

The SANDMAN STORY

LUCY'S VALENTINE

SHE lived in another town from the one in which Dan lived, but they had known each other for a long time, and every once in awhile they saw each other.

Once Dan had come to visit her when she was spending the summer by the sea. There had been so much to see that was interesting there. The waves were such fun, the bathing was so nice, splashing and splattering were so jolly, and after old Mother Ocean had shown them what fun she could be they had visited the hen coop and the hens had showed how they did their marketing.

True, a good deal of their food was given to them, but they looked about



There Was a Pretty Valentine From Her Little Friend.

for things to eat, too, picking about the ground and seeming to be very happy and satisfied about it.

They had gone to the store and asked the grocer what he had to sell them.

They had not cackled: "Now, be sure you give me the very best, Mr. Grocer."

No, they had just taken what they could find without a word of hen talk about it.

She had been to visit Dan many times, too. Dan's mother and father were wonderfully good. They didn't seem to mind company in the very least. They always had such good things to eat (and hens aren't the only creatures who like to pick up delicious bits).

Besides it was much nicer for people. Food was put upon a table for them, food so attractively. Dan's mother was wonderful the way she could make good things to eat.

Even Dan's father was pretty

smart. He could make a delicious sandwich and he used to have a way of arriving with a box of candy in his pocket.

He didn't keep it in his pocket! Then there was always a fruit dish—filled with fruit, too.

But she hadn't seen Dan for some time, not for many weeks, in fact. St. Valentine's day came, and with it came quite a lot of mail.

There was a pretty valentine from her little friend and neighbor, Lucy. Lucy had made it herself and there were hearts and bunches of flowers and beautiful ladies pasted upon a white card. A very handsome home-made valentine, and she liked it so much. Lucy had been quite clever about making it, too. There were really very few spots of muckage showing where she had pasted on the pictures—very few spots, indeed.

She had been given, too, a little bunch of tulips—red and pink tulips. Her mother made her some chocolate caramels and wrote her a little verse, and she had two other valentines besides all this.

But there was one other—and oh, that other was a beauty!

And it came from Dan! Dan had not forgotten her and it made her so happy she shouted with delight: "A valentine from Dan! A valentine from Dan!"

On top of all was a heart made of paper lace—a very magnificent heart, with little bells and smaller hearts upon it, and a little pink rose, too. It was open in the center part of the heart and through the opening could be seen the picture of a boy—a boy who looked very much like Dan!

All about were pictures of toys, marbles, engines, a slate with a funny man drawn upon it, a drum, a horn, a cat and a camel and a skipping rope and a house.

Inside was a picture of a little boy and a little girl in an automobile—for this was a very grand valentine which opened up and had lots of pictures.

Below this picture were the words: "With love for my valentine."

And above Dan had written her name and below it he had written "Dan."

He had written it in his own handwriting, and it looked pretty fine, too.

Oh, she was very happy about this. She put it on her little table and there it stayed, for it was such a beautiful decoration, and it had come from Dan.

"Hurrah for St. Valentine's day!" she used to say to herself.

"And hurrah for Dan, too!" she always added.

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Walter Byron



Walter Byron, film star, was born in Leicester, England. His family have been actors for two centuries. Walter made his first stage appearance at the age of four, in "East Lynne." He served in the World war, following which he joined a musical show, and in 1926 received his first film offer. He will be remembered as being prominent in the pictures "The Awakening" and "Queen Kelly."

For Meditation

By LEONARD A. BARRETT

THE SPLIT ATOM

WONDERFUL have been the discoveries of scientific laboratories. Perhaps the last effort in this direction to startle the world is the attempt to split the atom. For many years we thought the atom was the smallest particle of matter. We know today that the atom is made up of much smaller particles called electrons. A celebrated scientist writes: "What may shake the world is what they are doing to the atom. They have split the atom of hydrogen and we have discovered what we thought was fundamental is something else again."



L. A. Barrett.

In that fascinating drama "Wings over Europe," Robert Nichols, co-author with Maurice Browne, pictures "The remarkable situation in which civilization has been placed by the amazing advance of science." If the forces inherent in the atom can be released and used for other purposes what would happen to our civilization? Not only could the basic metals be turned into gold and thus cause the destruction of the unit of value in the financial world, but the physical necessities of life could be so altered as to reverse the progress of civilization a thousand years, if not wholly destroy it.

While danger from the split atom is remote at present, it is very interesting to note that thus far not the scientist, but the idealist, the poet, the dramatist is raising the question, "what will happen to the moral order of the universe?"

If scientific discoveries are used for humanitarian purposes and not for private or commercial aggrandizement all may be well; but to leave to science alone the ultimate balance of power in this cosmic universe may be a very dangerous experiment. The employment of radioactivity in the cure of disease is a humanitarian use of the discovered radium. The discovery of the Hertzian waves gave us our wireless, telegraph and radio. Discoveries in scientific laboratories have largely been used in ministry to human need and comfort.

The possibility of the split atom creates another field of tremendous possibilities. Will the results be used for humanitarian ends? We believe they will.

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SIX CYLINDER SENTENCES

By DR. JOHN W. HOLLAND

He who hurts his health flirts with trouble. Bad temper is often a vice in people otherwise virtuous. Evil-speaking can be done only by the evil-minded. It is better not to have lived than to live and love not. It is a safe bet that spenders will rarely become lenders. It takes more than a wedding-ring, and a license now-a-days to make a successful wedding.

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Old Household Utensil

An old "coffee mortar," which was used in olden days when coffee had to be ground by hand, is owned in Fluvanna county, Virginia. The mortar, which is made of wood, is about a foot in height and an inch thick. At the top the bowl is about six inches in diameter, and slopes to a rounded bottom. An iron "mauler" was used to do the actual grinding. The mortar originally came from Scotland, and is believed to be about 200 years old.

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Greek Names Rooted in History of Old Turkey

In connection with the new name that Constantinople is to have in the future, it is stated that the Kennalist government of Turkey by adopting "Istanbul" as a substitute for Constantinople has not succeeded in eradicating the essentially Greek etymology of the word. In the Turkish vernacular the city of the Constantines is named Istanbul, from the Greek Eis tain polin, which, rendered into English, means "in the capital," or "in the city," as Constantinople is termed by Greeks and Turks alike throughout the Near East. The Turkish nationalists are endeavoring to remove the Greek or Armenian origins of most towns or cities without succeeding in finding appropriate substitutes for them. The conqueror of Constantinople, Sultan Mehmet II, was proud, however, of appropriating the title of "Sultan of the Romans" as the successor of the Constantines, but the present Turkish nationalists think that by a stroke of the pen they can uproot historic names of Hellenic origin, which not even the founders of "illustrious" Turkish dynasties have ever attempted to dispense with.

Whistling for Breeze

Fishermen in the Asturias whistle for a breeze and so do sailors in Scotland and the Annamites in the Indian ocean. All sailors whistle very softly for fear of producing a hurricane instead of a breeze.

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THE WHY of SUPERSTITIONS

By H. IRVING KING

NAMING THE BABY

THERE is a very common superstition, both in this country and Europe, that it is unlucky to name a child after another child of the family who is dead. This comes from that very ancient and primitive superstition, found today among nearly all uncivilized peoples, with regard to the intimate relation between a man's spiritual self and his name. A certain vital connection, also, between the man's physical self and his name appears to have entered into it.

The doctrine of "mana in names" Edward Clodd calls it; "mana" meaning magical or power. To primitive man his name was "an entity, an integral part of himself"—is so today among savages. Clodd says of an Australian aborigine: "If he has had conferred upon him on arriving at manhood a name similar to that of anyone who dies it is changed by his tribe" and compares this custom to "The feeling in the North of England against a favorite baptismal name when death has snatched away its first bearer.

"The root of the idea is that the name is an integral part of the spirit of the dead child. To give it to a living child would be robbing the dead, or attempting to do so, and the spirit of the dead might resent it with disastrous results to the living child. At any rate the child given the 'tabooed' name might be expected to sicken and die for that vital part of itself, its name, was already in the grave and the world of spirits.

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How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

"TO BEAT THE AIR"

WHEN we say of a man that he beats the air, we immediately characterize his work or effort as useless or unproductive.

This phrase does not seem to have much point until we stop to study it in all its ramifications.

It is then that investigation reveals that it is a pugilistic metaphor, dating back many thousands of years.

For, so long back that memory of man "runneth not to the contrary," we find that there were fist encounters, between man and man.

These were not, of course, in the beginning regulated; but even in Biblical days we find the expression "to beat the air" used of a man who flailed about with his fists without doing any damage—metaphorically (I Cor. 9:26).

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GABBY GERTIE



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