Bachelor Queen

"Old maids are a nuisance and old bachelors are an abomination," exclaimed sprightly Marie Courtleigh. The girls at the summer institute of Forest Lake were busy at work at their benches preparing lettuce slips for transplanting. They were enjoying camp life with its attendant discipline and studying school gardening of "reveille" they arose each morning that the commission spent nearly and worked, studied and recreated at stated periods. Every night when the sad echoes of "taps" reverberated from the surrounding hilltops, all lights were out, the camp was still. and Morpheus reigned supreme.

"Oh, the odium attached to spinsterhood," laughingly interposed Miss sailed on the blue lakes of Killarn-Gordon, one of the summer school instructors and matrons of the dormitory, suddenly appearing in the door-"What horrible creatures old maids are. Why does not Osler adminster some of his soothing chloroform to these useless creatures and consign them to sweet oblivion? Girls, I beg of you, escape if possible this if Fate should unkindly relegate you to sip your cup of tea in a lonely corthe odious title of 'old maid' and adopt the modern term of 'bachelor girl.'

The girls stood aghast at this unexpected speech from their beloved teacher. She was a woman in middle life, intellectual, refined and sympathetic, the idol of her girls because of her scholarly attainments and her sterling qualities. In youth she had head, crowned with a glory of silver gray hair waved over a smooth, broad forehead; grayish blue eyes, patrician nose and firm mouth bespoke honorable ancestry and gentle breeding. The years had dealt kindly with Ler; nature had not robbed her of many of kind mother to her ardent devotees.

Marie felt that she must redeem herself in her favorite's estimation. and apologetically added, "Miss Gordon, when girls get together, 'the eternal he' is generally the subject of consideration. I wonder if 'the eternal she' is the topic when the lords of creation assemble."

don, "although I say so tentatively, as I have not had the opportunities afforded me to settle that question beyond the shadow of a doubt. But, jesting aside, girls, I have come to ask you to honor me with your presence at a farewell chafing dish and marshmallow party to-morrow evening at the 'Bungalow.' The board of sina? What immigration reforms administration has allowed us the use of the building until the first call of all those bottles of black and white 'taps.' Will you come, my friends?"

"Of course we will," chimed all the girls, surrounding their "summer mother," dancing and singing a song composed in her honor by one of their number.

presented a scene from fairyland. A mittee to sift, sort, and compile the log fire was burning in the open fire masses of discoveries it has made place, lighted Japanese lanterns with reference to immigrants and swung galy to and fro, and the girls in immigration conditions. As one CORN-No. 2, 70 % @72 % c. their airy muslin gowns gave the final touch of fresh, vivacious, bubbling, mirthful life. Miss Gordon presided at the chafing dish, assisted by her dancing butterflies. Marshmallows cares what they did or how much galore were toasted on hatpins before they searned. The time is ripe to the open fire. Finally, the repast of eliminate the junket from the nafudge, sandwiches and fancy cakes tional expense account. Railrad was spread upon the floor, and all sat in a circle around the fireplace.

"A story, a story from Miss Gorshouted athletic Alice Burkhardt when interest in eating began to wane. Miss Gordon bowed graciously, saying, "I will tell you a true story of 'A Girl That I Have Known.'

knew a young woman of 19 who was to get something without paying preparing to be a teacher. She was for it. The idea is that Uncle Sam of an intense nature, strong in her is rich enough to give members of likes and dislikes. The mediocre never satisfied her; she was seeking the ideal in life. Her friends said she would never marry because the paragon she sought did not exist in hu- goat for all the offenses of the kind man form. Yet they were wrong in of which Congress is guilty, it is their conclusion.

elected to work in the East Side, in ready to forgive and forget if all that congested district where the the other committees sighing for stunted flowers in the Lord's garden do not enjoy their rightful heritage of fresh air, sunshine and cleanliness. Here she met a young physician, another enthusiast, aiming to be a lead the largest and most extravagant er in his profession. His specialty paries around the world on a govwas the study of the 'Great White ernment junket need not figure in Plague,' its cause, treatment and erathe scandal. The public is tired of dication. These two idealists became engaged, but their hopes of marriage were never realized, as he died a victim of typhoid. She still labors in her chosen sphere, teaching the beauties of God's creation to the children of the Ghetto. Her labor may not bear fruit in this generation, but it cannot fails to reap results in the

girls remained motionless, awed by

the rafters from the dying embers. "It is the story of her own life," whispered Alice to the wondering group.

"A toast, a toast to Miss Gordon," cried the irrepressible Marie Court leigh. "All stand and lift your glasses high in her honor." As each girl was about to drain the cup of sparkling beverage, Marie proclaimed, "To Miss Gordon, Queen of Bachelor Girls," and with a wonderfully sweet but sad smile Miss Gordon silently accepted the homage.—ELIZABETH E. HAG-GERTY.

WASHINGTON

From our Regular Correspondent.

The "joy rides of junketers" conducted by the lower House of Congress. The trans Atlantic exseven hundred thousand dollars in ited catacombs and ancient tombs, poppy plains of Palestine, loitered and brushed and massaged at Gov-Court for a period long enough, an States. unsympathetic legislator from the South asserts, would have been sufficient for the whole investigation. It is up to the Commission Wholesale Prices of Farm Products "Undoubtedly it is," said Miss Gor- now to show what the Government got in return for all this luxurious MILK-Per quart, 4c. investigating."

What did the Commission find out about the White Slave trade CHEESE-State. Full cream, special, while it explored the catacombs of Syracuse? What helpful discoveries were made in the ruins of Mesand siphons of soda? The immigration has been very busy ever since its return telling how little the country paid for the benefits that resulted from the trip. It employs ONIONS-White, per crate, 25@50c. member puts it, "their clerks are under every one's feet."

The truth of it is though, no one passes and corporation favors have been cut out of the legislators perquisites. The idea that the public office is a private graft has been slowly going out of tashion. From the view point of an outsider one junket is as bad as another. They "Some years ago in New York I are all based on the grasping mania Congress and their families trips to Europe. If the Immigration Commission is to be made the scapeunfortunate for the Immigration "When her training was over she Commission but the public stand travel will promise not to do it again. The fact that the President, then Secretary of War, led one of muck raking but it wants Congress to sit tight on the lid of the treasury when Committees propose traveling "investigations,"

The senate has adopted a resolution which inaugurates the official attempt of Congress to find out what is the matter with the prices. sound the first call of "taps." The Senator Elkins and Senator Lodge have jointly worked out the prothe subdued voice of the narrator and gram for the investigation into the the dull flashes of light reflected on high cost of living. Washington appears to be a kind of center of high food price disturbance. Prices are from 10 per cent. to 30 per cent higher here than in other eastern

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cities. The bill which the Senate has just passed has had a stormy history. Some weeks ago Senator Elkins of West Virginia presented Washington, D. C., Feb. 12, 1910, a bill in the Senate during the absence of Senator Aldrich of might be used as a title for the side Rhode Island, who has been in line of investigation which is being Florida for his health. Simultaneously with his return, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts presented pense account of the travels of the a bill much less searching than the Immigration Committee in 1907 is one presented by Senator Elkins, being examined by unfeeling fel but Lodge's bill was immediately low Representatives who didn't go taken up and reported, while Senat the same time. At the bugle call and take delight in pointing out ator Elkins' bill had long been pigeon-holed. The reporting of Lodge's bill and the ignoring of its summer jaunt. The records that of Elkins caused the belligerhave been searched and the items ent West Virginia Senator to make of expense show that the junketers some remarks in the Senate parliain quest for immigration facts vis- mentary but severe, directed mainly to Senator Aldrich. He plainly indicated that it was the intention ey, trekked in fashion through the of Mr. Lodge's bill to play around the subject with a view to exculin the spicy gardens of Venice. In pate the tariff influences on high the intervals of travel they drank prices. Mr. Elkins evidently struck wines and highballs without stint. a popular chord, for the responses They were shaved and manicured through the press, by letter and telegram from different parts of the ernment expense. They rode in country have influenced the majorsad state of single blessedness; but automobiles on the Appian Way, ity in the Senate to accept and took carriages back and forth from present a bill sufficiently searching dinners and luncheons at the Em- in terms to make the investigation ner when you are old and gray, reject | bassies, attended the Operas, jolted | under it find whatever there is. in jaunting cars, in Ireland, rode It seems strange indeed, that bread in broughams to the Tower of and meat and other substantials London, the British Museum, the should be higher in this country shopping districts of London, the of plenty than in the densely House of Lords and to cut it short, crowded countries of Europedid a vast number of agreeable strange that we are exporting food things at considerable expense to stuffs to different parts of the world sterling qualities. In youth she had been fair as a goddess. Her Grectan head, crowned with a glory of silver migration facts. There were six Granted that we are extravagent members of the Commission and and wasteful and that we lack seven employes. Most of them thrift such as is practiced in France, were accompanied by their wives Germany, Italy and in the Scandiand various other members of their navian countries. There would apfamilies. One of the ladies of the pear to be other reason why househer youthful charms, for she proved a party was invested with the Order keepers pay more for their substanof Kindness by the Sultan after the tials of life in America and why party had participated in the gor- the \$3 hotels in Europe are better geous festivities at the Turkish than the \$6 hotels in the United

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Alaric the Goth.

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