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the bedclothes into long waves with his carriers went back with him. Happi-

AN IMPASSABLE CHASM.



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rent of Master Simon's cogitations? the carriers were by no means his showdisturbed the placid cur-Why this: he was the last of his race, and unmarried.

For himself, he had no inclination to his chin of a morning, the reflection in on a match; and though in his mascuhis round mirror would suggest anoth-Now there dwelt down at Ponteglos a hearing that Ann had put money on his

Mistress Prudence Waddilove, a widow, bird. Now when a match took place at who kept the Pandora's Box Inn on the some distant town or flying ground, quay-a very tidy business. Master Apn would naturally be anxious to



star Simon Remarked That She Must Be Finding It Lonely.

Simon had known her long before she ed the late Waddilove had indeed at on the same form with her in infants' school-she being by two years hid junior, but always a trifle quicker of wit. He attended her husband's funral in a neighborly way, and a week ster put on his black suit again and went down-still in a neighorly way-to offer his condolence. Mistress Prudence received him in the best parlor, which smelt damp and chilly in comon with the little room behind the oar. Master Simon remarked that she must be finding it lonely. Whereupon the wept. Master Simon suggested that he, for

Master Simon suggested that he, for is part, had tried pigeon-breeding, and cound that it alleviated solitude in a vous; are getting thin and all

"They're pretty to watch. Of me, a husband is different....." If course." Mistress Prudence assted, her grief too recent to allow a the air with frequent somersaults. the added, not quite inconsequently: "He is an angel." Idaughters. It is the best regulator and corrector for

"Of course," said Master Simon, in

gians, dragons-the subdivisions, when you came to them, were endless. But

birds. He kept them mainly for the convenience of Ann the cook. Ann had a cunning eye for a pigeon, and somemarry. But sometimes, as he shaved times ventured a trifle of her savings line pride he never consulted her, Master Simon always felt more confident on

> learn the result as quickly as possible; and Master Simon, finding that the sus pense affected her cookery, had fallen into the habit of taking a hamper of carriers to all distant meetings and speeding them back to Flowing Source

with tidings of success. Apart from He slipped His Arm Out and Captured this office-which they performed well enough-the took no special pride in them. The offer of a pair of his pet Pandora's Box) on business connected tumblers, worth their weight in gold, with her husband's will. "No hurry at had cost him an effort; and when Misall," said Master Simon. He slipped a tress Paulence, ordinarily a clear-headhandful of Indian corn under the lld,

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arrier pigeon.

of silk. Master Simon opened the note

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the Carrier Pigeon.

ed woman, declared that she preferred carriers, she could hardly have astonspect." ished him more by asking for a pair of stock doves.

"Oh, certainly," he answered, and went home and thought it over. Women were a puzzle; but he had a dim notion that if he could lay hand on the reason why Miss Prudence preferred ordinary carriers to prize tumblers, he would hold the key to some of the se-

crets of the sex. He thought it over for three days, during which he smoked

more tobacco than was good for him. At about four o'clock in the afternoon of the third day a smile enlarged his face. He set down his pipe, smacked his thigh, stood up, sat down again, and began to laugh. He laughed slowly and deliberately-not loudly-for the greater part of that evening, and woke up twice in the night and shook

Gilmore's Aromatic Wine and bound under its wing with a thread -A tonic for ladies. If you and read:

are suffering from weakness.

If you like, I'll bring you down a run down; Gilmore's Aro- ing a man?" he ingeminated, staring matic Wine will bring roses seeking a convenient hole. 'Not three to your cheeks and restore groan, and began to loosen his neckyou to flesh and plumpness. cloth. will even at the picture of the late you to fiesh and plumpness. While thus engaged he heard a flutter While thus engaged he heard a flutter above the trap door, and a second pigeon

ailments peculiar to woman-

turn. But I think," she went on. "I would her have a pair of carriers." Now why in the world?" thought the Simon. He hept carrier pigeons. He sum. He hept pigeons of every star Simon. He hept pigeons of every disting strength. Sold by Matthews Bros., Scranton.

"Could I have a few minutes private Next morning he took two carriers and quite departed from Pandora's conversation with you?" he asked, as he tood at the open door of a lawyer's offrom the cote, shut them in a hamper. Bex, but a twinkle of something not enand rowed down to Ponteglos with his tirely unike hope lurked in the corners ce in the Hammond building the other gift. But Mrs. Waddilove was not at of the waltress' eyes-albeit their his home. She had started early by van for were red and swollen-as she ushered fternoon. "Can't you speak right out from where Tregarrick (said the waitress at the Master Simon into the best parier.

"What can you be thinking of me?" began the widow. Her eyes were red and swollen, too. "I've brought back the pigeons."

"I can never bear the sight of them again!" "You might begin different, you suggested Master Simon, know." affably; "some little message about the weather, for instance. Have you given

that girl warning to leave?" "You see, I'm so lonely here." (To be concluded.)

WEALTH OF THE NATIONS.

A statement prepared for the use of the Finance committee of the senate by the mint bureau, in 1894, gives the following as the per capita weakh of the principal na-tions, embracing money of all sorts, as gold, silver and paper: Money

\$26.62

26,81

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France Germany 49,460,000 Belgium 6,100,000 Russia 121.000.000 Mexico 11,400,00 40,400,009 Japan

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and left the hamper "with his re-5 Then he rowed home, and spent the next two days after his wont; the only observable difference being the position of his garden chair. It stood as a rule under the shadow of the broad eaves, HC. but now Master Simon ordered the tapboy to carry it out and set it by a rustic table close to the river's brink, whence, as he smoked, he could keep comfortable watch upon the pigeon cote. "You'll catch a sunstroke," said Ann the cook. "I hope you're not beginning to forget how to take care of yourself." "Well, I hope so, too," Master Simon answered; but did pot budge. On the morning of the third day, how-

ever, he saw that which made him step indoors and mount to the attle under 20 the cote. Having opened with much caution a trap-door in the roof, he

slipped an arm out and captured a The bird carried a note folded small

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and read:
"It you loves me as I loves you. No knile can cut our loves in two."
The had prepared himself for a hearty operapiration instead. "Oh, this is hust-perspiration instead." "In the second hole, also bound. "It was angrey." gasped Master Simon. To but he second note was written in a different hand, and ran as follows: "It joke her. Buk what will you be hust-personal difference in the second hole what will you be hust-personal difference in the second pipeon." To but he second note was a written in the insting or me?--P. W."." Master Simon rowed down to Ponte-pios that yery afternoon, and the two

Let Day. Lot Day. Zoth Day. THE GREAT South Day. you are?" asked the lawyer in reply, after looking the man over. "I'd rather make a private matter of it." "What is the nature of your business?" "Confidential-strictly private and con-

FRENCH REMEDY Idential, sir." "Well, I have no time to grant you a private interview. If you have anything to say you can let her go right here. Now, what is it?" "1-1-wanted the loan of a quarter, sir." stammered the man.

sir," stammered the man, "Oh, you did! And you wanted a pri-vate interview to ask me that?" "Yes, sir. I knew it would hurt both our feelings if I was refused in public-yours because you couldn't afford to loan me the money and mine because 1 couldn't get it. Can you grant my request, sir?" "No, sir." "And does it hurt your feelings?"

"Not a bit! You are mistaken on that point. "And my feelings are the only ones hurt?

"Yours alone "Just so," said the man, as he bowed and backed out. "I beg your pardon. I was mistaken. You have the money and no feelings; I have all the feelings and no You have the money and no money. Impassable chasm-no use in trying to bridge-good-day.-Detroit Free Press, An Object Lesson.

From the Boston Transcript. Theodore-Tell me, now, what is the meaning of the expression "pulling your leg?" Richard-J can't tell you in so many

in removing offend-ing matter from the words; but I will illustrate. You haven't \$10 about you that you can let me have for a we-k or two? Thanks. stomach and bowels Sharp and Pointed.

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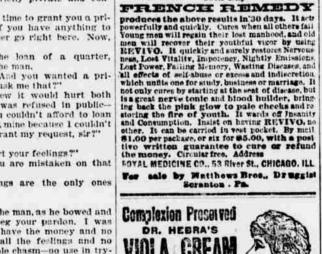
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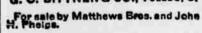


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