

THE PLACE CALLED EASY STREET.

Oh! what is the way to Easy street—which turning shall I go? For many a day I've sought the way that no one seems to know.

JEAN'S HOUR OF TRIUMPH.

HEY all said it could not be done; that is, all but Jean. She insisted that it could, even though Jack ranged himself on the side of those who called her scheme impracticable and foolish.

cepted bill for every article in the apartment. "I'll do it," said Jean, stoutly, "and, more than that, I'll do it in three days, and I won't ask a cent's worth of assistance or advice from any of you—not even of Jack."

chairs in which we are seated cost me \$2.10, real Cordova leather from Philadelphia, and all these tumblers only cost seventy-five cents a dozen, and there are plenty that are cheaper, only I do like a thin glass to drink out of, and I know you all do.

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The Cochineal Crop. The cochineal insect is a fat, dark, spherical little creature, looking like a black currant, and with neither head, legs, nor tail, to the casual observer. In fact, he is so inanimate that any one may squish him between finger and thumb without any qualms of conscience.

An Anti-Cat Society. The town of Munster, in Westphalia, has a club of an unusual kind. Its object, which is strongly hinted in its name, "Antekatzverein," may excite the indignation of lovers of the feline species, and to learn that the club's rooms are ornamented with the tails of some 1500 cats will surely have that effect, but judging by the lament that frequently comes from Brooklyn and other suburban towns, similar organizations might not be unpopular on this side of the Atlantic.

A Japanese Composing Room. To see a Japanese compositor setting type is more fun than a baby show. As there are 4000 characters in the language in common use, others less frequently, he can't reach them all.

Gentle Annie. Gentle Annie was the girl who went forth when the spring-time came to gather wild flowers,—daisies along the hillside, and forget her rubbers. She came back with wet feet, followed by the worst case of neuralgia she ever had.

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