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Horse shoes the more worn-wathe brighter"

were only two persons, Thomas Durant, the senior member of the firm. and John Crawford, the confidential clerk.

The former sat at a table, writing; the latter stool, with his elbows on a window-sash and his hands supporting his chin, watching the people pass to and fro in the street. "Jack!" dropped from Mr. Durant's

\$3 SHOE and other special the tor Gentleman. Ladies of and wars wars w. L. DOTELAS, Brochton, Mans. Sold by lins as he laid aside his pen. "Yes, sir," responded the clerk, fa-T. ROBERTS. miliarly known as "Jack," turning his

face toward Mr. Durant. Agent, Ebensburg, Pa. jan3,6m "Why don't you get married?" "Ah-h'm, how?" was the stammer-

ing reply. "Why don't you get married?" Mr. Durant repeated.

"Really, I have not given the matter the work All barw. Great pay SURE for every water. We start you, formations anarything, BARILT, OPERDITY berned, PARTICICLARS PRES, Indenes at open-STANDS & CO., PORTLARD, RAIN. much consideration.'

"I am convinced that marriage is advisable on the part of any man. Mr. Durant was a fifty-year-old bach-

elor, and Jack ventured: "Do you intend to renounce single bleasedness?" smiling as he spoke. "I may do so by and by," Mr. Durant

answered, in a significant tone. "No me is dependent upon you for sup-

port?" he continued. 'I have only myself to support," said

Jack UNDERTAKER, "Your salary has enabled you to lay by something each year during the five years you have been with us?"

"I have about two thousand dollars at my command."

Sufficient to begin housekeeping with comfortably. You would prefer a home to a boarding place?"

"I should." "I have no doubt there is some young lady whom you incline to regard with especial invor?" Mr. Durant remarked,

interrogatively. "I-don't-know," Jack rejoined. dushing to the roots of his hair.

"If you entertain such regard for any lady whom you believe to be truly womanly and to reciprocate your kindly feelings, ask her to become your wife without delay. You will excuse

me for advising you with reference to Respectfully invites the attention of his friends and the public in general to the fact that he is still carrying on business at the old stand opposite the Mountain House. Ebensburg, and is propared to supply from a large steck, or manufacturing to or-der, any article in his line, from the smallest to so vital a matter, as I am influenced to do so by my interest in your welfare, the interest of a friend rather than an

employer. "Certainly, and I appreciate your mo-

Presently Mr. Durant left the office and Jack muttered:

TIN ROOFING & SPECIALTY. "I verily believe he does intend to Give me a call and satisfy yourselves as to my work and prices V. LUTTRINGER. marry, and the woman whose husband he becomes will have reason to be thankful, as he is one of the noblest men in the world."

Soon after, passing the table at which Mr. Durant had been writing, he saw upon it a note, which began: "My dear Miss Benton," and near it an envelope addressed: "Miss Alice Benton, 276 W avenue, City."

As the lady addressed was one whom inclined "to regard with special favor," whom he really loved with hiswhole heart, the beginning of the missive so aroused his curiosity that, regardless of propriety, he read it in its entirety, as follows:

"My DEAR MISS BENTON: I shall call 'tomorrow evening for your answer to the ques-tion which I asked you a short time ago, and trust it will be such as to confer upon me the happiness that it alone can afford me. Yours sincerciy, THOMAS DUHANT." Having read it:

"Can it be that she has been receiving the attentions of that curmudgeon old enough to be her father?" he ejaculated, trembling like a leaf. "And can it be that she has been merely simulating a love for me?" he continued.

"He may call upon her to-morrow evening, but I will see her before that

could not be dearer to me. "For a long time I have been aware

of her intense love for you and believed that you fully reciprocated it. A thorough acquaintance with your character assured me that you would made her a desirable husband, and I planned to have you propose to her sooner than on were likely to-by reason of your eashfulness.

"My matrimonial chat vesterday was ntended to convey to you the impression that I proposed becoming a benediet; the note to Alice, which went from my pocket into the fire, was left on my table that you might get a glimpse of it, which would lead you to read it in full and, having read, to think her the object of my adoration and forestall me in securing her for a wife.

"I slightly feared that you might suspect the part I was playing-as a man of my years is not likely to allow such a missive as the note apparently was to earclessly remain where his 'rival' can see it-and you probably would have done so but for the excited mental condition in which you were.

"'All's well that ends well,' how-

"I thank you for bringing me to my senses," Jack responded, and he was prevented from saying anything further with reference to the matter in hand by the entrance into the office of the junior member of the firm.-Detroit Sun.

CONCERNING CHEWING GUM.

The Most of It Contains Paraffine Wax, Which Is Very Injurious. The fine distinctions required by legal

definitions frequently threaten confu sion, even when the facts appear to be perfectly elear. There is no room for doubting the inconvenience and danger which may arise from the accumulation of a mass of parafiine wax in the intestines; and yet when any legal interference with the sale of chewing gum, containing fifty per cent. of this substance, is attempted, the charming uncertainties and quibbles which arise are more amusing than edifying, says London Lancet. In a recent prosecution at the Hanley borough police court it was first contended that the fourteenth section of the food and drugs act, which relates to the division of the substance in the presence of the seller at the time of purchase, had not been complied with. Then it was submitted that the article was not one of food, since it was sold simply for chewing. Then it was suggested that as sweets are so utterly in definite in their composition, it was impossible to deal with them as ordinary articles of food. And the climax was reached in the contention that it was not sold to the prejudice of the purchaser, as the complainant said he did not intend to eat it. This was extremely ingenious, but the purchaser hap-

pened to be the inspector of nuisances who was merely collecting evidence The case ended for the present with the imposition of a fine, on the ground that the substance was sold to the prejudice of the purchaser, inasmuch as it was not in the nature of the substance and quality of the article demanded by the purchaser, who asked for gum and got parafline wax. If the case is ever taken to a higher court it is quite possible that it may be argued that the complainant did not ask for "gum" but for "chewing gum:" that he did not get "paraffine wax," but only fifty per cent. of "paraffine wax" and the remaining fifty per cent, of unknown ingredients which

sufficiently bring the substance within the legal meaning of "chewing gum."

to herself. "Dear me! If I were his sister or his mother, or anything. wouldn't I stir him up, though! I have no patience with people who hide their

lights under a bushel." Once, when they had been discussing the marriage of a couple of their acquaintances (for one of Chaymer's odd (?) traits was that he took great interest in little gossip, and speculation concerning the affairs of people in gen-

eral). Claymer said: "Well, I think Parker did very wrong to ask Miss Webster to share his lot, which said lot is a myth and all she will be called upon to share will be a stuffy noom in a second-class boarding house; she leaves a comfortable, pleasant home, where everything is as she likes it, and expects to find greater happiness in a ten-by-fifteen room which overlooks a poultry yard. I should never ask a woman to share my 'lot' unless it was every bit as good as

the one she left." "Young men shouldn't expect to begin where the old ones left off. When ma and pa joined their fortunes, their sole possessions were a log cabin with a dirt floor, and a twenty-dollar gold piece. Pa owned the mansion, and ma brought him the princely dower. When I hear them talk over those 'good old. times,' I feel sorry for commonplace, well-to-do persons who get married and prose through life without any real

trouble or pleasure either." "You may be right, but that is not my idea of 'fun.' I think a poor man is a selfish brute when he wants a partner in poverty. Of course it was different when your father was married; it was rather the fashion to be poor in those times, and people didn't mind it much."

"Poverty will never go out of fashion," laughed Marian, "unless Bellamy's plans are adopted." "Miss Marian." said Claymer, sol-

emply, after several minutes of thought, "let me ask you a question in 'rithmetic. What would be a fair exchange for a girl who is worth her weight in gold, and five hundred thousand dollars in actunl cash?"

"A United States senator with a sixty-three ounce brain," promptly, replied she, with a twinkle in her eye. Claymer's countenance dropped several degrees below zero, and he answered, quietly: "Correct; go up head." After that conversation Ben Claymer had another stay at home spell, and Marian saw him no more for three months. This was the longest spell he had ever had. She was on the eve of her departure for a European tour, and she was thinking: "How I hate to leave without bidding friend Benjamin goodby," when she heard the click of the gate latch and turned to see the tall slightly stooping form of Claymer coming up the gravel walk.

"You're just in time, Sir Truant," she called to him from the balcony.

"Yes," said he, "I have just heard of your intended tour. How I envy you! A European tour is the next thing to a trip to the 'promised land' in my list. How can you leave us all so long; and, by the way, how long shall you stay?" His tone was light and cheery. Marian would not own to herself that she was disappointed to see him in such apparent good spirits, but she was. "We in tend to be gone three years. Ours will not be a flying trip; we will take our time and learn a great deal, I have no doubt."

Claymer betrayed even now none of the dismay which he felt, but ran his long, slender fingers lazily through his wavy, black hair, and said: "Well, you will be situated so that you can write very readable letters, and if you

W. Harrison & support and support

"Not much; I'd much rather marry the poorest fellow in America." "Ben Claymer, for instance," hints

ma. Marian faintly flushes and says, langhingly: "It is a pity that he is not so susceptible as those 'foreigners.' A magnificent reception is at its height. Marian Harper stands, elad in filmy white, the center of an admiring circle

"Ah," says one, "there is the new senator from Texas, your state, Miss Harper, and you should be proud of He is the youngest senator in congress and has made quite a reputation since he came in. A remarkable young man!

As Marian turns to look at the object of these remarks, her eyes meet the gaze of the large, gray, dreamy orbs which are the peculiar property of one Ben Claymer of Hayling, Texas, and he immediately makes his way to her "Mr. Claymer! What a genuine sur-

prise!" says she. "What are you doing in Washington, and especially 'what are you here for'?"

people sent me here, and 1 am at this reception because I heard that I should be likely to meet a fellow-citizen here. he answers, concisely, but with a bright sparkle in his dreamy eyes. They exchange commonplaces until Ben, by some dexterous sleight-of-hand performance, causes the admirers of Marian to vanish and leave him alone in the field. He proposes a stroll through the conservatory, and as they are at last free from the gaze of all eyes, Claymer

both of his: "Marian, no words can tell you how giad I am to see you. Are you true to your American senator?"

"I am proud of your distinction," said she, in frightened evasion. "I was expecting to find you grinding out fine editorials for the Daily American. Why

didn't you write to me about this?" "Never mind: I'll tell you all about it some other time. What I want to know now is if the girl who is worth her weight in gold is willing to exchange herself for an American senator, as she once said she would. Marian, nothing but the hope of one day feeling myself in such a position that to proffer you my love would not be an unworthy and foolish act, nothing but this has brought me here. You were my incentive, and without you I care for nothing. I have loved you always. Will you be my own little

"The ayes have it," said Marian, softly .-- Modoc, in Housekeeper. SIMPLE SENSIBLE REMEDIES.

> For neuralgia, bruise horse-radish and apply as a poultrice to the wrist. WHITE onions, eaten raw, are more and more recommended as a cure for nsomnia.

ANYTHING that sets the blood in active circulation-including a bucksawwill break up a cold.

GEN. LEW WALLACE says that a poultice of mustard and garlic applied to the soles of the feet will cure rheumatism in one night.

WHEN cold water is craved (although cold water really interferes with digestion), it should be boiled and filtered. and cooled in bottles on ice.

For stiff neck, sore throat, pains in the chest, a good remedy is to rub some oil monly left behind. But purses are freor vaseline into the skin, then cover quently lost, and these little reticules with a piece of cotton wadding, the shiny side outward, and wear till the disuable articles. Then ladies very frequently leave packages containing purcomfort is gone.

chases behind them, after the matinee. PROF. CHARLES RICHET states in the

At this the colored maid approached at heart. He was a young man, neatly but cheaply dressed. I had easually the window, and said that she had unwittingly left the dog under the seat observed him during the play, because when she and her mistress left the he seemed to enjoy it so hugely. He theater, and neither one had discovered was evidently treating himself to an the loss till they reached home. Then unusual enjoyment. Passing out of it was too late to hope to find the theathe theater with the crowd, he suddenter still open ly stooped down and secoped up some-

hing from the floor. He examined it

openly and curiously, and 1 noticed it

as a roll of bills. He called the atten

on of a mun near him to the and

and they exchanged words smillingly

ook some time to pass down the aisle

during which time he was tempted,

struggled and yielded. His face ex-

pressed only amusement and curiosity

at first. Then he opened the roll and

counted the bills. He puckered his

lins into a silent whistle. Suddenly a

furtive expression crossed his face, the

bills dropped out of sight, his lips

closed and he glanced quickly around

him. No one was noticing him. Then

he put one hand to his forehead, and

slowly shoolt his head. Then his mee

cleared; but immediately afterward the

furtive look came back, and he bit his

lip again, and again glanced round.

Finally, after several such changes of

countenance, he dropped his eyes to the

floor and pushed forward nervonsly

and quickly. I followed him into the

foyer. He dropped to one side behind

a curtain till all near him when he

found the money had presed out. Then

he pulled his but over his eyes and

walked rapidly out. At the door I laid

my hand itemly on his arm. ife started

" "That money you found, and-stole,"

"He handed it to me instantly,

"'I-I-never stole before,' he

" 'I know it,' said I, 'and that is why

"I let go of his arm, and he darted off

on a run. The roll contained four hun-

TO THE QUEEN'S TASTE.

good needlewomen, but good cooks.

The queen's daughters are not only

QUEEN VICTORIA has presented a rich-

caparisoned Indian elephant to the

THE queen of England firmly believes

that objects made by blind people bring

uck, and she has had the eradle for the

young princess of Battenberg entirely

WHEN Queen Victoria dines at the

alace, whether in public or private,

the name of every dish put on the table

bears name of the cook who is respon-

sible for it. This sounds as if her maj-

esty was afraid of being poisoned, but

the cause is not fear, but usage. The

isage dates back to old times and is of

QUEEN VICTORIA always takes her

own mattresses with her when she goes

traveling. These mattresses cost ninety

tive about them as the princess of

crumbled rose-leaf fame. Not long ago

one of them was made about half an

inch thinner than usual, and her major

ty detected the difference at once and

QUEEN VICTORIA's table linen is all

made by hand. Her tablecloths have

the star of the garter in the center, with

the royal arms. On the large rays of

the star are woven the names of the

greater dependencies of the crown, and

guineas each and the queen is as seasi

made by blind men and women.

don't arrest you now. I am a detec-

dropped his face in his hands, and broke

and turned pale.

into sobs.

gasped

dred dollars.

mperor of Morocco.

German origin.

had it altered.

aid I in a low tone.

They were evidently strangers.

"Yes," put in the girl, "and I hardly slept all night thinking of poor little doggy." "But how did you happen to bring a dog to the theater?" asked Treasurer

Cox, frowning darkly, "Of cour know that does are not allowed here. "Oh, but my little doggie was so littl and so young." replied the young woman, "and I couldn't leave him home all alone, youknow. So I told Dotty here to put him in a eigar box and bring him along. And he was asleep in the cotton, you know, and we were both so pleased with the play, you know (glancing appealingly at the treasurer), that we

ter stripped happily out with the colored

"Well," said Mr. Cox, "with all my

experience I never knew such a curious

article left in the theater before.

Women are always leaving things be-

hind them in their chairs and boxes

stored away. The general custom is to

hold "found articles" in the box office

for a week or more, according to their

value, and if then unclaimed to send

them down to the cellar. Here they

accumulate sometimes for years. They

"I have had people come back for

their hats," said a theatrical man the

other day. "In warm weather even

women occasionally walk out of the

house in blissful forgetfulness of the

fact that they have removed their hats

for greater comfort and hung them on

the back of their chairs. Overshoes,

umbrellas, canes, opera glasses, over-

coats, cloaks, wraps, furs, handker-

chiefs-these are the articles more com-

that women carry, often containing val-

able.

maid following behind.

both forgot all about him. You see, I thought she had him, but it seems she had put the box under the seat and for-"I'm in Washington because the dear got all about it. Oh, do tell me, did

on dead him?" The young woman gazed so earnestly into the treasurer's face that he relented, and asked what the dog's name was "Gypey," she replied, drying a stray tear with a tiny handkerehief. Treasurer Cox then produced a cigar-box from under the desk, lifted the lid, and disclosed a tiny dog curled up in a mass of cotton and sleeping peacefully. The young woman seized the box with joyful exclamation, and, with profus turned and elasped her hands tightly in thanks to everybody in sight that seemed to be connected with the thea-

but who would ever think of their leaving dogs behind them? Now, we do not allow dogs in the theater, and she had to smuggle that little fellow in. Why, do you know, she had that eigar-box neatly tied up in brown paper as if it were some package she had got at the store, or had forgotten to send by express. All the theaters have rooms in the cellars where lost articles which are unclaimed after a reasonable time are

Mrs. Senator? Aye or no, darling?"

herd with the dust and theatrical trappings and effects long since abandoned

and stored for possible but not probable future use, till some of these cellar rooms are veritable curiosity shops. Little of real value is unclaimed, and these subterranean collections are usually far more curious than valu-

ousy. wives who use SAPOLIO	time and come to an understanding	But what is "chewing gum?" The fol-	will do me the kindness to spend your	Progress Medical that fifteen grains of	They come back in great haste and	
	with her."	lowing definition might be suggested:-	idle moments in transmitting your im-	sulphate of quinine, administered two	often iu great alarm. I remember a	A beautiful wreath of rose, shamrock
never seem to grow old. Try a cake	A few minutes later Mr. Durant re-	A substance of very variable composi-	pressions, stray pieces of information,	hours, or four hours at the most, before	lady coming rushing into the theater	
A complete wreck of domestic happiness has often resulted from		tion, ignorantly employed by children,	and so forth, to paper, and forwarding	embarking, will completely free even	about seven o'clock one evening and	imperial is woven in each of the corners.
badte and the store of homestic happiness has often resulted from		which, when containing paraffine wax,	the same to me, I shall be greatly in-	sensitive subjects from the horrors of	sobbing out that she had lost a costly	
badly washed dishes, from an unclean kitchen, or from trifles which	the most important communication	may lead to very grave dangers, and the	debted to you. Will you?"	seasickness.	diamond necklace, and must have	a man in March of Way in the
seemed light as air. But by these things a man often judges of his	which I had written, doubtless owing		"If you will promise not to publish	the second se	dropped it in the theater after the	A tree in Nashville caught fire from
Wife's dependion to have a 1	to our interesting discussion."		my epistles in the Daily American"	-The Proper Material-Mrs. Dinwid-	HELLING, MC SUMMIDIA LINC CARDEN	an electric wire. One limb was burned
Wife's devotion to her family, and charges her with general neglect		A Contradictory Character.	laughed Marian.	die-"I see by this newspaper that the	the second	entirely off. A policeman threw water
he had her careless in these particulars. Many a home owes	he kept his haals toward Mr. The	Adams - An elevator boy is a strange		Princess Beatrice has made with her	and gaslighters, but every man and	on the burning limb with a hose, and
a large part of its thrifty neatness and its consequent happiness to	who, having folded the missive to Miss	character, isn't he?	an hour or more, and at last the dark-		woman swore that no such thing had	when the water struck the fire he ex-
\$APOLIO.	Benton, placed it in the envelope and	Jones-How so?	ening shadows warned Claymer that it	prayer rug." Dinwiddie-"She made it	been found. We searched the chair she	Perioded a Severe electric shock.
		Adams-Why, every one that's up in	was about time he was sitting at the	of she-kneel, I suppose,"	had occupied and the aisles in vain.	Koows All About It Now.
here a for the substitute cheaper goods for sAPOLIO, to make a	That saming All D	the world he runs down, and yet he	head of Mrs. Bobb's supper table, and		Then we gave it up. She started away	"I never realized what was meant by
better prom. Soud back such articles and insist on having just what	That vening Alice Benton, a very	gives a lift to all who wish to rise	he made his first effort to go. The first	-One Change Mrs. B"John, did	sobbing. After awhile she came back	dingers of scorn," said a young Washing-
you ordered, 64	pretty young lady, was busily occupied with a piece of post-site and	Life.	effort was never his last. Finally, he	vou change vour cont?" Mr R_"No	and told us the necklace was done up	ton man, "until I proposed to a deaf
	with a piece of nondescript work,		said: "I'm going new, really. Good-	Maria Lohangad my mind "		mute and was rejected."
			an going non, realit. Bood-	f same a compete my mine	Contraction & account of the second second	