Enchantment.

By Georgia Wood Pangborn, Dew on the long, dark grass is wet, Sing, my frogs, for the sun is set. Was ever a world so wide awake. Shrill with fun for the moon's sweet

sake? She comes! from a hill on fire, Dance, oh, my heart's desire!

A small thing fled through the leaves

and grass-What do you see, little peering lass? Was it mouse or goblin, cricket or fav?

But no-the fairies all went away: Or died,-they told me so, Ever so long ago.

The fairles have all got into your head:

Is that where they went when I thought them dead?

Frogs are not frogs, but little green men? Perhaps you are right, if so-why,

then Dance, oh, my hearts desire, In the light of the low moon's

-The Delineator.

The Boy and the Bird.

A writer in Appleton's Magazine gives an experience which a boy had after wounding a grouse. We give the article in part:

"The bird at which the boy had fired thrust down its legs and wabbled as if about to fall; then recovered itself and flew on, its legs dangling. A chance shot had apparently broken its back, paralyzing its legs, but leaving it still strength enough to fly a certain distance. Trained hunter as he was, the boy watched the wounded bird, and marked the exact spot where it finally dropped, just at the edge of the cornfield, half a mile

away. "I think I'll go after it,' said the

"'Nonsense,' said Luther, 'it's a half mile away, and you have all you

want without it.' "But the bird is wounded. I hate to have it lie out there and suffer.'

"'Oh, it's probably dead; or if it isn't, some skunk or weasel will kill It to-night. Come along.' "It was nearly sunset, and the youth

was tired after the long tramp of the fay. It would be a long trip over to the cornfield for weary legs-and then perhaps to find the bird dead. Already it was supper-time at home, and he had a hunter's appetite. So he allowed himsef to be over-persuaded, and the two tramped homeward.

"But the grouse that had fallen over in the cornfield was not dead. Nor, as it chanced, was its wound of kind to produce speedy death. The injury did, however, render the bird atterly helpless. Once it had dropped to the earth it could not rise again. Nor could it move about on the ground, for its legs were parayzed completely. It lay on the bare earth, sheltered by the cornstalks from the eyes of hawks, and where there was not much danger that marauding beast would find it. But there was no food at hand. It was doubtful even whether the bird would be able to sip a few drop of dew from a cornstalk to quench the thirst that its wound must develop.

"Quite obviously fate had marked the grouse for a lingering death of torture. Its wound, already painful, must become more so with the lapse of time. Insects would come in phy- but also for the Persians themselves. lanxes to pester it. Hunger and thirst Emmeline Stuart, niece of the veteran The greatest mercy it could hope for story to tell of her own experiences would be the coming of some skunk or weasel, as the hunter had sugchanced to come that way."

The following Sanday morning the boy went to church. The writer

development in that half hour. He was making one of those short cuts riage formed her canopy at night. from point of view to point of view. He was passing (little as he realized ing courtesy and kindliness of the to a plane of broader sympathies.

brooding the same thoughts, and as sionaries during this period of unrest ne left the church the idea of the by saying that the mission compound wounded bird had taken full posses- at Ispahan was one of the safest sion of his mind. Instead of going places in the city. In fact members home, he set out for the field where of the families of officers of the he had shot the grouse. He believed Shah have in the last few months re-

"A good memory and a keen eye enabled him to go to about the point of the field from which the grouse field he noted the exact point (marked by a peculiar fence post) where went directly to it, and had scarcely entered the cornfield when his dog sician. Aren't you?" came to a point. There ahead on the ground lay the bird, stretched at full length. It made no effort to escape as he came up. It was too near death to fear him or anything, its eyes half gasped for breath.

"In an instant the youth was on his knees beside the bird, a great lump in his throat, his eyes staring as if In Northern Norway the longest

The meaning of it all came to him, with the force of a blow. Mechanically he brushed away the insects that gathered about the wound in the bird's back. He stroked the solled plumage tenderly. He found himself calculating the hours that the grouse had lain there suffering. It had haps pened Wednesday and this was Sunday-twenty-four, seventy-two, about ninety hours; yes, fully ninety. What a cruel stretch of torture! The youth recalled an occasion when he had had toothache for two hours that had seemed interminable; and the meaning of that ninet hours of pain came home to him yet more vividly. In an agony of remorse he knelt there, thinking, thinking. He closed his eyes; and when he opened them a few minutes later, the grouse had ceased to breathe.

"The youth rose suddenly and walked to the verge of the cornfield. He selected a spot in a fence corner, and began to dig a hole. The ground was hard, and he had nothing but his knife and a piece of stick to aid him; but he persevered the more stubbornly as his fingers became sore from digging. When the grave was deep enough, the youth went after the body of the grouse and took it up very tenderly, as if so much of suffering had given it sacredness. He laid the poor thing carefully in the ground, smoothing its every feather. Then he resolutely scooped in the dirt till the grave was filled.

'It was a thoughtful youth who walked s'owly homeward across the fields that autumn day. He was asking himself what right he had to inflict such suffering as that. What manner of friend to the birds was he that could wish only 'to kill them? What pleasure could he get in future in shooting always with the possibility of reenacting the tragedy of the cornfield?

"Long before he reached home the youth had made up his mind. He knew that he should never shoot his gun again. He had entered a new phase of life. The desire to kill was no longer strong within him. The instinct of the hunter had left him forever."-California News.

THE MOTOR AND THE FARMER.

Automobile Milk Wagons Plentiful Among the Dairymen Out West.

There was a dairyman's convention recently that brought to Chicago milk producers from the five States immediately tributary to the great Elgin and Wisconsin creamery districts. Of those attending 112 were asked as to the use and value of the automobile to them.

Thirty-eight of them own automobiles and use them constantly in business. E'even own more than one, according to Collier's. They are used in marketing butter fats mainly, but several utilized the power to operate separators, one to flush his dairy barn, another to operate his bottle washer.

The ro in the creamery district are better than the average country roads, and the automobile most used is a late type, with a tonneau that can be removed, leaving a flat platform for freight. But that is not all. Lastly, yet perhaps as important as anything, is the effect already felt and increasing constantly of the influence of the farmers who own automobiles upon the character of the roads.

Reports from nineteen agricultural schools, covering practically the entire country, prove the interest of farmers in good roads is increased and increasing greatly because of the automobile.

WOMAN'S TRAVELS IN PERSIA.

Ten Days' Ride at Hard Gallop on a Gun Carriage.

In times of peril in Persia the medical missions have proved to be the safest places not only for Europeans would add their modicum of agony. Bishop Stuart, had a remarkable when preparing to leave the country.

gested, to put it out of misery. But the disturbed country from Ispahan to The only escort available through no such messenger of speedy death Teheran was offered to her by the military authorities, and she accepted it, to find that it entailed travelling on a gun carriage harnessed six in hand and that for ten days double "The youth's soul was undergoing stages were effected at a hard gallop, while the shelter of the car-

it) from the barbarian hunter stage officers to the traveller placed in their charge and reassured the committee "All through the lesson he sat as to the absolute safety of the mishe might find the bird even yet. At sorted to it as an asylum.—Pall Mall Gazette.

His Instrument.

A pompous doctor was going round had flushed; and over by the corn- the wards, followed by a crowd of

students. "I can tell a man's occupation from the wounded bird had gone down. He his disease," he said, turning to a patient. "Now, this man is a mu-

> "Yes, sir." "And you play a wind instrument?"

"Yes." "You see, gentlemen, nothing is worse for the lungs than the wind closed, its bill agape, as it feebly instruments. What is your instrument, my friend?"

> And the man replied: "Concertina." -Dundee Advertiser.

they would start from their sockets. day lasts from May 21 to July 22.

When planning your holidays take into consideration the fact that, though it costs a great deal to journey very far away, living is generally much cheaper in quiet, out of the way villages than in more frequented spots. And remember that, if you go to a smart place, with band and promenade, the effort of living up to smart folk does away with half the good of the holiday. Choose some sequestered village where you can laze to your heart's content-a place with some congenial form of amusement within hail-bathing, fishing, boating, tennis, golf, or whatever else you like, but something, for even tired people get weary of doing nothing after a time.

Rooms in a cottage or farmhouse are what you want, with home made bread, milk warm from the cow, fresh eggs, fat chickens, honey and vegetables that are growing in the garden a few hours before they appear on your table.

For the first two days, if I were you, I would laze, and laze, and laze. Get up late. He about all day long in comfy chairs, and go to bed early. A real slack won't do you an atom of harm, but will help you to enjoy your holiday the more.

Then you can start away with your games and your pleasures, your excursions and whatever things please you most.

Remember before starting that bad weather often intrudes itself into holiday time, and a game or two, together with a few books, will considerably add to your happiness. It's not a bad plan to take a little stiff literature away with you as well as novels, the sort of thing you don't feel inclined for after a long day's work, but which taken in moderate doses on a holiday, affords quite a marvellous amount of pleasure.

Put away as much as possible all our anxieties and cares; d'n't think about the daily grind to which you must return so soon, and remember the heart makes the sunshine in the home, so that, however charming your surroundings are, the holiday won't be a success unless both of you are determined not to be "cross" if little things go wrong.-Home Chat.

DRESS TO YOUR TYPE.

The well dressed woman is not the one who spends the most on her clothes, but she who knows her own type. There is a great art in only wearing what is becoming. This is the secret of many a woman's beauty as well as of her reputation for smart ; dressing.

The woman who studies her type daughter were at the same dinner. son. mother's looks!" On this occasion the an old-blue dress as the all-black hat. woman had made herself almost ugly by her adoption of the latest coiffure and inartistic use of the rouge brush; while the girl, who was clever enough to dress to her type, seemed a beauty despite irregular features.

who does not choose clothes to suit | cide what could best be given up. her special style will fall short of her full measure of good looks.

school girl age; but a woman of reduced. rugged features and sallow colorings

youthful dress. For a woman with a receding chin adopt a severely simple style of dress | The club rose in a body, however, defects. To brush the hair back What is that! Art! What of it! Litera-

Another type which should affect hair, or with that somewhat unusual that we stand eternally." combination brown eyes and dark lashes with golden hair. Conspicuous clothes while they may not be un and five one-dollar publications were becoming, will ruin her look of re- cut off to sustain it.-New York Press. finement.-New York Press.

REMEDY FOR DIVORCES. "A marriage law has been suggest-

ed in the Hoos'er State," said Mr. in the New York Telegram, "requir- and one that grows rather than diing an acquaintance of at least two minishes with time. years prior to the wedding.

Feldman, of South Bend, who safd from the bench that too short accourts of all the States.

"While it is wise for the men to |

alyzed by the fair one.

ake at once applies her matrimonial Chat.

HOLIDAYS FOR TIRED PEOPLE. (Bertillon system. She measures him up, first for his finances, then his looks, then his tractability, general behavior and conformity. She makes the first application of her gentle art and if she finds he is easy she may either rush the game or tow him along at easy paces, according to the well known methods handed down from mother to daughter since the world was turned over to woman.

"So far as I can see, it would do us little good if she were compelled by law to stretch her form of treatment over a period of two, three or four years. She would make the formula fit the provisions of law by applying it weaker and at more widely removed intervals, but the result would be the same as it was, as it is, and as it ever shall be. Man would still be the goat. He may hedge himself about with legal technicalities, but they must all fall flat when weighed in the marital scales with woman's innate craft."

FASHION NOTES. The quaint poke bonnet, silk handbag, scarfs and shawls, overskirts and sashes, point to the past with precision.

Many shirtwaists are made without even so much as a collar band, so the soft puritan collar of lingerie can be put around.

The new net lace closely resembles a cluny, Irish or hand-crocheted mesh, with fine, small figures. Nets of this will be dyed to match the dress.

are best for girls under 15. If a girl is stout she will look best in a onepiece frock. All the high class models and gowns

One-piece frocks and jumper dresses

of this season show a small amount of ornamentation and utmost elegance of There are a great number of gold

and metallic ribbons, one notable one in alternate stripes of gold and pagoda blue. The calash idea of 1780 is repro-

duced in the opera hood of this sea-Plain colored satin ribbons, made

into rosettes, are a fad of the moment. Gold and silver embroideries decorate many of the new hats, while flow-

ers are used in profusion. Colors, however, seldom follow nature, for brown roses are among the most fashionable decorations.

Bib effects are one of the often repeated characteristics of the present day gown of almost any description. Lace and patterned not is just now

liked better than the plain net, which could do next. has had such long and strenuous use. It is a foregone conclusion that we knows better than to follow fashion that have tun'c effe ts and more den't believe mamma has ordered her slavishly. Not long ago a mother and ; tunic effects during the coming sea-

The former is a noted beauty, while ! There is no handsomer trimming of the daughter is usually hear! for an old-blue hat than black, and "What a pity she did not inherit her no hat quite so pretty to wear with

WOMAN'S FIRST NEED.

A well-known New York club composed of literary and artistic women -professionals, too, who earn their living by the drip of their pens and Remember that clothes count quite brushes-recently decided that they as much as features and coloring in must curtail expanses. The club met making a beautiful womaan, and she in a committee of the whole to de-

The subject of subscriptions to periodicals came up for consideration, Thus a girl with a piquant face, as the club subscribes for all the and bright, young expression may leading magazines, and that item is venture to wear a sailor hat and a large one on its list of expenses. Peter Pan collar though far past It seemed as if this might easily be

. One strong-minded woman suggestwill look ridiculous in this distinctly ed that they cut off from their list a certain fashion magazine, as it is one of the most expensive, being illus- day and dull, small eyes it is folly to trated with elaborate colored plates. in hope to be thought intellectual. and reproached the suggesting mem-What she needs is fluffiness, something ber bitterly, saying with determinato soften her face and conceal her tion. "Anything but that. Literature! plainly, and wear mannish collars ture and art we can furnish ourselves, only makes her look ug!7, not clever. but fashions we must have from the highest authorities all over the world extreme simplicity of dressing is the We will surrender, if we must, the girl with naturally high coloring, highest contemporary thought on any bright yellow or certain tints of red subject other than dress, but for

The strong-minded one apologized, the fashion magazine was retained

QUARRELS IN THE NURSERY. If the children seem to be getting into the way of continually quar-

teling among themselves do your ut-Harrison B. Vroom, of Indianapolis, most to stop it. It is a bad habit

A generally effective way of put-"The idea was brought out by Judge ting an end to the recurrence of such wranglings is to separate the little folk as soon as they begin to disquaintance before marriage leads to pute. Most children love to be tomost of the divorce cases in the gether and find it a great hardship to be apart.

When a child is continually cross protect themselves as far as they can and peevish it often means that he in this marriage game, I doubt very is out of sorts in some way-posmuch if they can ever devise laws sibly he is tired and out of gear and which would defeat a woman's wiles. is cross merely because he feels ill "Getting married is a business with and cannot keep his nerves under a woman, and she knows her book control. When this is the case take pretty well by this time. Just let him to see a doctor who understands us look at such a law as is pro- children and their ailments. A course posed and see how it would be an of medicine will sometimes work wonders and transform a cross child "As it is, when she meets a man into a happy little mortal.—Home **1***************** Jno. F. Gray & Son

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PET ORDERED THE GROCERIES. Pet's home was only a few steps from the grocery store, and she often went with her mamma to order the groceries. She would stand back and listen as her mamma said, "Two pounds of steak, a dozen eggs, a cake of soap and a bushel of potatoes," and then watch the grocer as he wrote down the order. Often he gave her an apple or a piece of candy, for he was very fond of Pet.

One afternoon Pet's mamma was obliged to be away from home, and she could not very well take Pet, so she said, "Now, Pet, you stay and keep house in mamma's place this afternoon. Papa will be up in his study, and if you get lonely you may go up and sit with him. Be a good girl, won't you, Pet? You are mamma's little housekeeper to-day.'

Pet wished she had some brothers and sisters to play with, but she hadn't; so she began to dress her dells, and that took quite a while, for there were five of them. But finally she had them all dressed and then she sat down to think what she

"I 'most forgot!" she exclaimed. jumping up in a great hurry. gree'ries te-day. I must go right over and do it."

So she put on her hat and ran over to the grocery. Mr. Barnes was very much surprised to see her coming alone, but he was more surprised when she said, "I have come to order the groc'ries, Mr. Barnes.'

"Have you?" said Mr. Barnes. "Yes; and I want some meatroast ham chops, I think I'll have today, and I guess six pounds will be enough-and I want a pound of butter and a pound-no, two poundsof pink sugar." She had seen her mother color the cake yesterday with some pink sugar, and it was so pretty that she wanted another one like it to-morrow.

"And-let me see-oh, yes: I want a fish-a cod fish, if you have one. Mayb. I'd better have two, for papa is very fond of fish."

Mr. Barnes had been writing down her order with a very sober face, just as if he was in the habit of taking orders from five-year-old girls every

"I guess that's all." said Pet. "Why, no, I pretty near forgot the tea. I'll take five pounds, please; and a little milk, for papa likes milk in his tea. Please send the things right over," and Pet ran back to her dolls. Pretty soon she went up to papa's study and became so interested in looking at a new scrap book that she was surprised to see her mother step in.

"Why, mamma, are you back so soon?" she said.

"Yes, Pet; but didn't you know it's nearly supper time?' "No, is it?" and Pet got up and

locked anxiously down into the street "I don't believe Mr. Barnes has sent those groc'ries yet, and I told him to send them right over." "I saw him, dear, and told him he

need not send them till morning," said her mother. Pet looked relieved and was glad that it didn't matter because the gro-

ceries were late. When they came in the morning, she was out at play, so she never knew that it was lamb instead of "ham chops," and granulated sugar instead of "pink," and that the tea and fish were left out entirely. But good old Mr. Barnes ofter laughs when he tells about Pet's order .- R. F. Krapp, in Sunday School Times.

The extension of the railroad system of China is proceeding steadily, if rather slowly. At the present time the total amount of road in active operation is 2170 miles. There are 806 miles of new road under construction; provision has been made for the construction of an additional 2232 miles, and 3286 miles of new line are projected.

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