more than at any other time in my life, so many persons would be gazing upon me.

I read books on etiquette to know if under any circumstances a man might be properly married with his overcoat and two suits of clothes on, but to my distress found that this was allowable only in cases of elopement, and as my wife had set her heart on a church wedding with everybody in full dress, I gradually forced myself into the conviction that the overcoat and one suit of clothes would have to be discarded.

A man of my "build" looks positively and irredeemably awful in the conventional, clinging, black, light-weight garments of which most wedding suits are made. When I see such a man thus arrayed I am convinced that there is really something in the Darwinian theory.

But, as it had to be so, I was married in the garments best calculated to make my attenuation glaringly apparent. My friends were kind, however, and said nothing to cast a cloud on my happiness—all but my sister Nell. She owed me a grudge dating back to the days of our childhood, and, as she put her arms around my neck and kissed me, she whispered in my ear:

"Oh, Tom, you look awfully shoestringy in that suit."

A separation of four years made it possible for me to speak to Nell when we met again, but I sometimes fear that we can never be the dear friends we once were.

After our marriage my wife and I went immediately to a far distant western city, in which we made our home. I was too poor to throw or give away my detested wedding garments, but I soon reduced them to a state of great shabbiness by wearing them under my overcoat when about my work as a reporter on a daily paper. We were not so society people, and I had no idea that I would ever again need a suit of that kind. One day when I went home to dinner my wife said:

"See here, Tom, it's a shame for you to be wearing that handsome \$75 suit out in that way. Don't you suppose you could sell it and get some more suitable and cheaper garments for every day wear?"

I hear take occasion to say that my wife is very economical as well as a practical and sensible woman. Sometimes I think she knows more than I know.

I told her that I would think about her suggestion. A wise man will never seem to come into immediate accord with the opinions of his wife. It is always best to hang back and pretend that you have a little sense of your own, even though you know that you have not.

At 12 o'clock that night, as I was closing my desk at the office preparatory to going home, the managing editor of my paper said:

"See here, Dixon; that report you wrote of the trouble up at the Christabel mine was remarkably well done, and will be talked about tomorrow. I think I can get your salary raised on the strength of it. In the meantime, here's a little of something to show you that the paper appreciates good work."

As he spoke he handed me a crisp, new \$50 bill. He was rich; the paper was making a great deal of money, and I felt that I was not being paid as much as I earned, so I took the money without any hesitation.

Fifty dollar bills were very scarce at our house, and as I hurried home through the dark streets I fancied to myself my wife's pride and pleasure when I should tell her of my good fortune on the morrow.

For perfect security I folded and refolded the bill until it was about an inch square, and tucked it down into the watch pocket of my pantaloons, a pocket I had never used before, and one that few men, clothed in their right minds, ever use at all.

Before morning I was awakened by a great fire in a distant part of the city, and, hastily donning an old suit that I kept for such occasions, I hurried out to get a good report of the fire, which happened to be of unusual magnitude.

We got out an "extra," and it was late in the afternoon when I reached home again. As I entered the house my wife held up a ten and five dollar bill and said triumphantly:

"There, my dear, you have that much to pay on a suit that will do you some good. You don't know

what a good manager you've married. While you were away to-day I sponged, brushed and gasolined your wedding suit until it looked almost as good as new, and I carried it down to old Isaac's, the second-hand and miffist man, and got \$15 for it."

"Mary Jane," I said coldly, and it was the first time I had ever called her by her full name, and she turned as pale as I was. "Did you Mary Jane Dixon, look carefully in all the pockets of that suit?"

"Why, yes, Tom," she said, reassured.

"In all of them?" I asked again.

"Yes, in all, I am certain."

"In that miserable, wretched, deceptive, useless thing in the trousers called a watch pocket?"

"Why—no, Tom. I didn't—I!"

She burst into tears, and sat down with her apron over her face. I stalked into another room, and banged the door very hard. I opened it softly in less than three minutes, and—well, we made it all up again, although we were very sober over our loss.

My wife said she would do without a good many things that she never did without, and I tried to take an optimistic view of the affair, and supposed it was all for the best. To make matters a little worse, I drew from my pocket a large, square, elegant-looking envelope, and said to my wife:

"And here's an invitation to the much talked of Smythe-Durant wedding next week, and I really would like to go. I've heard that Durant all her life, and I like her, if I do despise that mob of a George Smythe she is going to marry."

"I'm so sorry," said my wife contently, "and here we might have gone as well as not if I hadn't sold your only black suit. It did look real nice, and quite as good as new, I dare say, by lamplight I could have worn my wedding dress, and we could have made a very decent appearance. It is too bad!"

She began crying again. I said I would go away and never come back if she didn't stop. Suddenly she jumped to her feet and said excitedly:

"Why, Tom! how foolish we are! It isn't at all likely that old Isaac has sold the suit yet, and it may be that he hasn't looked in the pockets. Let us hurry right down to his store and buy it back. We can tell him it was a mistake, as it truly was. Let us hurry right off."

We reached the uninviting store of B. Isaacs, dealer in second-hand and miffist garments, in about fifteen minutes, but the suit was gone!

"I had just sold it no more as three minutes and a half ago. It was not verth much. I makes me no moneys on dot sut. It vood not fit a man dot vays anything at all."

I raced angrily out of the store.

"Well," I said, as we walked moodily homeward, "I'm not the only 100 pound six-footer in the town. That's evident. I'll keep my eyes on the other living skeletons, and if I find the one who has my trousers, I'll have them back again by fair means or foul."

I kept a sharp lookout for lean men during the next week, and was gratified to discover that there were fifteen or twenty in the city as lean as myself, but all of them were saved the humiliation of being informed by me that they were wearing my clothes, a humiliation that might not perhaps have been lessened by the offer of 25 that I intended making for their return.

As the evening before the wedding before referred to drew near our desire to attend it increased, and at last I said to my wife:

"Well, I just cannot afford to get me another full dress suit that I might not need again for ten years. I'll stay at home forever and wear rags and tags before I'll wear a birdsuit. But we can at least, go to church. It is to be a church wedding, you know, and I can wear an ordinary business suit and overcoat to the church—if I don't find the man who has my clothes."

But I did not find him, and we went early down to the church, that we might be first there, and our lack of festive garments less noticeable.

"If it wasn't for Helen I wouldn't go at all," I said as we sat in the church, awaiting the coming of the bride party. "I cannot endure Smythe. He thinks himself vastly superior to me, and makes me sick with his talk about fashion and 'best society' and all that. It makes me so mad to be told, as I often am, that he looks like me. I know I'm long and lank, but he!"

"Sh-sh-sh!" whispered my wife; "they're coming."

"With such a flourishing of trumpets," I whispered in reply.

Down they came in the broad carriage aisle—five bridesmaids with gorgeous pink and lavender and blue and cream and cardinal trains; five "best men" in ugly black garments, and, last of all, Helen, with yards and yards of white satin and tulle and lace; and Smythe in—I clutched at my wife's arm and almost shouted in my ear:

"He has on my wedding suit, as sure as you're a living woman!"

Mary Jane gave my arm an awful pinch in return and an admonishing poke in the side with her fan.

"No, my dear," I said, as we walked homeward after the ceremony, "I am not mistaken. These were my clothes. I would know those trousers if I saw them on a Hottentot. Didn't you detect a faint odor of gasoline as he went by our pew? To think, my dear, that I cannot go to the most fashionable wedding of the season because the bridegroom has on my clothes! But if I had gone he'd had to have stayed at home, wouldn't he? Lean as we are, we couldn't both have worn those."

"How perfectly ridiculous you are," interrupted Mary Jane. "I don't feel at all sure that they were your clothes."

"But if they were, how are we going to get that \$50 bill out of that pocket?"

We didn't get it. But they were my clothes again. As I entered the house my wife held up a ten and five dollar bill and said triumphantly:

"There, my dear, you have that much to pay on a suit that will do you some good. You don't know

From Pack.

He was a meek-looking old gentleman from the country, and as he took his seat at the dining-room table the drummers looked at him over their soup-spoons. They noted his weather-beaten face, his wet hair carefully parted and brushed around over his ears, and his air of diffidence as he nervously fingered his fork; and when the waiter girl stood at his side and winked at the boot-and-shoe man, they were all attention.

"Soup?" she asked.

The old man seemed a bit surprised at the brevity of the bill of fare, and fidgeted about as though waiting for her to say something more.

"Would you like some soup?" said the girl, with a side-glance at the coffee-and-spice man.

"I am particular about soup, as I know of," answered the old man.

"Boil" mutt'n capersauce, roas' beef, r's' lamb, r's' veal, fricasee chicken, cole ham, tongue, chicken salad, fritters, boil' n' baked p'tatus," said the girl with lightning-like rapidity.

The old man looked kind of helpless, and the boys let a little sorry for him as he kept his eyes fastened on the fork, which he shoved from side to side with his fingers.

"I guess I'll take—I guess you'll have to say that again," he said, looking up, and the girl rattled the whole thing off in exactly the same time as before.

The old man looked round the table and caught sight of a drummer winking at the girl; then he jerked his head around, and looking her straight in the face, he said:

"You may gimme s'm bile cornbeef 'n' cabbage, roas' beef, veal 'n' mutt'n, cole chick 'n' turkey 'n' tongue, 'n' s'm ham 'n' eggs 'n' codfish cakes 'n' sausage 'n' beetsteak 'n' a piece o' punkin pie 'n' cup o' coffee, 'n' s'm now see ef yer kin make yer little legs fly 's' fast as yer kin yer tongue, for I want er git home; there's a shower comin' up."

The girl hesitated, turned red, and then made a break for the kitchen, while the drummers laughed and the old man gazed out of the window at the gathering clouds.

Lulabrug Creek.

Boone has recorded in his own quaint phraseology an incident of his life during this summer which shows how eagerly such a little band of frontiersmen read a book and how real its character became to their mind. He was camped with five other men on Red river, and they had with them for their "amusement the History of Samuel Gulliver's travels, wherein he gave an account of his young master, Glumderick, caring (sic) him on a market day for a show to a town called Lulabrug." In the party who, amid such strange surroundings, read and listened to Dean Swift's writings was a young man named Alexander Neely. One night he came into camp with two Indians scalps taken from a Shawnee village he had found on a creek running into the river, and he announced to the circle of grim wilderness veterans that "he had been that day to Lulabrug and had killed two Broddingnags in their capital." To this day the creek by which the two luckless Shawnees, lost their lives is known as Lulabrug creek.—"The Winning of the West"—Roosevelt.

Edison's Mighty Achievement.

From London Engineering.

Speech was once a stock argument of the theologian in proof of divine design in the structure of man, while the materialistic philosopher found in it one of the readiest means of differentiating between the human and the brute. Yet it would seem that, instead of words being the distinguishing characteristic of man, they can be produced by the simplest means. Under Edison's hands, disks of tin, glass and mica can give adequate expression to every emotion of the mind, can entreat, command and condemn. Cylinders of wax can store up expressions of love and hate, trust and falsehood, and can reproduce them for good or ill, time after time. Even a common chalk roller, a thing so simple that no one would stoop to pick it out of the gutter, can be made the instrument to translate complex electrical impulses into air waves, which will wing their way through the avenues of the human mind, a portal which the physiologist, with all his skill, can never enter.

Chinese Are Still Coming.

It is said that the Chinese Six Companies are evading the exclusion act, by bringing coolies over the Mexican line at La Juana, a few miles south of San Diego. The boundary line is 200 miles long and there is only one United States office to watch it, with his office at La Juana. The Chinese colony in San Diego is mysteriously increasing with great rapidity and the attention of the government has been called to this singular invasion.—Chicago Tribune.

Sharks Pass Through the Canal.

Before the Isthmus of Suez was pierced by the canal there were almost no sharks in the Mediterranean, the passage through the Straits of Gibraltar not being to their liking. Now, however, they come in by way of the canal, and in such numbers that in more than one watering place, and especially on the Adriatic, the sign has gone up, "Beware of Sharks."—Chicago Tribune.

Building in New York.

The records of the department of buildings for the first half of this year show that the total value of the buildings for which plans were submitted during that period is \$42,000,000 against \$25,358,000 in the same period of last year.—New York Sun.



## ASURGICAL SURPRISE

Destroyed Brain Matter, Reproduced—Frank Stamm, Carries a Bullet in His Head, and Grows Fat With a Hole in His Brain.

Fresno claims the honor of a most important discovery in medical science, and Doctors Deardoff and Spengler are the names that will be mentioned in the medical journal as the discoverers.

It has heretofore been almost an axiom among the profession that nerve tissue will not granulate, or in other words, that when a part of it is destroyed or cut it will not be reproduced, as in the case of muscular tissue, which will granulate and heal. The case upon which the doctors named operated in one of some nine months' standing, and has been frequently mentioned in the local newspapers, but the outcome or the experiment was not definitely ascertained until a few days ago, and is now given for the first time to the public through the columns of the Republican.

Some time in August last a ten-year-old boy named Frank Stamm was accidentally shot by a playmate with a pistol ball in the left side of the forehead. The missile crashed through the skull without glancing, and imbedded itself in the brain. From the jagged edges of the wound portions of the brain protruded, and the sufferer lay unconscious as one dead.

Several physicians were called in, and, after making an examination that satisfied them that the bullet was in the brain, they said there was no hope of the patient surviving. Then Dr. Deardoff and Spengler were sent for, and, after consultation, decided that there was about one chance in a million to save the lad's life. They determined to try the chance. They argued that if left alone the boy would die in a few hours, whereas if they operated upon him he would feel no pain, as he was unconscious, and, consequently, there would be nothing brutal in their mode of procedure. Neither would it be unnecessary, for nothing can be unnecessary, to save human life, even if the chance is but as a drop of water in a river.

Without losing any time they trepanned the skull and removed several pieces of broken bone and a fragment of the bullet that had been split in passing through the skull. Then they cut the torn pieces of the brain that protruded, and after cleaning the wound left it open for the discharge of pus for a day or two. Then the wound was covered and the doctors awaited the result with more than ordinary anxiety.

The boy gained rapidly in health and strength, but his condition was still considered critical, as a turn for the worse might come at any moment. To add to the scientific anxiety of the attending physicians several other doctors in an unprofessional and unscientific spirit circulated a report that they had acted with brutality in operating upon the boy, and prolonged his sufferings when there was no chance for his life.

After a lapse of several weeks it was found that a fungus growth had pushed the scalp up and formed a large and dangerous-looking protrusion. The doctors did not care to meddle with it until they were positive of its real character, and for three or four months it grew larger and larger.

Drs. Deardoff and Spengler saw that the time had come to remove the ugly protrusion, and they cut it off, cleaned out the wound again and drew the cut edges of the scalp as near together as they could. They took out two or three quarter ounces of the brain and subjected the fungoid matter to a microscope examination. They found, as the expected, that it was composed of true nerve tissue. Contrary to expectation the wound seemed to heal, and to their great surprise they saw granulations form on the nerve tissue between the cut edges of the scalp. The granulations, however, were rather red, and had an inflammatory appearance, but the granulations increased, the threatened inflammation disappeared, and to-day the boy is fat and strong.

A piece of the bullet still remains in his brain, but he experiences no pain and eats heartily. Of course, it could not be expected that he would escape from so terrible a shock and mutilation without some lasting infirmity. The cutting by the bullet of so much brain tissue has partly paralyzed his right side, but after he gets fairly started the hesitation in thought and speech is no longer observable.

The attending physicians feel very proud of the outcome of the case. If the boy had died they would have been flayed alive with the scalpels of professional criticism.

Cases in which a patient has survived with a bullet in his brain are exceedingly rare.

One of the most recent is that of a Stockton gardener named Paravagna, who was shot with a pistol bullet a little above and in front of the right ear. The bullet went completely through his brain almost in a horizontal line and lodged against the skull on the left side. The wound was treated by local physicians, and to their surprise he recovered. After his recovery his thinking faculties were found to be considerably impaired. He would harness one side of a horse and neglect to harness the other side. He never could remember where he left an article a moment after he laid it down, but his health was good and his muscular strength remained unimpaired. The bullet is still in his brain.—Fresno (Cal.) Republican.

## Let the Authorities Act

The admonition is made in many quarters that America is America and that its adopted citizens are not loyal unless they become solely and distinctly Americans. In pretty much the same quarters it is inconsistently demanded that as the circumstances point strongly to the probability that Dr. Cronin was murdered by Irishmen

resident in America it behooves all Irishmen now Americans to rise up and clear their skirts of the atrocious crime. The professionally Irish-American publications are asked to denounce the murderers and Irish-Americans generally are admonished that upon them devolves specially the duty of assisting in ferreting out the perpetrators of the crime.

There is manifest absurdity in the position that Irish-American citizens shall appear in no other character than that of citizens of America and that they shall be particularly active as Irishmen in rendering aid to the authorities in upholding the law. This confusion aside the position is wrong. The great mass of Irishmen in America have no more to do with the assassination of Dr. Cronin, nearly or remotely, than the great mass of Americans who in political conventions and state assemblies have passed resolutions eulogistic of Gladstone and Parnell. Responsibility for the perpetration of the awful crime does not rest upon them. They are not under any moral indictment. They have no skirts to clear. Nor have they any duty in relation to the execution of the law against flagrant violators thereof that is not equally obligatory upon their fellow-citizens. Yet some of them respond to the imputation that in some special manner they must bring forth fruits meet for repentance and the absolution of their race. And they propose to unite with another extra judicial, intermeddling, and, therefore, mischievous lot of amateurs, the Citizen's association, in a public effort to further what they call the cause of justice. Their position is unsound. If some damnable assassins wreak private vengeance upon an Irishman who is an American, and these wretches are also Irishmen and American citizens, no honest man is called upon merely because he is of the same race to show by extraordinary zeal for the enforcement of the law against murder that he is not in sympathy with assassins. Every Irishman isn't every other Irishman's keeper. Because Cronin perished under the blows of men who there is good reason to suppose have the same country for a birthplace an indictment does not lie against all who were born there.

Cook county is ample able to assert the prevalence of the law. No reasonable bill that the duly constituted authorities create in the prosecution of the inquiry into the murder of Dr. Cronin can be rejected. The power of the law's office is ample. The resources of the county are inexhaustible. Zeal and intelligence are not lacking in the prosecution. Wherefore, let well alone.—Chicago Times.

Some Washington Manias. A few days ago an office-seeker from the south, who has been sticking close to the white house ever since the inauguration, and confidently expected an appointment, writes a Washington correspondent, was so prostrated by the success of a rival candidate that he became seriously ill and had to be removed to his home. This case suggests the question whether office seeking should not be classed with certain mental diseases, such as dipsomania, or the mania for drink, kleptomania, etc. It certainly is a malady, with symptoms distinctly marked, but which are similar to those observed in various affections of the brain and nervous system—fits of extraordinary excitement or periods of excessive despondency, melancholia, hallucinations. The latter sometimes takes the form of extreme self-exaltation, the unhappy patient being possessed with the idea that he is a person of great importance, and that he has a claim against a political party or leader for services rendered. Instances of similar forms of dementia are to be seen daily in lunatic asylums, and even outside of such institutions, where are found persons deluded with the notion that they are this or that great man, or that they have been defrauded out of fabulous wealth. In the absence of a better word, the word *locomania*, i. e., mania for place, or position, is suggested to denote the malady whose symptoms have been briefly indicated. It is to be observed in Washington in all its stages. Locomanics prowl around the public places at all hours of the day, dogging the footsteps of men in authority, pursuing them to their offices and homes, and frequently displaying such violence and insane persistency as to require force for their removal. It is time that this disease was fully recognized in medical nomenclature, and that institutions for the treatment and cure of locomanics were established. The malady is more widespread than drunkenness and equally deplorable in its results, producing insanity and often breaking up homes and wrecking lives.

Another species of mental aberration particularly noticeable in Washington is a phase of Anglo mania in the matter of horseback riding. This is a popular amusement in this city of beautiful streets and picturesque country roads. There are many riders, male and female, who, for the most part, are the English as far as possible in style of costume, outfit and manner of riding. The horses are trained to trot so as to accommodate the equestrians who affect the ungainly movements of English horsemanship. It is remarkable that this mode of riding should have preference over the safe and easy seat in the saddle of the Southern rider or the cowboys or the Mexicans. There are no better equestrians in the world than those who sit erect in the saddle, legs and body nearly in the same line, grasping their horses firmly with their knees. It is almost impossible to unseat them, but a man who rides on a flat saddle with his knees under his chin and his feet turned out at an angle of 45 degrees, is one of the most helpless and awkward looking creatures imaginable.

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There was something peculiar in her slow, deliberate utterance and the four times repeated monosyllable. A dreamy look, too, in the speaker's eyes, as if her mind was preoccupied. However the train was now in motion, and I had nothing for it but to seclude myself in my corner, look out of the window and take a bird's-eye view of the surrounding landscape.

For a short time this was well enough, but I began at last to weary of the monotony of such an amusement. We Englishmen, as a rule, are so reserved and unsocial that we shrink into ourselves, and every fresh addition to the occupants of a railway carriage or an omnibus is received with blank looks and a sort of tacit intimation that he has no right to enter. Now, I am free to confess that, whatever my failings, want of sociability is not one of them, and I determined to try to engage my companion in a little conversation. There could be no impropriety in a man of my age (I was 30) endeavoring to beguile the tedium of a lazy journey by conversing with a fellow traveler—a school girl and certainly not out of her teens. It was, therefore, with an almost paternal feeling that I addressed her.

"There are not many passengers by this train," I remarked.

"Two thousand and three," was the answer that not a little startled my equanimity.

I looked at the speaker, expecting to find a mischievous smile dancing in her eyes or lurking in the corners of her mouth. Nothing of the sort. She was perfectly serious, even stern, and her eyes had still the same dreamy far-away look in them.

"Very absent minded or else in love," I thought to myself. However I tried again.

"I think we shall have a fine day for our journey," I ventured to remark.

"She" turned upon me with that fierce, despairing yet restless look that we see in a trapped rat.

"How you talk, talk, talk!" she cried indignantly.

"Are you mad?" she screamed in a tone of intensified shrillness, and with such an awful, frowning look in her eye that the truth flashed upon me like an inspiration.

From its chain and sent it through the window. In another second she was endeavoring to force herself through the window.

Then commenced a terrible struggle, of which I even yet shudder to think. My muscles were strained to their utmost limit of tension, the perspiration poured down my face, and my arms felt as if about to be wrenched from their sockets. And all this to restrain one of the sex commonly called the "weaker" from self destruction.

All this time the poor girl uttered no sound that could give warning to the guard or our fellow passengers of the terrible struggle for life or death that was going on within a few yards of them. As for my own voice, the extraordinary physical effort I was making to restrain myself from making the slightest use of it. But just as my powers were failing me, and I felt that I could no longer prolong the struggle, the train began perceptibly to slacken speed.

"Thank heaven! Basingstoke at last!"

What followed is easy to relate. Of course, assistance was at hand, and the unfortunate young lady was removed to a place of safety. From letters which we found on her and some articles of jewelry, which we discovered, we speedily discovered her friends. Naturally I, as a medical man, would not lose sight of her until I had discovered them.

The patient proved to be a member of a German family, naturalized in England, who was subject to periodical attacks of mental aberration, but had never actually been in an asylum.

During the attacks which invariably came on without warning, so that it was difficult to watch her, she was seized with a restless desire to wander over the country, and it appeared, had merely selected the Southwestern line because it happened to be the nearest one to her own home.

She had been so long without an attack that her mother and sisters had on the previous night ventured to go to an evening party, leaving Lolita fast asleep in bed at home. During their absence she eluded the vigilance of the servants, got up and dressed herself, walked about for some time, and took a ticket for the early Portsmouth mail—at least that was what she imagined, and told us on her recovery. Her memory, however, was very imperfect, but the poor child must certainly have walked about the streets for some time prior to the departure of the express.

It was natural that, under the circumstances—I have already stated that I had had considerable experience in such cases—her friends should ask me to endeavor a cure.

I undertook it, and entirely succeeded. And also I undertook and succeeded in something else.

It is my wife who is looking over my shoulder as I write, and who says:

"My dear, the maddest act of all my life was when—"

But here I stop.

Mr. Depew Shouldn't Have Done It. Speaking of the published story that he paid \$7,000 as a salve for a nervous shock that the lawyer had received, Chauncey M. Depew said recently:

"It was a curious case. I received a letter from the lawyer saying that he had been completely upset by a shock he received on one of the trains, owing to a sudden stoppage. He inclosed in his letter the certificate of four reputable physicians, bearing out his statement. A friend of mine, who was a neighbor of the lawyer, came to me and told me it would be a great injustice if I didn't settle the claim. 'The man is completely gone,' he said, 'stays away from his office, can't do any work, wanders around the house scaring his wife into fits, and is unfit for anything.'"

"I went down and saw him. 'Where were you before you took this trip?' I asked him. 'Rusticating at my country seat,' he replied. 'Have any shock or undue excitement there?' Then he told me that he had brought down a basket of eggs on the train. 'Well, how about those eggs?' I asked, 'were they broken?' 'Oh no,' he said, 'they remained on the seat beside me, and were not a nervous shock.'"

Medical man as I am, a feeling of horror overcame me when I reflected that I was shut up alone in a carriage of a train traveling at express speed with a lunatic. True, I was a strong man; she only a girl. But it is inconceivable what extreme strength is possessed by many of the insane. I have known a woman thus afflicted to require two, and even three, powerful men to restrain her during one of her paroxysms.

However, I endeavored to keep as cool as possible as I looked the young girl steadily in the face. She looked at me a moment or so without quailing, then she sank back in the corner, resumed her sympathetic posture and sat gazing out of the window with the far away look in her eyes, as if no such person as myself was in existence.

## CAROL'S STORY.

BY MRS. CLARENCE E. CLARE.

The early English violets were just in blossom; the lilacs in bud; the pear hills green; a little, and the far-away ones blue. In short, spring was once more abroad in the land, as also was Carol Dean, in her blue tea-gown and her pony-car, her brown eyes bright with the spring-shine, her dusty gold locks rampant in the morning breeze.

She was returning from the Ceramic Club, and her meditations were of Kiota, Satsuna, and Cioisno—their morning lesson. The Ceramic Club was the rage, and Valentine's sake, who had promised to cultivate his mind by studying Ceramics if Carol would; he furthermore proposed to attend the "dog show," which so improves one's natural history, and the gymnasium, to acquire a little practical physiology.

Carol, well pleased with Harry's prophecies toward a higher intellectual life, with the news to China Bascon, her father's housekeeper, who had always considered Harry a young spendthrift, with more beauty than brains—more wealth than wisdom.

"Hump!" ejaculated the practical old woman, "improving his mind at a dog-show and a gymnasium! It's as soon open a bureau drawer to ventilate my room!"

After lunch that day Carol drove off to Echo Hills on a sketching attempt, with Maxie, her Scotch terrier, for company. Nature was all in pale emerald this afternoon—a becoming robe, and very aesthetic, but whose lovely tint the warm sun would ere long deepen into a very commonplace green.

Carol chose a shaded spot where she could look down between the hills to the tiny bridge, which spanned a silver thread below, and just beyond were visible the steep slopes and porch of the Echo Hills Mission—its other outlying gate and gone in the budding green which crowded near, a suggestive sketching spot—albeit not easy for an amateur; but Carol's audacious pencil often rushed in where a more practiced one might fear to tread. On this radiant afternoon the air was full of artistic inspiration as the oxygen, and Carol went blithely to work "sketching" the hills and bridge, and little steeples, when of a sudden she discerned down in the doorway of the chancel someone standing partly obscured in the foliage, but certainly gazing intently in her direction.

"I shouldn't wonder if 'twere Harry Valentine's cousin, Arthur March, the new minister who has lately come to the mission," she said to herself. "I'll sketch him in."

To her surprise he now began waving his hat at her!

"How very unimpartial! But I won't be frightened away, and she whistled to Maxie who was chasing butterflies down hill. But it was with beating heart she worked on, which actually thumped when she heard herself called. "How extremely important! I shall report this to the Presbytery, come, Maxie," and she has—

She shuffled pencils and sketch book into their case, turned her steps toward the road. But glancing once more at her persecutor, she saw his demonstrations were redoubled, and now heard quite distinctly the cry:

"Distress! Come down!"

"There was a different aspect, and without hesitation she stepped back with Maxie, who was soon down at her feet, and where, sitting upon in the doorway, his head leaning against the casing, she found the owner of the large voice, and the lively hat, looking very subdued, and very white, and altogether limp.

"Let me help you," Carol ventured as he did not move.

"I believe I am, but not seriously. I am glad my gymnastics were successful."

Without another word Carol tramped back up the hill to where pony and cart were waiting, and soon came winding down the narrow path and across the bridge where probably the foot of horse had never trod before. With Carol's help he hobbled into the little carriage—the tall handsome man, with his dignified bearing, now very dependent upon the arm of this slight girl. Going home he explained how it happened.

"I was hanging a chart on the wall, and had improvised a ladder out of the door steps; but they objected to such usage and fell, and I—like 'Jill' in the hymn—'came tumbling after.' It's only a bruise."

"It's a pity, but let's be glad that you did not, like 'Jack' in the hymn, 'break your crown.' Go on Allegro!"

He could never entirely get over the shock he felt it; at all events he felt the change in her. In his simple-heartedness he told the whole story to Arthur March; his cousin, and begged advice—intercession even.

"For," said he, "Carol once said that your approval must be worth having, as it seemed rather difficult to gain."

"Did she say that?" eagerly asked March.

"Yes, and if you will only tell her that, you would approve her as a cousin."

"Harry, a third party seldom accomplishes anything in that line, but if I can, I promise to."

What was Arthur March's surprise, that same week to receive a nocturnal visit from Don McKee on a very like errand. Don was dejected and could not conceal it.

"It's no use, Arthur March. I'm done for. I always expected I should be a misanthrope if I had had a chance, and now I shan't miss my vocation."

"What is it, Don?"

"Carol Dean, that's all."

"So Don loved her too. But she did not return it. March was so associated to be glad of that. From pure principle he was sorry and sympathetic. A phenomenon was he! Such phenomena have been."

"I wish I could help you, Don. Has she refused you?"

"No, not that. I couldn't get so far. She wouldn't let me be serious, and seems to imagine that I'm an admirer of Judith Grey's. I'll be cremated if I ever thought of such a thing," and he proceeded forthwith to create a cigar, and to pace gloomily up and down March's study. Suddenly stopping before his friend, and laying his hand heavily on his shoulder, Don exclaimed:

"March, you can help me. You can make her understand that Judith Grey is nothing to me, that she has an English lover—so they say. That may save me. Will you, March, will you! What you don't seem to hanker after errand!"

"I confess there is. Miles Standish favors about the affair that I don't just relish."

"It might have the same sequel," laughed Don, unsuspectingly.

The fall exhibition at the Warner Gallery was a success that year. Carol Dean was one of its most frequent visitors. She liked to go in the forenoon, when she could dream over the pictures undisturbed. A little sketch of Echo Hills attracted her strongly. It was a glimpse of the tiny bridge, and the "Mission" beyond. Underneath were the lines:

"Thou didn't bring Heaven round thee here in this sad place."

"Thou Heaven now with memories Of thy dear face."

The words were in fine handwriting, hardly noticeable, and Carol had gazed at them drawing many times ere she discovered them.

What was her surprise as one rainy Monday morning she sought her wonted retreat, retired from everything but the drawings of the amateurs, to observe in one corner of her favorite, the initials "A. V. M."

Now it was plain to her. March had told her he sometimes inscribed in a little sketching himself, and Don had shown her a drawing of his "Beppo," which March had made, and which was certainly very dog-like. The glad tears sprang to her eyes, followed by a quick sense of mortification, that she had been so ready to take those lines to herself, and she could add more to her discomfiture than at this juncture to turn and meet the dark eyes of Arthur March turned full upon her from a very adjacent doorway. But Carol was a "present-minded" girl, and with scarcely a trace of confusion, she greeted the young man cordially, and called his attention to a sketch of Lake Placid, just next his own.

To Arthur March this was a snuffbox but dread opportunity. The words which only the day before he had endeavored to weave into the lives and aims of his little flock of workpencils now rose and confronted him. "If you have not been faithful in that which is another's, you shall give you that which is your own!"

March sat down by her. They talked of the foreign pictures, of the educating influence of such a collection, of high ideas in art. The girl was very entertaining with her motives. Were the muscles of her determination relaxing a little?

They drifted on to theories of life in general, and of how little one could forecast the future. "As, for instance," said March, "I fancy Miss Judith Grey little expected so soon to leave her fatherland forever, and become the mistress of an English manse, as it is rumored."

"Indeed! I had not heard of it, and hope for Don McKee's sake it is not true."

What more could he say? Was his duty done?

He should dread a disappointment of that kind for Don; 'twould go hard with him. Don is so free-hearted, so noble, a man of grand capabilities. I could not endure to see his whole life embittered."

"Nor I," she said, "and Judith Grey's starry eyes need not turn toward the old world to seek her ideal when a man like Don is at her feet."

Now for the coup d'état.

"But Don does not care thus for her, I happen to know. She could not thus disappoint him."

"Indeed," replied Carol, with a merry laugh; "when our anxiety for him has been needless this time."

Plainly she was indifferent to Don, and March's intercession for him fruitless, for she did not even recognize it as such.

Settling back in his seat for his further task, and drawing with his cane some very unconventional designs on the red matting at his feet, he asked, carelessly:

"Have you seen my cousin Harry recently?"

"Not for a week," she replied.

Harry seems cast down, and with a direct look at her March asked, "Do you know why?"

"There was no flattery about this girl. She had no 'cunning to be strange.' 'If I do, what then?' Her manner was becoming haughty, seeming to rebuke his interference.

A promise, a duty, an opportunity. These faced the man, hardening him to his task.

"Miss Dean do you realize the peril in trifling with a human heart? You may have had no experience, but has such a thing never come under your observation?"

"Never; and I trust I am not capable of that," she replied, pale with suppressed feeling, scarce knowing what she said.

"I believe you are not, willingly. Harry Valentine has an affectionate heart, which has always had gentle handling."

After a pause he added: "Perhaps my mission, being to lighten hearts, makes me more sensitive at seeing one burdened by another's thoughtfulness."

Ah, cruel words, crushing words! evincing highest displeasure and censure, when she had dared to imagine approval, at least, a faint liking.

The arrival of other visitors prevented further conversation. Fortunate for both. Arthur March was not a man to temporize.

"Faithful in that which is another's." Verily a thankless task!

The day went out in storm and darkness. The elements seemed convulsed, and in one girl's heart as wild a storm and rage.

What aces since those few happy moments in the morning, when she had dared take herself for sweet lines never meant for her. What a tragedy of error had been enacted since. What injustice had been done—this white-souled girl! When she could endure her grief no longer, she crept down stairs to her old nurse, crying: "Oh China, hold me in your arms once more, for I have never been so lonely."

The good old nurse, who had been so successful by a little calm, China, held her of her father's last words, when he went away a month before: "If Carol goes lonely, bring her on to me, for I may be gone half the winter," and so if Carol liked they would go east at once. "Twice lonely for the child with her father gone," China said, albeit her father when at home was always submerged in business affairs.

"Let us go to-morrow, please, China," said Carol, still tearful; and was settled.

A fortnight after Harry Valentine's visit to his cousin-confessor for counsel he received the following word from Carol: "I go east to-day with China, for a long stay. Forgive me everything. Harry, I always meant to be kind."

He wrote back very pathetically: "We'll forget all that has been, but oh, Carol, the 'might have-beens'!"

The winter was a severe one, and passed drearily to the spring. In the golden spring Carol's father complained of asthma, and had to go south. So they turned their faces toward the everglades, and the warm gulf breezes, thence on to the Bahamas to Nassau; like two children under China's care—the fussy invalid and the sorrowful young girl, who fancied her life-happiness lay behind her—a dissolved view—and only shadows ahead.

After two months at Nassau they came to New Orleans, and as the season advanced in fervor they gravitated northward, jaunting leisurely, so that not until July did they find themselves once more at home.

"I shall be glad to see Maxie again, and Allegro," Carol sometimes said; otherwise she expressed no desire either way, to go or stay. Here was the tribulation that worketh patience.

Papa Dean grew worse after reaching home, gradually failing, and in September died, and the old home in the golden Indian summer days, the twilight of the year, Carol took many a long drive through the suburbs of the town, but never to Echo Hills, never to Lake Placid. She was much alone these autumn days, with only thoughts and memories for companionship. The autumn of her life she sometimes feared it.

One night as she sat on the broad veranda, in the starshine, watching nature slink to rest, the lovely "Cinderella" music—that heaven-born inspiration of Heinrich Hoffmann, kept ringing to her constantly. They had heard it in New Orleans, and this couple had followed her to the city.

"Love is by trials best proved, Thou too hast suffered and loved."

As she sat absorbed in her reverie, in the dim light of the quiet evening, the rays from the old sconce in the hall throwing all outline into dim relief, she saw like a lovely vision in her close-fitting robe of black, her fluffy gold locks smoothed into a low coil, and a single passion-flower at her throat. Like a lovely vision to Arthur March, as he came up the wide gravel, and, enshrouded by Maxie, quietly approached and sat down at her feet. He had come to her at last. She hardly seemed surprised, perhaps because in her thoughts he was always present.

"Miss Carol, what of the night?"

"That was all, but ah, the language of those deep eyes, so pleading and passionate, pouring out the story of a life—absorbing love for her, better than any words could do. She knew that language, else how could she have answered so, reaching down her hand into his:

"Oh, Mr. March, it has been so long, and so dark, but, with a glad little cry, 'It is past, it is past!'"

When he would speak of his seeming harshness to her, she talked of his self-abnegation and loyalty to his friends. When he would mention cruelty, she spoke of sacrifice. The whole truth had been unfolded to her, and, strange to say, through Don McKee.

As they stood heart to heart, before he left her, Carol asked, "Tell me, Arthur, did you find the story of what I like at the Warner Gallery last year?"

"Yes, Carol, that spot dearer than all others. For it is heaven for me with memories of thy dear face."

"Then it was for me, would I write them for me—those four sweet lines!"

"For thee alone my darling!"—The Wisconsin.

Inquisitive Youth.

Billy—Just one more question, pa, and I'll go to sleep.

Father—Well, what is it?

Billy—When anybody pounds a knot out of a board how can it leave a knot hole in the board when the knot whole is knocked out?

Father (irritably)—Don't talk so foolishly, William.

Billy—











## THE MURDER OF KING STRANG.

One who was with him when the blows were struck tells the story.

Capt. Alex. St. Bernard, of St. Clair, now 80 years of age, recently gave the writer the following account of the murder of the once famous Mormon King Strang:

"I was an officer on the United States steamer Michigan for twenty-five years. She was the first iron boat that navigated the lakes, and she is in first-rate condition yet. During the war we were kept pretty busy cruising between Erie and Chicago. We generally took on wood at Beaver Island. There were between 2,000 and 3,000 Mormons living there then, with their leader, King Strang, besides the Gentiles, who were mostly fishermen and wood-choppers. The Mormons lived in comfortable houses of hewn logs, and worshiped in a large temple of the same material, which they also used for a theater and dance hall. There was a platform across one end with the scenery at the back, and a movable pulpit which was built on trucks. It was a queer affair—a sort of circular platform, with seats around the outside edge for the twelve apostles, and a high seat in the center for the king. When they had a show of any kind the pulpit was rolled behind the scenery, out of sight.

I was well acquainted with the king, for he often came on board the ship. He was a fine looking, sociable sort of a man; but he was not very popular among the Gentiles. We heard a great many complaints from them when ever we stopped there. The Mormons were obliged to turn over one-tenth of their earnings to the king, and he demanded the same from the Gentiles. Two fishermen, who refused to surrender their hard-earned money, were taken to the woods, stripped and beaten with birch switches; and, the county-treasurer, who lived on the island, was ordered to deliver up one-tenth of the public money.

"The king was arrested and taken to Detroit, with his twelve apostles, where he pleaded his own case—and won it, too; and after that things were worse than ever. When we stopped as usual on one of our trips around the lakes, the complaints were so bitter that our captain made up his mind to arrest him again, and he told me to find him and bring him on board the ship. I went to the temple, first, where I was told that he had just gone home. I found him sitting in his room, with four of his wives, where he received me very cordially, and when I told him my errand, accompanied me willingly. He linked arms with me and we walked along talking pleasantly. Just as we stepped on the dock and started to walk down the narrow passage between the piles of wood, two of his enemies sprang from some hiding place and shot at him. He clung to my arm until they began to pound him with the butt end of their pistols, when he let go and fell, leaving me covered with blood from my head to my feet.

"There were no telephones in those days, but the news spread in a very short time, and a howling mob of men, women and children gathered around their dying chief. Our surgeon came on shore and did what he could for the poor fellow, but nothing could save him. He died in the arms of his first and real wife, whose home was west of Racine, in Wisconsin.

"The murderers ran aboard the ship and gave themselves up—the best thing they could have done, for the mob would have pulled them in pieces if they had caught them. Of course suspicion fell on me, many thinking I had led him to his death, and I received many friendly warnings to be on my guard, but I was not molested. A detachment of troops were sent to bring the fishermen and their families on board the ship, as it was considered unsafe to leave them on the island with the excited Mormons.

"The murderers were taken to Mackinac and given into the custody of the County Sheriff, Mr. Granger, who kept the Grove House at that time is now living at Fort Gratiot. But they were never brought to trial.

"The band scattered soon after, some returning to their homes west of Marine City, and some joining their fortunes with the Utah element.

"Poor King Strang. He was a fine fellow, and deserved a better fate."—Detroit Free Press.

### An Exclusive Person.

On one occasion a lady called and presented a check which she wished cashed. As she was a perfect stranger to the paying teller, he said, very politely: "Madam, you will have to bring some one to introduce you before we can cash this check."

Drawing herself up quite haughtily, she said, freely: "But I do not wish to know you, sir!"—Richmond Dispatch.

### The Difference.

Small Boy—"Pa, what is the difference between a pessimist and an optimist?"

Pa—"Well, let me see if I can illustrate. You know I am often discouraged, and things don't look to me as if they'd ever go right. Well, at such times I am said to be a pessimist. But years ago when I was a young man everything looked bright and rosy, and I was always hopeful. Then I was an optimist. Now, my son, can you understand the difference between a pessimist and an optimist?"

Small Boy—"Oh, yes; one is married and the other isn't."—New York Weekly.

Briggs—"I haven't taken a drink for two months now. What do you think of that?"

Briggs—"It sounds to me like an empty boast."—Terro Hagle Express.

Does that go? asked Algonzo after Penelope had said, "no," very emphatically. "It does," replied Penelope, "and you should follow its example." He followed.—New York Times.

## THE ORIENTAL WOMAN.

Dreams of the "Life" of the "Human Female" in the Far West.

It is rather a curious reflection that in those countries where women's rights are most completely non-existent, there the specially womanly duties of women are the most grossly neglected, says the Fortnightly Review. Travelers in Egypt, for instance, tell us that when the bells call the hour of prayer every man stops whatever work he is engaged in and prostrates himself to Allah. No woman takes any notice of the sound. She is too low in the scale of humanity to make her tribute to the Almighty worthy of acceptance. She ranks in this respect almost with the brute creation. She is not withdrawn from her domestic duties by the claims of religion upon her time and thoughts. And yet the same travelers tell us that one of the horrors of Egyptian life is the fearful neglect from which the children suffer. The poor little creatures are incumbered by dirt and sores and are swarming with vermin. Children are frequently seen lying in their mothers' arms with six or eight flies in each eye. Ophthalmia and various kinds of blindness are of course very prevalent, although death releases an enormously large proportion of the children from their sufferings. Three out of every five children who are born die during infancy, and of those who survive one in every twenty is blind. This is being "thoroughly masculine" with a vengeance, and points an instructive moral as to the consequences upon the character of women of the denial of liberty, education, and responsibility. The harem life of oriental ladies of high rank is dull and vacuous to the last degree. They play with their jewels, eat sweetmeats, and smoke pipes, and thus their days pass. If their children are ill they are hopelessly bewildered and utterly unable to take care of them. They cling with touching reverence to any average English or American woman who may happen to visit them and implore her aid in doing the simplest kind of nursing and mothering for the ailing children. Nothing astonishes orientals more than the position of women in England. A Chinese mandarin has lately published his views on this subject. Women, he says, are even helped at meals before men. In his country the men eat first, and when they have quite finished, if anything is left, the women are allowed to have it. Another eastern, Seyd Ahmed Khan, was amazed to find that the servant girl who waited upon him in his lodgings in London could read and write; and he recorded his deliberate opinion that the little scrub in a London lodging, "compelled to work as a maid-servant for her living," was in reality superior in nearly all respects to Indian ladies of the highest rank. "Such," he adds, solemnly, "is the effect of education."

### A NEW HORROR.

Wrappers for Cigars Now Made of Patent Rye-Straw Paper.

Among the latest imitations which have been successfully introduced into the tobacco trade of this and other cities, says the Pittsburg Commercial Gazette, are cigars the wrappers of which are made out of a specially prepared paper. A gentleman well known in the iron manufacturing circles of this vicinity was the first to inform one of our reporters that smoking material of this kind was new in the market. He has recently returned from a visit to Norfolk, Va., where he met a drummer for a large tobacco factory of New York state. This gentleman informed the Pittsburg that he was then introducing an imitation cigar wrapper which was so deceiving in its character that experts could scarcely distinguish it from the genuine.

This preparation was made from rye straw, and one portion of the process was to steep the material in a strong solution made from tobacco stems. The grain of the straw together with the manner in which the material was dressed would lead any person to suppose that it was a sample of the leaf used in making wrappers for cigars of more than ordinary quality. The flavor of tobacco was also present, owing to the paper having been immersed in the solution made from the genuine article.

The gentlemen subsequently examined cigars on sale in Norfolk and discovered that they were made with these patent wrappers. The samples examined were of an extra fine quality. The drummer stated that the firm which he represented was making tons of this material and shipping it to all the leading cities of the country. Paper made from rye straw is the only kind that can be successfully used for that purpose, as all other kinds of paper can easily be detected by the smoker. The new material is also used for fillers in certain classes of cigars. It is very cheap and can be sold greatly below the price paid for genuine leaf.

A well-known tobacco salesman in this city, when asked yesterday if cigars of that kind were sold here, replied in the affirmative. He has seen numerous samples and they were very hard to detect. Extensive dealers in leaf tobacco said that the existence of a preparation of this kind was news to them. They felt that its success would be short-lived, as the trade would soon discover the deceit, and then a mighty effort would be made to drive cigars made with bogus leaf out of the market.

### A Different Complexion.

Husband (impatiently)—What is the reason my wife don't come down? I thought she was almost ready to go to the ball half an hour ago.

Wife—She will be ready in a minute, sir. She has been changing her color.

—Texas Siftings.

The reason.—"Van Brush's picture was hung on the line." "Was it a marine view?" "Yes." "They probably hung it on the line to dry."—Harper's Bazar.

## WITH A LUNATIC.

The Unpleasant Experience of Mrs. Cleveland's Stepfather.

On the day before Henry E. Perrine left Buffalo for Jackson, Mich., to become the father-in-law of ex-president Cleveland, he told of a remarkable experience he had a week or two ago on a steamship as he was returning from Florida. He separated from his son that night while sleeping in the upper berth Mr. Perrine was awakened by a noise in the stateroom. Peeping out from his berth, he saw his roommate standing with his left hand holding the door, while in his right was a heavy-caliber revolver. Pulling the door open the stranger thrust the revolver out, calling in a sharp tone, "Look out! look out there!" Then suddenly drawing back, he closed the door. After repeating this action several times he turned quickly to the window and thrust his weapon out, calling as before, "Look out! look out there!" Drawing back, he got upon the seat beneath on his knees, and holding the curtain closely by one hand he cautiously peered through the narrow opening and again pointed his pistol at the imaginary foe, repeating his warning cry.

Mr. Perrine decided that he would be very lucky if he escaped from the lunatic with his life. In describing what followed, he said: "He got down from the seat and stood with his back toward me, muttering to himself. Cautiously raising myself to a sitting position, I dropped my feet over the side of the berth and proceeded to drag on my pantaloons, meanwhile keeping a close watch on my insane neighbor. Speaking quickly, I said to him as I let myself down to the place behind him, 'I have got to go out for a moment.' He made no reply, and I walked slowly out of the room, not knowing but that when my back was turned he would shoot. I went to the bridge and the captain sent me to disarm my neighbor. Suddenly he appeared swinging his pistol and followed by the two men. In the engineer's room he was disarmed. I had been in my room-mate entered, all berried and blackened with dirt from the hands of his captors. He searched for the flask, and, not finding it said: 'Where can my whiskey be?' 'I replied: 'Perhaps the men who were in here have taken it.' He stood by the berth and said to me in a pitiful voice: 'The captain says he is going to throw me overboard at 9 o'clock.' 'He will not dare do that,' said I; 'the passengers will not allow it.' 'Yes, he says he will, and I don't want to be thrown overboard. I have been away from home in Texas three or four years. I have been pretty well, but now I want to get home.' He went to his coat and, taking a book, tore out a leaf and wrote a few lines with his pencil. Handing me the paper, he said, 'If the captain throws me overboard, take this to my grandfather, Mr. Dabney of the firm of Dabney, Morgan & Co., Wall and Broad streets, New York.' The following morning a boy came to my room and asked me if there was any other property of the young man's remaining there. I pointed out a collar and tie under the looking-glass and then asked, 'How is his morning?' 'He is dead,' was the startling reply. He was wrapped in the flag and slid into the gulf stream."—Chicago Herald.

### 1492-1892.

The unanimity with which the Press of this country approves the plan to celebrate in New York the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America, must be highly gratifying to the promoters of that enterprise. Without an exception the voices are all in favor of New York as the place for it, and all are in hearty sympathy with the motives of the celebration—the why of it, if you please. The celebration is not so much to sound the praise of America, though this will form a prominent feature, of course; not so much to exhibit American progress, though American progress will be conspicuous everywhere at the great exposition; it is rather to commemorate the greatest event the world has witnessed since the immaculate child came out of Bethlehem. It was an event that did not alone concern the western half of the globe. The discovery made by the Columbus of Genoa exerted an influence upon Europe almost as radical as upon the natives of this hemisphere.

In the last half of the fifteenth century Europe was under the dominance of a lot of hereditary tyrants. Political and religious freedom for more than a dozen centuries had been dead. Intolerance obtained in every quarter of the continent. The Jews, because of their creed, had been driven from Spain and their wealth confiscated. Russia was a comparatively unknown country. France was ruled by a family of debauchees, England by bigots who held human life as cheap, while Germany and Italy were divided into an almost endless number of petty principalities where the word of the prince was law. The return to Europe of the great mariner marked the beginning of a new era. In America the oppressed at once found refuge. The discoveries of Columbus marked a change for the better in the world's history so radical and so pronounced that it has been likened unto that change begun in Judea nearly 1900 years ago.

The Norsemen may have come to the shores along Massachusetts Bay before Columbus conceived the wondrous undertaking. The vikings may have sailed to America, but they died and left no sign. From their discovery there was no outcome. The world was not made the wiser. Their services were of no more value than those of the nations found here whose ancestors may have reached the continent by way of the west. Certain it is that the

Norsemen's discoveries were anticipated by the ancestors of what are called America's aborigines. But what better was the world for the discovery? The results made the discoveries of Columbus transcendently great. The discoveries of Columbus are the events, therefore, to be celebrated, and Europe, benefited as much as America, is expected to join in. The exposition of 1892, it is predicted, will surpass anything of the kind the world ever saw.—Cincinnati Times.

### A Panama Hat.

A. C. Banks, of Brunswick, Ga., wears a curiosity in the shape of a Panama hat which is worth about \$40. It was presented to him by a captain of a foreign vessel, who bought it from a native of an island in the Pacific. The hat is a large one, about the size of a Mexican sombrero, and can be folded compactly, but yet retain its shape when unfolded. These hats are knit very closely from the finest Panama straw, and the knitting of them is very tedious. They can only be knit in the cool of the day, as the heat of the sun causes the straw to draw loose from their hands. It sometimes takes twelve and thirteen months to knit the most valuable ones, which cost all the way from \$50 to \$125.

### In a Hot Shell.

Many struggling men keep pup by supporting a dog.

Some of the upper crust looks soft enough to be dough.

A horse may pull with all his might, but never with his mane.

Love is blind, and that's why lovers think lighting the gas unnecessary.

The clam stands the summer weather better than the oyster. In fact the clam is full of grit.

The mother of the modern girl says her daughter is like a piece of cheap calico—she won't wash.

Everything must have a beginning. Even the burglar must be broken in before he begins to break in.

Father to his son: "I don't say that you are an idiot, but if anybody else should say so I would not contradict him."

Somebody asserts that there is no braver class of men than lawyers. Very likely. Conscience makes cowards of other people.

Education without experience is of about as much use to a man as a lace petticoat would be to the wife of an Eskimo fisherman.

A man can enjoy himself at a public dinner without getting so full as to be obliged to put on his hat with a shoe horn next day.

A box party is not a pugilistic soiree, as may be supposed from the phrase. It is a talking match, conducted while the play goes on.

When you say to a man with a bolt on his neck, "This is a beautiful morning, and all nature seems to be smiling," you simply waste your breath.

The popular phrase to-day is, "Everything goes." This is especially true of the effects of "the rising young poet." Everything goes to his uncle's.

This is about the time that the members of the fishing excursion awake to the terrible realization that they have come away and left the keg of beer upon the wharf.

It is now said that George Washington was something of a fisherman. This does not seem consistent with the other statements we have heard regarding this gentleman.—Boston Courier.

### His Future Profession.

The Rev. Mr. Loftus stopped to talk with Uncle Rasmus, says the New York Epoch.

"Good mornin', Brother Rasmus," he said. "That's a likely-lookin' boy of yours. What's his name?"

"Melchisedek, sah."

"What are you goin' to make out of him?"

"A machinist, sah. He's allers 'ventin' suthin'. That other boy's name's Absalom."

"An' what are you goin' to make out of him?"

"A lawyer, I spec'. He argifies de life outen 'em."

"That boy over at the barn is yours, too, isn't he?"

"Yes, sah. His name's Shadrack Abednego. He's the laziest, ignorantest, do-nothin' in the township."

"And what are you goin' to make out of him, uncle?"

"Well, sah, that's been a subject ob much serious mumentum to me, an' I's prayed a good bit ober it. I've made up my mind to make a preacher outen him. That's about all he's good for."

The Rev. Mr. Loftus walked away, rubbing the end of his nose in a contemplative manner.

### Paralyzed.

Many are the absurd transactions which take place in banks, says the Youth's Companion, some of them showing an overcautiousness in the care of money, and others, like the following, indicating an amusing ignorance of its value.

A Georgia paper says that a negro, the fortunate possessor of a valuable house-lot, one day sold his property for \$10,000.

He was given a check for that amount, which was carried in due time to one of the banks. The paying teller asked him how much of the money he wanted in cash.

"I want all dat ar paper calls fur," replied the negro.

"What! You don't want \$10,000 in cash?"

"Jesso, sah."

"All right answered the man, and in five minutes he began piling the money on the counter.

As he laid the \$500 packages on the counter the negro's eyes grew larger and larger. Finally, when twenty of the packages had been placed before him he looked intently at them for a moment, and then, with a broad grin on his face, said:

"I'es jist paralyzed! Gimme a dollar 'n' a half, 'n' you kin keep de rest till I call agin."

## AN ALWAYS WELCOME FACE.

The Head-on-the-Standard-Dollar That of a Philadelphia Lady.

Each scholar in the Philadelphia Kindergarten Training school who owns a Bland silver dollar possesses a first-rate picture of his or her teacher. The confirmation by the Board of Education of the selection of Miss Anne M. Williams as instructor of philosophy and methods of kindergarten training is the latest laurel in the already fame-bestrewn path of that lady, whose classic features have been stamped on millions of silver discs. Ten years ago Miss Williams suddenly became famous when the interesting announcement was made that her face was the original of the Goddess of Liberty on that much-abused, much-admired and equally as much disliked Bland dollar.

The discovery was due to the efforts of a reporter who worked eighteen months in tracing out the original of the goddess. The friends of Miss Williams placed every conceivable obstruction in the way, but unsuccessfully. The story of Miss Williams' connection with the stamp upon the coin is interesting. In the early part of 1876 the Treasury Department secured through communication with the Royal Mint of England the services of a clever young designer and engraver named George Morgan. Upon his arrival in this country the young engraver was located at the Philadelphia mint, and was assigned the task of making a design for a new silver dollar.

After months of patient work he completed his design for the reverse side of the coin, on which he represented the American eagle. His attention was then turned to the other side and his first inclination was to place on it a fanciful head of the Goddess of Liberty. But the young designer was too much of a realist to be pleased with a mere work of fancy. Finally he determined that the head should be the representation of some American girl, and he forthwith diligently searched for his beautiful ideal. Through a friend who had spoken to him of the classic profile of Miss Williams' face he sought and obtained her acquaintance. Miss Williams was with difficulty induced by her friends to pose before an artist and after five sittings the design was completed. The young designer declared that the profile was the most perfect he had ever seen in England or this country. Miss Williams, around whom this web of romance and fame clings, is a very estimable young lady. She resides with her mother and aunt at 1023 Spring Garden street. She is still a pretty beauty, with pearl-like complexion, is slightly below the average height and possesses a graceful, plump figure.—Philadelphia Record.

### Platform of the Negro Farmers.

The Colored Farmers' Alliance of Louisiana, composed of colored men who own or control farms, which they are cultivating, held its annual meeting at Alexandria on the Fourth of July. Thirty delegates were present. Among the principles of their organization is the declaration that one of its objects is to elevate the colored people of the United States by teaching them to love their country and their homes; to care more for their helpless, sick and destitute; to labour earnestly for the education of themselves and their children, especially in agricultural pursuits; to become better farmers and laborers, and less wasteful in their methods of living; to be more obedient to civil law, and withdraw their attention from political partisanship; to become better civilized and true husbands and wives.

This embraces the wisest principles of social and political economy, and if lived up to will do more to raise the negroes to their highest destiny as citizens than can all the glittering generalities that have ever been the theme of noisy declamation or of demagogic mouthings.—New Orleans Picayune.

### Three Honored Ladies.

There are but three women in the United States who wear the glittering emblem of the Odd Fellows' Order of Chivalry. One of them is the wife of Chevalier William Kilpatrick of this city. Mrs. Kilpatrick is an estimable lady and is held in high esteem by the Masonic clans. She says she joined the Rebekah six years ago. She passed through all the offices of the lodge, presiding for two succeeding terms as Noble Grand. The emblem which Mrs. Kilpatrick prizes as dearly, almost as her life, is a modification of the maltese cross. It is of white metal bound with gold, and in the center is a blood-red heart crowned with gold. Until two years ago the decoration was conferred only on meritorious chevaliers of the order. At that time, at a meeting of the grand lodge held in San Francisco, two women received the degree. Mrs. Kilpatrick is the only woman in the eastern states similarly honored. She is of middle age, with a kindly, motherly face and bright eyes.—New York Star.

### Throughbred Americans Every One.

Dying American Patriot (a few years hence)—"My son, draw nearer. I want you to remember that you come of a long line of American patriots who have never hesitated at the call of duty. Your great grandfather fought, bled, and died in the Revolution; your great-grandfather fought in the Mexican war and suffered untold agonies in Mexican prisons; your grandfather braved dangers innumerable in the Civil War; and I, my son, was one of those hundreds of thousands of windowless and seatless patriots who, for two mortal days at the New York Centennial, endured the fearful crush of Broadway without seeing anything."—New York Weekly.

A scientific journal asks, "Where are the stars made?" Well, in this country some of them are made in the Divorce court.—New York Tribune.

## An Involuntary Capitalist.

Not long ago Fogg's name was printed in a list of moneyed men—by the merest accident of course—and since then Fogg's mail has been crowded daily with prospectuses of all sorts of enterprises which only lack money to make them the most profitable things going.

It is amusing to see Fogg, who in his life never had twenty-five dollars to the good, go through his mail, and if Fogg only had the money to invest it is certain that he would outrank Rockefeller, Gould and all the other millionaires. But Fogg hasn't the ready, and so, although he reads all the circulars he receives with intense interest, he has naught to contribute towards the capital of any beyond a deep drawn sigh and a corrugated brow; for he is forced to let slip the splendid opportunity vouchsafed by the Paradise Town Lots and Building company; he is unable to respond to the unprecedented advantages held out by the Papeterie Consolidated Gas and Electric Syndicate, and he cannot so much as touch the bonanza which is freely presented by the Pyrites Mining Association. This is not only hard upon Fogg, who thus sees wealth inculcable slipping out of his empty hands, but it is also a positive discouragement to the Paradise Town Lots and Building Company and the other corporations mentioned above, inasmuch with this money, which Fogg wishes he had, they one and all might be fully developed and perhaps make a little on their own account.

But Fogg's involuntary assumption of the capitalistic role is not entirely unmixt with satisfaction. He is not only in daily receipt of scores of circulars, the writers of which with refreshing disinterestedness show how Fogg can make millions by the investment of thousands, but he is continually importuned by sleek-looking gentlemen, who are desirous of being let in upon the ground floor of these and countless other enterprises, and who look upon Fogg as a perfect encyclopedia of financial information and as possessed of influence unparalleled in the monetary exchanges of the country.

To see Fogg sitting at his humble desk and receiving one of these perpetually money bags is a scene for a painter. As he knows little or nothing about the companies which his visitor desires to enter, he has no difficulty in preserving a reticence in regard to their affairs which impresses his visitor with a high appreciation of Fogg's sagacity as an operator and makes him more strenuous than ever to cultivate so valuable an acquaintance.

Consequently Fogg is invited to rich banquets and to take part in divers excursions and junketings all over the country, and as Fogg says nothing, for the sole reason that he has nothing to say, his fame increases daily, and his reputation as a man who knows what's what in the investing line is becoming more widespread and more deeply rooted as one day succeeds another.

As he passes through the street it is no uncommon thing for one gentleman to remark to another, "There goes Fogg, the great operator," the street urchins all know him, and they are one and all possessed of the idea that he is rich as mud; a day seldom passes in which he is not the recipient of one or more complimentary tickets to the theatre; and charitable bodies of every name and description flood him with requests for a share in his presumably illimitable bounty. If Fogg were a single man he would undoubtedly be free to take his pick out of the hundreds of eligible matrimonial offers which have been laid before him by unattached maidens and widows with money in their own right.—Boston Transcript.

### How to Coax a Man to Propose.

An elderly man was telling a group of giddy young girls the other day how he proposed to his wife when he was a young man. She was sewing at the time, he said, or he never would have had the courage to do it. If girls would sew more he thinks they would have more matrimonial chances. Sewing he considers the best accomplishment that a woman can have. A woman engaged with a needle has a domestic, homelike air that is irresistible to a man who loves her. It is a picture of what she would be in her own home, and makes him long that it should be his also. How can a man propose to a girl who sits straight up in her chair staring hard at him with a pair of bright eyes? But when she is bending gracefully over a bit of plain or fancy sewing, apparent absorption in counting stitches, and the arrows of her eyes are sheathed for a few minutes, he plucks up courage enough to offer her his heart and hand. The average young man is bashful in such affairs, though bold enough at other times, and needs encouragement and opportunities. What sort of encouragement is a pair of bright eyes staring into his, watching his embarrassment? Listen to the advice of an old man who has been all through it; drop your eyes and give the young man a chance. Remember this, girls, when the favorite young man drops in to make an evening visit, get out your bit of fancy work and look domestic, and with every stitch of your needle you will bind his heart more firmly to your own.

This is the advantage that the English girls are said to possess over the American girls—they are more domestic; if they shine less brilliantly in society than their American sisters their domestic virtues shed a steady luster in their households. This, of course, is looking at the question from an English point of view. The American girls are capable of doing both; domesticity is not incompatible with social brilliancy, and many of society's queens are careful housekeepers and devoted wives and mothers, keeping their sweetest words and smiles for their own homes.—New York Star.

If you want a man to think you are smart you have only to make him think you think he is smart.—Binghamton Republican.

## The Drummer's.

A short time ago a drummer from abroad called at a Bangor livery stable and wanted a double team for a ten days' trip into the country, and the stable man refused to let him one on the ground that he was a stranger. There was much discussion over the matter, and finally the drummer said:

"What is your team worth?"

"Four hundred and fifty dollars," was the reply.

"If I pay you that sum for it, will you buy it back again when I return?" asked the customer, and upon receiving an affirmative reply, he promptly put up the money. Ten days later he returned, and driving into the stable, he alighted and entered the office, saying, "Well, here is your team, and now I want my money back."

The sum was passed to him and he turned and was leaving the place when the liveryman called out, "Look here, aren't you going to settle for that team?"

"For what team?" asked the drummer, in a surprised tone.

"For the one you just brought back."

"Well, now," drawled the drummer, "you aren't fool enough to think that I would pay anybody for the use of my own property, are you?" and he shook the dust of the place from his feet.—Bangor Commercial.

### War on the English Sparrow.

In view of the overwhelming evidence against the sparrow, the Agricultural Department recommends the repeal of all existing laws which afford protection to the English sparrow, the enactment of laws to legalize the killing of the bird at all seasons of the year, and the destruction of its nests, eggs, or young; the enactment of laws making it misdemeanor to give food or shelter to the bird, and to protect those birds which feed upon the sparrow, and the appointment of some officer in each town or village to destroy the sparrows in the streets, parks and other places where the use of firearms is not permitted. The offering of bounties for the destruction of the birds is not regarded by the Department as expedient.

To the general public the Department recommends intelligent, persistent and united efforts to exterminate the pests by the use of firearms, traps, poison, destruction of nests, disturbance at roosting places, and any other practicable method that can be devised. Special attention is called to the fact that the English sparrow is an excellent article of food, equaling many of the smaller game birds. In fact, the sparrow is commonly sold at restaurants under the name of "rice birds."

### High Speed on Railroads.

There are many things connected with high speeds on railways which tax the ingenuity of locomotive engineers to the utmost. The lines have to be made strong enough to withstand the heavy blows of the locomotive, for the other portions of the running plant are light in comparison. A railway train at sixty miles an hour may be compared to a huge projectile, and subject to the same laws. The momentum is the product of the weight of the train of 120 tons, traveling at a speed of sixty miles an hour, then the work required to bring it to a standstill through one minute, or nearly a thousand-horse power, which gives some idea of the destructive force if unhappily it should come into action; and yet this terrific power is so entirely under command that the strength of a child turning the small handle of the vacuum brake can bring the train to a stand in a few seconds.—Chambers's Journal.

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By GEO. P. GARRED.

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The Columns of This Times are open to all who desire a candid discussion of questions of interest to the people of this country, but of course we do not hold ourselves responsible for a correspondent's opinions.

Let the journalist defend the doctrine of the party which he approves, let him criticize and condemn the party which he does not approve, reserving always his right to apply his own points or counter points, as the truth may require, and he will be independent enough for a free country.—Garred.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1889.

The Argus Leader says the population of Sioux Falls is 14,583, that city making a gain of 4,254, the past year.

John L. Sullivan has been sent up for one year in Mississippi, and the officers are after Kilrain with every prospect of giving him the same treatment. Good for Mississippi.

And the Minneapolis Tribune gives the community a little "song and dance" about "the old mother of rebels, braggarts and bullies" redeeming herself by the conviction of Sullivan. The truth of the matter is, candid men who are acquainted in the two sections, say that laws are observed in the south and the people there are just as law abiding and as good citizens as can be found anywhere. Why not give Mississippi—and in fact the south—due credit for trying to do right, without on every occasion throwing "rebel" and "traitor" and "lawlessness" at her. We shall see whether the next proposed fight in Minneapolis will be stopped or punished. One occurs there every little while. They are called sparring exhibitions.

The Northern Dakota and Northern Pacific elevator companies have effected such business deal as to do away with all competition for grain, on the ground that a single line of elevators could do the handling of grain this year. Will the time ever come when the northwestern farmer can ship his grain directly to the trade centers and knock out the middle men now sapping the life out of him. The farmer should be able to deliver his grain nearer to the people who manufacture it into flour and to those who consume it. The first step toward this system would be, however, the lifting of home mortgages and the erection of individual granaries on the farm producing the grain. When that time comes the farmer will be in a position to demand his rights.

**Mr. Miller Nominated.**  
The people's interests in the Republican fold of North Dakota have triumphed, and the Hon. John Miller has been nominated for governor. It is the first signal victory ever recorded on Dakota soil for the people against the great combine which has always heretofore dominated over and brow-beaten everything and everybody into submission. We were in Fargo Wednesday and it is true that the contest was one of the most terrific on record. The old and powerful combine had its trained wheel-horses, who cover every phase of life in the northwest, on the ground and strained every nerve for a continuation of their supremacy; but good fortune attended the brave fellows who stood by this feature in the people's interests in this great struggle, and who now promise at least decency in the conduct of public state matters, the trimmers were downed, and the Democracy is now said, is saved the trouble of electing the first governor of North Dakota. The people opposing corruption and carpet-bagging and Mr. Miller combining the people's party, constituted his strength in the struggle.

It was Gov. Church who first called public attention to the Sage of Dwyght in these simple but true words: "John Miller of Richland is one of the few men who came to Bismarck with honorable intentions." And in view of the ill-mannered light heaped upon Gov. Church last winter, let it be remembered to his everlasting credit Mr. Miller took no part in or sympathized with it, these words were quoted all over the northwest, including the twin city papers and actually set John Miller's star in the ascendancy; and it is just this sort of public decency on his part and fidelity to honorable intention which makes him the people's candidate in the Republican party for the first governor of the new state of North Dakota.

**Mr. Springer on Prohibition.**  
Congressman Springer of Illinois in Minneapolis last week, and being interviewed on various questions, and always talking to the point and entertainingly said of prohibition in the new states:

I hardly think it possible to enforce prohibitory laws, however, and do not think an attempt in that direction will be made, as the new comers will profit by the returns on that issue in staid little Rhode Island. You cannot enforce prohibition unless a large majority of the people in a given section are in favor of it. When I was in Bangor, Me., last year a friend informed me that there were over 60 places in that town where a man could get liquor over the bar, and why should laws be made only to be broken?

The Pioneer Press heaped ridicule upon Gov. Lowry of Mississippi for attempting to stop prize fighting in that state, claiming that the authorities there were only making a pretensions claim to decency. It is the common thing for these bullies to indulge in their prize fighting all over the north, and the idea that a lawless and unrepentant rebel state should undertake to do anything decent and lawful was more than the virtuous P. P. could stand, hence its ridicule. But since Gov. Lowry of that state did send north and capture Boston's new candidate for congress and otherwise distinguished citizens, the southern courts having convicted him of prize fighting and sentenced to a year's imprisonment, the P. P. reluctantly works up a half column in Sunday's paper the gist of which is that since the law is to be vindicated in a "community which is not particularly distinguished by its reverence for law of any description," it ought not to be difficult to enforce the law in other sections, etc., presumably distinguished for good things. We think it a pretty good rule to be always ready to give the devil his due. But then the P. P. like most republican organs, is great on playing upon sectional prejudices. In fact that is their stock in trade. It was in Minneapolis Sullivan had his arm broken a few months since.

**Prohibition in Massachusetts.**  
Here are samples of letters written during the late campaign which so effectively buried prohibition in Massachusetts:

DR. JOHN DIXWELL.  
After some nineteen years' work in charity, and fully realizing the fearful results of the abuse of alcoholic drinks, I am convinced that such evil can only be prevented, or lessened even, to any great degree, by the honest, careful instruction of the masses, old and young, as to the average consequences of using strong drinks habitually or to excess. I do not believe that any law can work much permanent benefit in the real interest of temperance.

JOHN DIXWELL, M. D.,  
52 West Cedar street.  
Boston, March 18, 1889.

REV. PERCY BROWNE.  
Your question as to the expediency of making Prohibition a part of the organic law of the State is, practically, a question as to the most effective method of preventing intemperance. To my mind the practical answer ought to be determined by what experience has thus far taught of the relative value of Prohibition and high license as methods of preventing intemperance. I think experience in both methods has shown high license to be most effective for cities; and I, am, therefore, compelled, in the interest of temperance, to vote "no" to the Prohibitory proposition.

Yours truly, PERCY BROWNE.  
Roxbury, March 18, 1889.

CHARLES P. CURTIS.  
Fully alive to the evils of intemperance, I am nevertheless opposed to the adoption of any amendment to the constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

The constitution establishes general principles of government and leaves these principles to be carried into effect by the Legislature, guided by public sentiment.

Should the constitution descend to the detail of prescribing what a citizen of Massachusetts must not drink, might he must not eat, or what he must not wear?

Public sentiment must be educated up to the point where juries will convict and this must be done through the agencies of the day schools and the Sunday-schools.

Yours truly, CHARLES P. CURTIS.  
Boston, March 18, 1889.

MRS. JAMES T. FIELDS.  
I should like to believe that Prohibition would prohibit. I would gladly do anything in my power to prevent the manufacture of intoxicating liquors in Massachusetts, but I firmly believe that a cordial enforcement by the people of the laws we now have, would do more to prevent drunkenness than any further legislation at the present time. While the cases we already have before the courts are not prosecuted, how are we to obtain prosecution of the still larger number of arrests under sterner laws? While our police officers are discouraged from arresting the well-known drinkers and abusive men at present reported in them, what will strengthen their wills when twice the number of law-breakers are pointed out to them. It does not appear to be legislation that is needed just now, but "a little plain religion" among our people.

With the September number of "Godey's Lady's Book" comes a shower of good things. We felt when we opened the magazine we could not close its pages until all had been read. The opening illustrations, "Catch it Quick," cannot fail to attract young and old, while all the fair sex will be delighted with numerous colored and black fashion pages and work designs. The opening story, (illustrated) "A Dude's Undoing," by Dulcie Weir, will teach a favorable lesson to the fashionable world. "At Heather-hill," by Cornelia Redmond, is a good story. "A Model American Girl," by David Lowry, gives us some strange glimpses into Washington society. "A Summer Buttery," by Marian C. L. Reeves is a bright little story for a summer day's reading. "A Fair Decision," by J. E. L. The continuation of "A Woman's Way," by Elsie Snow, and the sequel of "Self Betrayed," by Anna M. Ford, are both full of interest. "Ashes of Violets," by Ada Marie Peck. A humorous article "How our Ancestors Cooked," or "What the first settlers ate," by Arthur Dudley Vinton. "The Beautiful Home Club," numerous good pieces of poetry, articles upon home comfort, recipes, work table, foreign gossip and fashion articles, complete an exceptionally good number.

**Five Harvest Excursions.**  
The annual harvest excursions of the Northern Pacific railroad will occur on Aug. 6th and 20th, Sept. 10th and 24th and Oct. 8th, when round trip tickets to western points will be sold very cheap. For full information address or inquire of D. M. Baldwin, Agent Wahpeton.

**A Drifting Straw.**  
Democratic papers try to make capital out of the fact that some distant relatives of President Harrison have proved worthy of being appointed to office. If a president cannot trust and appoint his own relatives whose relatives shall be appointed?—[Aberdeen News]

It is not, perhaps, that the Democratic papers find fault with the republican practice, so much as it is simply calling attention to the fact that with the latter, public office is not only a private snap but that to fully develop the idea and to show that republicanism means dollars and cents to the men wielding it, its first representative of the land installs all of his relatives, now some thirteen of them, into fat positions. If that doesn't prove that "public office is a private snap" with the president, we do not know what would.

**COST OF PROHIBITION.**  
**Ruinous Tax Rates—Values Destroyed—Costs Increased—Facts that Voters Must Face.**

Facts are the most convincing arguments. The following statement of the exorbitant rates of taxation existing in prohibition states prove that prohibition does increase taxes.

Taxes in Sioux City, Iowa, have increased 113 per cent. under prohibition. The tax rate in Burlington, Iowa, is over 53 mills on the dollar. The tax rate in Council Bluffs, Iowa is 80 mills on the dollar. The rate of taxes in Des Moines, Iowa, has reached 62 mills on the dollar. The tax rate in Ottumwa, Iowa, is 44 mills on the dollar. The tax rate in Lawrence, Kansas, is over 56 mills on the dollar. The tax rate in Topeka, Kansas, is over 42 mills on the dollar. The people of Wichita, Kansas, pay 25 mills on the dollar. Taxes in Atchison, Kansas, have reached 57 mills on the dollar. The tax rate in Marysville, Kansas, is 65 mills on the dollar. The rate before prohibition was 25 mills. Property has depreciated 30 per cent. The average tax rate in Kansas towns is over 40 mills. Taxes in Atlanta, Ga., increased 40 per cent. during the first year of prohibition, and the city was forced to sell \$90,000 of gas stock to pay expenses.

While these high rates prevail in prohibition states, in neighboring high license states the rates are less than one-third as high. Kansas City, Missouri, for instance, pays about 14 mills on the dollar. This indisputably proves that prohibition increases taxes.

Under prohibition the towns, counties and state of Pennsylvania would lose millions of revenue.

There were 1700 houses unoccupied in the city of Des Moines, Iowa, in June, 1887. Store-houses are now offered for rent at one-half the rentals obtained for them before prohibition. 64 large brick store-houses in the center of the city are unoccupied.

The loss to Iowa from prohibition is estimated at \$10,000,000 per year. Rents in Atlanta, Ga., declined, under prohibition, 15 to 60 per cent. Two hundred stores and nine hundred residences stood empty. Under license this has changed.

The cost of conducting the criminal courts in Iowa increased from \$354,000 in 1883 under license, to \$488,000 in 1886 under prohibition. This does not look much like the reduction in expenses, which the prohibitionists say would follow the adoption of their law.

Only two states in the Union have ever lost population; they were prohibition states. All states, without exception, which have adopted prohibition, have increased in population since they adopted the law than they did before, and have increased faster after they repealed the law than they did while it was in force. All states, also, which have adopted prohibition, have increased in population less rapidly than similarly situated states under license.—[Census Reports]

Gautier de la St. Croix, agent of a London syndicate, was in Hillsboro Tuesday, for the purpose of securing Red River valley wheat, to be shipped direct to Liverpool.—[Hillsboro Press]

Can this plan be made an entering wedge to a revolution in the present manner of marketing American wheat.

The Jamestown Capital, official organ of the Farmers Alliance of Dakota, says to the Con. Con:

You were not sent there to barter and trade your constituents in a capital location deal. No man who votes to fasten that imposition upon the people should ever hereafter be elected to a position of trust in North Dakota. Let the mark of Cain be put upon him and the fate of Judas await him. It should be remembered that the people who will do the voting this fall are not so anxious for statehood as to submit to gross imposition. The first constitution of the State of Wisconsin was rejected.

Peterson for September is already on our table. The steel engraving, "Pick a Back" is a charming picture; the wood illustration, "The Young Family," is exceedingly pretty. The illustrated article gives privacy of head dresses and costumes describing them in a charming way. Miss Bowman's serial, "In St. Tammany Parish," ends most touchingly, while the other continued story, "Ted and I," ends in as sprightly a manner as it commenced. The short stories are exceptionally good and the fashion and household notes are as complete as ever.

The "Talk by a Trained Nurse," gives useful and much needed directions for "Lifting and Moving a Helpless Person." Altogether this number thoroughly maintains "Peterson's" high reputation. Terms, two dollars a year. Address Peterson's Magazine, 306 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Foreign Wheat Yields.**  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—[Special]—The department of agriculture has late advices indicating that the wheat crop of India is about 50,000,000 bushels below the average, so that India will export little, if any, this year. The Russian wheat crop is 15 per cent short and Austria-Hungary 25 per cent short. This leads to the belief that prices will be unusually good for our surplus, which is now estimated at 100,000,000 bushels.

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**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE.**  
Whereas, default has occurred in two payments each in the sum of Forty-two dollars, (\$42.00) interest which became due and payable on the first day of November A. D. 1888 and 1889, respectively, upon a certain mortgage duly executed and delivered by Charles L. White and Mary P. White, his wife, to Hiram D. Upton, bearing date the 19th day of January A. D. 1886, and which mortgage together with the power of sale therein contained, was duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds in and for the county of Richland and territory of Dakota on the 20th day of January A. D. 1886, at 3 o'clock p. m. in book R of mortgages on pages 308 and 309.

Whereas, it is in said mortgage provided that if said mortgagors shall fail to pay any part of the sum of money secured thereby at the time and in the manner specified in said mortgage, then and as often as such default shall occur, the whole sum of money secured thereby, may, at the option of the legal holder of the notes thereby secured, and without notice, be declared due and payable, and whereas the said Hiram D. Upton is now the legal holder of said notes and such default having occurred, the said Hiram D. Upton has elected and does hereby elect and declare the whole sum secured by said mortgage due and payable, and therefore there is claimed to be due upon said mortgage at the date of this notice, the sum of eight hundred, twenty-five and 00/100 dollars (\$825.00) and no action or proceeding having been instituted, at law or otherwise, to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises described in and conveyed by said mortgage, viz: The northeast quarter of section numbered seventeen (17) in township 131 north, of range 40 west and thirty-one (31) north, of range numbered fifty-two (52) west of the fifth principal meridian in the county of Richland and territory of Dakota; with the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, which sale will be made by the sheriff of said county of Richland at the front door of the court house, in the city of Wahpeton, within one year from the date of this notice, to-wit: on the 9th day of September, A. D. 1889, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, to pay said debt and interest, and taxes, if any on said premises and seventy-five dollars attorney's fees, as stipulated in said mortgage in case of foreclosure, and the disbursements allowed by law; subject to redemption at any time within one year from the date of sale, as provided by law.

Dated at Fargo, Dakota, this 12th day of July, A. D. 1889. HIRAM D. UPTON, Mortgagee.

W. A. Scott, Attorney for Mortgagee. (First publication July 25th, 1889.)

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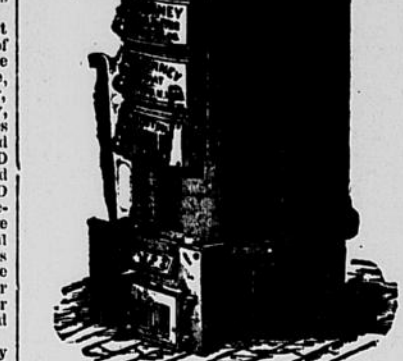
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