

How the Housekeeper Successfully Engineered Love Affair.

By J. T. GREENLEAF. "Did you get any satisfaction about our marriage out of father this morning, Paul?" Brownie Weston asked her lover as they were pacing the broad piazza of the Weston home in the April dusk.



"Your—Your Scales, Mr. Weston."

weigh back the crates on your own scales and tell me about it when you come over in the evening. "That's silly, darling," Paul declared. "If there's an inaccuracy he doesn't know it, and if it should turn out that he does, you and I couldn't catch him. I know there isn't. He's honest."

"What would she try to do if she had?" "She might think I'd ask her to marry me, especially if you two got your heads together to beat an old man," he chuckled. "But I'll never do that twice to the same woman!"

"Not much," cried Weston, "I'm in no danger of going to jail for sharp practices, am I?" "May I say a word or two?" demurely asked Hannah.

NOT HIS TIME FOR REVENGE

Circumstances Seemed Favorable for the Moment, but the Luck Would Not Hold. Aboard the great ship the silence of despair reigned. She had struck on an uncharted reef, and owing to the heavy sea, the boats had either been stove in against the ship's side or swamped in the attempt to lower.

Carnegie Institute.

The Carnegie Institute, Washington, was founded by Mr. Andrew Carnegie January 28, 1902, when he gave the board of trustees the sum of \$10,000,000 in registered bonds, yielding 5 per cent. annual interest.

AS TO EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE

Theory That Has Long Been Held is Gaining Ground Among the Men of Scientific Mind.

The idea that the earth's atmosphere is distributed in layers, with nearly pure hydrogen at the top, has been growing in favor in the last few years, and is now expanded by the assumption that a still lighter gas rests on the hydrogen. This hypothetical gas is called "geocoronium," as it is at least similar to the coronium forming the sun's atmosphere beyond the hydrogen.

SAFE WAY TO CARRY SKUNKS

John Burroughs is Authority for This, if Any One Cares to Try Something Rash Experiment.

"There is a saying among country folk that a skunk can be safely carried by the tail, a saying that some naturalists deny," says Julian Burroughs, in telling of his boyhood days with his father, John Burroughs, in the Craftsman. "Father determined to try the question for himself, his courage being equal to the task."

Moulds of Bronze Age.

The moulds of the latter bronze age were either of clay or bronze. In casting swords and daggers of bronze the moulds must have been of clay and been heated to dull redness at the time when the metal was poured in—a method of casting which is still practiced in Japan—as by no other means could such perfect castings of their thin blades have been obtained.

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