### A Mental Microbide

BY JEANNETTE SCOTT BENTON.

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of Chicago, electrician, met Miss Boteler in Boston he was delighted. "At last," he thought, "I have met the ideal Boston coldly intellectual; rigidly precise, overwhelmingly correct," and being a blase young man to whom a new sensation was a boon, he devoted himself to her as-

siduously. The next time he saw her he made up his mind that he had seen a good many girls in his time, but never one one day he said irritably: "I wish you'd with more life, verve, and swing than seemed characteristic of this same

young lady. He watched her in curious astonishment. "What an exuberant magnificent little animal she is," he thought, but where is the other one?"

With characteristic Chicagoan directness he launched at his point at

the earliest opportunity.
"I beg your pardon," he said, "but I never saw two girls so different as you the other night and today, let alone one girl. Are either of them you? What's your idea for that sort

Miss Grace looked at him in admira-

'What bad form you are," she said in a tone of great satisfaction. "It is side. The unexpected in matrimony very seldom I am asked about it in is not desirable. It keeps him jumpthat brutally frank fashion. To reward you for it I believe I will tell row." you the facts in the case. I know it seems quite unbeilevable, but both are simply: "but I don't see how it can me. A long time ago I and the peo- be helped." ple closely around me discovered that tinct personalities, which come and go too. as they please, while I am simply the vehicle for them. Of course, both have been a triffe modified by being educated and environed as one inappear striking,' that I 'pose' and all truth of would believe it if they did. laboratory tonight and explain it." Are you psychological enough to apprehend the situation? I don't konw, that night Jack explained. though, Chicago people are so grossly materialistic."

claimed, ignoring the slur. "I never powers of that ray, They have found met a girl yet who afforded variety that turned on the parts of the body of time. Now you are genuinely two microbes of disease. Now, I have but he finally ascertained that when a make me famous. the girl.

Before Jack was married it comforted him greatly to think his wife days of his life.

Two instances, shortly after his marriage, confirmed his impression. Jack was the nominal head of the Chicago Electrical House, but it was heavily backed by a New York man, who came in quite unexpectedly one day. He was a solid old gentleman with no nonsense about him and a stern disapproval of it in any one else.

Jack, to whom his approval was a consideration, took him up to dinner to meet his new wife. It seemed to him the young woman had never appeared so frivolous, gay and inconsequent in all his acquaintance with "If it had only been the other one tonight," he groaned.

He could see the disapproval gathering on the old gentleman's face, After dinner over the cigars he remarked; 'Kerens, that wife of yours is a pretty creature, but I don't know. I am afraid-women are terribly undermining creatures sometimes," and Jack saw a long vista of cheese paring surveillance in the future which tried his

The other was a cosmopolitan young friend of Jack's who appreciated the

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HE FIRST time Jack Kerens, world and the flesh above the fine arts. He, too, went to dinner and met a Bostonesque highly intellectual, rigidly

it works?"

machine?

erately.

"It is very simple," Jack explained,

"but be careful, it is so delicate. Do

you see now how it is handled? This

chair the patient sits in is another lit-

tle invention of mine. It looks ordin-

ary, but a person sits down this way

place for it. Now very often they may be unwilling to take the test when

they know what it is, but just hooking

such a strong electric current no mor-

to stay until you fix them. Did you

hook it on? Oh, I say, Grace, unhook

Mrs. Kerens leveled it at him delib-

That's the fault of the machine. Turn

idiocy or leave him in a comatose

"I don't think myself there'll be

"Grace, don't, don't! What can

"You might say that you are and

with me as I am, whatever way it is,

and you might say that I can mash

"Very well." Again she leveled it.

She regarded him coolly.

"No, no!" he shuddered.

"Mash it mash it," he yelled

self-esteem-yes, there's the bump."

'How very deft you are, Grace!" he

"Now, Jack, dear, you may try it on

head which I'd have disarranged."

"Come, let us go home. I like your

delightful which ever one you are."-

ELI PERKINS DOWN SOUTH.

Dyed in the Wool Democrat.

priest of "befo' the wah Democracy,"

ee if he really wanted information

"Well, sir, we are getting on very

well financially, but politically we are

'What causes this?" asked Ell.

"Where have we erred, judge?"

ruined our hemp, and it rotted in the ground. Then we lowered the tariff

on tobacco, and our tobacco went down

on us. We didn't complain, but we

Democrats did a good deal of thinking.

Cattle and hogs got lower and lower,

and when Grover went out we were

pretty poor; yes, dog-on hard up, sir!'

"Are they still bad-the times" ask-

"No, honestly, the times are good.

Wool and hemp and tobacco have

doubled in price and are still going

up. Cattle and hogs are high and our

"Well, what is the matter, then?"

ed out our dear old Democratic party.

Our Democratic farmers say they will

never vote for free trade or low tariff

"Well, what can we Democrats do?"

"I hate to admit it," said the judge

sadly, "but if we Democrats want to

win in Kentucky again we've got to

keep the tariff right where it is. That

old Wilson bill and Bryan's free silver

will be a scarecrow to every farmer

in Kentucky and Tennessee. We've

tried low tariff and we know-I'm

ashamed to say so, but we know it hurt us! No, sir, the people are pros-

perous, but our Democratic party is deing poorly. I wouldn't say it to a

black Republican, but that is the way

As the judge got off the train at

there was another mistake we Demo-

crats made. Grover Cleveland wanted

to sink the republic of Hawaii and put

crats didn't complain, but it made us

we Democrats talk among ourselves

Lexington he remarked:

a pigger on the throne.

asked Ell.

"Why, these good times have knock-

blue grass farmers are getting rich."

about the party, and slowly remarked;

The judge

wool Kentucky Democrat.

tial tone.

running behind.

don faded glowly from his face.

touched the instrument gently.

was gazing at his wife.

cide on the table.

Philadelphia Times.

Jack writhed in agony.

her manipulations.'

this old machine.

driveling idiot?"

shrick of agony.

all ready."

tal could break through, so they have

head naturally falls into this

in his veins. "Why couldn't she have been the other one this time?" again he groaned. Some way the imp of perversity

seemed to run things most of the time. it. What are you going to do with the She was so often to his moods "the other one." He began to feet like a shuttle cock between two battledoors. Not being born to suffer in silence,

try and be one or the other, Grace, long enough for me to begin to feel at home. Then, too, when I want you to be one of you you are always the oth-"That never bothered you before we were married," Grace suggested.

"No; before a man is married he sort of eliminates his own moods. He simply takes the impressions the girl state, is giving him without any counter current of his own. Afterward, of course, he takes his innings. Now, before we were married I thought your unexpecedness would correct the monotony of married life. It does, but there is just the trouble. A man finds out that he wants his married life to be monotonous. He gets enough of the other out-Ing around like a toad under a har-

"I am very sorry," said Grace,

In a dim way, though, Jack did. The I had two distinct personalities. The thought seethed and he worked in the one quiet, light and worldly. Under- wire meshed laboratory of the electricstand, they are not moods, but dis- al building down town days and nights,

He came home one day with a blaze in his eyes and triumph in his face. "Grace," he said, "I hold the millennium in my hand. I have discovered dividual, but still they have different something which will adjust the world. tastes, in dress, aims, amusements, In studying a way to equalize your everything. People say that I 'try to temperamental peculiarities the thing has revealed itself in all its magnifisorts of things. Very few know the cence. I will take you down to the

In the electric gemmed laboratory

"The foundation of it all," he said is the X-ray. Well, science is begin-"By Jove, but that's unique." he ex- ning dimly to realize the wonderful enough to be interesting for any length in which they swarm it will kill the added piquancy of reasoned t this way. There are fluids never knowing which you will be, and filling the brain cells which are without the trials attending the cul- charged with all the human passions tivating of two girls. Be assured I do as they predominate in the individual. appreciate the situation, and you, too," They are a part of life. All life must which was a remark he would never have organism. All organism is comhave made to the other girl, and there- posed of microbes. There you have it. in lay the vivid zest of his wooing. He Isn't it simple? Be careful; don't touch was obliged to court her in such var- medicine. You might hurt it. There ied styles. He wondered when he is a secret in it in the manipulation of came to the proposal which girl it the ray which I have barely caught would be to, and how he would do it, It is what does the business and will

"You don't understand it? Why, it poses according to himself and not is this way: You turn it on a person's head and you kill the predominate microbes. For instance, there is a big, brutal truck driver about here; swears would never grow monotonous to him; like a pirate all the while. I got him that he should not be obliged to meet in here, fixed him in the chair and a stereotyped individuality all the turned the ray on him. When he got up his whole countenance was changd. He looked like a Quaker. Then there's old Rogers. He'd skin a flea for its hide and tallow. Gets a fiveent glass of milk for junch every day I fixed his head this morning and he bought a 50-cent lunch. I saw him get Then I tried Miss May, our type writer. She's a mighty pretty, vain,

flirtatious little girl." "She is." interposed Mrs. Kerens. "She was always rattling the boys around the office. I turned it on her ast night. You'd think she was a nun if you'd seen her today. But the biggest triumph of all was Hall. You know the conceit of the fellow, Grace? He had the big head past all enduring. I got him there. They all thought it was some Roentgen ray business to photograph brain. Meek and mild! Well, rather. I could hardly get along with him before, but today he deferred everything to me.

"Oh, it works. Of course, it has only been running a couple of days, but haven't I proof enough? By Jove, it's the discovery of the century. will empty all our prisons and reform schools.

"Now, my darling, as regards your-

#### self, when one of you is in I will turn THE DYING CENTURY on the ray and reduce your extreme characteristics trifle. Then I will serve the other in its turn in the same PASSED IN REVIEW In that way you will become one

very charming person and a fellow will have a little idea what to expect SOME ACCESSORIES OF MODERN WARFARE. when he comes home to dinner."
"Yes, that will be very nice," said
Mrs. Kerens. "Will you show me how

Invention at a Premium Alternately in the Deadly Accuracy of Arms and in the More Than Equal Means

From the Chicago Times-Herald.

Two naval victories for the United marking the nineteenth century, and formal Mrs. Jack, who froze the blood that wire behind on the back of the chair and they are belted around with a glance what this age of invention has done for war. In 1813 Commodore Perry won his famous fight against the British on Lake Erle, his fleet lying almost within pistol shot of the enemy. At Manila, in 1898, Commodore Dewey destroyed the Spanish fleet at such a distance as made it rately.

"I am going to kill off a few of those his broadsides, two miles away. More even after the hull of his vessel should microbes of conceit for you and see if than eighty years of military and nacannot reduce your head a little, val progress lie between the two victories, but only in the manner of accomplishments have results been ef-"Grace, for heaven's sake stop, don't. fected. Perry's flagship, the Law-have no predominating microbes, rence, might have stood a British GUNS AND SMOKELESS broadside at the water line and still it on a perfectly well balanced per-son and it might reduce him to either against the hull of Dewey's Olympia might have sent that floating fortress

to the bottom. much left when I kill the microbes I and the single-barrel pistol, the cenmentioned," and she calmly continued tury opened upon the great battle of shell from 1,000 pounds of powder is Marengo, which will go down to history as one of the most destructive prompted the early experiments with will continue to be perfectly satisfied the percussion principle in exploding powder. Only the selfish hope that one nation in the circumstance of war might find itself better armed than an-other has been the spur to activities He started up, then fell back with a such as have perfected the modern arms and armaments of civilization.
Only once in the century has the selhope been realized, but Prussia, "Grace, don't you see I may become with her secretly adopted needle gun, had this satisfaction granted her in "Yes, I know, you don't drivel now, but that won't make very much dif- troubles with the Danes and the Aus-

ference if you only keep your hand- trians in the '60c. kerchief by you. There, now, I am COLT AND HIS REVOLVER. France was the first to displace the flintlock with the percussion cap and nipple. In 1820 the cap and nipple "No, on second thought I believe I'd rather try it. Now, be a good boy and take your medicine. Let me seewere common to firearms, but not till ten years later was the rifling principle adopted. Samuel Colt invented The expression of painful apprehenone of the first successful breechloaders when he secured patents on his re-volver in 1835. Ten years later the said admiringly. He seemed to have United States adopted Colt's revolver forgotten the concentrating rays and for the army, and about that time the interest of civilized governments awoke She disconnected the chair and to the possibilities of the breechloader.

Scores of breech-loading rifles were invented between 1850 and 1860. The magazine principle was adopted in "Try it on you, darling! Why should I? You don't need it. There isn't a single microbe in your dear little He looked carelessly at the microbinumber of good, serviceable weapons were perfected. However, muzzle loaders were not seriously displaced in folly mood, Grace, but then you are that conflict. The Spencer rifle was one of the successful magazine arms and the Sharp's rifle, too, was extensively used. Since then, working upon the magazine principle, breech-loading

rifles have been perfected to a remark-Gets Strange Admissions from a able degree The other day, says the Louisville Mauser rifle, resulting in a change of however, has come the electric search Commercial, Eli Perkins was introduc- arms for many other governments. ed to Judge Scott; an old dyed-in-theis well known in the Blue Grass region, and the grand old Kentuckian has alin the present troubles in the Philipways been looked up to as a high pines the Springfield weapon has borne Perkins was introduced by an old ble Mauser and its charge of smokeless Democrat, and Judge Scott supposed powder. In some engagements United that Eli was a Democrat, too, and he States troops have had to advance half secame confidential with him at once, a mile under fire of Mauser rifles in or-'How are we Democrats getting der to get an effective range for the long judge?" asked Ell in a confiden-Springfield arm.

The judge looked at Eli a moment to MACHINE GUN'S INTRODUCTION. The magazine behind the lock of the nodern rifle has rendered the bayonet obsolete in warfare. High explosives generally have served to increase the unning behind: yes, I'm afraid we are firing ranges until a bayonet charge would be impracticable.

But the magazine rifle has accen-"Well, sir," said the judge sadiv, "I tuated the dangers of war, the machine am afraid our party has not been altogun has multiplied them many times. gether right. We have erred in some Belgian genius is credited with the first of these, and in the mitrailleuse, adopted by France in 1870, the Prus-"Well, sir, I hate to admit it, but sians had the first proof of its horrors. our Grover Cleveland policy hurt us In America soon afterward Gatling Kentuckians. I wouldn't say it to a perfected a gun after the same general black Republican, but we Democrats pattern, and until the more recent maall admit it among ourselves. You chine gun produced by Maxim it was see," said the judge, "we used to get 35 considered to be the most perfect weacents for wool, and a big price for pon of its kind. It was capable of firhemp and tobacco before Grover came ing 1,200 shots a minute, necessitating in, but that Wilson bill hurt us. It the attention of only one man in the knocked wool down to 12 cents. Free firing process, jute, put in to help the cotton fellows,

Maxim's weapon, however, is an



Sweet butter can't be made in a sour churn. The stomach is a churn. A foul stomach fouls the food put into it. When the food is fouled the blood made from it is fouled also. Foul blood means disease. Cleanse the churn and you have sweet butter. Cleanse the stomach and you have pure blood. The far reaching action of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is due to its effect on the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition. Diseases that begin in the stomach are cured through the stomach.

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Nothing has done so much for modern guns and high explosives, perhaps, as has the armor plate, evolved from the rude plating of railroad rails which protected the sides of the Confederate Merrimae in the civil war. Steam had taken the place of sails in the maneuvering of vessels of war, and to protect this machinery armor plate became a necessity. From the beginning it has States will stand out in history as been a trial of inventive genius between the gunmaker and the armor plater. No sooner has a shellproof armor been made than an armor-piercing gun has been built to pierce it. Today it may be questioned if in the evolution of the modern navy there has been progress giving to the fittest more chances of survival than obtained at the beginning of the century. Paul Jones went into a fight a hundred be pierced by shot after shot. Today the commander of a battle ship knows that one chance shot from an enemy may send his gigantic fighting machine GUNS AND SMOKELESS POWDER

With the modern Harveyized plates and with the increased fighting range that has come with modern war ves sels the growth of big guns has been With the muzzle-loading flintlock phenomenal. A gun weighing a hundred tons and throwing a 2,000 pound common. Around each of these weapons a whole machine-shop must operconflicts in the annuals of war. No ate, until the modern battle ship is a greater gluttony for blood could have mechanical complication compared to which the duties of a sailor are as child's play. With the use of smoke-less powder has come the range-finder, until now the future engagement of navies is to be one of engineering skill, not the least important feature of which will be vessel maneuverings. For without the possibility of maneuvering the modern battle ship would stand small chance against modern guns and gunnery. One of the wonders of the modern blg gun is that it is forged from a single block of crucible cast steel, and, carrying its steel missites almost in a straight line, the impact of one of these shells against a plate of nickel steel often fuses the point of the shell with the plate. Rifling of these guns and the use of nitro-powder have brought about these phenomena. Gun cotton and dynamite, both products of the century, have been the subject of experiment in gunnery, but the dynamite cruiser of which the United States government expected so much in the Spanish war has been pronounced

THE TORPEDO IN WARFARE. The torpedo has come to be a fact of in naval battle, and one of the mes dreaded agencies of war. At the same many of them, but this, as a rule, was time circumstances have not allowed to o cumbersome to be practicable. The of a full justification of these fears. In civil war in the United States was an none of the recent naval engagements incentive to further experiments and a of the world has the torpedo boat seemed to acquit itself as it might have been expected to do in view of its increasing popularity. The torpedo has been of slow growth, and seems to have reached its limit in the self-pr pelling Whitehead pattern. The swift torpedo boat is designed to hurry with it in range of a fleet and to discharge the missile under water at the hulk of a battle ship. Cover of night was ex-Germany, in 1885, adopted the famous pected to protect the boat. With it. light and the rapid-fire gun, and these, Nearly ten years later the United with the torpedo netting, have States ostensibly gave up the old almost neutralized the new weapon. Springfield rifle for the Krag-Jorgen- One of the most picturesque feasen, but in the late war with Spain and tures of the battle in Manila Bay was in the attempt two torpedo boats to slip upon the the brunt of service against the terri- Olympia out of the dense cloud of black smoke that hung over the water in front of the American fleet. Once discovered, however, the quick-firing guns of the fleet riddled them.

The Whitehead torpedo is a complicated mechanism in itself, being 12 feet long, 18 Inches in diameter and self propelling by means of compressed air. Wet gun cotton is the explosive, from 200 to 500 pounds being usid. The missile ordinarily is discharged from a submerged tube, continuing its course by means of double propellers driven by compressed air. When the torpedo strikes a piston strikes a fulminating cap and explodes the wet gun cotton. TERRIBLE WEAPONS OF DE-

If the torpedo of offense has been popular the torpedo of defense has een even more so. Electricity has come to the aid of naval experts until it may be only a matter of time until the 100-ton guns and 13-inch shells of the modern fleet will have to be out-

done. One of the necessities for thes great cannon has been the laying o torpedoes in defense of harbors, making it impossible to reach fortifications with moderate-range guns. Today, ir the movement of a fleet against a seaport, the aggressor has more dread of the buried mines in the water than of a score of steel-clad vessels behind them. The destruction of the Maine in the harbor of Havana is an example of the terrible efficiency of the sunken torpedo, which needs only the touch of an electric button to explode

The submarine boat is one of the promises of the future in naval warfare. The Holland boat in the United States is considered to be a success and is fitted with torpedo tubes. Simon Lake has perfected a "submarine wagon," capable of being propelled over the ocean's bed at a depth of fifty to 100 feet. These boats may be kept under the surface for hours, and unless invention is to come to the aid of the battleship-as it did in the case of the orpedo boat-naval warfare in the new century will be under a very serlous handleap.

Looking back upon the accomplishments for war as chronicled in the last hundred years, it looks as if the question of expense is to do more for universal peace than are the multiplied dangers of the battlefield. growing more costly every year. It costs hundreds of dollars to fire one shot from a molern 18-inch gun. Perfected arms and elemunition cost more t'ma they ever did, and it is to be loubted if the modern battle formation is attended with so great a loss of life as was the hand-to-hand struggle at the beginning of the century. Smokeless powder and the two-mile range of the Mauser bullet have not implicated the horrors of a bayonet harge in the American civil war. But they have increased the cost of a campaign, and when war shall cost sufdelently more than it comes to, even the most pessimistic may begin to hope

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