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THE BROOKLYN DIVINE'S SUN-DAY SERMON.

Subject: "The Island of Patmos."

TEXTS: "When we had discovered Cyprus we left it on the left hand."—Acts xxi., 3, and "I. John, was in the isle that is called Patmos."—Revelation i., 9.

Goodby, Egypt! Although interesting and instructive beyond any country in all the world, excepting the Holy Land, Egypt was to me somewhat depressing. It was a post mortem examination of cities that died four thousand years ago. The mummies, or wrapped up bodies of the dead, were prepared with reference to the Resurrection day, the Egyptians department the life. day, the Egyptians departing this life wanting their bodies to be kept in as good condition as possible so that they would be presentable when they were called again to occupy them. But if when Pharaoh comes to resurrection he finds his body looking as I saw his mummy in the museum at Boulac, his soul will become an unwilling tenant. The Sphinx also was to me a stern monstrosity, a statue carved out of rock of red gran-

ity, a statue carved out of rock of red granite sixty-two feet high and about one hundred and forty-three feet long, and having
the head of a man and the body of a lion.

We sat down in the sand of the African
desert to study it. With a cold smile it has
looked down upon thousands of years of
earthly history, Egyptian civilization,
Grecian civilization, Roman civilization;
upon the rise and fall of thrones innumerable; the victory and defeat of the armies of centuries. It took three thousand years to make one wrinkle on its red cheek. It is dreadful in its stolidity. Its eyes have never wept a tear. Its cold ears have not listened to the groans of the Egyptian nation, the burden of which I tried to weigh last Sabbath. Its heart is stone. It cared not for Pliny when he measured it in the first century. It will care nothing for the man who looks into its impertubable countenance in the last century.

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But Egypt will yet come up to the glow of fe. The Bible promises it. The missionaries, like my friend, good and great Dr. Lansing, are sounding a resurrection trumpet above those slain empires. There will be some other Joseph at Memphis. There will be some other Moses on the banks of the Nile. There will be some other Hypatia to teach good morals to the degraded. Instead of a destroying angel to slay the firstborn of Egypt the angel of the New Testament will shake everlasting life from his wings over a nation born in a day. When, soon after my arrival in Egypt, I took part in the solemn and tender obsequies of a missionary from our own land, dying therefar away from the sepulchers of her fathers, and saw around sepulchers of her lathers, and saw around her the dusky and weeping congregation of those she had come to save, I said to myself: "Here is self sacrifice of the noblest type. Here is heroism immortal. Here is a queen unto God forever. Here is something grander than the pyramids. Here is that which thrills the heavens. Here is a specimen of that which will yet save the world."

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Goodby, Egypt! This sermon finds us on
the steamer Minerva in the Grecian archipelago, the islands of the New Testament,
and islands Paulinian and Johannian in their reminiscence. What Bradshaw's directory is to travelers in Europe, and what the rail-road guide is to travelers it America, the What Bradshaw's directory Book of the Acts in the Bible is to voyagers in the Grecian, or, as I shall call it, the Gospel archipelago, The Bible geography of that region is accurate without a shadow of mistake. We are sailing this morning on the same waters that Paul sailed, but in the opposite direction to that which Paul voyaged. He was sailing southward and we northward. With him it was Ephesus, Coos, Rhodes, Cyprus. With us it is reversed, and it is Cyprus, Rhodes, Coos, Ephesus. There is no book in the world so accurate as the Divine Real.

islands of light above, islands of beauty be-neath! It is a royal family of islands, this Grecian archipeiago—the crown of the world's scenery set with sapphire and emerald and topaz and chrysoprasus, and ablaze with a glory that seems let down out of celestial landscapes. God evidently made up His mind that just here He would demonstrate the utmost that can be done with islands for the heartiflexical control of the landscape.

the utmost that can be done with islands for the beautification of earthly scenery.

The steamer had stopped during the night, and in the morning the ship was as quiet as this floor, when we hastened up to the deck and found that we had anchored off the island of Cyprus. In a boat, which the na-tives rowed standing up, as is the custom, instead of sitting down, as when we row, we were soon landed on the streets where Paul and Barnabas walked and preached. Yea. and Barnabas walked and preached. Yea, when at Antioch, Paul and Barnabas got into a fight—as ministers sometimes did, and sometimes do, for they all have imperfecsometimes do, for they all have imperfections enough to anchor them to this world till their work is done, I say—when, because of that bitter controversy, Paul and Barnabas parted, Barnabas came back here to Cyprus, which was his birthplace. Island, wonderful for history! It has been the prize sometimes won by Persia, by Greece, by Egypt, by the Saracens, by the Crusaders, and last of all, not by sword but by pen, and that the pen of the keenest diplomatist of the century, Lord Beaconsfield, who, under a lease which was as good as a purchase, set Cyprus among the jewels of Victoria's crown.

We went out into the excavations from which Di Cesnola has enriched our American museums with antiquities, and with no bet-ter weapon than our foot we stirred up the ground deep enough to get a tear bottle in which some mourner shed his tears thousands of years ago, and a lamp which before Christ was born lighted the feet of some poor pilgrim on his way. That island of Cyprus has enough to set an antiquarian wild. The most of its glory is the giory of the past, and the typhoid fevers that swept its coast, and the clouds of locusts that often blacken its skies (though two hundred though the legislation). blacken has sales (though two hundred thou-sand dollars were expended by the British empire in one year for the extirpation of these noxious insects, yet failing to do the work), and the frequent change of govern-mental masters hinder prosperity. But when the islands of the sea come to

God, Cyprus will come with them, and the agricultural and commercial opulence which adorned it in ages past will be eclipsed by the agricultural and commercial and religious to the commercial and religious will be expected by the agricultural and commercial and religious will be supported by the commercial and the supported by the commercial and the commercial and the agricultural and commercial and the comm

Blindfold me and lead me into any city of the earth so that I cannot see a street or a werehouse or a home, and then leads me into the churches and then remove the bandage from my eyes, and I will tell you from what I see inside the consecrated walls, having seen nothing outside, what is that city's reerchandise, its literature, its schools, its printing presses, its government, its homes, its arts, its sciences, its prosperity or its depression, and ignorance and pauperism and outlawry. The altar of God in the church is the high water mark of the world's happiness. The Christian religion triumphant, all other interests triumphant. The Christian religion low down, all other interests low down. So I thought on the evening of that day we stepped from the flithy streets of Larnaca, Cyprus, onto the boat that took us back to

the steamer Minerva, which had already begun to paw the waves like a courser im-patient to be gone, and then we moved on and up among the islands of this Gospel

and up almost the leaders of the archipelago.

Night came down on land and sea and the voyage became to me more and more suggestive and solemn. If you are pacing it alone a ship's deck in the darkness and at sea is a weird place, and an active imagination may conjure up almost any shape he will, and it shall walk the sea or confront him by the smokestack or meet him under the cap-tain's bridge. But here I was alone on ship's deck in the Gospel archipelago, and do you wonder that the sea was populous with the past and that down the ratlines Bible memoies descended? Our friends had all gone to

their berths. "Captain," I said, "when will we arrive at the Island of Rhodes?" Looking out from under his glazed cap, he responded in sepul-chral voice, "About midnight." Thouga it would be keeping unreasonable hours, I concluded to stay on deck, for I must see Rhodes, one of the islands associated with the name of the greatest missionary the world ever saw or ever will see. Paul landed there, and that was enough to make it famous while the world stands and fait famous while the world stands, and famous in heaven when the world has become

a charred wreck. This island has had a wonderful history. With six thousand Knights of St. John, it at one time stood out against two hundred thousand warriors under "Solyman the Magnificent." The city had three thousand statues, and a statue to Apollo called Colossus, which has always since been considered one of the seven wonders of the world. It was twelve years in building and was seventy cubits high, and had a winding upon the rise and fall of thrones in and then was prostrated by an earmound armies of centuries. It took three thousand armies of centuries. It took three thousand it was purchased to be converted to other it was purchased to be converted to other and the metal, weighing seven it was purchased to be converted to other purposes, and the metal, weighing seven fundred and twenty thousand pounds, was put on nine hundred camels and carried away. We were not permitted to go ashore, but the lights all up and down the hills show where the city stands, and nine boats come out to take freight and to bring three passengers. Yet all the thousands of years of its history are eclipsed by the few hours or days that Paul stopped there.

As I stood there on the deck of the Minerya looking out upon the place where the

erva, looking out upon the place where the Colossus once stood, I bethought myself of the fact that the world must have a God of some kind. It is to me an infinite pathos this Colossus not only of Rhodes, but the colossi in many parts of the earth. This is only the world's blind reaching up and feel-ing after God. Foundered human nature must have a supernatural arm to help it ashore. All the statues and images of heathendom are attempts to bring celestial forces down into human affairs. Blessed be our ears that we have heard of an ever present God, and that through Jesus Christ He comes into our hearts and our homes, and with more than fatherly and motherly interest and affection He is with us in all our strug-gles and bereavements and vicissitudes. Rhodes needs something higher than the Colossus, and the day will come when the Christ, whom Paul was serving when he sailed into the harbor of Rhodes, shall take ssion of that island.

possession of that island.

As we move on up through this archipelago, I am reminded of what an important part the islands have taken in the history of the world. They are necessary to the balancing of the planet. The two hemispheres must have them. As you put down upon a scale the heavy pound weights, and they the small curvers, and no one thinks of then the small ounces—and no one thinks of despising the small weights—so the con-tinents are the pounds and the islands are the ounces. A continent is only a larger island, and an island only a smaller conti-Something of what part the islands nent. have taken in the world's history you will see when I remind you that the Island of Salamis produced Solon, and that the Island of Chios produced Homer, and the Island of Samos produced Pythagoras, and the Island of Coos

is no book in the world so accurate as the Divine Book.

My text says that Paul left Cyprus on the left; we, going in an opposite direction, have it on the right. On our ship Minerva were only two or three passengers besides our party, so we had plenty of room to walk the deck, and oh, what a night was Christmas night of 1889 in that Grecian archipelago—islands of light above, islands of beauty beneath! It is a royal family of islands. glories of heaven landed there than on all the islands and continents since the world stood. As we come toward it I feel my pulses quicken. "I, John, was in the island that is called Patmos." It is a pile of rocks that is called Patmos." It is a pile of rocks twenty-eight mites in circumference. A few cypresses and inferior olives pump a living out of the earth, and one palm tree spreads its foliage. But the barrenness and gloom and loneliness of the island made it a prison for the banished evangelist.

Domitian could not stand his ministry, and one day, under armed guard, that minister of the Gospel stepped from a tossing boat to these dismal rocks and walked up to the dismal cavern which was to be his home.

the dismal cavern which was to be his home and the place where should pass before him all the conflicts of coming time and all the raptures of a coming eternity. Is it not remarkable that nearly all the great revela-tions of music and poetry and religion have been made to men in banishment—Homer and Milton banished into blindness; Beethand Milton banished into blindness; Beethoven banished into deafness; Dante writing his "Divina Commedia" during the nineteen years of banishment from his native land; Victor Hugo writing his "Les Miserables" exiled from home and country on the Island of Guernsey, and the brightest visions of the future have been given to those who by sickness or sorrow were exiled from the outer world into rooms of suffering. Only those who have been imprisoned by very hard surroundings have had great revelations made to them.

So Patmos, wild, chill and bleak and ter-

So Patmos, wild, chill and bleak and ter-rible was the best island in all the archipelago, the best land in all the earth for divine revelations. Before a panorama can be successfully seen, the room in which you sit must be darkened, and in the presence of sit must be darkened, and in the presence of John was to pass such a panorama as no man ever before saw or ever will see in this world, and hence the gloom of his surroundings was a help rather than an hindrance. All the surroundings of the place affected St. John's imagery when he speaks of heaven. St. John, hungry from enforced abstinance, or having no food except that at which his appetite revolted, thinks of heaven; and as the famished man is apt to dream of bountiful tables covered with luxuries, so St. John says of the inhabitants of heaven "They shall bunger no more." Scarcity of fresh water on Patrnes and the hot tongue of St. John's thirst leads him to admire heaven as he says, "They shall thirst no more."

St. John hears the waves of the sea wildly

agricultural and commercial opulence which adorred it in ages past will be eclipsed by the agricultural and commercial and religious triumphs of the ages to come. Why is the world so stupid that it cannot see that nations are prospered in temporal things in proportion as they are prospered in religious things? Godiness is profitable not only for individuals, but for nations. Quustions of tariff, questions of silver bill, questions of republic or monarchy have not so much to do with a nation's temporal welfare as questions of religion. Give Cyprus to Christ give England to Christ, give America to Christ, give the world to Christ, and He will give them all a prosperity unlimited. Why is Brooklyn one of the queen cities of churches.

Blindfold me and lead me into any city of the earth so that I cannot see a street or a werehouse or a home, and then remove the bandage from my eyes, and I will tell you from what I see inside the consecrated walls, having soen nothing outside, what is that city's recrehendise, its literature, its schools, its printing presses, its government, its hemes, its arts, its sciences, its prosperity or its depression, and ignorance and pauperism and outlawry. The altar of God in the church is the high water mark of the world's happiness. The Christian religion triumphant, all other interests triumphant. The Christian religion tows down, all other interests low down. So I thought on the evering of that day we stepped from the light, streets of Larnaca, Cyprus, onto the boat that took us back to St. John hears the waves of the sea wildly

sculptured, hanging gardens, suddenly going crash! crash! and the pipers cease to pipe, and the trumpets cease to trumpet, and the and the trumpets cease to trumpet, and the dust, and the smoke, and the horror fill the canvas, while from above and beneath are voices announcing, "Babylon is fallen, is voices announcing, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen!" And we halt again to rest from the

Again the panorama passes before the cavern of Patmos, and John the exile sees a nounted Christ on a snow white charger eading forth the cavalry of heaven, the long line of white chargers galloping through the scene, the clattering of hoofs, the clinking of bridle bits, and the flash of spears, all the earth conquered and all heaven in Doxology. And we halt again to rest from the spec cle. Again the panorama passes before the cavern of Patmos, and John the exile sees great thrones lifted, thrones of martyrs, thrones of apostles, thrones of prophets, thrones of patriarchs, and a throne higher than all on which Jesus sits, and ponderous books are opened, their leaves turned over, revealing the names of all that have ever lived, the good and the bad, the renowned and the humble, the mighty and the weak, and at the turn of every leaf the universe is in rapture of fright, and the sea empties its sarcophagus of all the dead of the sunken sarcophagus of all the dead of the sunken shipping, and the earth gives way, and the heavens vanish. Again we rest a moment from the spectacle.

The panorama moves on before the cavern of Patmos, and John the exile beholds a city of gold, and a river more beautiful than the Rhine or the Hudson rolls through it, and fruit trees bend their burdens on either bank, and all is surrounded by walls in which the upholstery of autumnal forests, and the sunrises and sunsets of all the ages, and the glory of burning worlds seem to be commingled. And the inhabitants never commingled. And the inhabitants never breathe a sigh, or utter a groan, or discuss a difference, or frown a dislike, or weep a tear. The fashion they wear is pure white, and their foreheads are encircled by gar-lands, and they who were sick are well, and they who were old are young, and they who were bereft are reunited. And as the last figure of that panorama rolled out of sight I think that John must have fallen back into his cavern nerveless and exhausted. Too much was it for the naked eye to look at. Too much was it for human strength to ex-

My friends, I would not wonder if you should have a very similar vision after awhile. You will be through with this world, its cares and fatigues and struggles, and if you have served the Lord and have done the best you could, I should not wonder if your dying bed were a Patmos. It often has been so. I was reading of a dying boy who, while the family stood around sorrowfully, ex-pecting each breath would be the last, cried. pecting each breath would be the last, cried:
"Open the gates! Open the gates! Happy! Happy! John Owen, in his last hour, said to his attendant, "Oh, brother Payne! the long wished for day has come at last!" Rutherford, in the closing moment of his his life, cried out, "I shall shine, I shall see him. his life, cried out, "I shall shine, I shall see Him as He is, and all the fair company with Him and shall have my large share. I have gotten the victory. Christ is holding forth His arms to embrace me. Now I feel! Now I enjoy! Now I rejoice! I feed on manna. Ihave angels' food. My eyes will see my Redeemer. Glory, glory dwelleth in Imman-uel's land." Yes, ten thousand times in the history of the world has the dying heat hear history of the world has the dying bed been made a Batmos.

You see the time will come when you will, ob, child of God, be exiled to your last sick-ness as much as John was exiled to Pannos. ness as much as John was exhed to Fallos.
You will go into your room not to come out
again, for God is going to do something
better and grander and happier for you
than He has ever done! There will be such
visions let down to your pillow as God gives no man if he is ever to return to this tame no man it he is ever to return to this tame world. The apparent feeling of uneasiness and restlessness at the time of the Christian's departure, the physicians say, is caused by no real distress. It is an unconscious and involuntary movement, and I think in many cases it is the vision of heavenly gladness too great for mortal endurance. It is only heaven breaking in on the departure, origin.

eaven breaking in on the departing spirit. You see your work will be done and the time for your departure will be done and the time for your departure will be at hand, and there will be wings over you and wings un-der you, and songs let loose on the air, and your old father and mother gone for years will descend into the room, and your little children whom you put away for the last sleep years are will be at your side, and their

children whom you put away for the last sleep years ago will be at your side, and their kiss will be on your foreheads, and you will see gardens in full bloom, and the swinging open of shining gates, and will hear voices long ago hushed.

In many a Christian departure that you have known and I have known there was in the phraseology of the departing ones something that indicated the reappearance of those long deceased. It is no delirium, no delusion, but a supernal fact. Your glorthose long deceased. It is no delirium, no delusion, but a supernal fact. Your glorified loved ones will hear that you are about to come, and they will say in heaven: "May I go down to show that soul the way up? May I be the celestial escort? May I wait for that soul at the edge of the pillow?" And the Lord will say: "Yes. You may fly down on that mission." And I think all your glorified brethren will come down, and they will be in the room, and although those in health standing around you may hear no health standing around you may hear no voice and see no arrival from the heavenly world, you will see and hear. And the mo-ment the fleshly bond of the soul shall break, the cry will be: "Follow me! Up this way! By this gilded cloud, past these stars, straight for home, straight for glory, straight

As on that day in the Grecian archipelago, Patmos began to fade out of sight, I walked to the stern of the ship that I might keep my to the stern of the ship that I might keep my eye on the enchantment as long as I could, and the voice that soundedout of heaven to John the exile in the cavern on Patmos seemed sounding in the waters that dashed against the side of our ship, "Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people and God Himself shall be with them and be their God; and God shall wips away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away."

Will Make Ships Unsinkable.

And now a material has been discovered that will make ships unsinkable. The article is called cellulose and is to be manufactured in Philadelphia. The cellulose is made from the husks of cocanuts and has the property of absorbing eight times its own weight of water. The husks are ground into meal, the meal is placed in sacks, and vessels are lined with it. Owing to the quality of the fiber it is impossible to make a hole in it. The discovery of the material was accidental. A French gunboat was practicing at a target set up against a quantity of these wet husks; the shots that struck the target pierced it and disappeared among the husks, leaving no signs of their penetration, because the material immediately closed up again. The hint thus given led to experiments, and these to the manufacture of the new article. If the hull of a vessel be lined with cellulose it will make it practically unsinkable .- Atlanta Constitution.

Finger Antographs of Idiots. Impressions of the finger-tips of idiots have been found by Dr. A'Abundo to show very different markings from those of sane people. In a number idiots the markings on the tips of all fingers on each were identical, and in one idiot the tips of the thumbs had the same markings as those of the fingers. There was a noticeable smoothness of the finger tips in all

HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

TO BOIL HOMINY.

A half-pint of large hominy is sufficient for a family of average size. It swells to four times its original bulk. Put it on the fire in plenty of cold water as soon after breakfast as possible, in order to allow it plenty of time to become thoroughly cooked before dinner. When the water dries out, add more, but let it be hot. Four hours at least are required for the grains to become thoroughly softened and done, when it is a most wholesome and palatable article of food. When ready to be dished for dinner, add a teaspoonful of butter, and mix it in thoroughly.

A FONDU OF EGGS.

A fondu is a preparation of eggs, cheese and butter. Parmesan cheese is very often used in a fondu, but any good cheese will do. Grate two ounces of cheese into a cooking pan, add half a teaspoonful of salt and a pinch of cayenne; mix in a quarter-pound of butter into the melted cheese, add the beaten yolks of six eggs and stir thoroughly. Beat the whites of six eggs to a froth and add carefully to the other ingredients. Pour the mixture into little porcelain-lined patty-pans and bake the fondus in a moderate oven for fifteen minutes and serve very hot .- New York Tribune.

A NICE MINCE LOAF.

A very nice mince loaf is made as follows: To the pieces cut from a stewed knuckle-bone of veal or mutton add a small cooked slice of bacon and a small onion which has been sliced and fried brown in half a teaspoonful of butter. Chop very fine, season with a quarter of a teaspoonful of pepper. Break in an egg and mix lightly into a loaf. If the bacon has not seasoned it sufficiently add half a teaspoonful of salt. Have a small baking dish buttered. Then take a cupful of cold boiled rice or hominy and line the dish thinly, bottom and sides. Put in a layer of the meat and another of rice without butter. Put over the top a layer of fine breadcrumbs, lay the bits of butter evenly over them and bake in a moderate oven for half an hour. It should be brown and crisp. When cold, slice this and serve for luncheon in a dish trimmed with parsley. Good beef, mutton or pork dripping will often effectually take the place of butter, with even more savory results .- New York World.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Wash marble with ammonia and

Never leave vegetables in the water

after they are cooked. Beeswax and salt will render rusty; flat-irons smooth and clean.

Ripe tomatoes will remove ink stains from white cloth and from the hands.

If sassafras bark is sprinkled among dried fruit it will keep out the worms.

A bowl of quicklime kept in a cupboard will soon absorb the moisture, if their be any. Washing old silk in beer is said to

give it a luster almost equal to that possessed when new. Catsup keeps better and pickles also if you put a bit of horseradish in the

mouth of the bottle. Kerosene will soften boots and shoes that have become hard from bing wet, and render them as pliable as ever.

Twelve pounds of peaches, six pounds of sugar and one pint of vinegar is a good proportion for pickled peaches.

A perfume lamp, which burns cologne and spreads a pleasant scent about the room, is among the late household nov-

To remove ink stains from wood, use strong muriatic acid, rubbed in with a cloth; afterward wash off well with water.

In boiling meat for soup use cold water to extract the juices, but if the meat is wanted for itself alone put into boiling water. When washing fine white flannels add

a tablespoonful of pulverized borax to a pailful of water. This will keep them soft and white. A pound of sulphur burnt in a tightly

closed room will destroy every living thing in it, from moths and bed bugs to possible disease germs. When decorating rooms for reception

use one kind of flowers for each room, as roses for one, carnations for another, violets in another, etc. If doughnuts are cut out an hour be-

fore they are fried, to allow a little time for rising, they will be much lighter. Try cutting at night and frying in the If the hands are rubbed on a stick of

celery after peeling onlons the smell will be entirely removed. Onions may be peeled under water without offense to eyes or hands. The leaves of the peach tree, a few at

custard or blanemange and removed before it cools into shape give a delicate The flavor of a young roasted chicken is greatly improved if you place inside it a piece of fresh butter the size of a

walnut and with it a bouquet of parsley and a small onion. Aged people, invalids or those who have feeble digestion or suffer from dullness, as well as growing children, will be greatly benefited by taking sweet

cream in liberal quantities. To cure a felon, wind a cloth loosely about the finger, leaving the end free. Pour in common gunpowder until the affected part is entirely covered; then keep the powder wet with strong spirits

of camphor. Steaming the face at night over a bowl of very hot water, and then bathing it with very cold water, is the simple method of giving it a Russian bath and will tend to make the skin whiter and smoother and the Josh firmer.

The Miners "Rustled" for the Bride.

Colonel Hart, manager of the Cornucopia mine of Neihart, told an interestkag little story the other evening, says the Salt Lake (Utah) Herald. Here it is: One of the principal owners of the Molhe Gibson mine at Aspen, Col., had a daughter who was married a few years ago. Shortly after her return from her wedding trip she went to her father and told him she wanted a house. The old gentleman, after a few moments deliberation said: "My girl, I'll tell you what I'll do, I'll give you one day's work of any two men in the mine you may select." The bride thought this was rather a slim allowance from one who could well afford to be generous, and she was not slow to express the disap-

pointment which she felt. The young lady was very popular with the miners, and when they heard of the proposition which the chief had made to his daughter they held a meeting and selected the two best workmen from among their number. These two worthies presented themselves before the young lady, and after a vast amount of preliminary bowing and scraping the spokesman addressed her as follows:

"Say, Miss, if you will only choose us two fellers you'll never be sorry for it. We'll git an everlastin' rustle on us, and we will stick the old man for you. You can just bet your sweet life we will,'

She selected these two men, and on the day appointed they did "git an everlastin' rustle on them," and succeeded in sticking the old man to the full extent of their promise. Ore to the value of \$31,000 was taken out by these two miners in one day, and one of the very finest mansions in Aspen was the result of their toil and the selection made | money and you want help. by the young bride.

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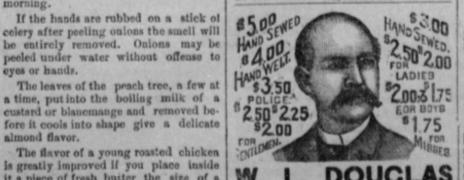
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