

The Governor's Lady.

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obediently let him put it on. Before she had decided one way or the other, he had her bag and her umbrella and he had her by the arm and in another flash she was being helped into a motor car that had been waiting outside.

Jake cranked the car, and as he climbed up on the seat he chuckled to himself:

"Well, this is the time they've got to hand it to me for being a diplomat."

(THE END.)

NAMES HONORED IN CANADA

Proposed Memorial to Parkman and Champlain Brings Strong Words of Commendation.

A Parkman and Champlain memorial at Ottawa is to be one of the symbols of the Anglo-American peace celebration.

Nothing could be more graceful and appropriate. Though Parkman and Champlain lived 250 years apart, their names are linked imperishably, and are written in letters of gold in the annals of this country.

Champlain made Canadian history; Parkman wrote it; Champlain wrought the deeds; Parkman immortalized them. It is fitting that they should dwell together, in bronze or marble, in the capital of the country which claimed their genius, if not their birth.

The fact that Parkman was an American harmonizes with the spirit of the peace celebration. His memorial, like his work, will testify to the common inheritance of the British, the Canadian and the American peoples. It will appeal also to the French-Canadians, for Parkman dedicated his life to telling the story of the French regime in Canada. And what an enthralling, inspiring story he wrote! On his splendid canvas, vivid with all the colors of romance and adventure, no figure stands out so gloriously as that of Champlain. To the memory of Champlain and Parkman—both heroes, for one fought the wilderness, the other waged a lifelong warfare against bodily infirmity—all Canadians should pay homage.—Quebec Chronicle.

Big Tax on Woman's Estate.
It rarely happens in Great Britain that a woman has the disposal at her death of more than \$5,000,000, but the eighth millionaire estate to be probated during the present financial year is that of a Miss Easton of Felling in Durham and Layton Manor in Yorkshire, who died at the age of ninety-five. Her estate is valued for probate at \$5,398,900. The duties on this will amount to more than \$1,050,000.

The only other cases recorded in recent years of women who disposed at their death of estates over \$5,000,000 in value are Mrs. Rylands, widow of a Manchester warehouse owner, who left \$17,243,460; Mrs. Lewis-Hill, wife of Captain Lewis-Hill and widow of Sam Lewis, the famous West end money lender, who left \$5,759,865; Baroness von Hirsch, who left \$30,000,000; Mrs. Alexandra Ralli, who left \$5,059,710, and Miss Ellen Morrison, who left \$11,739,645.

An Accident.
"I don't see what claim you have for this accident insurance," said the agent. "You were thrown out of a wagon, I admit, but, on your own statement, you were not hurt."

"Well, wasn't it by the merest accident I escaped injury?" suggested the claimant.—Puck.

Our Castles.
Our castles in the air generally include an heiress.—Ashley Sterne.

MARBLES IN ANNUAL DEMAND

Each Spring, It is Estimated, More Than 200,000,000 Are Used in the United States.

It has been estimated by statisticians that more than 200,000,000 small clay marbles are used by the boys of the United States every springtime. It is a known fact that 125,000,000 marbles are made every year by one clay marble manufacturer whose plant is in Summit county, Ohio. And these marbles are made or rolled by young girls, the Cleveland Plain Dealer states.

The marble manufacturer does not devote all his attention to the manufacturing of the "game marble." There are various uses to which the marble is put, and as a matter of fact, the size varies according to its intended use. The Standard Oil company is one of the largest buyers of marbles, and these are used for oil cans and larger sizes are started in graded pipelines to clean out the paraffin which gathers on the side of the pipe as it flows to the tanks.

Clay marbles are used also by the manufacturer of rubber, ink and salt, chemical and powdermakers. They are used also in grinding the large stones of the lithographer and by railway supply people. Puzzle box makers are also large buyers of marbles.

The sizes of the clay marbles as made in the United States vary from nine-sixteenths of an inch in diameter, which is the small "pill" the boys play with, to one measuring six inches in diameter, or about the size of a cannon ball.

STRANGE FASHION FREAKS

Women's Styles Follow Stage Fads or National Costumes—Garter Helped One Young Lady.

In nine cases out of ten fashions are born, not made, and they can often be traced to the influence of passing events. It would seem that the short, full skirts which are now in vogue originated with the Russian ballet which has been so popular of late, in the same way as the tight skirts followed the craze for oriental plays and dances. Following up the Russian influence, the Paris fashion experts introduced the Cossack coat and high Cossack boots.

Dress experts keep changing the fashions, as it were, in self-defense. At one time elaborately-worked and hand-embroidered blouses were the vogue. Then machines were so perfected that machine-embroidered blouses outrivalled the hand work, and fashion experts retaliated by designing blouses as plain as they could be made.

The fashion for uncurled feathers was the result of a wet day. Curled ostrich feathers were on every hat, when, at some fashionable function, the rain descended in torrents and every feather was soon absolutely straight. Milliners, always alert for an idea, were struck with the appearance of these feathers, and uncurled ostrich plumes became the demand.

The fashion for wearing ribbons intermingled with curls piled on the top of the head originated in the reign of Louis XIV of France. A certain Mlle. Fontange was out hunting with the king and court, when a branch of a tree caught her hair and pulled it down. With quick resourcefulness, she loaned down, pulled off her ribbon garter, and twisted up her hair with it. The king, noticing the pretty effect, complimented her on her charming coiffure, and from that moment the "fontange" as it was termed, became the rage.

It cannot be denied that most of the more extreme fashions originate with the stage, but the most lasting fashions are due to royalty. The vogue for black and white, which has not yet died out, was the result of the death of King Edward.

GOVERNMENT SELLS COAL

Two Big Fuel Stations in Panama Zone Have Thriving Business With Passing Steamers.

At the rate of 12,000 tons a trip two big colliers are now carrying coal to the government coal plant at Cristobal, Canal Zone. The colliers are the Achilles and the Ulysses. They are 500 feet long and 80 feet beam, the largest coal carriers so far constructed here.

The colliers start from Norfolk with their cargoes. They are fast twin screw vessels and make the passage to Cristobal in about five days. Each is expected to make twenty trips a year and accordingly they will carry 240,000 tons each to the government cooling stations.

The Achilles and Ulysses were built by the Maryland Steel company at Sparrows Point, Md., at a cost of about \$1,000,000 each. They are commanded by former captains of Panama liners.

There are two government coal plants at Panama, one at Cristobal and the other at Balboa. The larger, at Cristobal, is capable of holding 750,000 tons, not including a reserve store of 150,000 tons for the use of the navy. Government agents say that they will always be able to sell fuel to merchant ships at a cheaper rate than private concerns.

Duck Flew Away From War Zone.

During the first week of December a hunter, several miles east of Henryetta, Okla., shot and killed a Harlequin duck, a rare species in this part of the Southwest. Attracted by the bird's beauty of plumage and markings, the hunter carefully scrutinized his trophy, on one leg of which he found a metal band marked "24 Berlin Zoo." The duck was mounted by a Guthrie taxidermist, and is now the property of Mr. Walter Wilson of the First National bank of Henryetta. This duck is regarded as of interest to ornithologists. Crossing the northern Atlantic in its flight from Germany, the duck reached the shores of America, and then proceeded far inland on its southward flight. Naturally, the noise and disturbance of war in Europe is attributed as a possible reason for the duck's long journey to a new land. It is hardly thought that the voyager came across Asia by way of Bering sea.

How Smoking Injures Health.

Laboratory work at the Paris Medical college indicates that tobacco smoking does injure the heart, but not, as generally supposed, on account of the nicotine present. Tobacco with various proportions of nicotine was used in the tests, and the effect on the heart was the same. Oak leaves were found to produce very much the same result as tobacco, and the conclusion reached was that the harmful effects are due to products of combustion contained in smoke of widely different origin.

Splinter From Heart.

Early in the present war a silver of steel from an exploding grenade penetrated the heart of a French soldier where it remained for four and a half months. Recently surgeons succeeded in removing it in a delicate operation and the man is regarded as cured, for the heart acts normally.

DREAD VOLCANIC SEA WAVES

Most Skillful Sailors Fear Disaster From Which Human Skill Cannot Save Vessel.

Occasionally there appears a great wave sweeping across the calm surface of the ocean in the fairest weather and when no wind is blowing. There are few perils of the sea to be more dreaded than such a wave. Fortunately these are very rare, yet more than once a ship has encountered one. A vessel of a British line not long ago was met by a wave of this kind, which rolled upon her like a wall of water, and, breaking against her sides, swept the deck with irresistible force, killing one sailor and seriously injuring others.

The cause of these singular waves is believed to be some disturbance of a volcanic nature at the bottom of the sea. Volcanoes exist in the ocean as well as on land; in fact, nearly all the volcanoes known are on or near the seacoast. It is easy to see that an upheaval at the seabottom may start a billow at the surface of the water, when we remember that it has been reported that huge waves have been sent clear across the Pacific to our coast by volcanic shakings of the earth on the borders of Asia.

The world under water is not only three times as extensive as that which is covered only with air, but it possesses many of the same great natural phenomena on a scale that is perhaps proportionately vast, but of whose existence we are made aware only by such indications as the volcanic ocean waves that ships occasionally encounter.

NOT TO BE BOTHERED AGAIN

Why Simon Mish Had the Chief Cause of His Trouble Taken Out of the House.

Simon Mish (an extremely busy man) was enjoying his first bath of the year. He splashed luxuriously, enjoying the unexcited sensation.

Suddenly the telephone bell rang. Simon Mish was alone in the house. The telephone bell continued to ring.

"Bother!" swore Simon Mish, and got out of the tub and went and answered it.

"Hello," said a strange voice. "Does Selig Wiffshank live here?"

Simon Mish slammed down the receiver and went back to his bath. (He was alone in the house.) Five minutes later the bell rang again. Again Simon Mish left his bath to answer.

"Hello," said a second strange voice. "Is this the Mickentootle residence?" Simon Mish positively hurled down the receiver and went back to his tub. A minute later (he was alone in the house) it rang again.

For the third time Simon Mish deserted the tub and answered the telephone, and a third strange voice said: "Hello, may I speak to Rhudorf Wish-washer?"

That evening Simon Mish had the thing taken out of the house.

No, gentle reader, not the telephone; the bathtub.—Buffalo News.

Straight Lines.

"Your work is imperfect," said the master, bending over a student and his work. "That line is not straight, and it ought to be perfectly true."

"I can straighten it," was the careless answer, and the student put out his hand toward the eraser, and put his pencil behind his ear.

"Do you not know that a straight line does not need to be straightened?" said the master gravely.

"Perhaps you can straighten that crooked mark, but it will take time and skill, and how much better in any case to make a line in the first place that needs no correction. It is very hard to rub out a crooked mark, to make a place for a straight one."

How true this is in regard to a line of conduct. How wise and fine and every way better it is to do well in the first place, to do what cannot be questioned, and needs no "straightening out."

Poet's Strenuous Life.

A letter from Shelley, the poet, to a friend, which was recently sold at auction at \$1,485 in New York, gives a picture of Byron's strenuous life: "Lord Byron gets up at 2 p. m. I get up at twelve. After breakfast we sit talking till six. From six to eight we gallop through the pine forests. We then come home and dine and sit up gossiping till six in the morning. I don't suppose this will kill me in a week or a fortnight, but I shall not try it any longer."



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