IN THE GLOAMING.

The summer day is dying, The drosy flowrets fold; Long shadow soft is lying On the green and gold.

The brook, what is it saying, Or is it laughter sings, Some voice of joy was playing Among day's happy things?

The brook is flowing, But not like summer streams; Faint lights are on it glowing-It is the drift of dreams. -John Vance Cheney, in Century. | should be performed,"

Joshua Baker's Downfall.

By Charles J. Adams.

board. In the little Massachusets hill you have invited here, to deal with us neighboring tribes, and from neightown where he lived he had ruled with fairly, and to conduct the meeting of boring clans of their own tribe. The a rod of iron, since the unlucky day this committee in a parliamentry manwhen he was sent to represent his ner, we'll elect you. If you won't Indians, have thus been able to capwhen he was sent to represent his der, we'll elect you. If you would ture and retain a liberal supply of the evil effect of too much stimulant. I district in the legislature. That was his introduction into public life, and it forever. What do you say?" created within him an insatiable ap-

petite for office. He had been first selectman and years than we younger people could ment Joshua looked about him at the remember, and in both capacities rode people and at the women before him. roughshod over his companions in of- like some enraged animel who would about the man, or he would not have that his official companions held the been reelected year after year. He upper hand, and that the sympathy of was an efficient and faithful public the people was clearly against him, he servant, but association with him in restrained himself with an effort and the administration of town affairs was forced a smile to his lips. an unpleasant task, which few craved.

was adopted, Mrs. Abel Ayres and lot." Miss Samantha Dock became Joshua Baker's partners in office. The former possessed a fine education and great culture, but was totally lacking in Samantha, who had a very determined mind of her own, and enjoyed nothing better than a tilt with her neighbors. was inevitable, and its beginning was awaited with keen expectancy. It came even sooner than was appre-

school board to-morrow evening, in the ship. selectmen's foom, for organization and the transaction of routine business." | Son why Americans should take an interest in the expansion of the market strapped across their backs they fol to transaction of routine business." And it was signed by Mrs. Abel Ayres | Centre school. One had resigned to strapped across their backs they fol and Miss Samantha Dock. It was accept a more lucrative position elsewritten in Miss. Samantha's nervous where, another had been taken suddenhand, and every letter breathed de- ly ill, while a third had proved incap-

fiance. The postoffice was filled with idlers. and in response to a query as to the Clay of Ridgeville, a young woman cause of it, he read the note aloud, in admirably fitted for the position, but a clear, deliberate voice which, nevertheless, attempted no concealment of opposed by Joshua. The last time he that they are worthy husbands. They his disgust. That was his first mis-

"Wall, I'll be blowed!" ejaculated Silas Wiggans, the village blacksmith. "Pretty headstrong, aint they? Takin' me by such a course. I shall not at-

tend their meeting." public, if for no other reason."

ly than before.

certainly right. My obligations to the for the position.

all to be present.' meetings of the school board to be to act on their own responsibility, withopen to the public, but the privilege out farther consultation. Accordingwas seldom taken advantage of. On ly they had merely gone down the post-less of the post-less for many the post-less form the pos this occasion however, the selectmen's raod a mile or two by stage, to the Peebles for me!" room was crowded. Mrs. Abel and home of Miss Clay, where they offered then vexed, when they understood that opened school that very morning, less Joshua had especially invited the than two hours after the regular opencrowd to witness their defeat. Saman. ing hour. tha's black eyes snapped dangerously.

"We may as well begin at once," she

the long table and prepared their bal- manent teacher, and fixed her salary I'm just keepin' the map to match the lots. Samantha counted them, calmly with due formality. glances.

to stay Joshua, who was already pre- downfall is complete, and he has never jewels. The Koh-i-noor is valued at tion in a calisayle insane asylum or sorption or perish. For the present he paring his next vote.

"One moment Mr. Baker," she said, Mrs. Ayres nor I want to be chairman. tinued there so long as she will consent We've been voting each for the other to serve.-Youth's Companion. right along, and we can keep it up a spell longer if need be. That shows that you have been voting for yourself."

"Yes, madam?" exclaimed the now furious Joshua. "I have been yoting for myself, and I shall contine to do so, because I believe that I am the only tle-known race of aborigines in an armember of the board capable of per- ticle in the Century Magazine on "The forming the duties of chairman as they Giant Indians of Tierra del Fuego,"

mantha. " We don't blame you a mite; customs he writes; and as we don't want the office, we are Marriage, like almost everything only you must agre to some things It is arranged at the conveni-Joshua Baker's downfall began with halt. If you will promise faithfully, For ages the strongest bucks have the election of women to the school in the presence of these people that been accustomed to steal women from

> finally broke into open applause as Samantha ceased speaking. For a motoss them all on his horns. But seeing

"I gladly promise," he said, "to do The novelty of placing women on the whatever is right. More than that I school board strongly appealed to the would not promise for the highest ofpeople of the town-we will call it every point, the ridicule at his dis-

known, everybody realized that war Mrs. Abel and Miss Samantha owed own bag with implements, needles, their escape from much the same sinews, and bits of fur, and each wife seems to pass over the brain, and browbeating to which their predeces- has her own assemblage of children things are seen by the mental eye as in the maintenance of their power. sors had submitted. As the year roll- The work of the man is strictly through a mist. Of course the drinker Corn was one of the factors which came even sooner than was appred on and Joshua was thwarted at limited to the chase. He carries his bow and quiver of arrows, and his bow and quiver of arrows, and his bow and quiver of arrows, and his complete to the liquor and a complete became more ones. Platente every on the horizon for game: Joshua Baker frowned and hemmed and hawed when he read, one morn- comfiture became more open. Ridicule eye is ever on the horizon for game; of disintegration to the liquor and a pelled the French from North America but he seldow stooms to anything like and takes more called the French from North America. and haved when he read, one morning a week later, a note he had just is a powerful factor in politics, and but he seldom stoops to anything like bad stomach and takes more callsays. It thus reserved the better larger to be the had just become to be the had just become to be the larger than the seldom stoops to anything like bad stomach and takes more callsays. It thus reserved the better larger than the seldom stoops to anything like bad stomach and takes more callsays. ng a week later, a note he had just a powerful factor in pointes, and stonach and takes more causaya. In 1755-63. It thus reserved the better manual labor that is not connected but this simply serves to hasten his part of the continent to the younger and more progressive branch of the prestige. It was not until spring, how.

"Dear Sir," it began. "We, the un-

> cancy occured, Mrs. Abel and Miss Samantha urged the election of a Miss the year.

Now on the opening day, of the be compelled to lay down his life a the reins right into their own hands." spring term, Joshua received word that the feet of the heartless pale-faced in "Indeed they are, sir. But they will the young man they had engaged was vaders to shield the honor of his find they can gain no advantage over unable to appear. As he walked up- home. street in a quandary how to avoid keeping his promise, he saw Mrs. Abel "Ye'd best not stay away," ventured and Samantha ride past in the stage, Mr. Wiggins, ofter a short pause, apparently bound to the city. A sud-"They'd be electing one of themselves den light broke upon him. He posted can woman in Manila, "is the lack of chairman, and nobody knows what messengers to the houses of his absent fresh fruit and sweet milk. There is other nonsense. 'Pears to me ye'd fellow-committeemen to call a special not such a thing as a berry of any sort ought to be there, for the safety of the meeting of the board that noon, to cherry or any small fruit. The insipic elect a new teacher. Then, feeling banana, the mange apple and mange This was a new thought to Joshua. sure there could be no neeting that day stems are plentiful, it is true, and it He hemmed and frowned hore violent- and that he was technically justified the way of vegetables lettuce, toma in acting on his own account, he him- toes, cucumbers and a poor quality of "I believe you are right, Mr. Wig. self hastened to the city, to secure a sweet corn may be had, and, as a mat

public cannot be laid aside. I will at- But Mrs. Abel and Miss Samantha herself puts up her own fruit, or super tend the meeting and," raising his had not gone to the city. They had vises it, will eat tinned abomination voice, "my good friends, I invite you each received a notice, like that sent or is willing to use condensed milk" to Joshua, that the teacher they had Nearly all tales of foreign countries That was Joshua's second blunder, engaged had failed them, and having leave one in the same frame of mine It was customary in those days for the in mind Joshua's promise, had decided that characterized the Scotchman from Miss Samantha were at first surprised, her the position. In short Miss Clay

Finding Joshua's message, on their return home, the two women met said, as Joshua, the last of the three, again, shortly afterward, at the select- ritory green. "Do you take an inter entered the room. "We'll ballot for men's room, at the specified hour, but no Joshua appeared. Partly surmising The committeewomen and the lone the truth, and hughly enjoying their ave a skirt like that brown bit, and committeeman seated themselves at advantage, they elected Miss Clay per- blouses like them other colors; and

taking this responsibility upon herself. Joshua's emotions, when he drove There was one vote for each of the into town that evening with his imthree members. Joshua's face was a ported teacher, defy expression. The study. He had never seriously doubt- story was soon noised about, and his ed that he would be elected at once, as new defeat redoubled the former ridihe had been for so many years. The cule. The upshot of the matter was last year in the Kimberley diamond two women exchanged significant that he resigned from the board in mines of South Africa, which has great indignation.

ly, when, after the ninth ballot, Miss candidate for selectman, he was igno- say, by only one diamond in the world Samantha announced that still there miniously defeated. Since that day he -the famous Koh-i-noor brilliant was no election, she held up her hand has run for several other offices, but his which is one of Queen Victoria's crown the callsayic brain, with a fit termina- population. He must submit to abbeen successful.

Miss Samantha, having enjoyed her grimly. "I guess this has gone about victory to the full, declined a reelecfar enough. We may as well under- tion, but Mrs. Abel is still a member stand each other right now. Neither of the school board, and will be con-

MARRIAGE BY FORCE.

Giants of Terra del Fuego Take Advantage of Their Strength.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook tells of a lit-"That's all right," interrupted Sa- arctic expedition. Of their marriage

willing to elect you on the next ballot, Ona, is not fixed by established rules. the committeee. It's time to call a force is the principal bond of union. in constant contact with these Indians which grew late a hearty laugh, and for thirty years has given it entirely satisfactory to their peculiar emotions and habits of life.

The relation to one another of the women who possess but one husband in common in the family wigwam is of novel interest. As a rule, they are no more jealous than are the children in a civilized home circle. The principal reason for this is that the several wives are often sisters. A young man takes by force, by mutual agreement, or by barter, the oldest daughter of a family. If he proves himself a good hunter and a kind husband, the wife persuades her sis-Ridgeville. The first year the plan cussion and prepare for our tenth balwhen a girl is left an orphau, she is Mr. Baker was unanimously elected, taken into a family and trained to bebut the women had won a victory, and come the supplementary wife of her Joshua was not only defeated, but benefactor in after years. In the hut humiliated openly before the people. each wife has her own assigned posi-Humiliated he certainly was, and tlon, always resting in exactly the more than made up, however, by Miss sought savagely for an opportunity to same spot, with all of her belongings take revenge. The meetings of the about her. The wealth of the houseschool board that winter were stormy hold is not common to all the occuones, and it was largely to the crowds pants. Each woman has her own basthat gathered to witness the frays that ket of ment fragments or shellfish, her

> brave but ungallant husbands. Thus the children and the portable portions of the housee. The women certainly have all the uninteresting detail and the drudgery of life heaped upor them, but they seem to enjoy it. It that Miss Clay should be given a trial, own blood. It is a crying sin of the should annother vacancy occur during advance of Christian civilization that this red man of the far south should

Fruit and Milk Hard to Get.

"Another deprivation that must al ways be sadly felt," writes an Ameri gins," he said, at last. "Yes, you are young man he had long had in mind ter of course, anything and everything that is canned, but what woman who and Edinburgh, said: 'They may be

Why She Kept the Map.

A householder in London recently noticed that his cook had stuck up it her kitchen a map of South Africa with the British possessions colored red, the Transvaal brown, the Orange Free State yellow, and Portuguese ter est in the war, Mary?" he asked. "No sir," replied the cook, "but I mean to patterns with when I get a hevenin hoff, sir!"

A Large Diamond.

The "Light of Kimberley" is the name given to the great diamond found been sent to the Paris Exposition.

VICTIMS OF CALISAYA.

TERRIBLE EFFECTS FROM THE USE OF YELLOW CINCHONA BARK.

Authorities of Insane Asylums Have Begun to Note the Presence of the Calisava Toper - A Drug that Eats Away the Brain's Thought Centers.

Callsaya has finally found its way liver. The use of the drug in New able of all the products of the United York City as a means of stimulating States. It represents more money the stomach of dissipated men and wo- than any other one article produced in men has already attracted attention this country. Moreover, its lead is whom he visited on the Belgian An- from physicians. Authorities of insane asylums have also begun to note the Corn crops which pass the 2,000,600, though it is probable he has been more mon in recent years. They will unor less in existence for a great many years past. It is not so very long ago first. We know how you have carried lence of the contracting parties, that it was uncommon in the west to have a drinking man order callsaya vote motions you didn't like and bull- say about it. The bargain is made all in connection with his liquor. In fact, greatest possible extent. dozed generally the other members of most solely by the men, and physical he was ashamed to do so if he understood its use, and generally took it in the privacy of his rooms or through the prescription of a lenient physician. Now it is quite a fad to mix the liquor and calisaya in the delusion sisted and the nerves protected from saw the other day the brain of a man who had died from a combination of too much whisky and calisaya, writes called my attention to two cases of men under his treatment for the purpose of being freed from the use of the powerful drug.

Calisaya, or yellow cinchona bark,

reaches in its permanent effect on the system the heart and the brain at quickly as small doses of arsenic would American history. about the same time-not quite so or medical doses of strychnia, but of Canada could never hope to mainquick enough to produce at an carly tain themselves in the contest for superiod some form of idiacy in the mind of the user. The thought centers of the brain are quite rapidly eaten out. A tissue is destroyed which under or- and the St. Lawrence in limited quandinary circumstances ought to last un- titles only. This valuable American til a man has passed his sixtleth year. The limbs begin to tremble as the use of the drug increases. There may be the stumps of their rude clearings of more or less uncertainty in speech. on the prairie, could be utilized to an Thought, which at first has been quickened by the influence of the calisaya, grows dull, and the liquor which United States. The more northern looking.-Detroit Free Press. is taken with it does not serve to tribes could grow it only in trifling quicken it. I am told that a cloud "Dear Sir," it began. "We, the undersigned, beg leave to inform you a decisive blow and assert his master. wife must carry it into camp. It alone. Men who eat heavily, drink it a dozen years after the French were that there will be a meeting of the noted as the ones who now publicly son why Americans should take an inlow the unencumbered lead of their their better educated brothers of the ducing it to a larger and larger portion can dress a turkey or a lobster than brave but ungrallant bushands. Thus east. In time their doses of callsaya of the world. The exports in 1809. the women carry, day after day, not fail to produce the desired beneficial 186,000,000 bushels, have been four only all the household furniture, but results. If medical assistance is then times as great as they were five years desired the victim has in most in ago." stances gone so far toward making a little something lower than a beast of himself that it is only necessary to write out his death certificate and ascribe the cause to some other reason than yellow cinchona bark.

. Cinchona, or chinchena, is so called after the Countess of Chinchon. Chinchon is a community in Spain near Madrid. The countess was the vice queen of Peru, who, in 1638, was cured of fever by the use of cinchona bark, and who assisted in making the remedy known, without regard to all the consequences. The bark from which the drug is made comes from a genus of evergreen trees, natives of the Andes from Colombia to Bolivia, growing chiefly on the eastern slopes at an average altitude of from 5,000 to 8,000 feet. whisky or brandy.

dent of callsayle victims, what particu- him. My conscience is easy, for he got lar ill effect local users of the drug a bargain as it was, but the episode is would feel, aside from those I have discouraging. I'm thinking of dismentioned. He said that they would charging our scrub woman and emptybe particularly liable to attacks of ing a few trash barrels around the la grippe, and that this poison in their store. Then, may be, I'll be able to system would drive the la grippe to convince people that I have works of the head, with temporary or perma- art on the premises."-New Orleans nent insanity following. A person ad- Times-Democrat. dicted to the use of calisaya is much more apt to take la grippe in its severe or fatal form. Dr. Doud noted also that hard drinkers who suddenly ceased the use of liquor eventually take calisaya as a subtitutes and find

CORN IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

t is the Most Valuable Product of the United States.

"The interest which the United States is taking in making an interesting corn exhibit in the Paris Exposition of 1900 is chiefly economic, of course," says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. "Corn is the most valulengthening instead of shortening. 000 bushel mark have grown comdoubtedly occur still oftener in the near future. It is to the interest of the country to popularize this article Thing, "It is the man who is the most of food in the rest of the world to the

to have figured in the political history dianapolis Press. of the United States just as prominent. ly as it now does in the country's ceonomic development. The earlier white men on this continent record their surprise at the extent to which the Indians used this cereal as an article of food. The length of time which the red men could conduct campaigns through the forests on a small supply of dried corn, which they would sometimes pound into a meal with stones Herald. A local physician has also and eat raw, and at other times bake ear, was a revelation to the Spaniards, French and English visitors to the present territory of the United States two or three centuries ago. The newcomers, however, quickly adopted the usages of the aborigines in this particular, and corn was thus made to figure with a good deal of conspicuousness in

"One of the reasons why the French premacy with the English and the residents of the thirteen colonies was that corn could be grown north of the lakes Tribune. product, which the Indians with their stone implements could plant between important extent by those Indians only who resided in what is now the quantities, and their French allies were thus deprived of a valuable aid

Dirt and Art "Values."

"Dirt is a great promoter of picture; sales," remarked a New Orleans dealer, rather cynically the other morning. 'For over a year I had a couple of suall canvases on exhibition here in the store, and although they were really works of art, I couldn't get rid of them at any figure. They were studies in off by a young French painter-one an ideal head and the other a land "of getting one of those fashionable scape, and they were well worth my original price of \$100 apiece. There the thing for me? It's all the go, you were no customers for them, however, know. and after a few months I cut that down to \$50 and then dropped a notch yawn. "Get one, by all means. It's at a time until I finally ticketed them just what you need."-Philadelphia at \$8.49 for the pair. I put on the tag Press. partly as a joke and partly because I was mad, but I must confess I was Here are found the sources of Peru- considerably surprised when nobody vian or einchona bark and of quinine. took up the proposition. Then I had There are about forty species, but the a bright idea. I took two pictures out cinchona bark of commerce is: pro- of their handsome 'shadow boxes,' duced by about a dozen. The barks slapped them into a couple of shabby commonly found at any pharmacy are gilt frames, put back the first price chiefly Peruvian bark, calisaya and red and sent them over to a second-hand cinchona. Ordinary cinchona bark is store in the Old Quarter. The place valuable as a remedy in fevers and as I am speaking of is beyond doubt the a general tonic, but the alkaloids ob- dirtiest den in town. It is cluttered up tainable from the bark have in prac- with broken furniture, smells like a tice largely taken the place of the bark morgue and hasn't been swept since itself. If the calisaya toper could con- the year 1, but nevertheless it is a fine himself to medicinal doses he prob- great resort for Northern curlo huntably would never suffer any ill effects, ers. They imagine they make 'discovbut he absorbs the drug in practically eries' there, and sure enough, in less the same quantities as he does his than a week one of them discovered my paintings and almost dislocated his arm in getting out his pocket book be I asked Dr. Frank N. Doud, a stu- fore anybody could rush in ahead of

What the Boer Has Done.

The Boer has not been without his uses in the world scheme of civilization. Like the American backwoodsman, he has blazed the way for the that they have jumped from the frying march of progress. His bold and restpan into the fire. He deplores the use less spirit has pointed out a path to of callsaya in social drinking because the crowding nations of the old world. of its damning effect upon the nerve His have been the privations, his the centers. As the habit is rapidly grow- toil and his the peril. But his funcsecond ballot, nor by the third. Final- next town meeting, although still a is exceeded in value, diamond experts ing in Chicago drinking circles we tion is at an end; civilization presses shall soon have for treatment the cali- at his heels; the land from which he sayic heart, the callsayic stomach and drove out the Kaffir calls for a denser

THE JOKERS' BUDGET.

That Morning Growl.

The coffee she serves In a pot that is quaint. But it gets on my nerves-It would madden a saint; It is muddy and cold And so weak it is faint; My cup could not hold

Much more grounds for complaint. -Chicago Record.

This Serious World-"Young man, this is a serious world." "I know it, uncle. It's so serious that it makes me laugh."-Boston Courier.

The Savage Bachelor. "Anyway," said the Sweet Young

scared at a wedding." "Of course," said the Savage Bach-"But corn at one time may be said elor; "he has the most sense."-In-

> Time to Attack "The attack on Koffyfontein should be made before breakfast," remarked Mr. Bellefield.

> "You certainly have strong grounds for your suggestion," added Mr. Bloomfield .- Pittsburg Chronicle-Tele-

Lessons in Gallantry. "What did the empress dowager

threaten to behead you for?" "For neglecting my manners," said the young Chinese emperor. "I forgot to get up and give her the throne when she came into the room."-Washington

Taken by Surprise.
"Where were you born, Thomas?" asked the teacher, eyeing the new pu-

pil over his glasses. "Born in sins," answered the frightened little boy, falling back upon his recollections of the catechism.-Chicago

A Womar's Discovery.

Isabelle-"I used to sacrifice myself for other people."

Belinda-"Don't you do it now?" Isabelle-"No. I've quit it; people seem to like me just as well, and I know I'm more amiable and better

The Mysterious Code. "How happily the Von Grootses seem to live together."

"Yes. I can't get at the secret of it." "The secret?" "Of course; does he let her have her own way all the time, or does she let

Choosing a Wife.

him have his?"

Fuddy-One cannot belp falling in love with a handsome woman who

knows how to dress herself. Duddy-Yes; but when a man chooses delightful innovation introduced by for corn, and happily they are intro a wife he is wiser to choose one who self.-Boston Transcript.

> The Great Obstacle. 'What's Mamie crying for?" "She wants to vote when she grows

"Well, what's she crying about? May be she can vote all right." "Yes, but little Tommie Stickelbat says he won't marry a strong minded girl."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Her Earnest Suggestion. "I'm thinking," said Mr. Staylate, new hats. Do you think it would be

"All the go, ch?" she said, stifling a

A Matter of Doubt

Jack-"I don't know whether to get married or go to the gold diggings." Tom-"Why don't you ask the girl?" Jack-"I have asked her." Tom-"What did she say?" Jack-"She said get married." Tom--"Then why don't you?" Jack-"She suggested another girl."

A Mean Insinuation.

"There was a time," exclaimed young Spenders, who had gone through fortune, "when people used to say I had more money than brains. They can't say it now."

-Detroit Free Press.

"No?" queried the caustic cad. "No. I'm down to my last penny," "Ah, but you have the penny."-Philadelphia-Press.

Expectation and Realization. "You want a place as office-boy?" "Yes, Bir."

"Where are you from?" "Boston." "Ah! How much pay per week do

you want?" "I want a hundred dollars, Sic." "A bundred dollars?"

"Yes sir. "That's what I want, but I expect to get about three dollars."

Mystified. "Mamma, my birthday comes this year on Monday, doesn't It?"

"Yes, dent." "And last year it was on Sunday, wasn't it?"

"Yes, dear." "Did it come on Saturday year before last?"

"Yes, dear." "Mamma, how many days in the week was I born on?"