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Toward the upper end of the ghats

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every step of the cremation rites. Sit-

ting on stone ramparts above, to the

right and left, are friends and relatives

of the dead ones. The figure to the

right, huddled up in a bright green

wrap, is of the lowest caste of Hindoo

and keeps the mat shed near by, where

the sacred fire for igniting every corpse

is for sale. You hear hoarse, loud cries

of "Ram! Ramana!" and, behold, a

burial procession is coming down the

slope. Four men carry the corpse

slung between two bamboo poles and

cry to the god Ram. He is the personi-

fication of filial love, and thus it is

meet that they should call him to wit-

ness. They swing down to the river

and immerse the corpse. It is wrap-

ped in a white shroud stained with red

blotches. Then they lift the head

slightly out of the water and remove

the shroud from the face, splashing

water five times upon the mouth.

Others in the meantime are building a

wooden pyre, made of fagots sold

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the ramparts and watch the final ceremony. Of the two remaining, one pours oil upon the wood from a small clay dish, while the other goes to the fire house above. He soon returns with a long straw wisp, blazing at one end. He advances to the corpse's head, touches it with the wisp and then circles the pyre five times, touching the head each time until the fifth, when he places the blazing wisp beneath the feet, and the whole pile bursts into flame. When all is consumed the ashes are raked into the river and float away to bliss eternal.-F. J. O. Alsop in Outing.

THE UNDER MARRIAGE.

Wedding Customs and Frolics Tha Prevail In Holland.

In Holland two weeks before a marriage takes place cards are sent out declaring that the banns have been published. This is called an "under marriage." The card also announces when the final marriage is to take place. The wedding itself is a small affair, and the civil marriage is the only one recognized by law. A church wedding is usually looked upon as a concession to either fashion or sentimentality and is called a "consecration of the marriage." The couple enter the church behind the family members, bridesmaids and other attendants. They are shown to seats before the whole assembly, and the clergyman comes in with two witnesses long after the others have been seated. He first makes a prayer, then delivers a sermon on a suitable text, which usually brings the bride to tears. After that the couple are married. Then a hymn is sung and the blessing given. The whole occupies about an hour and a quarter. Before leaving the church a huge Bible is presented to the bridegroom. During the two weeks of waiting between the "under marriage" and the real marriage all the wedding festivities take place. The happy couple are literally surfeited with dinners, balls and theater parties, and all manner of practical jokes are played on the pair. At the dinner toasts innumerable are given, and at each the whole company rises from the table to sound and touch glasses with the bride and groom, who never rise. Among their friends the idea is not to allow the couple a night of sleep, if possible, before the wedding day.

Discouraged. "Mamma," remarked Dottie, "if I get married when I grow up will I have a

hasband like papa?" "I suppose so, dear," said mamma "An' if I don't get married I'll be a old maid, like Cousin Charlotte, won't

"I guess you will, pet. Why?" "Oh, nothin'-only I wish I was a boy!"-Cleveland Leader.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Don't be a misfortune teller If you can't do anything else, try to keep out of the way.

You don't have to be impolite to people because you dislike them. Don't think up mean things in your

mind which you intend to say if you get the chance. Don't tell your wrongs to your friends unless you want to discover that their

enthusiasm is very weak. When an accident happens, there is always some one present to tell how it could have been avoided

A man never knows till he gets out of the rut how many jolts and bruises he would have missed by staying in it. It is figured that one rich man's son who has all the money he can spend will spoil ten poor young men in the course of his life and not half try .-Atchison Globe.

Wrangel and the Artist. Adolf Menzel did not care much for women, and he was apt to treat them with scant courtesy, no matter what their rank. When he was making his picture of the Konigsberg coronation the Empress Augusta came to the conclusion that the women in it had not been sufficiently considered, so she sent Field Marshal Wrangel to tell him so. The artist took the criticism very ill and bluntly told the marshal that he had better mind his military affairs and leave art to artists. After a violent altercation Menzel pointed to the door, and Wrangel, red with rage, retired with the word, "You are a nauseous toad!"

A short time ago some men were engaged in putting up telegraph poles on some land belonging to an old farmer who disliked seeing his wheat trampled down, according to the veraclous Register of Great Bend, Kan The men produced a paper by which they said they had leave to put the poles where they pleased. The old farmer went back and turned a large bull in the field. The savage beast made after the men, and the old farm er, seeing them running from the field, shouted at the top of his voice: "Show him the paper! Show him the paper!

Subtraction.

A teacher in a western public school was giving her class the first lesson in subtraction. "Now, in order to subtract," she explained, "things have to be always of the same denomination. For instance, we couldn't take three apples from four pears or six horses from nine dogs." A hand went up in the back-part of

"Teacher," shouted a small boy, "can't you take four cuarts of milk

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