TWO SIDES OF LIFE.

There is a shady side of life. And a sunny side as well. And 't is for every one to say On which he'd choose to dwell; For every one unto himself Commits a grievous sin, Who bars the blessed sunshine out, And shuts the shadows in.

The clouds may wear their saddest robes The sun refuse to smile, And sorrow, with her troop of ills, May threaten us the while; But still the cheerful heart has power A sunbeam to provide, And only those whose souls are dark, Dwell on life's shady side.

Then wear a happy heart, my friend, And fix your faith above; A heavenly Father may afflict, But does it all in love. And they who strive to do His will. And read His words aright, With songs of triumph on their lips, Walk always in the light.

-The Ledger.

STRANGE ZENAS COWLEY.

A TRUE STORY.

HERE are a few men killed panther in this vania, but I don't believe there is one, except myself, who can boast of having caught one of those fierce and now almost forgotten beasts alive, without

place to the New York Sun, 18 active in chopped down forest trees and killed deer where some of the largest towns of Wyoming, Livingston, Alleghany and miles distant. The plucky four-year-old his father and a brother having been and soon became a noted hunter and woodsman.

Until 1828 he aided in felling the Genesee Valley, where are now the biggest and most prosperous towns, the fanaturally to the life of a hunter, and ach, rather interferred with his wind, famous Cowley Run, until that time un- in the string. named, received its name from him, he having put up his cabin at the mouth of pose in going into the Pennsylvania wilderness was the capture of a panther alive, which, with the aid of a companon record, he succeeded in doing. In hunted together successfully in the Genesee country. Starkweather had less prisoner. If any one ever captured been down in the Pennsylvania wilder- a full-grown and savage panther withness hunting bears, and his stories of out the aid of a trap, before or since bear and panther that abounded there so that time, I never heard of it. Blindinterested Cowley that he determined on folded, and with his four feet bound, the trip of 1828. one alive, and that was my special purpose in going down on the Sinnemapasther country, but although we huntwas to get one up a tree, then climb the toward him with the jaws set From what I had learned of the native of the thus stuck under one's nose he would run that came into the Sinnemshoning resent the familiarity by striking the trap, which would spring and catch him it didn't work. "We followed the track a couple of miles and came up with the panther Off a little more than one-seventh of curled up under the roots of a tree. He it that I sold for a few thousand dollars, bounded away through the snow, but the purchaser cut 30,000,0 0 feet of our dog pressed him so closely that he pine alone, worth about \$1,000,000. treed. That was according to prodened by it, and I intended to go back and get it should we succeed in putting the panther up a tree. Having suc-ceeded in that, I concluded to climb the tree and see if I could get close enough to the penther before I went back through the deep snow and lugged the

trap up. I climbed the tree and soon fourteen wolves in McKean County, and tree, so as to knock snow down on him gone up the hill until I was on a level into him, and I rushed to the aid of the dog. I grabbed the panther by his long tail. He turned like a flash on me, and

but for the dog would have had me foul before I could have swung out of his the panther turned back in an attempt yet living who have to get his claws on that foe, of which, fortunately, he stood more in fear than State and Pennsyl- he seemed to do of me. As it was, I had all I could do, aided by the quick and wary dog, to keep in the rear of the panther, so agile was he under all of his handicapping and so flexible was his body.

"All the while I was battling at the tail end of the panther I kept shouting handicapping by snare to Hub to hurry up with his crotched or trap or crippling stick, which he was an awful while in with gun," said Zenas getting. At last, growing not a little C. Cowley, of Wyom- uneasy over that perilious tail hold, I ing, N. Y. Mr. Cowley is in his ninety- told him to fetch his gun, shove it over first year, and, says a letter from that the panther's back, get a purchase with one end under a log, on the side of mind and body as a man of fifty. He which we were struggling, and bear him came into the Genesee Valley when the down in the snow. Hub ran up with most of it was still a wilderness, and his gun, got the purchase, and bore the panther down, but the supple and powerful beast slipped out from under it so quick and easy that we hardly knew he Cattaraugus Counties now stand. Eighty- had been down. Then Hub ran back six years ago last spring, when he was to finish cutting his crotched stick, and but four years old, he left the village of after what seemed a mortal long time to Stamford, Delaware County, where he me, dodging and dancing around in the was born, driving a drove of sheep, his snow as I was at the end of the panther's parents being on their way from that tail, he got it ready and came to the place with all their belongings to Cayuga rescue. He first put the big crotch over village, at the head of Cayuga Lake, 120 | the panther's neck and tried to press him down and hold him in that way, walked nearly the whole distance, driv. but he couldn't be held that way any ing the sheep. At the age of fifteen, more than an eel could. Then the crotch was pressed down over the middle of drowned in Cayuga Lake, young Cowley his body. The panther lowered his came on foot to the Genesee country. | body and twisted around as the crotch pressed on him, until he lay on his back in the snow, with all four of his great paws slapping and slashing about like the arms forests which covered this part of the of a windmill. A single stroke of any one of those paws would have disembowelled a cow, I guess, but the panther

mous rich areas of farm land, and the had made a mistake. The crotched great salt wells and mines. He took stick, pressed heavily down on his stomgame was still abundant hereabout in | and we saw that we had him at a great 1828. In that year he went into the al- disadvantage, for he couldn't turn back most unbroken wilderness about the on his feet. Hub pressed the crotch Fred was amazed at the great length of headwaters of the Sinnemahoning in down on the panther with all his might, Potter and McKean Counties, Pa., and and I handed him the tail to hold also. and then his amazement was greater still, falling in love with the daughter of a I ran and got the strings off of our knap- for part of the panther fell over dead pioneer in that wild and isolated country. sacks, and lassoing one forepaw with and the other part jumped off of the log he married her and settled there. The one, finally managed to get both looped and bounded away. Then he saw that "I bound the two fore feet tightly together and passed the end of the string the stream and taken up large tracts of to Hub. He pretty near had his hands I took the dogs and followed the one pine forest about it. His original pur- full now, with the crotched stick, the that got away, and we cornered it. With panther's tail, and the string that held | the aid of the dogs I made this one a the fore feet. The active hind feet were prisoner, as Hub Starkweather and I had yet to be secured. I got those tied in the big one two years before. I kept ion, and after the most extraordinary the same way at last, and drew them up the panther in a cage in my cellar until adventure with one of those fierce beasts and tied them to the fore feet. Then I the following spring, and then sold him got one of the knapsacks and drew it to the Batavia peddlar, and got a Bible the fall of 1827 he had met a hunter down as far as I could over the for it-this same family Bible, and I named Hubbard Stark weather, and they panther's head and fastened it there, and have read it through a good many times we had the king of the forest a helpwe laid the panther on one of our a fish pole. I cut my big toe nearly off "I had never yet seen a wild panther," blankets, tied the four corners to- at the same time, and carry the scar yet. says the nonagenarian hunter, "but I gether, and, running a pole through, I couldn't have been much more than made up my mind that I could capture carried our prize to Sizerville, five miles three years old then, for it was a long down the Sinnemahoning portage, put pose in going down on the Sinnema-honing that year. Starkweather and I got into camp on the head of Potato Creek and the Sinnema-him in a cage, and shipped him by wagon to Wyoming. We sold him to a man in Batavia, who went about the Creek and the Delaware. The ice was Creek and the Sinnemahoning on the country peddling. This man killed the thin on the water, and we were amusing day Jackson was elected President in panther the next summer by dousing it ourselves by throwing up strong so that panther the next summer by dousing it with water in its cage, he thinking he would fall back on the ice and break 1828. We were right into the great with water in its cage, he thinking he was doing the animal a kindness by thus through. At last a stone I had thrown ed faithfully until January we never cooling it off as it panted with heat. He came across one, and packed up to couldn't have taken a surer way to kill leave the woods; greatly disappointed. a panther than that. They can't stand couldn't have taken a surer way to kill and out of it popped a big trout, and a panther than that. They can't stand flopped about on the ice. We got it But the day we broke camp, and on our water applied in that way. But I ashore. My father took the fish and way to Elk Lick, much to our delight caught him another one three or four used it for bait for his mink traps, and we struck a big panther's track in the years after that. It was the next year snow. The panther was going west and we followed him. The plan I had after I had gone back into Pennsylvania to settle there. You see, when Stark weather thought for catching a pantner alive and I were there, in 1828, there was a family named Sizer lived five miles from mens. Many years ago some one stole tree with a big steel trap, get within where we camped. We used to take one of his bear traps in Pennsylvania. reach of the panther, and hold the trap our washing down there to be done, and He has lately obtained what he believes -well, I went back to Pennsylvania, is a clue to the thief, and if the evidence and, in 1830 I married Mary Sizer. panther I knew that when the trap was built a sawmill at the mouth of a big clares that he would travel all the way where the village of Sizersville, Cameron County, is now. The stream had no tobacco, and has been an ardent church by the leg he struck with. Then we name, but it soon became known as would have him at a disadvantage, and Cowley run, and has been that on the returned to Wyoming County with an could manage to bind him so he would | maps ever since. I put up a hewn pine be unable to do us any harm. It was a loghouse, and in course of time I owned first-class plan, but owing to some little 7000 acres of the best pine land that lay objection on the part of the panther in that country. If I owned it now I'd be the richest man in Wyoming County. | ties as a man and citizen. That's as much as a whole township. it that I sold for a few thousand dollars, "When we went to housekeeping on gramme. We had left our trap where Cowley Run the wolves used to come we started on the track, not to be bur- right to the door and carry off geese. dened by it, and I intended to go back I've trapped wolves within fifteen rods

found that the trap part of our pro- the county officers protested, saying that gramme would have to be abandoned. I would ruin the county, and begged me for as I drew near the panther he kept to quit trapping. There was very little backing away toward the small end of money in those days, but the county the limb he was on, and the trap could orders for wolf scalps went as good as not have been shoved near enough to currency. Wolves were the shyest anihim for him to have the chance of re- mals in the woods, and they were exsenting it. I noticed that my move- ceedingly hard to trap. I shot and ments in the tree shook snow from the wounded a big wolf once, and as it lay limbs above him down upon him, and on the hillside where I had shot it I be-he didn't like it a bit. We could have gan howling up the rest of the pack to gan howling up the rest of the pack to shot him easy enough, but I was bound which it belonged, and I could hear to have him alive. We had to get them howling in a hollow some distance him out of the tree first though, away. They kept answering my howls, and so I went down out of it, and and drawing nearer. I expected to get telling Hub Starkweather to cut a a shot at one of them before long. They stout crotchet stick, I threw clubs in the had got quite near, answering me every time, when suddenly the wounded wolf and in front of him. This kept him dragged itself down the hill directly backing still further out on the limb toward me, and when it was quite near until he got so far that it was too small me it gave a peculiar howl, evidently dito hold him, and pretty soon he came rected toward its companions. Whether tumbling down into the snow. The that was a warning given by the wounded tree was on a steep side hill, and I had | wolt or not I can't say, but I know that I could not get the pack to answer my with him. When he fell the dog pitched howls again, and I saw and heard no more of them. "Elk were still plentiful for several

years after I went into Pennsylvania. There were scores of natural licks all around in the locality where I lived, and way. The dog seized him in front and elk used to visit them in herds. I have killed a good many, and could have killed a great many more, but I never cared much for elk. The common pasture for cattle in those days was the woods. John Chadwick, who lived in McKean County, a few miles from me, had some young cattle running in the woods one season, and one of the heifers surprised him by giving birth to an elk calf. Deer were more than abundant on the hills and in the valleys, and there was good deer hunting on Cowley Run when it began to grow slim elsewhere in Potten and McKean Counties. That was because I never hunted deer with hounds myself, and other hunters were shy of running their dogs in those woods, as I had an unchangeable law of my own respecting them, and it obliged me to kill any and all hounds that ran deer in that locality. Bears were also numerous in the woods, and I shot and trapped 150 of them within ten miles of my clearing. But I never killed a bear except it was in the cold season, when his fur and meat were good. I have many times released bears from traps in the summer time and sent them on their way through the woods rejoicing. I have also amputated the feet of bears that traps had crushed and mutilated, so that they would get well quicker. Hunters shooting bears with crippled reet used to say: 'Hello! This fellow has got Cowley's mark on him !'

> "But about that second panther I caught alive and sold to the peddler. I had been out after a panther one day, and, after leading me a long chase, it got the best of me and the dog and I gave it up. When I got home my wife said her brother Fred Sizer had killed one that day. He was going through the woods when he saw a panther on a log. A big tree grew by the side of the log, and the panther stood behind the tree. So much of its foreparts projected beyond one side of the tree trunk, and so much of its hind parts beyond the other side, that panther. But he hauled up and fired.



Brocades are fashionable.

Rosa Donheur is still a busy painter. There are ribbons with satin back and face that look like felt.

Changeable moires are used for handsome reception dresses.

Very rich, very wide velvet ribbon is used as a flat garniture.

Mauve is still a good color, though the fierce rage for it has passed.

The newest bright-colored changeable silks are called "sunshines."

Among the Sierras there is a woman stage driver, Mrs. H. J. Langdon.

A new hair pin for evening wear is an orchid in enamel in natural colors. The Empress of Austria has begun the study of the modern Greek language and

literature. The women employes of the Chicago telephone companies have been attired

in black uniforms. A chapter of the Young Women's Fraternity, Pi Beta Phi, has been founded at Swarthmore College.

The Dowager Empress Frederick, of Germany, owns a chain of thirty-two pearls that is valued at \$175,000.

Vienna, Austria, bas eight cooking and housekeeping schools for girls and ninety-three trade schools for girls.

Many women who wear an abundance of rings like to remove the gloves while shopping. The fur glove comes off and on very easily. Mrs. Sunabbai Wadia, a lady from the

Orient, as her name implies, is about to reach out for fame on the London stage as a comedienne.

Arabella Mansfield, of Iowa, was the first woman admitted to the bar in the United States. She became a fullfledged lawyer in 1869.

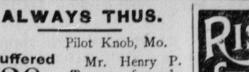
Dr. Margaret Whyte, a lady graduate, has been unanimously appointed to the position of resident medical officer to the Women's Hospital, Melbourne, Australia.

In Finland, above all other countries, do women enter into the business of life. They are clerks, doctors, dentists, builders, managers of small companies and bank cashiers.

Miss Lillie Stover, only surviving granddaughter of Andrew Johnson, has ust died at Knoxville, Tenn. She was buried beside the grave of the ex-President at Greenville.

Miss Chapman, the well known sculptor, has been commissioned to model the two Spanish bullocks Queen Victoria keeps in the park at Osborne. They have enormous horns and are considered remarkably beautiful creatures.

Mrs. Croly (Jennie June) has consented to teach women the alphabet of journalism in the chair recently estab-



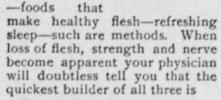
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what he thought was one tremendous long panther was two ordinary sized ones, and he had killed one. Next day since then. "My earliest recollection," says Nono-

genarian Zenas Cowley, "is of the immense numbers of trout with which the headwaters of the Delaware swarmed. and of going into the woods and cutting time before we started for the lake country. I remember one day, early in banks of the Delaware. The ice was in the air fell and made quite a big hole. caught three minks with it."

When he was seventy-three years of age Mr. Cowley went out on the plains buffalo hunting, and killed six fine specishould be substantiaated the veteran deto Cowley Run to have the thief punished. Mr. Cowley never used liquor or member for more than sixty years. He ample fortune from the Pennsylvania forest thirty years ago, and is living in Wyoming with his second wife, uni-versally esteemed for his sterling quali-

Large Nailma king Machine.

The largest wire-nail machine ever built in the United States was finished recently by a Greenpoint (L. I.) firm and shipped to a nail concern at Everett, State of Washington. The total weight of the machine was twelve and a half

lished for this branch in Rutgers Female College, New York. Mrs. Croly is herself a veteran in newspaper work.

At the Normal School in Holmesburg. Penn., the custom prevails of conferring on the clergyman's daughter who attains the highest rank in the graduating class the honor of having her father deliver the opening prayer at the commencement exercises.

It is said of Julia Ward Howe that, despite her great age, she can talk fluently and interestingly on any topic under the sun. Mrs. Howe is still study. ing Greek, a language she began to learn only a few years ago, and has also taken up Modern Greek, or Romaic.

Miss Frances Power Cobbe, who has recently waged vigorous war on the vivisectionists in England, is described as an extremely jolly old lady, very stout, with a round, rubicund face, and her merry laugh is most infectious. She is generally surrounded by an army of pet dogs.

Somebody, who evidently has wearied of the conservative styles allotted to brides, has attempted to start the fashion of making a bride's traveling-dress in some unique and hitherto unknown style. It is needless to say that the average sensible bride doesn't care to have her new relation ticketed on her wardrobe.

Lean women who desire to accumulate a plump covering on their bones are advised to avoid worry, to cultivate calmness, to sleep eight hours every day, to take moderate exercise, to eat fattening foods, such as soup, butter, cream, fat and juicy meats, olive oil and farinaceous articles, and to take warm baths at night.

The home of the Roumanian Queen. Carmen Sylva, situated in the heart of a forest at the foot of the Caramian Mountains, is beautifully decorated, according to the Queen's own designs, the feature of the house being a music room fitted up with a beautifully painted glass ceiling and walls frescoed with a cycle of fairy tales of her arrangement. Miss Lily E. Benn has for the past three years lived in the East End of London, and has interested herself greatly in the welfare of the children and young girls in that quarter. Perhaps her best work has been in her sewing classes, where she teaches girls from nine to fourteen years of age to cut and make the garments for which their instructor provides the material.

Mrs. "Buffalo Bill" is an amiable domestic woman, very popular in the neighborhood of North Platte, Neb., where she lives. Her home, Scout's Rest, is a long, low building, four miles from the town, large and roomy. quite like an hotel, and it is surrounded by 3000 acres of prairie land, magnificent SAPOLIO



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