

Bellefonte, Pa., May 13, 1910.

Last Meeting of William Winter and Richard Mansfield.

The last days of Mansfield were inexpressibly afflicting and sorrowful: His condition underwent very many changes, his suffering at times was great, but slowly he gained a little strength. He had for some time been determined on a journey to England. His passage was engaged for May 4. but he was not able to sail. I saw him on the morning of May 11. 1907. "I told them I would see you. Willy," he said, "even if I were dying." We sat together for some time. He did not speak much, nor could I speak much to him. It seemed best that we should both pretend to believe that he would soon be well, but I knew that I should never see him again. When he did speak it was little more than a murmured word or two. His mind was busy with the past. Several times he mentioned Jefferson and his paintings. "Studies in green they are," he said. Once he spoke aloud to himself, "I have not lived a bad life." Presently I rose to go and clasped his hand and said goodby. At the door I turned to look at him once more. He was sitting huddled in his chair. His figure was much emaciated; his clothes hung loosely about him; his face was pale and very wretched in expression, and I saw in his eyes as he looked at me that he knew our parting was forever. I went back and kissed his forehead and pressed his hand and so came away. We never met again. Since then I have stood beside his grave Life seems to be chiefly made up of farewells like that and memories like these.-"Life and Art of Richard Mansfield," by William Winter.

Its Discovery Was the Result of Workman's Carelessness.

Blotting paper was discovered pureforgot to put in the sizing material. would take place in that mill, as the whole of the paper made was regarded as being quite useless. The proprietor of the mill desired to write a note shortly afterward, and he took a good enough for the purpose. To his over the paper. All of a sudden there flashed over his mind the thought that this paper would do instead of sand for drying ink, and he at once advertised his waste paper as "blotting."

The reason the paper is of use in glass tube is put into water the liquid a degree that the product has wonder

ful absorbent qualities. The original blotting paper was of a pink color, due to the fact that rea rags were used, rags which could not be used for making the ordinary paper, as the color could not be removed. Here was a method for using the apparently useless matter, and so for a long time pink was the predominant color.-London M. A. P.

The consensus of opinion among the learned is to the effect that the arch was invented by the Romans. Some claim that Archimedes of Sicily was the inventor, while there are others who would make it to be of Etrurian origin, but there can be no doubt about the fact that the Romans were the first to apply the principle to architecture. The earliest instance of its use is in the case of the Cloaca Maxima, or Great sewer, of Rome, built about 588 B. C. by the first of the Tarquin line of kings, a work which is regarded by the historians as being one of the most stupendous monuments of antiquity. Built entirely without cement, it is still doing duty after a service of almost twenty-five centuries. -New York American.

The Word "Slave."

An interesting instance in history of the twisted application of the names of a people is afforded by the case of the word "slave." Now, the Slavi. tribes dwelling on the banks of the Dneiper, derived their appellation from meaning noble or illustrious. In the days of the later Roman empire vast numbers of these Slavs were taken over by the Romans in the condition of captive servants, and in thiway the name of the tribes came in time to carry with it the idea of a low state of servitude, the exact antithesis of its original meaning and one that has survived to this time.

Where He Belonged. "Sir," said a little blustering man to a religious opponent-"I say. sir. do you know to what sect I belong?"

"Well, I don't exactly know," was the answer. "but to judge from your make, shape and size I should say you belong to a class called the in-sect."--London Tit-Bits.

A Description. "What kind of man is Withering-

"One of those fellows who depend upon their whiskers to lend them distinction."-Chicago Record-Herald.

The Problem. Howell-What are you trying to figure out? Powell-How long it takes my wife's age to pass a given point .- New York Press.

What makes life dreary is want of muscle into your work as God has givmotive.-George Eliot.

They Never Learn to Tie a Knot Properly, Says a Skipper.

"I don't know why it is," said the captain of the tramp steamer, "but you can't teach any of those Chinese sailors there to tie a real knot. "There isn't much need aboard :

steamer for the rope knowledge that used to be so much the part of a fo'c's'le training, but we do need splices and knots now and again just the

"Those Chinese there, who were signed on as A. B.'s, can do anything needed in the way of splices that would make an old tar green with envy, and they'll fix up deadeyes better than most of the men I've shipped.

"But you can't get one of 'em to tie a right knot. Teach 'em again and again, and they remember the lesson for half an hour. Next time there's a straight everyday knot to be tied the Chinese fo'c's'le hand makes up the same old granny.

"Every child that tries to tie a knot makes a granny. This kind of a knot is made up by passing the ends around each other in the reverse direction, making the ends stand out at right angles. The ends should be wound around each other in the same direction. When they come out of the knot they should lie alongside the line on either side of the knot. Such a knot won't slip. But a Chinaman can't learn it for keeps-not he.

"The Lascar and Malay and Kanaka learn the right knot easily enough. In a storm that's one of the things we have to guard against if we have Chinese sailors."-New York Sun.

Some Things That Are Said to Affect the Sense of Vision.

Many eye defects, of course, are due to the bad babits of their possessors. Tobacco, for instance, is generally held to impair the vision, usually injuring the color sense so that gold and silver become indistinguishable. According to some medical authorities, again, the connection between eye and tooth trouble is more than an old wife's fable. In ly by accident. Some ordinary paper his book dealing with the subject Hanwas being made one day at a mill in cock relates the story of a boy who Berkshire when a careless workman woke up one morning to find himself blind. On examination his teeth were It may be imagined what angry scenes discovered to be crowded together, and a few of them were removed, with the result that by evening he could distinguish between light and darkness. More teeth were removed, and in eleven days his sight was fully restored. piece of waste paper, thinking it was Other cases which tend to show the connection between eye and tooth trouintense annoyance the ink spread all ble have also been noted. Very frequently occupation has much to do with one or other eye defect. Thus nystagmus is sometimes known as the miners' disease.

Nystagmus is an involuntary oscillation of the eyeball to and fro or round drying ink is that really it is a mass in its orbit. In contradistinction to of hairlike tubes which suck up liquid by capillary attraction. If a very fine been noticed in infants, but sometimes been noticed in infants, but sometimes it attacks miners after forty. Miners traction. The art of manufacturing blotting paper has been carried to such a degree that the carried to such glance so often necessitated by their occupation .- Strand Magazine.

What the Light Revealed. A story is told of a simple and devout Methodist minister who was not sufficiently eloquent or businesslike to be approved by the presiding elder. Through the influence of the elder he felt sure he was appointed to a small and widely scattered settlement where there was much hard work, and the results were necessarily meager. One day he was commenting sadly on the narrowness of his opportunities to a friend, who said gravely that he ought to pray for light that he might see the hand of the Lord in his appointment.

"I have, brother," he answered. 'again and again. But so far," he added, with a whimsical smile. "I've had only light enough to see the interfering hand of Elder Brown."-Youth's Companion.

Eyeglasses.

"Did you ever notice," queried an optician, "that nearly every person who wears rimless eyeglasses when polishing the lenses with a handkerchief holds the glasses by the nose piece, thus putting all the strain of the rubbing upon the screws which attach the giass to the metal? Of course this tends to loosen the glass and wear out the thread upon the tiny screw. This in turn causes the lenses to wabble, resulting in great discomfort to the wearer. It's strange how little intelligence intelligent people display in simple matters, but then it brings us business."-New York Globe.

Thrilling. Sir John Benn recently related a story of a boy who was asked what he

would like to be The boy said. "A lighthouse keeper The schoolmaster asked. "Why?" The boy replied. "It would be so nice to sit up at the top of the lighthouse and see all the wrecks going to pieces below."-Dundee Advertiser.

Suffers For Her Beliet. "There are no martyrs these days." "Oh, I wadidn't say that."

"Do you think there are any people today who would suffer tortures for their beliefs?"

"My wife believes that an eighteen inch waist looks better than a twentytwo, and I think she suffers a lot of genuine torture because of that belief."-Houston Post.

The Usual Residue. Hampton-Was anything left after the debts of Millionaire Flammer were paid? Harler-Yes; his relatives were. -Lippincott's.

Have a purpose in life and, having it, throw such strength of mind and en you.-Carlyle.

VERY SUDDEN.

A cowboy entered the private law office of Clements, Parsons & Bowles in St. Louis. He found there Mr. Clements and a young lady. Mr. Clements

"You received my letter?" "Yes. I came in as soon as possi-

"Here is a communication," the law-Hugh Orkenham, earl of Dunkenton, will executed twelve years ago leaves to his younger son, Edward Orkenham, £5,000, provided that by the time he has become thirty years old he shall have married, and"-

"I am thirty today," interrupted the cowboy. -"settled down," the lawyer went on without heeding the interruption. "1 have understood that you were inclined to be wild."

"I was considered so by my family because I detested a life of fashion, which they all led, and I preferred a country life. Therefore I was sent to America to shift for myself."

"The date of your birth." continued Mr. Clements, "has been sent me by your late father's solicitors. I knew when I wrote you-if I could have telegraphed we would have had more time-that the period for fulfilling your part of the bequest would end at 12 noon today. Have you any lady in view for a wife?"

"No. Besides, if I had there is no time left for courting and marriage." "There is half an hour."

"Ten seconds would do as well." Mr. Clements glanced inquiringly at the lady. She nodded affirmatively.

"Miss Esterbrooke," said the lawyer, "this is Edward Orkenham, younger prother to the present Earl of Dunkenton, the earl being unmarried and an invalid. Mr. Orkenham must have a wife within thirty minutes," looking at his watch-"twenty-eight now. Will you marry him?"

"Yes, on condition that we do not live together till I elect to do so." "Lord Orkenham." continued the attorney, "in order to serve you I have brought Miss Esterbrooke here that she might, if you desire it, fulfill the law. It is for you to signify your assent or dissent, but you must be quick about it. You have but twenty-six minutes in which to become a husband." "Surely." said Orkenham. "it is no

ponder for a moment. As a lady would say on receiving such a proposition. "it is very sudden." The lawyer remained unimpressed by the bit of humor. Miss Esterbrooke smiled. "It is rather sudden for me,"

disrespect to Miss Esterbrooke if I

she said. "When did you come to your own de cision?" asked the cowboy lord.

"Since you entered the room." "Indeed: I will not be outdone it gallantry by a woman. I will be your

No sooner were the words spoken than Mr. Clement tapped a desk bell and an office boy appeared.

"Call Mr. Knowles," said the lawyer. Mr. Knowles, who was waiting in another room, entered. He wore a clerical garb. "Call Stevens and Parker," said Mr.

Clements to the office boy. Two clerks appeared. The cowboy and the lady stood up and were mar ried by the clergyman. The witnesse signed a statement that had been pre pared for the occasion that they had witnessed the ceremony, noting the date, hour and minute. The couple were pronounced man and wife nine minutes before noon. The room was cleared of the clergyman and the

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"I have to thank you," said the newly made husband. "for your invaluable kindness in thus providing me with a bride. I commend your taste. And do it. Yet if I believe he does -- that's now," turning to his wife, "may I faith."-Life. claim a bridal kiss?"

"Not by any means. This is a legal marriage which you need for inheritance purposes. I shall be happy to see you at my home with other callers and to consider you in the light of a

suitor. The lady took her departure, her husband seeing her to her carriage which was waiting at the door. "Beg pardon." he said. "Will you

kindly favor me with your address?" "Certainly." She gave it, and he made a note of it. It was two years before he succeeded in winning her for aught beside a

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