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What for? To dip my finger in? Ridic

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Mrs. Bland fanned herself quite composedly

I went to the coach, not understanding

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not recognize. I then felt some little curios

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of the lost places on Long Island, Visitors at the Beach House were, though between us? I did not care even to have a codish people, not congenial. I was in- passing flirtation with her. How the deuce Merent, however, to society. Boatmen and had my fish ca'led for so marked an exshermen were my boon companions. I had pression on Mrs. Bland's part? been a week at Rippling Beach when I beame acquainted with Mrs. Bland. This a v was a late arrival. How I came to talk dab or so, I said, in the most commonplace Mrs. Bland I can hardly tell. I rather bink that, hearing the lady express a dend in this way some common-place converway the woman had, a fairly well-bred manner, a disinclination to include in tittle-tat- New York? le with the rest of the boarders, made her selety rather agreeable than otherwise. Mrs. Bland was diminutive, had a graceful figure, and dressed in quiet taste. Though Mrs. Agnes Bland was fully 30, she impressed me with a certain childishness of exression, in which vague description I trust she went to her room. am not paraphrasing Mr. Bret Hatte. The y of glance. No one would ever have been out-of the way place as this? Bland out of countenance. It would have egraph station on the road is 14 miles from been, apparently, too easy a thing to do, here, but you can get messages sent by the Without having evasive eyes, they seemed | coach—tho' Mrs. Bland's messages comes on subdued and the least bit furtive. An im- horseback, with a man a-kitting.

she wore in one big braid, added most es- Bland's messages came, though now I reentially to her charms. For any trait of member that on her hotel bill there were fixity of purpose in Mrs. Bland's regularly quite a number of charges for telegraphic oval face, the only indication of it was a messages. In a moment more Mrs. Bland slight wrinkling of the forehead between the was down stairs, holding in her hand quite eyes. Such furrows had, however, no per- a number of large hooks. It was not my manence. You might see such little win- fault, but the lady had taken up with the rows on a child's face when some passing package a small fly hook, which, as she matter for a brief moment had engaged its opened the parcel, punctured a rosy finger Bland was fairly amusing. Educated she sorry, I said, may I not tie this handkerwas not, but, having a good smount of intui- chief around it? tive perception, her remarks were clear and What, with the hook in my finger? defined. It was the day after I had given it out. Please, no fuss. Here Mrs. Bland's her the paper, when I said to Mrs. Bland. face looked rigid, and the wrinkles between Has your budget failed to reach you? It is her eyes made a series of archives. one of the annoyances of an out of the But, but, I exclaimed, really disturbed. I

way place. Mails are dilatory, or cone can't pull it out. Can you bear the merest in batches. What do you know about my mai ? a-ked | Carl ! Nortense; of course I can, and

her forehead. Why, Mrs. Bland, I replied, if you do not | probe, and fortunately extricating the barb, receive many letters, at least you have a draw out the hook, which I deliberately put famous collection of newspapers coming to in my pocket-book. Would Mrs. Bland faint now? I a-ked myself.

The only groceryman in the little town, who sells me fish-hooks, is the post-master, ulous! I will put it in my mouth. Please I go there early in the morning, before the do not destroy your pocket-handkerchief. mail is sent to the hotel. The grocer gen- You will excuse my sucking my thumb like erally runs the whole mail, before me, into a baby while I talk. There, it is all over a bushel basket prior to handing me my now, young gentleman. I never scream at a occasional correspondence. I see Mrs. Agnes mouse, go into hysterics over a catapillar, Bland, on ever so many journals. Have I and do not blink at lightning.

the honor of addressing a lady correspond-Here, take this telegraphic message which ent-a literary woman? Nonsense! What an idea! My husband you have dropped, and I handed the mes erds the papers to me. It is a delicate at sage to her. ention on his part. In reading them time I heard the waiter tell you I received ten asses away during his absence. Then there messages a day. Now, can you put that together with my dozen newspapers? a Mr. Bland, I said to myself.

I expect Mr. Bland will be here in a few lays. I hope you will like him. He is a my business, Mrs. Bland. I am not curious great fisherman. Now, I notice you carry a Well, I am-very much so-and my busifishing-pole to the water-side every morning and bring back nothing. My husband has just then rang a bell, which meant that the stage coach with the passengers from the railroad was coming. This coach stopped at the house first, then continued on its jour-

sent his fishing tackle down, so if you want hooks or lines I can spare you some. You come here every season, do you not? No, this is the first time in my life. Good morning, Mrs. Bland, and thanks for

Good morning, sir; but excuse me a mo nent. Would you kindly look at this bill f mine the office clerk has sent me? I am in idiot about accounts. Here are some items which I have no doubt are correct, with express charges on some trunks paid and went to her room, or by the office, and the string of figures ouzzles me. Then the handwriting is so bad. Would you, powjust make the addition for me? Oh! I ain't afraid of your looking at the bill. There are no sherry cobblers on dently an invalid. On the box by the dri the account, and one does not trust mustin ver was a man who, as I approached, lit

esses to seaside washer-women. Mrs. hain, and among numerous rattling apendages there was a dainty gold pencil, the man I hardly expected to see. I did With as pretty a dimpled white hand as I have seen, she bert over and offered the who, with a lantern, was looking for a para-

The calculation was so simple that I ran There was a man apparently asleep. Though ber and character of the immates will not adt over in my mind without the use of my it was summer a handkerchief was thrown encil, and gave the total. It differed a partially over his face. One glimpse was ew cents; the advantage being in Mrs.

It is a trifle in error, Mrs. Bland, but the face of George Harland, the assistant people are honest. It should be \$28,67 in- teller of our bank! He looked at me in an

Willingly, I replied, and I wrote at the oot of the bill, \$28.67 Kerrect. Thanks, said Mrs. B and, What a wonder- that small fishing hoats ran to Martha's at head you have for figures. She scrutin-

zed the bill closely. And what a queer way ing houses in New York that is the rule.

rous 5 or 3, look at mine-such wormy, drew the numerals.

bring the tril of your 5 below the line like I usally.

agonized way, then put his fingers to his lips I never could remember the figures ; pray and said in a low, broken voice : My God set them down. It will give Mr Bland so Henry, I am a thirf trying to escape-to esnuch pleasure to know that I have my bill cape. I know they are after me. Then he exactly right. He is such a strict man of shudderd. I am mad-crazed-have lost my straints can be used which will check, not teach, head. You here? Do not betray me! To Dickerson's, cried the driver, and of

look like little ones. In a great many bank- sleeves, it isn't down on the bill of fare, but into hardened criminals who excite no sympawe have been quite short of fruit, peaches thy. There is no power to deal in a right way Scientific calculators always use the crossed and sich, for the last three days, and nary a with the first step in crime, with acts of min | Such an enactment would put an end to the the dining room, and do you all jess go in es, and I have given much thought and study virtue of the good sense of the people who re wisting things. Look, and Mrs. Bland and help yourselves. Mrs. Bland was near They are quite ludicrous, indeed, I said glee, notwithstanding her pricked finger. upon the wisdom of our laws with regard to 4124 grains. For once we have the plea

stood appailed, dazed and speechless.

I had no heart for peaches, still I offered Thanks, for the lesson: I will detain you the woman my arm. There was a group of istrates a right within certain limits, to direct no longer. I must go now and pay my bill noisy boarders at a long table, but through David's care, Mrs. Bland secured a kitchen With a bow I left Mrs. Bland, and, hurry- table, on which was placed a dish of peaches all the facts before them, and best know what ing to the water side, got my boat, and was flanked with huge half-moons of water

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off atter the blue-fish I had the best fish | melon, You saw him? asked Mrs. Agnes Blaud, cooked for supper, a portion of which I sent Mrs. Bland, who seemed to partake of it paring a peach with a silver pocket fruit they must fine, or imprison, or discharge. though it was three years ago, that the lady me! the juice of the peach gets into my fin-

was esdecially pleased with me for the at- ger, and really stings. Saw him, Mrs. Bland! For God's seke, tention, but in the evening, a fine moonlit what does this all mean?

one, Mrs. Bland lingered on the veranda. I I like cling-stones better than free-stone I was smoking a cigar, seated at the bottom of the steps, within speaking distance of I should be so much obliged to you if you would pare a peach for me. My finger makes You very kindly offered me the use of

me so awkward, Are you a Nemesis, Mrs. Bland? A what? I don't know what that means

Explain! On! the man in the coach? Now, sir, I do, I do, said Mrs. Bland, quickly, with certain amount of expansiveness. She isten. The \$28.67. Korrect, you wrote on rose from her chair and held out her hand, that bill of mine gave me the clue to your and it tairly trembled. I was surprised. handwriting, Mr. Bland there is a Mr. What possible sympathy could there exist Bland-sent me down here after you. Those figures and k-o-r-r-e-c-t cleared you. There were no figures like yours in the altered accounts. George Harland was a thief. I

was glad when I congratulated you on your Five blue-fish, which would weigh thirty luck. Luck, Madam! what do you mean? pounds, not counting the weak-fish, and a

society was not unpleasant to me, and 1 persons, when they are arrested, until the forire to see a city paper, I handed her a Times, . But I have broken my squid, my best one, chould have disliked the means of bringing mal, technical, and sometimes expensive proofs and I would really like to borrow a hook or a theft to your door. Mr. Blaud was on that are furnished that they are guilty of practices message, read it under the hall lamp; then | -not where you would look for the news, disordered intellects?

of greed in the woman's face. You are, then, Madam-? here Mrs. Bland smiled, showing me a set of mired by their wesk and youthful companwhite teeth, a single black melon-seed in- ions - Horatio Seymour, in Harper's Magazcreasing their pearly lustre by contrast, that | ine for December. you do not like me as well-at least my society-as you did an hour ago. There was a little bit of killing disdain about the scattered wits. Conversationally, Mrs. so that a drop of blood started. I am so woman. I suppose the scorn on my face was manifest, for I made no effort to con-

ceal it.
Great Lord save us ! said David, coming pen-dat man in stage coach -

Not run away-escaped! said Mrs. Bland, Mrs. Bland, the little wrinkles roughening she held out a taper white finger, and I felt arabesque, sinister traceries. It was a dreader the weight of your cares), and all the rest

David, said Mrs. Bland, now as quiet and unrippled as a dish of milk in a dairy; David bring me a napkin, and I will take another bit of melon-if you will help me,

Our Punishments for Crime. While Governor of this State I learned that the suffering for crime, as a rule fell not upon the offender, but upon his family. When I mind, read between their lines, "Acts to punsh wives and children of those who violate pardon convicts for these reasons, and in some cases by the wives of those who made the convicted. When this was told to them, their I cannot-do not care to. It is not any o answer was, that while that was true, yet when their husbands were in jail, where they were fed and warmed, their wives and their ness is to-an !-here she stopped, for David children were left to starve and freeze for

> want of support. There is no perfect way of dealing with rime, but there is no worse way than the system of this State. Some years ago a lead ing lawyer of New York travelled through Egypt. He met the chief of a wandering tribe of the desert, and among other things, he told this wild ruler of our laws, and the ways we dealt with crime. He was heard with astonishment, and for the first time he himself was struck with their absurdities After his return he used to say that was never so thoroughly ashamed of his country as when he was telling his simple minded auditor what laws we had upon these

got out of the vehicle, followed by an old subjects, and how they were enforced. While we may not frame perfect system much can be done to make a better state of things-to simplify justice, and to break up tendency to disorderly conduct and to vazrancy. We can not hope to make any marked improvement in our jails. Fach county must have one, and its population will determine the character of its place of confinement. Those in charge of them will be frequently hanged, and save in the large cities the num-

> mit of classification, etc. The first change should be one that will al ow our judges to impose punishments other than sending the offenders to these common schools of vice.

As nothing can be worse than our present laws, there can be no harm in trying new plans. We must have new jails, as there are cases when the safety of society makes it necessary o lock men up. But, as a rule, other rerime. Our laws only allow two punishments to be inflicted for minor offenses -fines or in went the coach. From Dickersons I knew prisment -and these must be imposed without regard to age, sex, condition, or circum stances. The law demands these, it matters not what moral or material mischief they may Mrs. Bland met me on the veranda with do. As a rule, fines inflict distress on families Oh, in the bank I am in, I do little else some flower in her hand, which exhaled a and friends, while jails are a gateway to a than add up figures for hours on a stretch, deep, luscious perfume. The odor quite course of wickedness which leads to the State-There is nothing queer about my sevens. 1 sickened me. Ladies and gents, cried the prisons. For these reasons no punishments always cross my sevens. Then they do not good natured, familiar landlord, in his shirt are inflicted until the offenders have grown

to our statutes with regard to them. Next to

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such punishments as they shall see are best

fitted to reform the wrong doers. They have

is just and right in each case. This will not

give them undue powers, but it will take

away pretexts for not doing their duty. Now

with relish. I was not idiot enough to think, knife, which she drew from her pocket. Dear In many cases either of these courses is unsuitable, and many wrong doers go free, for to enforce the law would only make things worse.
This state of things is full of evil. If magistrates could bind them out to do work, or direct the minors to be chastised by parents or

guardians or suitable persons, many would be saved from the moral leprosy which infects our lails. Such or like punishments would be inflicted, and there would be no excuse for letting offenders escape. Magistrates should have in addition to their present powers the same right of control over

vagrants, disorderly persons, and habitual of fenders which parents or guardians have over their children or wards. The fact that they belong to these classes should be judicially de cided after a certain number of convictions When they are thus enrolled in these classes, they should have no right to vote at any election. As our laws now stand, notorious of-You were the only gentleman here, all fenders who do no honest work, who can only Yes, yes, said Mrs. Bland, apparently ab- the rest of them were cads and muffs. Your live in immoral ways, are held to be innocent

ation had commenced. A certain pleasant so from you to make another. Could you coach, with the driver. You may have no- which there is a moral certainty they indulge really lend me some hooks until I send to ticed first a blue splutter and then a red in This is right when they are accused of splutter from his match. That meant, all grave crimes. But there is no hardship in Willingly. Wait here a moment, and right, Mrs. Bland. George Harland has apMrs. Bland rose and went down the hall to propriated \$75,000 belonging to your stapid her room. Just then David, the colored wait- old bank, and did it clever as you are in fig- are under the age of twenty-one years, or afer came in with a telegraphic message for ures, right under your nose, sir. The papers flicted with disordered minds. Should disor-Mrs. Bland. She returned at once, took the for the past week have had an inkling of it derly morals be more leniently dealt with than

but in personals and advertisements. That There is no danger in giving magistrates David, I asked of the waiter, I did not is why I read the papers. Please don't go; the power over habitual offenders which parady's eyes were of a pale blue, without fixi- know that you could telegraph to such an any sympathy I might have bad-and I ents and guardians have over minors-that y of glance. No one would ever have been under enough to even attempt to stare Mrs.

On making them work, of binding them out, of thankfinness that quite a decent young and of locking them up; and, in the case of man like you was safe. Mind, I never sus- children, having them chastised rather than pected you, though Mr. Bland might ha e sont to jails. There is no reason to fear that done so. George Harland ought to have this punishment will be used too often or too \$50,000 in notes with him, on his person, harshly. It would rarely be applied, but mense volume of fair, blonde hair which It was none of my business how Mrs. this very moment. There was a base look should not be made illegal, as it would give magistrates great control, and would do much to put an end to the bravado and swag-The wife of Mr. Bland. I am afraid-and ger of disorderly boys which are so much ad-

> Advice to Husbands. BY BOR RURDETTE.

The world is full of 'advice to wives,' and even the cheap commodity by courtesy addressed to 'married people' is only one sided in and addressing us, something drefful hap- and intended for the ears of the weaker sex only. We can scarcely pick up a paper wishout reading the oft-reiterate-l injunction springing to her feet with the latent energy to 'always meet him with a smile' (whaterof Jonathan Wild. Her eyes had lost their er may be his delinquencies); to be 'alpale blue shimmer and glinted like cold stee; ways neatly dressed (whatever work on the furrows between her eyes took strange hand); 'to never complain to him' (whatevmy heart sink within me as I made a careful ful face to see.

No, ma'am—woss nor that. He blow his the sake of a more evenly ballanced state of things, let us administer a little of the same dose to the other side of the house, on the old principle that 'what is sauce for the

goose is sauce for the gander.' Husbands should always appear before their wives in a neat and becoming attire. Remember that was one of your chief attractions during courtship. A man is not at all beautiful en deshabile, and how can you expect to retain a woman's love if you suddenly drop all the blandisments that won it? Husbands, be neat, never come to breakfa-t ook over our penal laws, their titles to my with hair looking like a fig tree shaken by a mighty wind,' or soiled collar or neck tie their terms." I was constantly appealed to to all awry. Never lounge about at a late hour pardon convicts for those reasons and in some in the evening cans coat and vest, and with slouchy suspenders. Had she chanced complaints upon which the wrong-doer was have taken a vast amount of romance out of her, depend upon it. Suppose your circumstances in life are such that you must assist in doing the 'morning chores, then steal to your room before she has seen you and change the working coat for the dressing gown, polish your boots and make yourself presentable, that no suggestion of the barn-yard may accompany you to the breakfast table. The look of fond regard that will surely greet you from behind the fragrant coffee pot will be a sufficient re-

presence of your wife. No matter what the cares and annovance of the day may have been, before her you should be all sunshine. Thus you will make her happy and forget your own troubles. In her own sphere she has petty vexations to bear that would break the spirit of any man alive. Don't add the burden of yours too.

If the children are noisy or peevish, quiet and amuse them with as much tact as possible, in order that you disturb not the mother, who in the evening, should find the rest and tranquility that will prepare her for an other day. Above all allow no impatient word to arise to your lips, should your wife object to spending money on such selfish gratification as expensive and choice segars, while she is economizing in many little ways. Though you may think her in the wrong, you had better be ruled by her wishes, and thus you may avoid future unpleas-

anthess. If you wish to be the true companion of your wife, don't allow yourself to degenerate into a mere drudge and money-catcher Keep your intellect refreshed by reading good books; read the things she reads and read to her the news, both political and general, that you have gleaned in the world

outside her sphere. Bear in mind that many overtaxed wives are mere bundles of nerves, and subject to a thousand and one irritations that enter not into man's philosophy to comprehend; therefor write it in your heart and prove it in your daily conversation that a "soft answer turneth away wrath, but grievous words

If the Bland dollar is made a legal tender in unlimited amount, there is no reason why the trade dollar should not also be a legal tenboarder has grumbled. I came across a fine gled error and wrong-doing. It has been my present inconvenience in handling this coin. lot of fruit this afternoon, and they is sot in duty to look into a great number of such case. It is now circulating in spite of the law, by fuse to recognise the Congressional dictu we, and clapped her hands with childish moral and religious influences, we must rely that 420 grain of silver are worth less than There, make your 3 this way, and don't Will you take me in? she asked, quite natyouthful offenders. It is comparatively an of agreeing with Senator V centers. The trade detter should be a legal teader.

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