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" Strike While the Iron's Hot." Strike while the iron's hot! Strike-and with a will; He is no skillful smith

Who lets the iron chill. Ere the iron hardens, strike, Shape it to what shape you like, To the soythe or knile or sword. To slay or heal or mow the sward.

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Strike while the iron's hot, Strike with hand and heart; Quickly turn the bar, And smite on every part. Bring the sledge down with a swing

Till it makes the anvil ring. So great master workmen wrought, So struck the iron while 'twas hot

So, when the time is ripe To act, or think, or say, The precious moment seize Before it pass away. Shapen the action to your ends.

As the smith the iron bends: Let the word and let the thought Promotly into deed be wrought. Strike while the iron's hot,

Or do not strike at all: Strokes the cold bar will break Not fashion, when they fall. If you're slow in arm and brain, All your labor will be vain; The quick of head and quick of hand May rise from serving to command. -John Francis Waller .

THE TURN OF AN ACCIDENT.

It was six o'clock of a crisp October mounitag, and John Boyd, farmer, rous-ing '.com his sound night's sleep. sprang morni'ag, and John Boyd, farmer, rous-ing '.com his sound night's sleep. sprang O'Lt of bed with the alert readiness of a man who knows the value of the first hours of the day. It was a tavern bed from which he jumped; home and its cares were many miles away; but a long ride lay before him, and he washed and dressed briskly, as one in haste, humming a chartial air meanwhile, as be-came a man who felt himself in good spirita, and had ample reason for doing so. For, be it known, this year had proved the best for farmers since John

had been his own master. Harvests had been large, prices high, and John, on bis way back from the annual mar-ket, carried a sense of freedom and liberation at his heart from the final ex-tinguishment of a mortgage on his farm

- a mortgage which had pressed as heavily on his conscience as did the burden of Christian on his shoulders The burden was lifted now; and, fur-ther than that, John carried in his fat red wallet two hundred dollars, over and above, toward the expenses of the

red wallet two hundred dollars, over and above, toward the expenses of the heanded' before, and the sensation was a joyful one. 'My neck is out of the collar now,'he muttered to himself as he brushed his thick brown hair. 'I th uld be a tool indeed if I put it in again. No more mortgages for me!' Then, his toilet commisted he are to be a tool indeed in the total to be a tool indeed if I put it in again. No more mortgages for me!' downstairs, two steps at a time.

Farmer-like, his first visit was to his orses. They were munching their

her voice was drowned in Mrs. Nash's iouder tones. 'And pray who else took it, do you suppose? Who else had the chance? Answer me that. It serves me just right for taking in a girl with no recom-mend—a girl I didn't know nothing about, not so much as her name, or where she come from, or who her folks are. Five weeks to-morrow, that's all the time she's been in the house, sir; but this is the end of it. It's the last time I'll ever have a help I don't know all the iong and short of, so you needn't feel afraid to stop with us again—no, nor about, not so much as her name, or where she come from, or who her folks are. Five weeks to-morrow, that's all the time she's been in the house, sir; but this is the end of it. It's the last time I'll ever have a help I don't know all the long and short of, so you needn't feel atraid to stop with us again—no, nor none of your friends, either; and as for her, out she packs this day.' 'I d better go for the constable, hadn't IP—if you're sure it was under the pillow you put it,' suggested the land-lord. Well, do tell! and so the money was a-lying there in the dust all the time! Well. I'm mighty glad, for your sake and ours too. Go right in, sir, and wife 'll give you some supper. I'll see to the horse i'll say and the same supper. horse.' Mrs. Nash waited on the meal in grim silence. She seemed only half re-joiced at the denouement.

'it's mighty queer,' she remarked, as she set the last dish on the table. 'I don't feel as if we'd got to the bottom of it yet. Why didn't Lucy deny more positive?'

lord. 'Oh, don't, please; please don't,' pleaded the girl, weeping violently. 'Give the gentleman his wallet back, then, and perhaps he'll let you off.' 'I can't. I haven't got it. I never saw it. Oh, please believe me. Don't send me to jall,' she urged. The landlady only answered by a sound expression of disgust. And throwing her apron over her head, the poor girl wept in silence, saving no

poor girl wept in silence, saying no

John had held his peace during this John had held his peace during this altercation, sharply eyeing the parties concerned in it meanwhile. The Nashes he knew something about. They were of good reputation as far as he was aware. The maid was a stranger to them, as to him; but spite of the cir 'I ain't so over sure about that,' re-plied Mrs. Nash, with a shake of her head. 'It's a queer business.' Hurrying out to the barn next morncumstances, and her manner, which was hardly less suspicious, he could not bring himself to believe her guilty. He was not a hasty man, and he was a just one, with a kind heart to back his teming in the best of spirits, a low sighing sob called John's attention to a bench

perate judgments; and after a few min-utes' redection he made up his mind what to do. 'I can't swear that I put the wallet

sob called John's attention to a bench outside the kitchen door, where sat a figure crumpled up into a forlorn little heap, in which he recognized the pretty maid of the day before. She wore her bonnet, and a bundle lay beside her. Her face was hidden on her arms, which were crossed on the back of the my thoughts about it are confused somehow, and it may be that I left it at Bolton, where I slept on Tuesday. I don't want no injustice done on my ac-count. So don'tery like that '--address-ing himself to the girl. 'I'll tell you what I'll do. Get the bay shod during the day, will you?'--to Mr. Nash-' and if you'll lend me a saddle I'll ride back to Bolton and make inquiry there. If I find the money, well and good; if I don't, it'll be time enough to talk fur-ther about it to-morrow.' which were crossed on the back of the bench. 'Why, what's the matter ?' said John, turning back. The girl looked up with a start. 'I beg your pardon,' she faltered. 'I'm just going. I didn't mean to stay so leng.' long.' 'Going? Where?' 'I don't know where,' she said, de-iectedly. 'I'd try for another place, iectedly. 'I'd try for another place, jectedly. 'I'd try for another place, only there doesn't seem much chance of getting one without any recom-mend.'

ther about it to-morrow.' 'I'm sure it is very good of you to take so much trouble,' declared the landlady. 'But whether or no, the girl don't stay here. I'll have no suspected thief in my house.' 'Do you mean to say that they are ending you away from here?' 'Yes.

But, in the name of goodness, why?' 'I don't know. Mrs. Nash says she don't like to have servants about who are suspected of stealing.' The blue eyes filled again as she spoke, and she 'There'll be no thing to suspect her of 'There'll be no thing to suspect her of if I find the wallet,' rejoined John, dryly. 'Don't give the poor thing a bad name till you know that she de-serves it.' Then he left the room, un-mindful of the look of gratitude which have been the blue eyes of h'd her face. 'By George! I never heard of such injustice in my life,' shouted John. 'Now, Lucy, if that's your name, you just sit still where you are Don't stir or move till I come back. I'll see Mrs. id her face.

Nucl. I'll put things right.' To out things right seems easy enough to a trong, hearty man, with justice and argument on his side, but that is because he do's not calculate properly Then, his toilet completed, he ran meant a great deal to John Boyd. The on those queer hitches and crotchets of human nature, especially woman nature,

Lucy Dill was her name. Her mother had married for the second time when Lucy was twelve years old, and three years ago, when the girl was barely lifteen, had died, leaving her to the protection of her stepfather. 'She didn't know what sort of a man FOR THE FAIR SEX. Stockings are now made in all the colors and combinations of color that enter into other fabrics. The gold and silver laces follow closely the patterns of the Mechlin and he was,' said Lucy. 'And he wasn't that kind of man when she was alive

I was too young to notice much, and mother always put herself between him and me when things went w ong. After she died it was dreadful. Elkins -that's his son-came home to live. He never lived there before, and-and

Wanted to marry you?' 'Yes; and his father said I must. But I was afraid of him—of them both. And people began to come to the house -bad people, not good-and I began to

suspect things.' 'What kind of things?' It was not easy to get an answer to this question. In fact, the terrified and inexperienced girl had hardly dared to two mouthfuls; 'she said she hadn't o 'Why, course she said as much as that. You didn't expect her to say that she had got it, did you?' rejoined the landlady, with a fine scorn. 'But she didn't speak up violent and bold, as you'd expect an innocent girl would.' 'But she was innocent all the time.'

But, spite of his assurances, the lurk-But, spite of his assurances, the lurk-ing terror never left Lucy's eyes, though weeks sped safely by and nothing oc-curred to alarm her. Every sudden noise made her start; the sight of a strange figure on the road blanched her roses to paleness. Except for this fear-fulness, she proved an excellent 'help' in all ways, quick, neat-fingered, sweet-tempered. Old Barbara wondered how ever the farm had got on without her, and John in his secret heart wondered also. It never should be without her

also. It never should be without her again—on that he was firmly resolved. 'Lucy,' he said one day, three months after she became his inmate, 'I'm tired of seeing you jump and quiver and scut-tle upstairs whenever the peddler or the ragman comes along. It's bad for you, and it worries me almost to death. Now there's inst one way thet'll maket'll

Now, there's just one way that'll make all sate, and set your mind at ease, and

all sate, and set your mind at ease, and that is, that you just marry me out of hand, and give me the right to protect you. Once my wife, I shouldn't care if your stepfather and all the gang came after you; let them lay a finger on you at their pari', while I'm alive and have the right to interfere. Will you, Lucy? It's the best thing to be done, trust my word for it. I don't mean to pretend that I'm doing it for your sake entirely," added John, with a broad smile, "for I ain't. I want you for my own sake the worst way, but both ways it will be a gain; so, unless you have something against me, say you have something against me, say "Yes," Lucy, and we'll have the parson over to-morrow, and make all safe Will you, Lucy?'

'Oh, how could I have anything against you?' replied Lucy, with the sweetest blush.

Well,' declared John, a moment after, as he raised his head from his first long lover's kiss, 'now I forgive Mrs. Nash!'-Harper's Bazar.

The Germantown Telegraph says that since the law to prevent the spread of contagious diseases among the cattle of New Jersey was passed by the legisla-ture of that State, little has been heard of the pleuro-pneumonia which at one time was quite prevalent there. The report of the State treasurer states that the gross sum paid last year in the proper enforcement of the law was \$23,431.81, of which veterinary surgeons received \$14.624 and other sources of torchon laces, and are neither pretty nor Many marazin collars are still worn, both of white and black lace. Two plaited pieces of "dantelle de Pau" received \$14,624, and other sources of expense the balance. Eighty head of affected cattle were killed, for which \$954 were paid by the State.

Wabash, Indiana, has walked in ad-vance of many larger and older towns by introducing the electric light in its streets. Four electric lamps of 3,000 candle power each went into commission recently. The lamps, suspended mid-way of the iron flagstaff on the courthouse, which towers two hundred feet above the business part of the town, were furnished with electricity by a No. 5 generator driven by a seven-horse power engine. According to contract the machinery was to light one mile in diameter from the court-house, and be equal to a gas-burner 2,680 feet from the light. The council placed n.en at different parts of the city to observe, and they reported satisfactorily. At Arbana, five miles north, the light was said to be beautiful. The Detroit Free Press says the test has given general

Some Italian physicians have been in vestigating the peculiar condition of the miners who worked in the St Gothard westigating the peculiar condition of the miners who worked in the St Gothard tunnel. They have discovered that the labor in remote galleries engendered in the intestincs of the workmen animal-culæ resembling trichinæ "The gene-ral appearance of the St. Gothard miners," says the London Times, " par-ticularly those of them-and they are in the majority-affected by the malady in question, is described as deplora-ble in the extreme. Their faces are yel-low, their features drawn, eyes half closed, lips di colored, the skin is humid and the gait difficult. If they at with appetite they cannot digest, and when wine is taken it is invariably re-ected. Let a man be as strong as he may, three or four months' work in the tunnel ser ously injures his health, and at the end of a year, or a little more, he is a confirmed invalid." The investi-gators have given the worm the name of amemia analylostonia, and the malady

exhibitions An American woman writes to the

hard as,an English farmer's wife

receipt of the leaves.

An American lady in Paris, anxiou

In Dreams. TIMELY TOPICS. She comes to me in dreams, Just as of old; With form of fragile grace, The sweet remembered face; Even her garment's fold Is just the same-In dreams she comes to me, Only in dreams.

> She comes to me in dreams, No change is there, No gathering shade of gloom No hint of coming doom, Is on her lace so tair. In dreams she comes to me Only in dreams.

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She comes to me in dreams, When glittering light Shall drive earth's clouds away And with its welcome ray, Bring the long-looked-for day, Heaven's morning bright-Then will she come to me; Or must it ever be That I her face shall see Only in dreams ?

-A. A. Hallowell, in the Boston Journal.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Jail birds are confined in guilt cages. Boston Transcript.

A cat recently died in Philadelphia in her twenty-fourth year.

Pheasant brown is one of the most fashionable spring colors. A household with a baby is founded

The home stretch-Putting up a ciothes line.-New York News.

The jewel for a frilled shirt-bosom is diamond in the ruff .- Picayune.

Ships are frequently on speaking erms, and they lie to.-B:ston Transcript.

There's the sickle, the bicycle and the

Walking boots are all cut high and made of French kid toxings, with fine satinlaine uppers, constitute the choice walking boot of the season.

takes a sent at the board worth about \$4,000 a year, and is presented with an honorarium of \$50,000. His family is to receive a service of plate, and his portrait is to be painted.

According to the report of the board of trustees of the celebrated Greenwood cemetery, Brooklyn, for 1879, there were 231 lots sold last year, making a grand total of 23,076. There were 5,132 burials, making an aggregate of 199,747. The gross receipts amounted to \$452,207,96. The gross decempts including in The unseemly haste with which some making an aggregate of 199,747. The gross receipts amounted to \$452,207.96. The gross disbursements, including in-ve-tments—which aggregated \$271,000 —amounted to \$446,968.28. The general fund for the improvement and permanent care of the cenetery is now \$565,201.31, an increase during the year of \$13,479.15, During the year 345 lots were enclosed, and 196 monuments and 482 headstones and 196 monuments and 482 headstones were crected. The report says: The interment in Greenwood, in a private President to-night; it would be a little

French thread hose are open-worked in fanciful designs on the instep, as are the fine silk hose intended to be worn with the low cut shoes and fancy slippers. Silk kerchiefs bordered with lace in-serting, a band of silk jardine embroid-ery, another band of lace inserting and a border of lace are the latest fancy for the neck.

Among the many colors in sliks are changeable "gorge de pigeon," with blue heliotrope and blue, fire color and water green and mauve with gray; these silks combine admirably with satin

Fashion Notes.

ecoming.

nake a very pretty collar.

Beaded fichus of nearly the same shape as those old-time crotcheted shoulder afghans worn by ladies in the house and under their wraps, are among the imported Parisian novelties for street costumes.

Straws lined in various colors in shirred silks or satins are fashionable, and the outside may be trimmed with ribbons the same shade of the linings, but richly brocaded in all kinds of flowers in rich hues, while clusters of

blos-oms to match those of the brocade are placed in front or at the side of the crown, or perchance under the upturned brim.

House slippers are cut very low in front, and have a right and left bow; that is, the loops and cut steel orna-ments are diterent for each side of the may be of a third arrangement still. The loops may be of black velveteen or of any shade of ribbon matching either the hose or some portion of the toilet.

News and Notes for Women

Twelve States have now extended the right of suffrage to women so far as to vote for all school officials.

Manchester, England, has a society of female painters to which the other sex is not admitted, even at the yearly

anemia ankylostonia, and the malady arising from its presence is said to be epidemic in Egypt and Brazil. English queen that an American farm-er's wife works ten or twenty times as

Some time ago Miss Hester Parker, of Bangor, Me., pressed a number of very pretty autumn leaves and sent them to the Queen of Spain at Madrid. Re-cently, Miss Parker got an autograph letter from the queen, acknowledging the

A lady passenger on the ship Rotter-dam, which arrived at New York re-cently, was detected by a customs in-spector with forty yards of broadcloth wrapped around her body. She was in charge of two physicians, who werc es-corting her to the hospital, "seriously 111.9

on a rock .- New Haven Register.

ricycle, but the most worthy of these s the sickle.—Rhinebeck Gazette.

When lovely woman hears strange news What form of speech so efficacious

To give expression to her views, As this plain English — "Goodness gra-cious!"

Mr. Allbort, the retiring traffic mana-ger of the English Midland railway, has occupied his place for twenty-six years, at a salary of \$20,000 a year. He now

corn satisfactorily; and after a look or two, and a pat, John returned to the inn, where a jangling bell announced breaktast. It was smoking on the table -a substantial meal of the kind universal in taverns thirty years ago; and John Boyd, whose appetite was of the kind proverbially said to accompany a good conscience, was doing it ample justice, when a sudden instinct led him to thrust his hand into the inner pocket which held the two hundred dollars.

The wallet was gone! In the suddenness of the shock, John felt himself pule, and then dusa painfully, as he confusedly tried to remember if he had taken out the wallet, and when. Under his pillow-that was it Herocollected distinctly, or so it seemed. putting it there, for security's sake, when he went to bed the night before. With a muttered excuse, he left the table and hurried upstairs. The door of his room stood open, and a maid-servant was putting fresh sheets on the ed, the soiled linen lying in a heap on the floor.

Toward this heap John hurried and began turning it over. 'Have you lost something, sir?' asked

the maid

John straightened himself up to an-wer. He had not noticed the maid beswer. fore, though she had waited upon table at supper. Now he observed that she was young and rather pretty-fair, with a trim, slender figure, beautiful glossy hair, neatly dressed and braided, and a pair of sweet, apprehensive blue eyes, He voice was soft, too; and she had a shy, modest manner which suggested an idea of refinement. All these facts Farmer Boyd absorbed in a flash, and instinctively noting, weighing, estimating, by that wonderfully rapid process which the human mind is capable, while yet his thoughts were full of his money and his loss.

I am looking for my wallet, which I left under my pillow. Did you find it!

The girl's face blanched to a deadly whiteness, and her eyes dilated as with "No, sir,' she said, her voice trem-

bling and sinking away as she spoke. 'I didn't see any wallet

John looked at her distrustfully; but there was something in the pale face which disarmed suspicion. 'I'd like to search the bed.' he went

on. 'It may have slipped under the mattress Together they turned the mattress,

but no wallet was visible.

'That off horse of yourn has got his shoe loose somehow,' announced Mr. Nash, the landlord, at the door. 'I thought I'd better tell you, so's you could stor to the block of the source thought I'd better tell you, so's you ure, and never dreamed what lay be could stop to the blacksmith's as you neath his horse's feet. pass, and get him to put in a couple of Why, what's the matter?' nails.

John explained. The landlord looked very grave. He whistled softly to himself for a minute, with his eyes fixed on the tumbled beddig; then he went to the stair head and called his wife. Presently they came in together, the landlady's face very red and troubled.

'Such a thing never happened in house before,' she protested. . But stigma of undeserved suspicion. The heat was yielding to evening freshness, and he urged his horse, imthere's only one person been in your since you came besides yourself, room and she's the person you must reckon with,' pointing to the maid, who, with white checks and downcast eyes, leaned against the wall as if awaiting sertence.

'O., indeed, indeed I didn't take it! ing, and both Nash and his wite hur-I never saw any wallet," she said; but | ried out to meet him, wearing faces of | facts of her story.

But I won't give in without fair dealing, and are unaffected by ar-gument Mrs. Nash proved impervious covery. a fight for it,' he thought, grimly, as he urged on his horse. Miles seemed doubly long when measured by a heavy heart, and what with dust, heat and the continual effort to clear his mental confusion as to where and when he last had seen his wallet, the young farmer was fagged and dispirited enough before noon was fairly come. He stopped to dine at a little tavern

attached to a toll-gate, and with some vague hope that the money might have een picked up on the road by some one, mentioned his loss. The toll-keeper hook his head.

'Bolton's your only chance,' he said. 'Bolton's your only chance,' he said. 'If 'twas on the road you dropped it, there's no likelihood that you'll ever hear of it again. The dust's eight inches deep, I should say, and there's been three big droves of sheep and one of bullocks along since yesterday, so if your wallet was a lying there, they must have trampled it under pretty thoroughly. It is buried deep enough, you may be sure, unless, which is just as itkely to happen, some one has picked it up and made off with it. Your chance

s a slim one, I reckon." Cold comfort this; but John was forced to agree with the opinion. Despondingly he rode through the after-noon, scanning the way as he went; for, despite the toll-keeper, a faint hope still lingered in his heart, though the track, deep in dust, and churned and trampled by the crowding droves, presented a sorry field for either hope or discovery. He had gained the top of a long hill, from which Bolton was dimly visible, when a moving object far ahead caught his eye, and he rose in his stirrups in order to see more clearly. As he did so his horse made a false step, stumpled, and threw him forward in the saddle so that his head grazed the horse's neck. It was in this position that a tiny object, a patch of red not over an inch square, in the dust beneath, caught his quick eye. His heart gave a little then he called himself a fool; but all the same he dismounted to examine. Already a random hoof-stroke buried the red patch from sight, but John recollected the spot, and stooping, dug and scooped till again it became visible. His fingers recognized a solid substance. Trembling with excitement, he continued to dig; another second the object was uncovered, lifted out, and

with a wild, incredulous whoop of joy, John Boyd held in his hand his wallet, buried deep by the hurrying herds, and uncovered for one passing moment that his eye might detect it, and no other. Except for that lucky stumble, he too would have ridden over the lost treas-

'And some folks say there ain't no God!' was his mental comment, spoken half aloud. Then-for John Boyd's renight.

ligion, though a homely, was a true one - he bent his head and said a few words of thanksgiving; after which, jumping on his horse, he took the backward route, eager to tell his good fortune and hadl

stay with a woman like that.' 'But it's so dreadful to have nowhere to go to. And besides—' She stopped exonerate the poor girl, who, as he now remembered with self-reproach, must

have passed a painful day under the eyes

patient to set matters straight; but, with his best endeavor, it was after eleven before he at last drew rein in front of Nash's hotel. He was expected, John 'No.' The tone was very reserved but reserve could hardly fail to melt under so sunshiny a presence as John Boyd's, and before the long day's ride

Victoria's Crown. to John's choicest appeals. Her mind was made up; she ' didn't wat t to bear

ogist, the crown of England's queen is quite a hauble. It was made by Messrs no more on the subject ;' finally, her temper rising, what business was it of his, she demanded, what help she kept, or if she kept any help at all? He'd got his pocketbook back; accounts were Rundell & Bridge in 1838, with jewel taken from old crowns, and furnished by command of her majesty. It consists of diamonds, pearls, rubies, sapphires and emeralds, set in silver and gold; it quared between them; there was turther call, so far as she could see, why he should meddle with her concerns. The upshot of the interview was that has a crimson velvet cap with ermine border, and is lined with white silk. John flew out of the kitchen with his Its gross weight is thirty-nine ounces face as red as fire tackled his horses, threw valise and feed-bag into the five pennyweights, Troy. The lower part of the band above the ermine borwagon, flung the amount of his reckonder consists of a row of 129 pearls, and the upper part of the band of a row of ing on the table, and addressing Lucy 112 pearls, between which in front of the crown is a large sapphire—partly drilled —purchased for the crown by his majesty, King George IV. At the back who, pale and terrified, stood, bundle in hand, prepared for flight, called out: 'Now, then, my good girl, you've lost one place by my fault, and I'm blamed if I don't offer you another. Will you is a sapphire of smeller size, and six jump into my wagon and go home with me? My old woman's been talking this other supphires-three on each sidebetween which are eight emeralds. long piece back of getting a smart girl to help along when she's laid up with the rheumatics; so you're just the one Above and below the seven sapphires are fourteen diamonds, and around the eight emeralds 128 diamonds. Between we want She'll treat you fairly enough, I'll be bound, and you shall the emeralds and the sapphires are six teen trefoil ornaments, containing 160 diamonds. Above the band are eight have whatever you were getting here. And if you behave yourself you'll be well used, not turned out of doors for nothing, I'll engage to that; it isn't the sapphires surmounted by eight dia-monds, between which are eight festoons containing 148 diamonds. In the front of the crown, and in the center of a dia mond Maltese cross, is the famous rub

way up in are parts,' with a vindictive look at the landlady, who stood rigidly planted in the doorway. 'We don't set said to have been given to Edward fII up to be extra Christians, but there's a little housesty and decency left among us, which is more than can be said for all places. Well, what do you say? Yes called the black prince, by Don Pedro, king of Castile, after the battle of Var.a, near Vittorio, A. D., 1367. This ruby was worn in the helmet of Henry or no. There's my hand on it if it's

both men-one L

other from chokin

He held out his broad palm. Lucy hesitated, but for a moment only. 'Yes, I will,'she said. 'I've nowhere

else to go, and you seem kind.' Another moment and they were driving off together down the maple-shaded road, whose yellow and crimson boughs danced overhead against 'October's bright blue weather.' There were peace and calming in the fresh stillness of the early day. Gradually a little color stole into Lucy's pale cheeks, and John's hot mood gave place to wonted good humor

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relation to justice and

and chee". 'You've had no breakfast, I'll bet,' he said, with a smile. 'And no more have I. I was so mad with that woman that couldn't swallow a mouthful, but now I hegin to feel sharp enough. We'll stop at the next tavern. southwick, isn't it? Five miles and a halt. Can you hold out till then?'

'Oh, yes, indeed,' with a grateful look out of the blue eyes. John's tone grew more and more

friendly. 'We'll have something hot and hearty there,' he said. 'You look pale. guess you didn't sleep any too much last

"Oh, I couldn't sleep at all. Mrs. Nash told me that I must go the first thing in the morning, and I felt so

'I shouldn't think you would want to

abruptly, with a look like terror in her

'Have you no friends, then?' asked

that was evident, for lights were burnwas done he had won from her the main As described by her majesty's mineral able pastime of blowing bubbles. dancing followed.

> A Female Hat Block. Her face is her fortune, as many another's has been. The best pictured woman in America, writes the New ork correspondent of the Boston Her ald, not even excepting Maude Brans-combe and Mary Anderson, is a pretty girl at the cashier's desk of a fashionable millinery establishment in the metropo lis. She poses as a hat block before the camera several times every week of her fashions shown in the used by half the milliners in the United States, as well as in the united linery pictures in three of the leading fashion weeklies, are all pro-vided by this concern. They are ob-tained by photographing the hats that are regarded as best illustrating the new stelles. This did as you see has new styles. This girl, as you see, has what may be called a negative face. Her features are small, regular and without any strong characteristics, making a face that is both pretty and commonplace. With such a face, any possible style of hat or bonnet is becoming, and she is recognizable in all the pictures. Her face is her fortuneor, at least, it is good for about \$10 : week.

at the battle of Agincourt, A. D

A Terrible Duel. 1415. It is pierced quite through, after the Eastern custom, the upper part of the A sickening account of a duel in Mopiercing being filled by a small ruby. Around the ruby, in order to form the rocco is given by a correspondent of the Republique Francaise. Two young are seventy-five brilliant dia-s. Three other Maltese crosses, men of noble birth were paying their monds. attentions to the daughter of a neigh forming the two sides and back of the crown, have emerald centers, and conboring chief, and as she showed equal favor to both of them, it was arranged by mutual conseat that they should in respectively 132, 124 and 130 bril liant diamonds. Between the four Mal-tese crosses are four ornaments in the meet in single combat and fight a duel to the death. The conform of the French fleur-de-lis, with four rubies in the centers, and surrounded by ditions of the duel were that they should meet on horseback, each of rose diamonds, containing respectively eighty-five, eighty-six and eighty-seven the combatants being armed with rifle, a revolver and a hunting-knife. They were placed a hundred yards rose diamonds. From the Maltese cross issue four imperial arches composed of oak leaves containing 728 rose, table and brilliant diamonds; thirty-two apart, and upon a signal given by one of the seconds, they set their horses at full gallop and rushed at each other. pearls form acorns, set in cups contain- For a few moments the spectators could ing tiffy-four rose diamonds and one table diamond. The total number of diamonds in the arches and acorns is sive reports of a rifle, and then sive reports of a rifle, and then a third, followed by the neighing of a 108 brilliants, 116 table and 559 rose diamonds. From the upper part of the arches are suspended four large pendant horse. When the dust had cleared away, a shocking sight met the gaze of the specpear shaped pearls with rose diamond caps, containing twenty-four very small tators; one of the combatants, concea'ed behind his dead horse, was taking aim at his adversary, who still remained in the saddle. The latter spurred his horse and m de it rear, the noble beast rose diamonds. Above the arch stand the mound, containing in the lower hemisphere 304 britliants, and in the upper 224 brilliants, the zone and arc being composed of thirty-three rose diareceiving in his chest the bullet meant for his master. The rider, as soon as he was dismounted, rushed forward to grapple with his adversary, but a second shot 'ractured his left monds. The cross on the summit has a rose cut sapphire in the center, sur-rounded by four large brilliants and 108 second shot 'ractured his left shoulder. Nevertheless, he retained smaller brilliants.

sufficient strength to discharge two chambers of his revolver, both shots taking effect. A hand to-hand combat then ensued, the two adversar-ies, neither of whom was able to stand, Tucker, a lunatic, assailed Wood with a butcher knife at Sandusky, Ohio. Wood was unarmed, but he threw the madman on the floor and clutched his stabbing each other repeatedly. When the seconds and spectators at last in-terfered the two were picked up dead throat. Tuckey struck again and again with the long brade, and Wood choked with all his might. The fight lasted half an hour, and ended in the death of both many constants. one with his teeth firmly set in his adversary's cheek, while the latter's hand was thrust into a gaping wound in the stabbing, and the

other's chest.

to inaugurate a novel entertainment, hit upon the idea of a "s.ap-bubble party." lot, of a favorite dog, elicited much com-ment, and was the occasion of many reguests found tables furnished monstrances, addressed to the trustees, requesting them to prohibit such interwith soap and warm water, and clay pipes gayly bedecked with ribbons, and ments in the future. The intensity of feeling exhibited could not but be rethey yied with each other in the agree-The spected, and the board accordingly more serious business of eating and passed a resolution prohibiting hereafter

cemetery.

Tricks of Little Elephants.

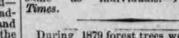
all interments of brute animals in the

The large elephants, after being made to stand on their hind legs and elevate heir trunks, were allowed to go back to their stalls, while the keepers went to a small shed, partitioned off in one corner of the room, and brought out five small elephants, three of the African species, which had almost attained their full growth, and two small Asiatic elephants, colled Venus and Adonis, aged respectfully four and six years. These two are the most amusing of the whole collection and there seems to be no end to the tricks they go through. The moment they came out one of the keepers took up a large dinner bell and called "Don!" Upon this Adonis, the smaller of the two, slowly walked up and, catching the bell by his trunk, began to ring it. The keeper then turned away to give his attention to Venus, when Don began to tire of his work and the ringing became fainter and fainter and presently had almost entirely

stopped, when the keeper slipped up and struck him across the nose with his stick. At this Don gave a howl and began to ring the bell furiously, growing louder and louder every minute, until at length the keeper returned and held out his hand to take the bell. But the little eleghant was angry now and would not give it up, and kept ringing narder than ever, as though determined that since they had wanted him to ring it so much he would give them enough of it, nor did he cease until the keeper walked up and forcibly wrenched it

from him. Then the keeper took Venus down to a place where a double cable was stretched across the stable, about a foot from the ground. She was commanded to get on there and walk across, which she did, moving very slowly and per-torming the feat without a single slip. Next Don was called up and commanded to go through the same performance. This little elephant got upon the rope and began to walk, when the keeper turned his back away. Suddenly, when Don had got about one-third of the dis-tance, he looked around and seeing the keeper not looked alound and seeing the keeper not looking he quickly slipped his hind feet off the rope on to the ground and thus propelled himself quickly to the end and hurriedly disap-peared into his shed. This sly trick

created great merriment among the on-lookers. It was found, however, that this trick had been taught him by the keeper himself, who is preparing Don for a clown's part, whose business is to burlesque things. The keeper had purposely turned his back away, as that is the signal for Don to go through his trick of deception. Mr. Craven, the trainer, says the elephant has more inteilect than any other living animal, and believes they can be taught to appear on the stage, taking parts in a drama the same as individuals.—Philadelphia



During 1879 forest trees were planted on 28,000 acres of land in Minnesota.

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The Common Law.

What is called the "common law," is, in the United States, with some modification, the same as the "com-mon law of England." The phrase means, in fact, ancient custom, as declared by the courts. Suits are con-tinually being brought, in which arises some question of law or equity that has never before arisen. There is no act or statute law that applies to it. The curt then decides the matter accordng to the general principles of justice. The judge, in announcing his decision,

ays down a rule that, under certain circumstances, a certain result follows. This decision, if not reversed, becomes a guide and rule for all inferior courts, and usually for those of equal dignity. The whole body of such decisions forms the common law of England.

When a lawyer is preparing to argue a case, he searches through the volumes of reports to find decisions upon simi-lar cases. Of course, there are rarely two suits where the facts are entirely alike, and consequently the lawyer on one side undertakes to prove that the decisions cited do, and the opposing lawyer that they do not, apply to the case on trial.

The phrase usually employed to show that the common-law principle is ancient is "whereof the memory of man -that is to runneth not to the contrary say, nobody can prove that at any former time the law or custom was differ ent.

The common law governs only when there is no special act. A statute supersedes or reverses common law. Indeed, the statute is usually passed for is repealed that purpose; and when it the common law comes into force again. Our fathers came to this country from England, and naturally brought English laws and customs with them. When they separated from the mother counthey retained the old laws, and try.

built the new ones upon them. New York constitution of 1777 adopted as law within that State the common law of England, and the statutes also as they stood on a certain date, so far as they were applicable to the new State.

As our national customs have de parted further and further from those of Great B itain, the common law of the two countries has be ome different. Yet, even cow, there are no very wide differences, and decisions by English judges are often cited in our courts as establishing the law. Countries which do not supplement

their legislation with what we call com-rion law, are governed by a "code." This is a collection of laws and principles, to which all cases, as they arise, are referred. France is governed by the Code Napoleon, which also forms the basis of legislation in a general way in some other European countries.

Our State of Louisiana, which came to us by purchase, has always been gov-erned for the most part by a code, which was modified from the Code Na-poleon. But the English common law is also in force even in that State.

The result of living under the common law is generally satisfactory, be-cause, as a rule, the judges of both Eng-land and America have been men of wisdom and justice. But they have not

all been of equal intelligence and integ-rity, and their work is, of course, not all perfect.-Chicago Ledger.