

SEVEN TIMES.

There's no dew on the daisies and clover, There's no rain left in heaven; I've said my seven times over and over, Seven times one is seven.

IN A TOMATO HOUSE.

A white shawl was wrapped round her head, making her face look very childlike. An utter listlessness was in every line of her unbecomingly fat figure as she sat on the log stool in the tomato house.

He came in so quietly that she did not notice his entrance; he was used to come and go when he liked, and understood the peculiarities of the stiff old lock.

Thus he saw her and she really was, not as she would be if she knew that the eyes of a spectator were upon her; saw the true nature in all its transparency, freed from the crumpled cumbersome vestments of conventionality.

He had seen her hundreds of times, ever since she was 12 years old; now she was one and twenty.

He had followed every stage in her development, watched every new unfolding of her mental powers, noticed every budding tendency, and predicted their blossoming into action.

from darkness to fierce sunlight, what happens? A short struggle; a quick death. "My darling! This is nonsense!" he cried, taking her in his arms.

A light shone in her eyes, her breath came quick, her color flamed, her love sprang into perfect life—she kissed him.

Where Klondyke Is. Its Name, Story and Some of the Big Finds of Gold. An interesting letter telling of the recent trip of the steamer Excelsior to Alaska has been written by Captain J. F. Higgins, of the steamer, to a friend in San Diego, Cal.

The word Klondyke means Deer river, and is called Reindeer river on the charts. It empties into the Yukon fifty miles above the Big river. The geographical position of the junction is 76 degrees 10 minutes north latitude, 138 degrees 50 minutes west longitude.

Of course, these things read like the story of Aladdin. But fiction is not at all in it with facts at Klondyke. The ground located and prospected can be worked out in a few years.

West Point. The military academy was founded not so much for the purpose of furnishing officers to fill the vacancies in the regular army as to create a kind of reserve of officers which the government would be able to draw upon in case of war.

The cadet at West Point has a great prize in view—a commission. It is a stimulus to a tremendous effort. The instructors at West Point have been so far from this stimulus once removed the standard of education there would be lowered.

Three Horses Dead. They Broke into a Barn and Ate Too Much New Wheat. Three fine horses are lying dead in a field near the home of Edward Clayton, near Chadd's Ford, all having died from the effects of eating too much new wheat, which they got after forcing their way into the barn on the premises.

Usually the victims of squalid poverty in this country are newly arrived immigrants or the descendants of chronic paupers, who were born without the disposition or desire to make their way in the world.

THE AMERICAN GYPSY.

Paul Kester is unquestionably the greatest living authority upon the American gypsy. He has just contributed to the New York Sun some of the conclusions he has reached concerning them. He claims that the race shows no sign of extinction and is as strong and as numerous to-day as it has ever been.

Since the death of Mitilda Stanley II., of Dayton, Ohio, a few years ago, the American gypsies have been generally called after her name.

The consensus of public opinion, says the assassination of Canovas is the beginning of the end of the Cuban war if not of the Spanish dynasty itself. The killing, as distasteful as was the taking off of the Prime Minister's head, is generally considered just retribution for Spain's cruelty, and the wonder is expressed a heavy blow had not been struck before.

Spain's Condition. The steamer Mexico, wrecked at the entrance of Sitka harbor at 4 o'clock on the morning of August 5, had been running at half speed because of the dense fog, until a few moments before a rock was struck.

Won by the Rabbi. Jones was on his last legs. In fact, it was a matter of but a few days for him, so he sent for three ministers, a Presbyterian, a Methodist, and a Jewish rabbi, and told them that if they each put \$100 in his coffin he would leave them \$5,000 in his will.

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"It is difficult indeed to win the gypsy's confidence. He is distrustful of the Gorgio, or Gentile, by whom he has been persecuted, whom in turn he has hated and preyed upon for ages. It took me four long years to break with a single Romany family; but, once broken, the rest was easy.

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Gold in the Alleghenies.

A somewhat startling and sensational article entitled "Gold in the Alleghenies" appeared in a Philadelphia contemporary as special news. The article occupied two-thirds of a column, and stated that a company had been formed some little time ago, with a capitalization of \$1,000,000; it was announced that work had been started on a large scale.

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FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

The following are said to be the six wealthiest women in the world: Senora Isidora Cousin, \$200,000,000; Hedy Green, \$50,000,000; Baroness Buxtehdt Counts, \$30,000,000; Mme. Barrios, \$15,000,000; Miss Mary Garrett, \$10,000,000; Mrs. Woleska, \$10,000,000.

Belts and sashes says Harper's Bazar, play an important part in summer costumes this season. The girle or corset still finds favor, but it is not the same shape nor size as that worn last year, in consequence of the full blouse front that is so marked a feature on this year's gowns, which does not permit of a girle being worn in front, so at the back the belt is high pointed or round as desired, but in front it is narrow and tapers to a point.

Two-inch ribbon is also in style. When it is used the ends are put onto the belt with rosettes or flat loops, which hang straight down. These are now seen on many of the foulard gowns, and are made either of black or white ribbon.

Redness of the hands and wrists during the summer outing may be somewhat obviated by keeping ready an agreeable wash to be used at night. Almond oil and the juice of a lemon is a simple remedy. Apply to the hands and then cover with old kid gloves, slit through the palms.

The very essence of chic summer grace and style is a modish fondler, so much the rage now, made with ruffles to the waist and the waist emphasized by little double pleatings of apple green and black satin. A hat to match, being a coarse black sailor with trimming of green and black chiffon knotted around the rim and with a large black bird at the side.

It is being announced by the fashionable modistes and women tailors that they will not fit gowns for the coming season only over the new shape corsets, while the cloak and mantle makers say that all garments for the fall and winter trade will also be modeled for figures wearing the same style. There is a most pronounced change from the old corset, whose chief end seemed to be to accentuate the length of the waist and to raise the bust.

The fashion of long skirts so long adopted for the very young girls seems to be discarded. Instead the kind of dress falling from a yoke to below the knees, dresses are made with pronounced waists and pleated skirts. This especially applies to those in the lingerie style, trimmed with Valenciennes insertion or narrow hemmed flounces like those of chemisettes. The sleeves are generally made with epaulettes, so as to give them a better effect. These can either be made with ruffles or pleats, or in lace or guipure.

Gathered yokes, either with or without purling, are also much worn for children. The materials chiefly used are foulards, spotted muslins, printed muslin cambric or lawn, plain or embroidered.

For the little boys, full breeches down to the knees are worn fastened by a piece of elastic, or else long trousers very wide at the bottom, which is a novelty. For vests, I have seen, besides navy blouses, those which are tucked into the trousers and open over a striped jersey with a square collar.