

By OUIDA.

of a woman's collar than L'

Bittle braised and turnished.

magnifying power. When it was hand-

"Why Will You Speak of Death?"

The yournger laughed.

show durie:

"Noy: I pity you," said the elder.

grant he had cleared the sand in a

more pocket and let us go and see the

athedral and S. Fosen, for it will soon

They went, without visiting the busil-

at back to Venice in the twillight which

be pened into night as they drew near

the city; the moon was high and the air

set aside in the hotel for Andreis. When

"Where?" asked Damer.
"To the Ca' Laranigra," said Andrels.

"A rivedurei, thun," said Andreis.

"It will not be fair to you," he said,

"Whatever bosor there may be in the

he dinner was over he rose.

"Not L" replied Damer

But he lingered a moment.

with a boyish laugh.

ound this necklace."

cripple and the beggar!"

went with them.

knowledge!"

ment, and the uncultured mind, which

"If I had only his wealth," he

The sun was setting behind the

Istrian hills, and they depended on

Venice in the rose-hued dusk, and a

few seconds later the splash of the

canal water beneath the balcony told

It was twelve o'clock when into the

thought often. "Or if he only had my

Will you come?" he asked.

They dined in the spacious recess

sure off them; the pourly softment and the resente flame of the stone hecan to show here and there; two alone

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CHAPTER L.

"Oh! my necklace!" cried a fair wo man as she leaned over the side of her

A string of opals, linked and set in gold, had been loosened from her thront, and had slid down into the water of the lagoon, midway between the Lido and the city of Venice. But the gondola was moving swiftly under the impulsion of a rower fore and uft, and, though they stopped a few moments after at her cry, the spot where it had fallen was already passed and left behind. She was vexed and provoked. She had many lewels, but the opal necklace was an heirloom, and of tine and curious workmanship. The gondeliers did their best to find it, but They were in the deeper water of the sailing roads, which were marked out by the lines of poles, and the necklace, a slight thing, had been borns away by the surrent setting in from the onen sea.

Neither of the men could swim; many Venetians cannot; but they got over the side, and waded up to their walsts in the water, and with their ears struck and sounded the sandy bottom; but the lagron, which has been the start in vour place," said the grave of so many, kept the drowned younger man. The glass was of strong but the lagoon, which has been the

We will go back and soud divers," she said to her men who, wet to their waists, were well content to turn the head of the gondola back to the city They were white clothes with red sashes and red ribbons round their straw hats; they were in her private services they steered quickly here again over the cahn waterway, and I and out the crowded craft by the schiavone past the customs house, and S. Glorgio and the Salvature until they reached a palace on the Grand carcal, which was their mistress' resi dence, with poles painted red and while, with coroners on their tons earking the landing stairs in the ob-Venetian Inshion.

"I have lost my epals in the water!" she cried to a friend who was on one of the balconies of the first floor. "I am glad you have lost them," r

plied her friend. "They are pierres de Nonsensel They were beautiful, and

they were Ninetta Laranigra's, poor Carlo's great-great-grandmother; they were one of her nuptial presents a limit shed years ago. Her portrait hangs it the Bells Arts. She was beautiful, and had a tragic fate. I must have the men dive and dredge till they are found. The water is so shallow. I came think how they have vanished so con pletely in such a memoni of time,"

men all joining in the search, in hopto ment the reward she promised. But uncless. The tenacion

opals remained all winter long, lying like bird's engs in a nest, whilst the resiless waters washed and swirled above its sanctuary. The worn stame with indifference, "I code you my has the most, 7.7 miles per 100 square rights." turies, and many a corpse had drifted past it outward to the sea in days when the white murbles of St. Mark's city had once madonn's of the waters to whom the kind of reward." contrast passing had invoked the Stella Maria Virginia so dear to fishermon and

But the painted shelps had long disappeared, and only the old place of thus tier, down underneath the water



"I've Lost My Opals in the Water."

rooted in the sand amongst the ribbon weed and missels, had had power to resist the forces of the tide and tempest. All the winter long the old pile kept

the onals safe and sound. But one day, when the peach and pear and plum trees had in turn burst into blessom on the isles, and the flocks of gulls who had survived the stress of famine and cold had returned to their seding places on the outer lagoons, a large fron ship coming from the Black sea gave a rude shock in passing to the old oak pile; the top of it under the blow parted and fell asunder; the necklace was washed out of its hiding place, and, carried in the heavy trough of the steamer's path, was floated ashore up the creeks into the long grasses and "Yes reeds beneath the Devil's bridge at Torcello. The yellow water iris was then you too will die like the pauper and the replied as follows: "My dear Jack: flowering, and two little reed warblers were nesting among the flags, as the opals were drifted up under some hem-

lock leaves and there rested. "I think they are eggs, but they are scorn of higher intellect he despised the all strung together," said the warbier childlike, happy, amorous tempera-

They look more like the spawn of a fish," said the little winged lady, with

A water rat came up and smelt at them, then went away disdainfullythey were not good to eat. For birds and beasts do not care for jewels; it is their own oars to take them back to only humanity, which thinks itself superior to them, which sees any value in stones, and calls such toys precious.

There is nowhere in the world any his companion that the gondola was grass richer than that of Torcello, and moving. forget-me-nots, honeysuckles, and wild roses grow down to the water's edge and around the hoary stones of the de-

"What a God-forgotten place!" said a young man as he sprang from a boat on to the bank by the bridge. strength like the form of the Greek Hermes in the Vatican. Damer faid aside his papers with im-"And she has welcomed you, appar-

entiy? It is midnight and you look vic torious. Andreis made a gesture of vexed pro-

"Prny do not suspect such things. 1

his dark, starry eyes, his laughing

sent in my card and begged her majordome to say I had found her necklace. She sent word for me to go upstairs that she might thank me. Of course my name was known to her. She had a duenna. It was all solemn and correct. She was enchanted to find her necklage. Torcello was the mother of Venice: It was an heirloom which Larnnigra the daughter has slain her;" replied an gave her. He was killed in a duel, as I older man as he laid down his oars in told you, two years age. She is very the boat, and prepared to follow his beautiful and looks twenty years old, companion.

Ells foot trod amongst the hemlock that an Englishman who was traveling leaves and was entangled by them; he with me had had the honor of finding stooped, and his eyes, which were very the opals; and she wishes to see you tokeen, caught sight of the string of opais. | morrow. | I promised to take you in "A woman's necklace" he said, as he prima sera; you surely ought to be drew it from under the sall seaweed grateful."

and the dewy dock leaves. It was dis-Damer shrugged his shoulders and colored, and had sand and mad on it, looked regretfully at his papers and and hore hitle traces of its former pencils.

beauty, but he recognized that it was a jewel of worth; he perceived, even ungraciously. "Women only disturb one," he said, Andreis laughed.

dulled as they were, that the stones "It is that disturbance which peryounger man from above on the bank. leaves over it. But I remember, to attract you a woman must be lying, dend tract you a woman must be lying, dend an appeal to the constituencies, The other threw the necklace upon or alive, on an operating table."

You would have been a fitter finder nervous system is still, like a stopped "Opals! The stones of sorrow" raid clock, the younger man, gravely, as he raised "A

'A creature must suffer to interest

It and benefied off the sand. "It has you been beautiful," he added, "It will be "C "Certainly." ugain. It is not really hurt, only a Andreis shuddered slightly. "Why did you save me?" Damer smiled.

"My dear prince, it is my duty to save when I can. I should have preferred to let you alone and study your natural owers of resistance in conflict with he destruction which was menacing them. But I could not follow my pref- stone's ministry in 1885. erences. I was called in to assist your coming into power on a gigantic matural powers by affording them arti-

ied disappointment and distaste. "If my mother knew you looked at it my friend, as she does," (To Be Continued.)

RAILROAD FIGURES.

ome Idea of the Magnitude of the Business of Transportation.

Statistics just published show that the mileage of the railways of the globe at the end of 1892 was 406,416, or one mile of railway to every 3,516 inhabitants. The smallest railway mileage is possessed by Puerto Rico, which has only 11 miles; the largest by the Unite I States, which, with 174,784 miles at the lose of 1892, were far ahead of any other country. Next, but at a great in terval, comes Germany, with 27,455 niles, followed by France, with 24,018

dam. You admired its Moorish windows miles. tries with regard to the length of rallwho is only twenty now. She was a way lines per 100 square miles of area, daughter of the duke of Monfalcone, a standing at 29.6 miles. The United Rosebery-was jockeyed into the premierfamily of the Trentino, but pure Ital. Kingdom follows, with 16.7; then Holopass were gone, like spiratrift.

In the hollow of an old oak pile the moustains are Carlot place in the land, with 14; Germany, 122; Switzermountains above Carlgia. It must be land, 13; France, 11.6; and Denmark, she who owns this necklase, an help, with 8.4 miles per 100 square miles. The southern countries of Europe armiles; and is followed by Austria, with The younger laughed.

6.8 miles. Spain has only 2.4; European the station at Binghamton awaiting Tarkey, 1.1; Russia, 1 mile. The 174,- the arrival of the local train, when an "Whatever they may become they States represent only 6 miles for every get to New Milford, where his wife's ice yours. I do not appreciate that 100 square miles, and the 17,768 miles sister lived," said the advance agent of "Steally" said the young man, eff figures in this respect are the 0.2 mile be seen in Scranton, to a Tribune man of South Australia, the Transvani, Asia yesterday Minor, Ecuador, Brazil, Holivia, Para-

other for want of rallway enterprise. patience. "Put that broken rubbble in enly 650 miles of line, while British India an udder." with its 17.76% miles, has only 1.1 mile of ... That in physical research learned, railway for every 10,000 inhabitants, and have also heard that a certain

EQUAL TO THE EMERGENCY.

An Uncle Who Matched His Nephew's ! !!!!bernicism with Interest. From the New York Herald.

for me to take the credit of having A young Irichman in want of a fivepound note, wrote to his made an follows: "Dear Uncle: If you could see silvage I ceds R. I tell you, willingly." "Of course I shall tell her that It how I blush for shame while I am writing, you would pity me. Do you know "There is no need to do so; I am a why? Because I have to ask you for a squire of dames. She will prefer a few pounds, and do not know how to Sicilian prince to a plain man of get express myself. It is impossible for me However, you must find the lady to tell you. I prefer to die. I send you The true owner lies under some this by a messenger, who will walt for moss-grown slab in some chapel crypt, an answer. Believe me, my dearest uncle, your most obedient and affec-"Why will you speak of death? I tionate nephew. -

come with shame for what I bave writ-"Hale it as you may, it will overtake ten, I have been running after the mersenger in order to take the letter from He looked at his companion as he him, but I cannot eatch him. Heaven spoke, and thought what he did not grant that something may happen to stop him, or that my letter may get "Yes; strong as you are, and young lost?" The uncle was naturally touched, as you are, and fortunate as you are, but was equal to the emergency. He Console yourself, and blush no longer. The reflection gratified him; for of Providence has heard your prayers. the youth, of the beauty, of the for- The messenger lost your letter. Your

tune, he was envious, and with all his affectionate uncle." A Vassar Valentine. Vassar Maiden, dainty, classic, Poring o'er formation basic, Tangent, cosscant and sine, Who shall be thy valentine? Goddess, fair, of erudition, If you score not the tradition Of the good Saint Valentine, Chief of Cupid's postal line Hear me once, ere Art and Science Harden thee 'gainst all compliance, Crushing out, 'neath culture's sway All observance of the day! Wilt thou turn aside from learning, Smile upon me, sighing, yearning,

And I accept this halting rhyme— If I get it mailed in time? -New York Herald. Every day symptoms of directive dis-

What of the Future mouth, his tall figure, full of grace and Of English Politics?

> Why Lord Rosebery's Resignation Would Probably Imply a Speedy Dissolution.

> > sent, and for twelve months they have

home; and such questions as Welsh dis

establishment, English local govern-

ment, parliamentary procedure, man-

hood suffrage and payment of mem

bers, to all of which the party as a

"Lord Rosebery, therefore, presents the spectacle of a leader out of touch

with his forces by reason of his con-

nection with an unpopular and non-representative chamber, devoid of the

confidence of a large section of his

nominal followers, unable to control or

combine the struggling factions among

those who acknowledge his leadership,

faltering and uncertain in his own ex-

The appended letter to the editor from [ship, without their knowledge or cona valued Scrantonian, Mr. Thomas A. Aubrey, once resident in London will been in more or less open revolt. Home read with particular interest, rule is still more or less to the fore, view of the unstable condition but so much time and energy having of the Roseberty ministry in Eng-land. The writer of it says: "Your the party is now crying out for atcomments on the English political tention to other matters still nearer situation in a recent issue contain a statement, which, as it stands, is liable to create a wrong impression as to a point of constitutional law in England. The statement to which I refer is that the resignation of Lord Rosebery would whole is pledged, have each their separ-necessitate a dissolution of parliament. are faction clamoring for precedence.

This is erroneous, as far as relates I and agreed upon nothing except to disto the law on the subfject, inamuch as agree as to any method of procedure parliament can only be dissolved by likely to result in concerted and unitcommand of the sovereign, the death of the sovereign, or the expiration of the statutory limit regulating the duration of parliaments; and the resignation of "What have you there?" cried the fumes our life and shakes the ross a premier, or even a whole cabinet, does not in itself or of necessity involve

Cases in Point.

"Alive by preference," said Damer. 'During the reign of the present "The dead are little use to us; their savereign many cases might be cited where cabinets, supported at the outset by a working majority in the representative house, but having in course of time been defeated on some more or less vital question, by the abstention, defection, or other action of their adherents, have resigned their seals of office, their places being taken by another cabinet, usually the outcome of a confition between the secessionists, and what is known as the regular opposition. The most recent case of this kind on record is that of the fall of Glad-

ficial resistance; and I was bound to what was then regarded as the most powerful English ministry of this con-Andrels made a grimace which signitury, but even his magnetic influence was powerless to hold together for any length of time the heterogeneous conn that way she would not adore you, glomeration known as the Liberal party, and with trouble in Ireland, Egypt South Africa, in fact all over the world, dissension and then defection eventu-ally accomplished the downfall of both cabinet and party. For six months the Conservatives, with Lord Salisbury at their head, assumed the reins, but like all other step-gap governments, holding office without power, they were unable to initiate or carry through useful legislation, and soon tiring of their thankless task advised the crown to dissolve pallament, Thereupon followed the general election, the outcome of which was the introduction of Gladstone's first home rule bill.

Bistory Repents Itself. "Now in some respects the position of miles. The United Kingdom comes the Liberal party today is parallel with that the oldest and best seem but as fourth, with 20,325 miles, and Russia the case of 1885, and in that fact lies ofth, with 19,656 miles. There are in the only justification for the statement Europe altogether 144,380 miles of rail- that the resignation of Lord Rosebery On the morrow, when it was known through Verlee that the rich and general street of the class of 7.212 miles. The islands of Malto, Jers moners, and have his seat in the rep-The place where it had dropped and worked seducially from disjoint to the Larenda it, sallors and fishermen and heatignored, with reform of the house of on the second story this maching. Carlo | Belgium is far ahead of other countries at the head of their legislative censed when, on Gladstone's retirement

pressed opinions with regard to a domestic policy and fully aware that his unfitness for the post, obtained by intrigue and retained against the wishes of many in the party, is hourly working the ruin of that party. Add to these things the fact that, except for Gladstone, who for the moment cannot be seckoned as a factor in English pollties, there is no man in the Liberal party who under existing conditions would assume its leadership, and that the Conservatives could not hope to form a successful coalition with any other stray faction, and you have the reason why the resignation of Lord Rosebery now would necessitate an immediate dissolution. What of the Result? "What the result of the general election will be the most experienced politi-

cal campaigner in either party will not venture to affirm, though at present it seems inevitable that failing the re-appearance of Gladstone in the fight, the Liberals will encounter certain de feat, by reason of their want of cohe sion and for lack of generalship. Numbering many men of great gifts and attainments among its ranks, the Liberal pary has yet no one who can arouse in its hosts the true militant spirit, or can display such personal enthusiasm and staying power as can W. E. Gladstone, even though nearing four score years and ten. For nearly twenty years, since Disraeli retired from the lower house, he has towered above and over shadowed all his contemporaries, so young, untried and inexperienced men, who now, in the hour of party need, are unable to command the confidence of their fellows by reason of their insig nificance as compared with the greatess of the leader who for over half : entury has occupied the foreground in every political battle.

"It would be interesting to speculate further as to the immediate destiny of both great political parties and the men who must inevitably come to the ont after the coming general election but I have already overtaxed your patience and space."

UDDER IS A GOOD WORD.

"Take it to her," said the finder of it, not well provided with railways. Italy That Is the Conclusion of a Theatrical Advance Agent.

"I was standing on the platform of 784 miles of railway of the United old man approached. He wanted to of British India 1.1 mile. The lowest a theatrical company which will shortly " 'What time does the train go to New

The young man smod still with the guay and Venezuela. These countries Milford? he asked. 'Six o'clock,' was made he had closed, with a which of are wide apart, but they resemble each.

" 'Does the train stop there?" 'I don't The mileage of railways per 10,000 know, said I, you had better ask the inhabitants is given in the Railway licket soller. He continued to ask on the first syllable. He restrained his News as follows: "West Australia questions until another venerable citiomes first with 11L8; Queensland next zen relieved me from further trouble by fully, but one day he came perilously with 52.9 miles. Yet West Australia has called the man 'was deef as near scolding when he turned to me

> As a contrast, British North America, species of venomous reptilia known with its 14,870 miles of railway, pos- commonly as adder is bereft of the till you are completely satiated?" seemes 39.8 miles for every 10,000 popula- sense of hearing, and intuition told me tion. The two countries worst off for that he had reference to this grade of rallways are apparently Japan and the snake. I requested him to repeat-he Dutch Indies, the mileage to every 10,- did so and it was 'udder' again. In the 000 inhabitants being in either case only meantime the old man began a con-0.4. This, of course, leaves out of the versation about bank failures in Bingcomparison China, which, with its vast hamton. His subject was a man wh territory and hundreds of millions of had evidently had smallpox, for he no population, has only 124 miles of rail- only showed the marks, but unlimited fortitude in the discussion.

"My 'udder' friend expectorated an Immense amount of yellowish liquid in the snow and continued; 'Yes, he's deef; bern so. I knew him at school up in Deposit. He was posty fair on hearin' in them days, but that is more he was cured of rheumatism by the than thirty years ago.' I was anxious, use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite however, to learn more about the snake, Remedy, it is so. Rheumatism, is so I asked him if he had ever seen an caused by an excess of acid in the udder. Well, young man, I can't say blood, when it becomes settled in the powerful deef, Perhaps I don't natural- clating pain; such was Mr. Dolson's by permounce that word accordin' to condition when he began the use of Webster, but if you had a new set of Favorite Remedy, and like many others false teeth and a big chew of tobacco who have followed the same treatment in your month. I'll bet you don't get it be was cured. How many poor suffer-

right once out of ten. "The train came in just then, and as their fortunes to be relieved from the he helped the 'deef' man aboard, he terrors of this awful complaint, velied so that everyone could hear him: knowing that this valuable preparation 'Cy, don't forget the third stop, turn to the right and its the fourth house.' I medicine. Mrs. Doison, as well as her fell to musing on the expression as husband, has a good word for Favorite 'deef as an udder.' My conclusion was Remedy; says she, "I have been that in the anatomy of the cow the troubled with indigestion and palpitaudder supplies our lacteal fluid, but this has no bearing on a 'deef' man un- Remedy and was entirely cured. less he is addicted to drinking milk. However, it is just as good as the word adder, only it's not used so frequently, David Kennedy has produced in Fabut may be some day, especially if we all get to the false teeth and tobacco chewing stage."

EDWARD EVERETT.

How He Paid and Trained His Secretary When Senator.

Edward Everett, while a senator from Massachusetts, was a curlous study. His secretary said once: "Mr. Everett corrects the worst cases of habitual was never-falling in kindness and considerateness. I remember 1 got a pair of slippers sitting besides my chair. I pepsia, gravel, Bright's disease, dia-

ful never to pay it to me in person But on the last day of each month there was a little heap of gold and silver piled by the side of my inkstand, and a. neat little receipt made out ready for me to sign. I signed it, laid it on his desk when he was not looking and it was never mentioned. He would some times dictate his letters over and over again until they suited him, and he would say, "Take notice, now, this is no criticism of your work. I am cor recting my own composition.

"I never could get 'inquiry' right. would think the accent on the second syllable as he wanted it, and then when I came on to speak it, out would pop the accent blunders and said: 'Mr. J ---, will you kindly go to your room and close the door and say 'inquiry' over and over

Spirits Go Up.
The legislature of New Caledonia ha roused a storm of indignation among the colonists by placing heavy additional duties on alcohol, absinthe, gin, whisky nd tobacco in order to raise revenue.

PEOPLE WE KNOW (From Geneva, N. Y., Courier.)

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