The July Lippincott's Magazine.

Two years ago Lippincott's Magasine published a "Complete Novel" called "The Lifting of a Finger," which made a decided hit. The July number now contains another novel from the same pen, that of Ina Brevoort Roberts. Like its predecessor, "The Pretenders" is a tale of brightness and charm, yet showing a great advance in the handling of delicate situations and subleties in plot. Mrs. Roberts surely has the gift for "making love." Those who are "in the game" say she does it just right. For a journey on cars or boat this

story is an ideal pastime. All the short stories in the July Lippincott's are suited to the "good old summer-time" when one is not ashamed to confess he wants something not solid but entertaining. After the novel there is a touching little tale of a girl to whom a passing flirtation on the man's side means eternal remembering on hers. She can boast that "her mother had been a Boston woman" too! Its title is "The broken Vase," and its author, Marcelle Endicott. Henry Wysham Lanier, contributes "The Odyssey of Piscator," a fishing story. The sportsman's pursuit of his fascinating "Peri" rivals that of his avowed sport and makes of him quite a globe-trotter. Girl-athletes of the present day have very well-defined ideas of what comes up to their standard in masculinity, and woe betide the man who falls short. "The Modern Sabine," by E. Ayrton, is an instance of this in which the exacting heroine finds she has not "exercised" her heart out of her body, after all, and it joyfully asserts itself in an unusal but no less convincing manner. Agnes Louise Provost's story called "Jacky" is cheerful evidence of the theory that no man is

called "The Vanderdonck Sandbank" (where the scene is Schenectady, N. Y.), stands for right on both sides. It should be read by laborer and capitalist, and by those in between, because it is a really good story. Ella Middleton Tybout is becoming noted for the excellent darky tales she fre- in the years she has had control of quently contributes to Lippincott's, it the great British association has called by the Editor "Parables in Black." "An Unwilling Delilah" appears in the July number.

The single exception to fiction in the July Lippincott's is a paper by Mand Howe-a daughter of the venerable Mrs. Julia Ward Howe-entitled "A Roman Holiday." It gives intimate details about housekeeping in the Eternal City and is very interest-

The verse in Lippincott's Magazine for July seems to suggest moonlight and all that goes with it. For a jolly outing or to drive away the blues at home we recommend "Walnuts and Wine in the July Lippincott's.

Washing Clothes in Rome-

I soon found out that in all domestic affairs I must learn Italian methods; it was useless to try and teach Pompilia and Filamena our ways. After the tussle over the washing I gave it up. Set tubs, wash-boards, wringing machines? Nothing of that sort. Sunday evening the clothes are put in a large copper vessel, a basketwork cover is laid on top, over which a layer of wood-ashes is spread, then boiling water is poured on slowly, percolating a little at a time though the clothes, which are bleached by the lye of the ashes; this is the bucato. When they have stood long enough in this witch's cauldon the clothes are carried down to the basement and washed with cold water in the vast stone fountains of the palace, which we have the right to use one day in the week. The women employ a stiff brush and the queerest green soap to scrub the linen; if we have any table-cloths left at the end of six months, we shall be lucky. The American clothes pins and line I sent for are neatly displayed in the kitchen as curiosities. We "hang out" on an iron clothes line to which the linen is tied by small piece of twine, as it was in the days of the Empress Faustina. We are no better than our mothers! The clothes are sent out to a stiratice to be ironed.-MAUD Howe, in July Lippincott's Magazine.

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Gives Up Temperance Work for the Time Being on Account of Her Failing Health.

Lady Henry Somerset, president of the National British Women's Temperance association, and president of the World's Women's Christian Temperance union, has resigned from the formodern society treated with the same mer office and will, for the present at least, do no more work. Lady Henry has taken this important step, it is said, solely on account of her health, which for some time past has been failing. She is in hopes that an entire rest for an indefinite period will restore her health and her power to work.

Lady Henry Somerset is well known in Chicago, where she has been a guest



LADY HENRY SOMERSET. (President World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union.)

of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and a personal visitor to the late Frances E. Willard, of whom she was an intimate friend. She is the eldest daughter and co-heiress of the late Earl Somers, and is the wife of Lord Henry Somerset, the son of the eighth duke of Beaufort. She has one son, thoroughly bad. It is told with spirit. Henry Somers Somerset, who in 1896, The labor story by Edith Robinson, was married to the daughter of the duke of St. Albans. As a girl Lady Somerset took a sympathetic interest in sharities of various kinds, and in her later life was attracted to the temperance cause, in which she soon assumed a rank of the first importance. In 1890 she was elected to the position from which she has just resigned, and grown with enormous strides and has done wonderful work in all parts of the United Kingdom. At Miss Willard's death in 1898 she took her place at the head of the International union, and for two years worked as the editor of the Women's Signal. She also contributed liberally to the magazines and has published, besides, a book of short stories entitled "Black and White." In 1895 she founded the Industrial Farm colony at Duxhurst, and this institution has had a surprising success. On the death of her father she succeeded to his rich estates in Worcestershire. Hertfordshire, Surrey and London, and has used this vast wealth very largely for the betterment of the

FREDERICK W. HOLLS.

Famous New York Lawyer and Publicist Who Has Declined a Post

President Roosevelt has a happy faculty of delighting to honor the really great and brainy men of the nation. Not long ago he tendered to Frederick W. Holls, of New York, the position of umpire in the settlement of the claims of Germany and Italy against Venezuela. Under the terms of the settlement effected by Minister Bowen the fixing of damages for Germany has to



FREDERICK W. HOLLS. (Recognized American Authority on Inter-national Law.)

be left to one person representing Germany and another representing Venezuela, with an umpire to be appointed by the president of the United States. A similar method of arbitration of preferential treatment of Germany, Great Britain and Italy is left to The Hague court. It is to be regretted that Mr. Holls, who is one of the foremost living authorities on international law and one of the founders of The Hague court, declined to accept the post of umpire, which has subsequently been bestowed upon Gen, Henry Martin Duffield, of Detroit, Mich., also an authority on international law and a soldier with a fine record.

Keep Away from Transvaal.

The number of Americans who may enter the Transvaal or Orange River colony is limited to 50 a month and each must have a permit, the blank application for which can be had of any British consul. And, too, an affidavit must be made that the applicant has sufficient means to support himself and family after arriving.

WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent. Washington, June 22, 1903.

Fourth Assistant Post master General Bristow's reply to the Tudoch charges has finally been given to the press and it is hardly surprising that Postmaster General Payne was reluctant to make the report public. It demonstrates beyond peradventure that during the regime of Postmaster General Smith and First Assistant. Heath the utmost corruption prevailed in the Postoffice Department and in the Washington Postoffice, which was used as a sort of asylum for the personal and political friends and proteges of Hanna, Heath and others. In his letter to Payne, Bristow says that as long ago as 1900 Beavers warned him against any investigation of Heath's actions and further warned him that certain appointments noted as irregular were the personal actions of Postmaster General Smith. Bristow further says that at the time he called the attention of Postmaster General Smith to "certain glaring irregularities" which he believed called for immediate correction. Of course Smith made no move to correct them. Notwithstanding these facts, Beavers has been permitted to remain in the service until a month or two ago. It is further shown that one O. H.

Smith, a personal friend of Perry Heath, from Indiana, was illegally appointed, that he drew several salaries simultaneously for services which it would have been physically impossible for him to perform at the same time, that he was paid exorbitant expense accounts contrary to law, etc. He was also paid a perdiem allowance contrary to law, when he was for a considerable period, absent from Washington participating in the Indiana campaign. This same Smith is stll in the service and is mentioned in Civil Service Commissioner Proctor's report as holding his present position illegally, and as drawing the salary of finance clerk when he is actually in charge of laborers. According to Postmaster General Payne the abuses reported at that time were corrected by Postmaster General Smith. An in stance of Smith's methods of correction is found in the case of eight "charwomen" whom the inspectors found were performing no services, but were drawing aggregate salaries of \$3,800 a year. Tostmaster General Smith corrects this abuse by writing the postmaster at Washington that these women were regularly appointed and it was the postmaster's business to and employment for them. This, notwithstanding the fact, as shown by Commissioner Proctor, that so many unnecessary employees were forced on the Washington postmaster that it was impossible for him to find work for all. Another instance is given in the case of E. O. Fowler who was unable to perform any satisfactory service but who was appointed assistant to the time-keeper, who needed no assistant, at a salary of \$1,700 a year although the time-keeper himself received but \$1,000 a year. These are but a very few samples of several hundred similar cases reported.

The most lively contest for appointments in the Navy ended to-day in the selection of Captain Charles W. Rae, chief engineer, to be engineer in chief and chief of the Bureau of Steam Engineering; Pay Director Henry T. B. Harris to be paymaster general and chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, and Colonel George F. Elliot of the marine corps to be brigadier general, commandant of marines. In the selection of an engineer officer to succeed Admiral George W. Melville, the members of the naval general board have been disappointed in a pet project. They have been urging the selection of a line officer for engineer in chief. Captain Rae had the support of Senator Hale of Maine who as chairman of the committee on naval affairs exercised great influence.

The President has filled two vacancies in the Civil Service Commission this week. He has appointed Alvord W. Cooley of New York, vice William Dudley Foulke, resigned, and Harry F. Greene of Minnesota, vice James R. Garneld who resigned to take the position of Chief of the bureau of corporations in the Department of Commerce and Labor.

It is evident that there will be serous curtailment of the land settlement act at the next session of Congress. President Roosevelt urged a revision of the land laws in his last

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message to Congress and a bill making several modifications was introduced but never passed. It is now shown that a large portion of the land which will be benefited by Federal irrigation has been taken up by speculators. Senator Gibson of Montana estimates that in his state alone 2,500,000 acres have been taken up during the past year under the Stone and timber Act, without adding a single agriculturist to the population of the state. The President has said that the laws should be made so prison there.

Of Interest to Veterans.

It is of interest to Columbia county to Columbia county veterans to know that the last Legis-law to Columbia county veterans to know that the last Legis-law to Columbia county veterans to Kn that the laws should be made so stringent as to prevent the acquirement of land by any but actual homemakers and that if this is not done the entire purpose of Federal irrigation will be defeated. That there will be a thorough revision of the land laws next winter is the confident pre-

diction of those in a position to know.

As if inspired by the reports of bribery in the Postoffice Department, a New York state banker has gotten into trouble by trying to bribe Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Taylor. It appears that the Government advertised for a site for a postoffice in Corning, New York, George E. Eaton, cashier of the Van-Denning Bank submitted a piece of property for which he asked \$15,000, the amount appropriated by Congress. He then wrote a letter to Secretary Taylor which excited the latter's suspicions and a decoy letter was sent in reply. This brought an open proposition from Eaton who said that his lot had cost him \$13,000 and he was willing to divide the \$2,000 profit evenly with the Secretary if the latter would select his site. Eaton was promptly arrested and is now out on bail. The maximum penalty in his case is \$3,000 fine and one year's imprisonment.

It is announced to-day that John I. Waterbury, president of the Manhattan Trust Company of New York has been selected by Secretary Cortelyou and appointed by the President as the American delegate to the wireless telegraphy conference to be held in Berlin on August 4, 1903.



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