### NOT ON THE MENU.

By W. B. Keller.

Travers sat alone at a little table in a corner of the cafe. The continued hum and murmur of lowpitched voices, all the interminable sounds of the restaurant surrounded him, but he sat quite still, with his chin resting in his hands, staring at the empty chair opposite to him. The sight of pretty women, well-groomed men, all the bright, lively scene around him did not entice him from his reverie even for a moment. At last Travers nervously drained the cup to the last drop, and then, wearily passing his hand across his forehead, he assumed his former attitude. Dreamily he fixed his eyes on the chair, and then began talking in a sort of breathless whisper, as if to some one seated therein:

"Nannie, Nannie it's so good to see you again. Let's see, it's been three years, almost, since that last time when-but we won't think of that now, we'll just be happy. Tell me, is your life happy, is he good to you? If he isn't-Oh, if I had only cared less what people might say, if I could have forgotten my miserable pride, we'd run off some place and been married to spite of your uncle and his money, wouldn't we? Yes, I know."

After a time, Travers knew not how long, he pulled himself together and looked up. He glanced at what had been the empty chair, rubbed his eyes and looked again. A girl, in a light opera cloak smiled across at him.

"Yes, Bobbie, Im real." Then, anxiously, as he continued rigidly staring at her, "Bobbie, don't you know me?"

Travers had become very pale. He sat, tensely grasping the arms of his chair, mutely drinking in the picture before him.

He half rose out of his chair and, crushing both her hands in his, raised them almost to his lips, then realizing that many curious glances were being cast in their direction, he released her and sank back.

"Do you know, I-" he began, hesitatingly. "Yes?" she murmured, leaning

forward, her eyes never leaving his face, "you were saying?" "Do you know, I was just thinking

of you-wondering where you were. what you were doing, whether-you were happy or not; tell me, you are happy with him, are you not?" 'With him! With whom?'

"Why, your-husband." "My husband! I have no-why, Bobbie, I'm not married!"

"Your're - not - married! But Saunders, what about Saunders? You know, after I left I thought you would---"

"Yes, yes, I know you thought, you thought - oh, Bobble, you thought too much-you had no right to think that I would marry him. You thought you would go away and let me enjoy my uncle's bounty, but you had no right to think that I wanted--"

"But Nan, I did it for the best, don't you see?"

She stopped and drew back, crimsoning, the tears creeping into her voice and her eyes.

It was now Travers' turn to lean | ball?" forward. Tremblingly he reached into his breast and pulled forth a tiny lace handkerchief, crumpled and dark with pocket grime. Unfolding it, he spread it out before her.

"Why, that's mine," she quavered. "It's the one you stole from me at the Martin dance and then wouldn't give back."

"Yes, that's it. And I've kept it with me ever since—always. But—" a thought striking him. "Your mother?"

At this she seemed suddenly to remember her position. Stifling a sob she caught at her cloak, and, hastily rising, looked across the room Travers reached over and gently pushed her down.

"You're not going just yet," he said, quietly, "not for all the mothers in the world."

"I don't know why I came over here, Bobbie," she murmured, nervously twisting the handkerchief around her finger. "Mr. Saunders took me to a table over there and then went out to look for mother, who was coming behind with Mr Burdick; and when I looked around and saw you I was so glad I didn't even stop to think, but just-"

"Saunders!" he interrupted roughly, "I thought--"

'Yes," she said hurriedly, "he never seems to give up. It's impossible to make him understand that we can only be friends, and mother won't understand." Closing her eyes wearily. "Between them both I almost go crazy sometimes."

"Hang Saunders and his whole crowd," he choked out, grasping her hands and kissing them again and again, this time utterly oblivious to his surroundings. "I lost you once, three years ago, Nan Weatherby, but, by heaven, I'm not going to lose you now! Listen to me-

"Oh, Bobbie," she gasped, "every-body's looking at us!" 'Never mind that," he smiled, still

holding her. "The Reverend Charles McCracken lives just around the corner from here, and he is a good, friend of mine. Shall we call on him?'

"You said once my eyes told you I would go anywhere with you," she said, looking up at him; "what do they tell you now?"

And from the size of the tip which Travers shoved into the hands of the astonished waiter, we may safely conclude that the light in Miss Nan Weatherby's eyes illumined a pretty straight road tothe abode af the Rev. Charles McCracken.

### TWINKLES.

Cut glass-Glaziers.

A cold shake-Milk punch.

Egg plants-Chicken farms. Game leg-The rabbit's foot.

The gambling club usually has a

vice president. Even the mosquito is sometimes jeal-

ous of a doctor's bill. The greater the numbers of ears on the stalk the smaller the corn.

You can never tell what a thing is worth by the price of it.

The roll call is not always answer-

ed at the boarding-house table. A mountain of hope can be built

on an inch of ground. The eggs at your boarding house are

always fresh laid-but when, It is the beggar who makes the most touching appeal.

If you want people to pray for you

don't pose as an angel. Great minds run in the same cha-

nel and often meet on the same bar. When a woman talks a great deal

of the sins of man, it is a sign her hus-

band does not behave himself. Bills-"Smith doesn't have much luck at fishing, does he?"

,Wills-"No, he stutters." When two women start to outdo each other somebody's husband is go-

ing broke. You can get good results from a drum only by giving it a sound beat-

A man kisses a girt fifty times a week during the courtship, and fifty

times a year after marriage.

Bobbs-"Do you think that time is money?" Dobbs-"Yes, when you are spending

your time at the seashore."

Boyce-"What makes you say that man is a fortune-teller?" Joyce-"He pays out the money at the bank."

The man who goes to church to pick flaws in the sermon would be just as near heaven fishing in a millpond.

If a man caught a fish every time that he got a bite there wouldn't be any excitement in the sport.

If the hands of a clock didn't know

what each other were doing you could never tell the time of day. Franklin-"That old farmer doesn't

burn his money, does he?' Penn-"No, he doesn't believe in cremation, he buries it."

Adele-"What is meant by a fly

Estelle-"I don't know; a high ball No matter what mountains you climb you will alwys see a higher one that

you want to get on. Fisherman-"Young man, where is the best place to dig for fishbait around

here?" Small boy-"Down in your pockets."

Mrs. Joyce-"Is your husband even

tempered?" Mrs. Boyce-"Well, he is mad all the time."

Fond Papa-"Young man, do you think that you can hupport my daugh-

Young man-"I don't know; do you play poker?" Bennings-"That man is always

talking through his hat." Jennings-"Who is he?"

Bennings-"Smith, the hat manufacturer." Mrs. James-"What made you have a

spiral stairway put in?"

Mrs. Franks-"I wanted something that would fit the pace of my husband when he comes home at night."

Bennings-"Wonder why Boyle prefers going to the mountains on his vacation?

Jennings-"Consistency, my boy; he can't do anything without going up in the air.'

It is no trouble to take the bitter with the sweet if you keep the bitter sugar-coated.

Bills-"What is a fair price for dogs?" Wills-"About 10 cents a pound."

"All the water we use here is boiled," said the boarding house land-

lady. "Ah." said the heartless wretch, as he poured his tea. "You must have scorched this."-Indianapolis Star.

Baggs-"Do you think that man Smith will ever reach the height of his ambition?"

Waggs-"I don't know; he is building an airship."



## Watkins' Little

By S. E. Kiser.

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Investment

By practicing self-denial for several years he managed to save up \$300. While doing this he became a student of finance. Every morning he would read the financial quotations. The long lines of initials and the columns of figures that at first were meaningless soon became as an open book to him. He could remember what C. J. and F. closed at a week ago last Tuesday, and if R. A and W. went up a point he know just how much more it would have to advance before reaching the mark which some wise men had set for it.

Now, this man, whose name, by the way, was Watkins, had a sort of a head for figures, and one evening after he had been thinking for a long time about Miriam Ives-a neat figure she was-he did some figuring on F., L. and B. common.

"Supposing," he said to himself, "that I bought about \$300 worth of it at 15 and sold It at 30. That would increase my working capital to \$600. Then on the next slump I could invest my \$600 and sell out for \$1,200.

It was a simple proposition. All he had to do was to be a little patient. After the third turnover he would have \$2,400; the fourth would see him \$4,800 to the good,

Before he got up to the fifteenth year of his career as a buyer and seller of F., L. and B. common his head began to be dizzy, and, putting his pencil in his pocket, he went out to ask Miriam if she would be his wife.

He kissed her a few times and told her candidly what was going to happen.

'Archibald," she whispered, "I don't care for all these terrible riches. Wealth is an awful responsibility. Let's keep your \$300 and furnish a nice flat with it."

But he convinced her before he left that it would be almost criminal if he neglected to take advantage of the opportunity which was opening before him and he continued to watch the financial page.

On the 15th of July F., L. and B. common was quoted at 17. Then A. Watson transferred \$200 of his money from the savings department of the bank and opened up a checking account against it. At the same time he gave a certain broker an open order to buy twenty shares of F. L. and B. common at 15. A week later he had a dizzy spell when he saw the stock quoted at the figure he had named. Later in the day he was informed by Bloodgood, Ketchum & Co., that they had bought for his account twenty shares of F., L. and B. common.

A week later F., L. and B. common was quoted at 11, and there were rumors of a reorganization which might result in the wiping out of the common stock altogether. Archibald Watkins began to have habit of breaking engagements with Miriam. Two or three times he decided to sell out and save what he could of his hard-earned money, but he put it off from day to day, hoping there might be a reaction. By the middle of August the stock was quoted at 61/2, and the young man who had figured out profits of about \$8,000,000 for himself in fifteen years was convinced that the broker who had referred to F., L. and B. common as "a nice old lady" had been mistaken.

He quarreled with Mirlam because she thought he was foolish for not saving what little he could from the wreck

"Think how much more sensible it would have been," she answered, "if you had taken my advice and kept the money to furnish the flat."

That made him angry. It was the kind of talk he had always heard from his mother when she was alive. It had always been, "Archibald, if you had only listened to me!"

So he rushed away from Mirlam, bitterly saying:

"When I get \$30 a share for my stock I'll come back.'

On the following day it went down with a sickening "plop" to about six inches per minute. 814, at which figure Archibald Watkins sold out. Deducting the commissions there was left for him about \$40 out of the \$800 which he had paid as his tuition fee.

The next morning he noticed that the reaction had begun, and in four weeks F., L. and B. common was selling round 25. When it touched 30 again A. Watkins sat and studied the figures long and earnestly. Also he reread a note which he had received that morning from Mirlam

"Dearest Archibald (she wrote), I see now that you really did know what you were talking about. Forgive me for the doubts I expressed concerning your wisdom. Be sure to come this evening. I am so anxious to tell you how much I admire you for your courage and for your shrewdness. I have just heard of the dearest flat. And I am dying to congratulate you on your—or may I, dear, say 'our'—success? Yours impatiently.

"Miriam." "Well," he said at last, pulling a long sigh and letting the note drop from his fingers, "I'm a goat if I'd have believed before it happened that they'd go to so much trouble to get the money I put into it."

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### VOLCANOES IN MARYLAND.

Prove to Be the Oldest Rock Forma-

tion in the United States. Prof. Philip R. Uhler gives an account of a discovery which he made in the western Maryland mountains, says the Baltimore American. Three peaks, the principal one named Buzzard's Knob, crown a plateau about six miles from the city. It was for Prof. Uhler to discover that the three prominences are in fact volcanoes, and that they are the very oldest type of volcanic rock that is found in the United States.

These peaks are of a different form from volcanoes like Vesuvius. In the latter form of volcano molten lava and stones are forced up by superheated steam, leaving a deep hole, but in these craters in western Maryland the whole mountain was originally in a molten condition and the top crust was forced upward in a dome-shaped form, and such lava as did escape was forced out in vents at various places. The volcanic rock of the region is metalbearing, and speciments of gray, green and gold copper were found by Dr. Uhler. The domes of the craters were somewhat elliptical in shape.

In Mountain Climbing. The highest point at which climbers have stayed for any length of time is 20,992 feet, on the Himalayas, where an exploring party painfully stayed for six weeks in 1902. Higher still, at 21,910 feet, is the extreme point of Mrs. Bullock Workman's ascents, the greatest height reached by a woman. Mr. Bullock Workman kept on to a point 23,-393 feet high, which is the greatest

height reached by any mountain climber. The altitudes reached by Mr. and Mrs. Bullock Workman were above those at which M. Berson, the aeronaut, began his artificial inhalation of oxygen. At 26,240 feet the aeronauts in general begin the continued inspiration of oxygen, and neglect of this precaution was responsible for the death of MM. Croce, Spinelli and Sirel at 28,-208 feet, and their companion, Tissan-

dier, just escaping by a miracle. Mount Everest, the highest point of the globe, is only some 700 feet higher, 28,995 feet, and 3,000 above that begin the cirrus clouds that are composed of spicules of ice. At 35,424 feet is the highest point ever reached by man. This is the height attained by M. Berson in his balloon on July 31, 1901 .-London Post.

His Muscles Obey Him. Medical circles in Vienna are being edified by some remarkable examples of muscular action which a man aged about 30 years is showing. His power over his muscles is so great that he can perform feats that would usually be deemed incredible. He can contract his abdominal muscles so as to show an undulating movement massing upward and downward; his larynx goes up and down without the aid of the tongue; and he can even cause his pupils either to contract or dilate thus showing the influence of will over so-called involuntary actions.

By contracting the diaphragm he is able to displace his heart by four inches. One of his marvelous feats, narrated by a Lancet correspondent, is the "transposition of the intestines into the space occupied usually by the lungs.-Exchange.

### Oxygen to Cut Metals.

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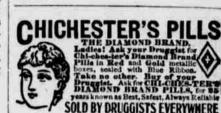
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