

Thomas

tentiary.



on the whole successfully, a burglar. see? I have to do my dooty. He did not take from the poor; he His victims were always those who could afford to lose-and to have. It loot in order to save the baby, or, | want any fuss. touched by feminine gentleness, returns gems by mail the next day. Nor from dismayed white to angry red. was he the burly ruffian for whom the timid look nightly under the bed. A little black grease, and he might have passed for a plumber's assistant.

It was not ignorance of the hours kept by the rich that started him out as early as ten o'clock that evening. Tom read the society columns to good purpose; he knew that if the Kittridges were giving a Christmas Eve ball, among those present would assuredly be Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Whittimore and their daughter, Miss Evangeline Whittimore, who would probably be charming in rose chiffon and pearls. This meant that the Whittimore house would be empty of the Whittimores that evening. A careful inquiry into the ways of the Whittmore servants suggested that most of them would be off the moment the carriage had left the door. It looked such a pleasant opening that Tom decided not to take a confederate with him, but softly let himself in by a window in a shadowed angle, selected earlier in the day.

He found himself in a dining-room. dark except for the light in the hall beyond. Riches glimmered dimly on the sideboard, but Tom seldom both-then. Family rows is for the family with the noiseless agility of a cat, he only, I say. I done my job, and-"

you so much that I don't trust my own judgment. It has seemed to me that he was-unfair. I could be bolder if only I didn't realize how utterly unworthy---

She ran'to him, and he took her into

"Now I will run and get on another dress; you wait here," she said. "And, dear, I am going to bring my jewels. They are truly mine, and if we are too poor-

"I hate to have you take them," he protested.

HRISTMAS Eve Tom also hated to have her take was always a them. The case was at that moment busy night for Mr. in his right-hand pocket, together with Patter- several other trifles from her dressing son. He had in- table

variably done the "I'll be back in five minutes," she biggest business was saying, drawing away reluctant of the year at hands.

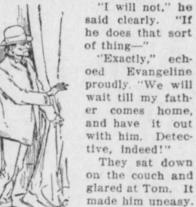
When she had gone as far as the that time, except for three succes- door, Tom took charge of the situation sive Christmases He threw back the curtain, lifting a spent under the cautioning hand at her faint scream.

"If you want to keep this quiet from conservative regthe servants, no row, please," he said ime of the peniwith dignity. "I'm sorry, young feller, Mr. Patterson but I'm a detective employed by the was frankly, and lady's papa to stop this very thing-

The young man stared helplessly, had never found that worth while. Miss Evangeline clutching at his coat. "But-but-" he stammered

"You see, the old gentleman got cannot be claimed that he belonged wind of it and asked me to step to the chivalric type that abandons around," Tom explained. "He don't

The young man's color had changed



he began confidentially, "you seem like a pretty nice young couple, and I ain't one to spoil sport. If you want to skin out just as you are now, inside of sixty seconds, I don't know but I might-look the other way, see?"

"Lookee here,"

"We don't wish anything of the kind," said Miss Evangeline haughtily. The young man merely stared; he was evidently preparing speeches for her father. Tom edged toward the door

"Well, I dunno as I need to wait, commanded the young

HOPE TO RAISE LARGE SUM SEEMED LIKE 'RUBBING IT IN' HER MILLION WAS KEPT BUSY

THE CENTRE REPORTER, CENTRE HALL, PA.

Earnings in Ten Years Nearly Half the Principal

INCREASE OF BIG BEQUEST

Money Left Elkins' Heiress Remains as Nest-Egg After Producing Fortune-Young Woman Rich from An Accumulating Income.

Norristown .--- When she was only ganized that it is doubtful if many 11 years old a bequest of \$1,000,000 was left to Marie Louise Elkins de of the country will not have heard of Guigne, his granddaughter, by Will- the Red Cross seal and its mission in iam L. Elkins, of Cheltenham, who the prevention of tuberculosis. It is was prominent in financial circles of hoped that at least 50,000,000 seals Philadelphia previous to his death on

November 7, 1903. The will provided that the trustees is that every cent except what little of the million should pay for her edu- is needed to cover the actual cost of cation, maintenance and support such printing and handling shall be spent amount of the revenue of the million as they deemed she required.

When she attained majority, 21 years of age, she was to receive the balance of the accumulated income from the million.

She became 21 years of age last August, and recently Judge William F. Solly filed an adjudication of the account, as presented by the trustees, George W. Elkins, John G. Johnson and Sidney F. Tyler.

Judge Solly finds that the accumulated income during the past 10 years, or since the trust became operative, was \$496,819.63, and that the trustees expended in behalf of this young woman, who has shone in high society, \$142,172.96, leaving a balance of accumulated income due her of \$354,646.67.

The original million dollars is awarded back to the trustees, to be held in trust for the benefit of the former Miss Elkins, whose married name is now de Guigne, during her life, and at her death the revenue is to be enjoyed by her children.

Father Saves Daughter.

Bethlehem .- While playing around the vard of her aunt. Mrs. James Miriam Landis, daughter of Morris Landis, owner of the Palace Cafe, fell down a 45-foot sink hole. The father of the girl saw his daughter disappear, and while his wife ran for a rope be climbed down the stony side of the opening in the ground. He reached the bottom just in time to In Use For Over 30 Years. grasp the sinking child, and held on Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria intil a rope was lowered.

losis Work. Few people have any idea of the magitude of the Red Cross Christmas seal campaign. This year over 100,- done with considerably less freedom a barometer. Beards are harder and

to Be Sold for Anti-Tubercu-

000,000 seals have been printed and distributed. If placed end-to-end ginning to realize that a regular salthese seals would extend nearly 2,400 ary had its advantages. miles, or practically from New York to Salt Lake City. They have been sent to over 25,000 different agents and will be sold and handled by an army of not less than 100,000 volunteers, including men, women and children. Millions of advertising circulars have been scattered throughout the country, and so thoroughly has

the advertising campaign been orpeople in the more populous states

may be sold this year. The principle upon which the sale of seals is based for tuberculosis work in the community where the seals are sold.

BAD TETTER ON HANDS

R. F. D. No. 1, Critz, Va .- "I had begin to come in clear white blisters, Star. then they would burst and peel off all over and crack and bleed. My hands were so sore and itched so badly I

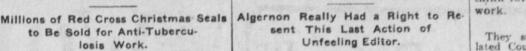
not put them in water nor do my regular work "I tried medicine and several differ-

did me any good until I tried Cuticura hands are perfectly well and all right." (Signed) Miss Ellen Tudor, Nov. 19, 1912.

Cuticura Soap and Ointment sold throughout the world. Sample of each free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address post-

"That jockey beat the record." "Did he do it with a whip?"-Baltimore American.

Important to Mothers Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it Bears the Chart H. Flitcher.



Algernon was a "free-lance" journalist, and at the moment could have -and more money. In fact, he was be- curlier as wet weather approaches.

So was Algernon's wife. A somewhat gloomy silence was broken by the letter carrier's knock, and, restraining any undignified haste, Algernon went to the box. It contained a foolscap envelope, which is not the kind that editors drop checks into.

"Shades of the poets!" quoth Alger-"This is really more than I can non. bear!"

"What is it, dear?" piped his wife. "What is it? Why, I sent this editor wo stories and the heartless fellow has returned three!"

Thought "Katy" Was a New Dance. "Two traveling men on an M. K. & T. train," says the Parsons Sun, "were talking of their trips and a young fellow sitting across the aisle caught snatches of their conversation. His curiosity got the better of him and he bent forward and addressed the man in the seat ahead of him: 'Say, hear those ginks talking over there? I've done the "Texas Tommy," "The Tango," "The Hesitation Waltz," and some others, but when it comes to "doing

tetter on my hands so badly that I the Katy," I pass. What kind of a could hardly do anything. It would wiggle is it, anyway?"-Kansas City

Red Seals and Christmas Gifts. A big-hearted purchaser of Red could not rest day or night. I could | Cross seals in a southern city recently complained because the seals did not come in sheets larger than 100. He had prepared a Christmas package for ent kinds of cream on them but they his daughter and had conceived the got worse instead of better. Nothing idea that he would wrap it entirely in Christmas seals. As the present was Soap and Ointment. And now my bulky, the sheets of 100 were not sufficient. He solved his problem, however, by pasting several sheets of seals on a large piece of wrapping paper, in which he inclosed his daughter's gift.

ELIXIR BABEK & GOOD TONIC card "Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston."—Adv. "Your 'Babek' acts like magic; I have given it to numerous people in my par-ish who were suffering with chills mahan who were suffering with chills, ma-laria and fever. I recommend it to those who are sufferers and in need of a good tonic."--Rev. S. Szymanowski, St. Stephen's Church, Perth Amboy, N. J. Elixir Babek 50 cents, all druggists cr by Parcels Post prepaid from Kloczew-ski & Co., Washington, D. C.

> Funny as a Crutch. "Played a good joke on my fiancee." "How was that, old top?" 'Had my chum meet her in the dark hall and he got the kiss intended for me. Good joke, eh, what?"

Didn't Matter. "You are wanted at the telephone.

"But I am so hoarse I can't talk."

"You won't need to talk; it's your

Appearances are almost as decep-

tive as trying to keep them up.

stricted to high living.

Constipation

Nearly all men are too azy even to think for themselves. Thinking is hard

They stop the tickle-Dean's Mentho-lated Cough Drops stop coughs by stop-ping the cause-5c at Drug Stores.

A man with a beard may use it as

Mrs.Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflamma tion, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.My

There is plenty of room at the top without pushing anybody off.



paused by the door.

The silence was absolute; not even the ticking of a clock could be heard. After three minutes his head drew back with somewhat the movement of a turtle's, his jaws came together. and he deliberately scuffed one foot along the polished floor, producing a dull, indefinite sound that might mean anything. Again the tense listening; then, with a businesslike quietness wholly free from slinking, he crossed the hall and went swiftly up the great, dim stairs.

The Whittimore Christmas presents, still lurking in drawers and desks, of-



It was just the faintest little mouselike click, but it meant a latch-key in the front door, not twenty feet away. and Tom had to act on the instant. The only refuge was a heavy plush curtain suggesting a concealed door, and he darted behind its folds. The door was locked on the other side.

The front door had opened now, and thief!" any change of position was impossible. Tom blessed his leanness, finding that by standing straight in the Whittimore. narrow space he made no perceptible bulge in the plush. With his pocket knife he deftly slit a peephole in time to see a young woman come with quick, cautious steps into the room. Obviously this was Miss Evangeline.

working at the lower lip. She began Outside a police court, I ain't likely to to pace up and down, very softly, with talk. You think about it." tense excitement in every line. Suddenly she paused, listening, her eyes dismayed faces. The two women on directed straight at the plush hanging. the stairs exchanged horrified glances. Tom, nerved for a feminine shrick, poised himself in readiness to set out scowled, sighed, then nodded heavily at the first note; but she turned and Slowly and reluctantly, the last pocket went swiftly to the front door. An in- emptied, the young man arose from stant later she came back with a Tom's chest. young man.

put about her.

"Oh, I don't know! I don't know!" arm. "But do you think father is tyranni-

we have a right to do it, if we're willing to be poor and-and all that?" "I can't tell what I think. I want

man. "I wish you to stay. Here!" Three swift steps had taken Tom to No Guilt in Fatal Error. the front door. He clutched it open-

and nearly landed in the arms of Miss tried in Criminal Court on the charge Evangeline's mother and father. Their of manslaughter and acquitted. He portly presence left no loophole. was the telegraph operator and night "Thought I'd save you finding your station agent in charge of the Reading

key, sir," he said. "I done my job railway junction at Sinking Spring, -but the young folks is pretty mad." where, on the evening of July 30, he

"When it comes to shadowing us is alleged to have become confused with a detective, sir," the young man in dispatching and caused a wreck in began imposingly; then temper over- which William Noble, conductor, was threw diction. "I'm hanged if I'll killed. stand for it!" he burst out.

"Detective? Are you crazy?" he ex-

claimed. fered an unusual-Tom fell back a step toward the ly wide selection, and Tom browsed back on me, sir, I ain't nothing to say. peacefully among But I stopped this here elopement and York county, was arrested. Fred C. for seven o'clock. At eight o'clock I fail. Purely vegeta-I've earned my pay. I'll call for it to hour. Then, addmorrow."

ing to his pocket He achieved another step. Mr. collection Miss Whittimore seemed short of breath. burned about 400 standing shocks of fodder and spread paris green over Evangeline's jew-"Elopement? Detective? Good the remainder, to kill Frey's live el case and two God, Vangy, I never hired a detective stock. hundred dollars in my life. It's some infernal blunfrom Mr. Whitti- der!"

more's desk, he "Well, here he is," said Miss Evanslipped down the geline coldly. "If you will let us get stairs again and married, we'll overlook it. Other made the mistake wise---' of pausing in the

dimly lighted drawing-room to tleman's temper began to show signs see if he had of wear.

"Marry any one you please! But for mercy's sake don't say I--"

A scuffle and a crash interrupted. A whirling heap on the floor resolved itself into Tom Patterson on his back, with Miss Evangeline's lover kneeling on his chest, a hand at his throat.

"Sorry to make a row!" apologized the young man breathlessly, "but I caught on just in time. He's a sneak

"You seem to be a-a fairly up-andcoming young fellow," stammered Mr.

"Look a here, Mr. Whittimore," broke in Tom peaceably. "you don't want all this in the papers." "All what, you scoundrel?"

"Elopement in the Four Hundred-

Miss Evangeline Whittimore, daughter She was panting a little, her hands of-see? Now you got the swag, you pressed nervously together, her teeth got the girl; what more d'you want?

> His captors did think about it, with Mr. Whittimore pinched his chin,

Two minutes later Mr. Thomas Pat-"Well?" said the newcomer quickly. terson, hurrying through the dark. She drew away from the arm he had smiled to himself as he inserted careful fingers into a remote crevasse of his structure, where the contribution She laid imploring hands on his from Mr. Whittimore's desk still lurked in a compact wad.

"They didn't know I had that," he cal? That it's silly to wait three reflected, "but I guess I'll keep it for years, when we're sure now? That hush money. Two hundred dollars is more'n that young dude earns in an evening, anyhow!"

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Social Engagement Line.

A sweet young thing called to have Reading .-- Joseph K. Light was a telephone installed in her residence. "Independent or party line?" asked wife. the manager.

"We have a great many social obligations," simpered the sweet young thing, "so I think you can make it a party line, even if it does cost a little more."-Judge.

One of the Seven.

"Will you tell me why your servant has three alarm clocks on the table by his bed? Is he as sleepy as all York .- For a Hallowe'en revel, that?"

Prompt Relief-Permanent Cure "All that and then some. You see, which it is alleged masked a spite dining-room. "Oh, if you want to go against his neighbor, Cedan Ehrhart, he sets one clock for five o'clock, an-CARTER'S LITTLE other for six o'clock, and the third LIVER PILLS never a well-known farmer of Mt. Zion, Frey, owning an adjoining farm, al- get up and drag him out of bed myble - act surely but gently on leges that Ehrhart set fire and self."-New York Evening Post. the liver.

Cows and Grass.

Two Washington youngsters were visiting their father's cow.try place in indigestion, Virginia, when one of them observed: "Marie, I don't see how cows can

Marie gave the question appropriate "I suppose it's like this: When the

achieved another step. The old gen- was struck, thrown out of the wagon saying to her children: 'If you don't and rendered unconscious. One of eat grass you shan't have any pie."







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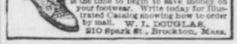
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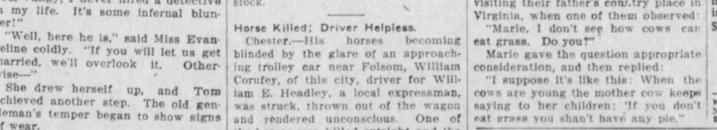
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The Typewriter

for the Rural



Bank Follows Coal Fallure. Marianna .--- The Farmers' and Miners' Bank here was closed and Bank Examiner James W. McBurney took charge. It is a State institution with a capital of \$50,000, deposits of about \$100,000 and resrve of \$5,000. It is

Indicted as Bribe-Takers.

Buffalo Coal Company.

Reading .- True bills were found by the Grand Jury in the bribery and conspiracy cases against City Clerk Ramsey and former Councilmen Cummings, Lewis and Flemming, accused of accepting bribes in connection with awards of contracts for fire apparatus.

identified with the defunct Pittsburgh-

Contract Job for 18 Months.

Bethlehem .--- Catasauqua mechanics will work 18 months on a New York contract awarded the Davies & Thomas Company for \$400,000 to make tunnel castings.

Reading .--- The committee of the Order of Railway Conductors and Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen met with the Reading Railway offlcials here. The object of the conference was to discuss the new schedule of wages as agreed upon by the

to \$200,000.

Adds \$300,000 to Payroll.

Board of Arbitrators.

It is probable, it was stated after the meeting, that the men will receive the amounts due them through the increase some time in January On the Reading system it will amount

Horse Killed; Driver Helpless. Chester .-- His horses becoming eat grass. Do you?" blinded by the glare of an approaching trolley car near Folsom, William consideration, and then replied: Corufey, of this city, driver for Will-

the horses was killed outright and the other severely injured.

Fire and Poison in Prank.