....................... THE WINNING WIDOW (© by P 5. Walsh.)

T WAS a most unpleasant day without and within. Without rain was falling heavily. The roof leaked like a sieve; Fanny had d to go twice into the attic with a sin to catch the drip. A noisy wind etted the ancient elms and cast down ad twigs with uncanny thumps. The 10 Graham girls were not on good rms. Julia had burned her right ind and so had been obliged to stay me from her work. That had made r employer cross. Fanny had a ld. With a handkerchief held to er nose she was checking up the onthly expenses of the house. As okkeeper for Johnson & Co. she was lick at figures. To her disgust she und that they had exceeded their

idget. The telephone bell brought them oth to their feet: "I think it's for e." Fanny said. She sometimes refived telephone calls from Joe Caron, who also worked for Johnson & But now as she heard the first ords a look of dismay crossed her ice. With a faintly uttered "Thank ou" she hung up the receiver and ollapsed into a chair. "It's a teleram from Cousin Cora Piper," she aid. "She's coming here today. That leans on the 5:20 express."

There was a silence while Julia diested this disagreeable bit of infornation. "What's she coming for?" he asked.

Fanny made a despairing gesture vith the damp handkerchief. "Don't sk me."

"This house is a sight," said Julia. And only enough cake for our super. Do you remember that other ime she visited us, Fanny? She wore vidow's weeds. There was something vrong with her hands and she wore vool mittens all the time except when he was at the table. Think what she aust be like now !"

"Oh, have a heart !" wailed Fanny n anguish.

For the rest of the day the two sis ers were busy, despite Julia's bandiged hand and Fanny's unhappy nose. "We'll have to stuff the pinochle

back and this stock of naughty magaines out of sight," said Fanny. suppose she'll hate our dear little ralio. And we won't be able to have coffee a single morning while she's here. She loathes coffee."

"Wonder how long she'll stay?" isked Julia, hustling one-handedly as for dear life. "But we can judge from hrings. the amount of luggage s "Last time she brought three bags and a trunk," returned Fanny unfeelingly. By five o'clock everything was h. readiness for the guest. Even though they dreaded Cousin Cora like the plague, they were both determined to behave hospitably and kindly. After all, she was poor, dear father's cousin and he had always been fond of her as long as he lived. After having sent Mr. Pierson, a neighboring cabman, to the train to meet Cousin Cora, Julia dashed over to Dr. Mott's for some soothing unguent for her smarting hand and an envelope of cold tablets for Fanny. Half an hour passed. No guest. Mr. Pierson telephoned that he "didn't see anything of the old lady." She had evidently missed the train. There was not another until near midnight. The sisters were just sitting down to a comforting cup of tea when a blue coupe whirled into their drive under the rocking elms. Out leaped a figure in a scarlet slicker. The door opened. "Here I am !" cried a gay voice.

Joe Carson that he'll miss the best chicken dinner he ever sat down to If he is not here promptly at 6:30." The girls were astonished at the readiness with which both young men accepted their timid invitations. When they got home at six they found Cousin Cora flying about in a blue-beaded crepe which had come out of the overnight bag miraculously. The kitchen was full of delightful smells. The

table glowed with roses. Fanny changed her dress hastily. Temptation seized her and she dipped into Mme. Luise's box. She noticed that Julia had done the same. The party was a great success, although while playing pinochle afterward Cousin Cora flirted with Joe Carson in a way that turned Fanny hot and cold.

During the rest of the week there was excitement in the old gray house under the elms. Joe Carson suddenly became devoted to the whole family. He sent flowers, candy. He took the three women to dinner and the "movies." Then Julia dropped out. She had to have more time for Judson Hart. "Mark my word, Joe's lost his head over Cora," Julia said. "I think it's awful the way she carries on with him." Fanny, too, thought it was awful. She was jealous. And jealousy aided by Mme. Luise's magic box was becoming to her.

Sunday afternoon she declined to go driving in Cora's blue coupe. So Cora and Joe went off alone. Julia had gone driving with Judson and another couple. Left alone, Fanny's rage got the better of her. When Cora returned breezily she pitched into her. "You're a meddling, underhanded old thing !" she sobbed. "You've spoiled my life."

"Oh, shucks !" said Cora. "Here I've been doing my best to make a match for you. And I've got it in the

neck. That's always the way." Fanny gasped. "Do you vow upop your word and honor-" she began. "You make me tired," sneered Cora. 'Don't you know that you'd never have aroused the least interest in him if I hadn't played you up for all you're worth? That's what I've been doing. Let me tell you, Fanny, I am the widow of a real man; I shall never be anything else I could have married your father, but I loved his cousin William. We had eleven wonderful years. We had a son like William. He died. 1 thought my heart was broken. But I didn't know what grief was till I lost my husband. He went out to his work whistling one morning just like this morning was. They brought him back"-Cora pushed her silvery hair back from her face. "I existed a year afterward. Then I saw I wasn't going to die in a hurry. I didn't have anything to live on. I shed a tear in my life. I've had fool

Horse Racing Popular

With Ancient Peoples The earliest recorded organized trials of speed with horses were the chariot races at the Greek national festivals, of which the most notable were the Olympic games held every fourth year. Greek sculpture frequently represents the horse as used for riding, apparently without a saddle in most cases; but not as so employed for sport, except as an incident to the chariot racing. On the other hand, the horses in the Roman contests were to a very great extent ridden. All the formalities of entering and of differentiation of classes and of starting were minutely laid down and followed, even to the color of the riders' uniform. In the earlier times these Roman races were held on the open plain. There has always been a tradition in England that on Salisbury plain, just outside Stonehenge. the remains of a Roman race course exist; and the oldest race which still takes place in England is run over a flat meadow just outside the walls of the Roman city of Chester,-Washington Star.

East Indian Idol Held

in Supreme Veneration The name Juggernaut itself is an Anglicized corruption of the Hindu Jagannath, the name of Vishnu or Krishna in one of his manifestations. It means literally "lord of the world." It is the name of an idol in the cemple at Puri, India. The temple itself is a magnificent one, built in 1198, at a cost of \$2,500,000, while the idol consists of an irregular block of stone, pyramidal in shape, having two large diamonds for eyes.

On its festal days the idol is conveyed to another shrine on a magnificent car, 45 feet high and 35 feet square, having 16 wheels, each 7 feet in diameter. The number of pilgrims who visit the temple was formerly estimated at 1,200,000 a year. At the present day 100,000 or more may assemble there on the great festivals.

Hohenzollern Family

The Hohenzollerns trace their descent from Count Thassilo, who lived about the beginning of the Ninth century, and built a castle on Zollern hill in the Swabian alps near Hechingen. From this height his descendants derived their patronymic. A separation took place about 1165 when Frederick IV founded the elder or Swabian, and Conrad III, the younger or Franconian line. The first was subdivided into the branches of Hechingen and Sigmaringen in 1576. From the Emperor Sigismund Frederick VI, of the younger was forced to go to work. It saved tine, received the investiture of the my reason. Most folks think I never electorate of Brandenburg, in 1415, and founded the dynasty of kings of Prussia and German emperors that reigned till November, 1918. The branches of the elder line continued when you got mad at me and stayed unbroken till 1849. Then the reigning princes surrendered their respective rights and principalities to the king of Prussia for annual pensions .- Literary Digest.

FARM NOTES.

-A good draft horse is a ready and willing worker and is neither irritable nor nervous.

-Pullets and cockerels should be kept in separate flocks if they are to develop as they should.

-Fewer mistakes in culling hens will be made when the flock has been properly fed and the hens given a chance to lay as many eggs as they are capable of producing

-Brace or bolt the main limbs of badly crotched trees before the load of fruit spreads the limbs apprecia-bly. Particular attention should be given to Northern Spy and Northwest Greening.

-The farmer who raises a few colts now will have a good source of extra income within the next few years. With a shortage of horses in prospect, colts foaled this year will sell for good prices in a couple of years.

Electricity on the farm for lighting alone is an expensive luxury; if used for labor-saving devices it becomes a desirable convenience.

When raspberries and blackberries have been harvested, cut out and burn the old fruiting canes. This will help hold disease and insect injury in check.

-Good pasture for growing pigs, brood sows, and all classes of swine is so valuable that it often makes the difference between profit and loss in the hog business.

-It has been demonstrated many times by experiment stations as well as by thousands of producers that hogs do better and make larger gains from a given amount of feed when they have constant access to water. Normally a hog drinks only small quantities at a time, but it likes to drink often. It will drink several times during one feeding period when it can run to a self-feeder at will. When the feed is thrown on the ground or on a feeding floor where the individual hog must eat in competition with a large group, it is not likely to stop for water so long as there is grain to eat. But when it can run to a self-feeder it soon learns that there will be plenty of feed left when it returns. Then it begins to eat more deliberately and to drink several times before it has satisfied its hunger.

-All chickens intended for the early market should receive as much food as they will consume four times daily

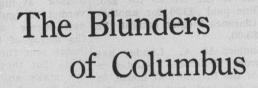
daily. Under good management it is pos-sible to add half a pound weekly to the weight of birds which have been specially bred for the table. Of course, in every flock there will always be a few birds with a tend-

ency to put on very little flesh-in fact, there is often some difficulty in maintaining their weight. Such birds should be marketed



TIGH wages depend on large output. Loafing on the job ends in unemployment. The man who does only one half of what he is capable of doing is a poor economist. He thinks he is cheating his employer but he is also cheating himself. He never gets ahead. Wages in the United States are higher than anywhere else. Why? Because the output is greater.

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It was Cousin Cora. For an instant the two girls were too stunned to do more than stare at her.

Cousin Cora was a different being from the one they reluctantly recalled. Her silvery hair was bobbed and waved, her smart frock was high above her graceful silk-clad ankles. She used powder, a touch of rouge and eyebrow pencil. She was lively and lovely. And as she sipped her second cup of coffee-she had asked for coffee-she told the girls how she had come near being overhauled by a traffic cop in her haste to reach her destination.

"I got a week's leave of absence," she said. "I'm assistant to Mme. Luise. Her name is really Mary Stebbins, but she runs a beauty shop and has to have everything in keeping." She opened a dainty overnight bag, rummaged amid the bits of silken wearing apparel it contained, found two boxes and gave one to each girl. The boxes contained a deliciously perfumed and exquisite set of toiletries. such as the girls had never used in their lives.

Next day Cousin Cora insisted that as her hostesses were able to go to work they should do so. Never mind about lunch, she'd see to that.

"Don't you girls know any young tolks?" she asked at noon. "Aren't there any nice chaps hanging round you?"

Fanny flushed. "There's Joe Carson-" she faltered.

"And Judson Hart," murmured Julia.

"All rightie. Invite them to dinner conight. I'll have everything ready when you get home. You know, girls, i can't sit down here and vegetate. I'm used to a lot going on. I've got to have something to amuse me. As I remember it this burg is dead as a door-nail at this particular season. Run to the phone, Fanny, and tell your

women say, 'You don't know what trouble is !' well, that's that. You did the best thing for yourself you could home this afternoon. Joe's coming to see you tonight. He's ready to go down on his knees to you. He's a nice boy and he'll make a good provider. Now I'm going up to sleep till supper-time."

When at eight that evening Joe Carson rang the door bell he was met by a radiant sweetheart-radiant because she was happy and because she was wearing every aid to beauty that Mme. Luise's magic box contained.

Expert Set to Decipher Writing of Bonaparte

Just how good-or how bad-the story (a love story called "Clisson and Eugenie," written by Napoleon Bonaparte when he was 16) may be will never be known, for Napoleon's writing, always difficult to read, is here at its worst.

As a novelist he is at a disadvan tage resembling that of the learned Doctor Parr, of whom it was said that "none would ever know the extent of his erudition, as no one could read his writing, and when he talked no one could understand him because of his harelip."

Napoleon is supposed to have been a man of extraordinary coldness-with an occasional outbreak of temperprobably histrionic. I have a letter written by Maret, the emperor's minister of foreign affairs, in which he says: "The only calm person in this crisis is the great man." Physicians noted that the emperor's pulse was abnormally slow.

Conceding the calmness, the hand writing of Napoleon is an argument against the revelation of character by autography. He wrote an exceptionally bold hand, generally indicating frantic haste and feverish excitement.

A page of his manuscript makes the famous scrawl of Horace Greeley look like copperplate by comparison. It is told of Greeley that an irreverent compositor once let a fly half-drowned in ink crawl over a paper and then went to the great editor to protest that he could not "make out this word." Mr. Greeley glanced at the fly-tracks and promptly said the word was "unconstitutional."

Napoleon's writing is like that. For tunately there lives in Paris a gifted creature employed as an expert by Charavay, the leading authority on French autographs. This solver of cryptograms has deciphered most of the manuscript of Napoleon's love story, though some paragraphs baffled him

Nevertheless, he is entitled to rank with Oedipus and Champollion, and should have a statue in the Invalides beside the tomb of Napoleon, inscribed "The Man Who Can Read His Writing."-A. Vibert Douglas in Atlantic Monthly.

Term's Meaning Changed

Originally the term "Salic law" was only to a codification of the laws of certain Germanic tribes, including the Salian or Merovingian Franks. These laws were codified in Latin in the early Middle ages. They related chiefly to property and penalties for various injuries.

The term is often applied exclusively to a section which relates to inheritances, and provides that only males inherit property. Since the Fourteenth century a further restriction in application has attached it chiefly to those laws, in whatever country found, which forbid female inheritance of the throne.

The Rose in History

Roses and romance have been kin through the centuries. They have been flung to knights in armor, have been worn beneath the coat of mail as heroes entered battle, have been strewn at the feet of returning con querors, have lain in quiet peace on the biers of the dead, have softened the contours of tombs and buriai mounds, have marked the confident pathways of brides, have been thrown at the feet of idols. Wherever man has sought to express what words cannot say, the rose has played its

Make Sure of Their Men

part.

There is no flirting among the native married men of Tasmania. Capt. Kilroy Harris, an Australian visiting in this country, says that as a part of the Tasmanian wedding ceremony the bride's father knocks out one of the bridegroom's front teeth as a sign to the world that he is married. Not satisfied with that the wedding guests cut gashes in the poor devil's back and fill these with mud to make sure the scars will be visible for life. And he can't wear a shirt for that would arouse suspicion .- Capper's Weekly.

Few Places Without Bibles

Bibles have been distributed almost the whole world over, by a small army of nearly a thousand colporteurs, who have followed the track of Don Quixote de la Mancha, and climbed the mountain passes of Georgia; entered the prisons in Formosa, and traversed the forests of Nicaragua, and sold gospels in the sulphur mines of Sicily, on Japanese railway cars, among the lumber camps of the St. Lawrence and in the market places of Qmdurman.

without delay. If kept for special fat-tening they frequently drift into an unmarketable condition.

-Rape is one of the valuable crops for pork production. Although it is not a legume, rape compares favor-ably in composition with alfalfa and clover and is praticularly valuable as a forage to help out these two crops during July and August when they are likely to make short growth. Rape ranks close to alfalfa in the number of hogs it will pasture per acre. With a favorable season it will support from ten to twenty shoats.

-Speaking of the thousands of forest trees planted last spring, for-estry specialists of the Pennsylvania State College call attention to the absolute necessity of ordering trees early for planting next spring. Your county agent can help you decide what type of trees are suitable for your conditions. He can also get you an application blank for trees to be ordered from the State Depart-ment of Forests and Waters.

-Despite the dry weather there will be many vegetables to store for winter use. There are different requirements for storage which should be observed if the vegetables are to keep well. Get a copy of Circular 120. The Family Vegetables Garden, from your county agent or from the Agricultural Publications Office, State College, Pa., for information on storage and other garden operations.

-Dairy specialists at State College say that apple pomace, a by-product of cider mills, can be fed to dairy cows if used before it ferments becomes rancid. It resembles and corn silage in feeding value.

-Mice girdle enough fruit trees in the United States to cause an annual loss of about \$6,000,000. Why not put some poisoned grain in your orchard to destroy these pests and prevent your share of this loss? This is a good time to put out the bait.

-Cutting corn low helps to control the European corn borer. Ensiling and shredding are operations employed to destroy the insect. Cleaning up all trash is a necessary prac-tice and it should be burned, buried, or plowed under cleanly in the field. Insects permitted to live will multi-ply by the hundreds next year.

-Don't get the idea that because it is cold that your hens do not need anything but corn. Corn is all right and has its place in the menu, but if you want eggs, and also to get your hens in good condition for hatching they must have something Give them a good corn. besides egg mash and it will be better if it is fed moist and warm, once a day. Better still if it is fermented for 24 hours with yeast. Do not feed all they want. Make them clean it up.

-Read the Watchman and get all the news.

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