elty of the sword-thrust. "If you think," continued Mrs. Caxton, that you are going to escape from my control by marrying Mr. Danton, you are very much mistaken. He will never marry you. Men like him look higher for a wife."

Where Dr. Danton could have searched to find a purer, sweeter, or prettier girl, it would be hard to say. Her stepmother knew that the pale perfection of the girl's face had won her favor in the eyes of the summer boarder; but more than that she

would not admit. Dr. Danton was a rich city gentleman. If he chose to spend a few quiet weeks in Roseville, and meanwhile pay a few compliments to Lea, it was nonsense that the girl's head should be turned. More, she was not willing that her step-daughter, whom she had rebuked and thwarted from her infancy, should meet with any such windfall of fortune as a rich husband

thus making her independent of her. "You needn't hurry to finish your dress," said Mrs. Caxton, with sarcasm. "It won't make any difference whether you wear blue or white for the picnic."

Then pretty Lea rose, shook out the fleecy folds of the azure skirt she was at work on and went upstairs. In her chamber she was at least free from insult. But she coul I not sew. She hung up the beautiful dress she had been hurrying to complete, and, throwing herself upon the lounge, covered her face with her hands. and a few hot tears trickled between her

Meanwhile, a gentleman, with a fair beard and a very direct pair of blue eyes was walking in the garden and casting glances at the south piazza, where Lea generally sat with her sewing in the pleasant autumn days. Her dog lay thereher canary sang there; but she was not to be seen.

He threw himself upon a rustic seat at last, and, uncovering his shapely head in the shadow of the leafy locust tree, sat crushing his soft felt hat in his hands, evidently lost in thought-not unpleasant thought. Now, Mrs. Caxton, in spite of her assured words, was not altogether secure in her own mind regarding Dr. Danton's intentions. A desire to be so made her walk that way, with a black lace scarf about ber head. "Good afternoon, Dr. Danton. Are

you going to the picnic?" "If Lea goes," was the composed re-

the air of a man who knows his own mind that Mrs. Caxton was at a loss, how to proceed. The former, however, cut the interview short by saying: "If Lea is at leisnre, Mrs. Caxton, I

garden for a little while." Now, Lea, when summoned, was very

the box-lined path and Dr. Danton rose to receive her there was a strange restraint in her manner. You wished to see me?" she asked in

a constrained voice. " Certainly I did. I always want to see

as much of you as possible; and as your step-mother said you were at leisure I thought you had better come out in the There was no responsive smile and

blush. Lea's fine black brows contracted, and the young man was surprised. "He considers me a plaything for his

leisure," thought Lea and was silent. But at 19 this girl was not stoical enough to resist a man like Dr. Danton when he chose to be winning, and now he chose to be very winning indeed. Lea's coldness melted beneath the air of chivalrons tenderness with which he devoted himself to her entertainment; and soon the old pleasant light was in her eyes and a smile on her lips. She laid her hand on his arm and down

the lane they strolled, breathing the balmy air and gathering asters and golden rod; and when Dr. Danton brought her back as the dew began to fall, and kissed her slender hands at the porch door, she stole up to ber chamber with her flowers and her dreams. No, it did not matter what she wore at

the picnic. When she was almost ready she ran down in the garden for a few flowers. As she gathered a knot of gold and blue pansies a bit of crushed paper attracted her

attention. She picked it up. There was writing upon it and she read it. "- is very pretty, with a rarely fair complexion and silky-black hair. You have no idea how charming in pale blue -of color so trying to raven-baired women, but of course I intend nothing serious; she is only a country girl, but she is

The chirography was Dr. Danton's. For a moment Lea stood bewildered The gay beds of pansies and petunias recled before her eyes; she sat down

charming!"

upon a rustic bench. "What is the matter with you, Lea?" said her mother's sharp voice. "It is just as you said," wailed poor

Lea in her misery. "He does not care for me-he is only trifling." Mrs. Caxton read the paper and smiled.

The sunlight glowed in the pretty apartment, the bees hung buzzing over the flowers of the window vine, the busy sounds of cheerful life came in at the world had suddenly stopped. At sunset her stepmother came to ber with a cap of tea and sat down by her

"I hope this will be a lesson to you. Lea," she began.

"Oh, I never want to see him again," she cried. "I would die if I could! But I must go while he stays here. You will be willing, won't you?"

"If you will try to be more docile in the future, Lea, you may make a visit to your Uncle Henry's."

"May I go to-morrow?" said Lea. "Yes. Remember I am being very in

dulgent to you, Lea, and hope you will be In the night the girl's agony found re-

lief in a flood of tears. Pale and tired she knotted up her braids before a mirror in the morning. If it could be helped, she would not see Mr. Danton again.

brings up the question of what use are rious points on the line of the railroad, by the snakes?"

the snakes?" was ill. When Dr. Danton had gone for the mail she went down stairs.

can harness old Pharaoh and drive over, and if you stay more than a week I'll eler.

average a little over 86 a ton in freight charges. They are used chiefly by sugar refineries, bone black establishments and send you some things."

Down the shady lane, drawing the top buggy, trotted old Pharaoh. Lea was That the body is now more susceptible to crying. Oh she was so lonely and sad! medicine than at any other season. bon, Ind., says: "Both myself and wife Hence the importance of taking Hood's ewe our lives to Shiloh's Consumption

Danton had stopped in their walk the forgotten were fading upon the stone wall. Lea remembered how he had put them down to fold her shawl more closely about her, and with strange contradic-

lips parted in a little cry, for Dr. Danton ase from the grass on the other side o the wall, where he had been sitting.

"What does this mean, Lea?" he said composedly. "Why are you running away from me?" Turning red and pale, Les looked up into a face so grave, so gentle, and so full of concern for her evident grief that all restraint vanished.

"To be so kind all summer-to take care of me and pet me and then to write such letters; oh, did you think because I was a little country girl I had no feeling?"

sobbed Lea. "Lea, my darling! what is all this?" asked Dr. Denton.

She told him; she showed him the bits of writing. "It is yours; there is no mistake," she

"Yest, it is mine, Lea. Now, listen! right here." In my summer's rest and leisure I have ndulged myself in writing a novel, which is to be published next year. This is a see the river. I leave her for a moment. scrap of discarded manuscript. Child, Some chap comes along and begins to has this mistake really grieved you? Do chin to her. I rush back and knock him you love me? I love you dearly, Lea; into the middle of next week. She'd will you be my wife?"

shed to see Dr. Danton driving old Pharach into the yard. He sprang out and assisted Lea to alight.

"Umph! then he will marry her!" said Mrs. Caxton to herself.

The Change of Climate in Egypt

And he did.

The New York Tribune gives the following in relation to recent remarkable climatic changes in Egypt:

The prevalence of typhoid and other forms of malarial fever at Cairo during the past months tends to complete the ruin of the reputation of the Egyptian capital as a winter resort for invalids. Within the last few years the climate of the Nile Delta has entirely changed, and whereas until 1878 such a thing as rain was entirely unknown at Cairo, there is nowadays one perpetual and almost tropical downpour, which commences in November and lasts until March. Not only his but two years ago there was actually a snowfall at Suez on the banks of the Red Sea, which astonished and frightenrooms instead of the old time braziers,

and even the unfortunate fellah is on the | ciently to call out : lookout for some more resisting material than the dried mud which he has hither-In fact the gentleman had so much to used to build his hovel.

The Cairo of to-day is built on the ruins strain myself!" of some eight or ten defunct cities which have in turn preceded it during the cenwish you would ask her to come into the turies. It is perched on the top of a sort loth to obey, and when she came down sides, constitute the substrata of the city. | car. Now as long as there was no regular rainfall, no ill effects were experienced, for senger, but he does, doesn't he?" the annual inundation of the Nile merely

affected the immediate vicinity of the riv- ed the brakeman. er banks. But the climatic changes, have months, regularly soaks through this det- is now." ritus and in fact renders it nothing more or less than a heap of wet garbage. brakeman, showing signs of irritation. Every night a dense gray mist may be obsay, invalids are sent in search of health. oreover the moisture in conjunction ride another mile." with the detritus produces a sort of chemeats away the foundations of all the old ildings. In a few years the incomparable tombs of the Caliphs and of the Mamelukes with all their delicate tracery | the brakeman. and emblems of the most glorious period about the existence of the grand old lives in it." Mosque of Sultan Hassan, the principal

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# Nature's Provision.

In a conversation drifting toward the many wise provisions of nature, the Rev. Mr. Machel said: "The other day, in my intellectual excursions, I came across a wonderfelly sensible paper treating of the snakes. The long black snake is especially useful. He goes into the dense swamps, worms himself among the reek window; but to Lea it seemed as if the and flags and devours thousands of scorpions, and lizards, which, without his timely interference, would become too numerous. So, you see, everything, even at the present time. It will never again the black snake, is useful, being created for a purpose."

"That is all very well," one of the reverend gentleman's listeners replied. "We recognize the usefulness of the snake because he devours scorpions and lizards, but of what use, pray tell me, are the scorpions and lizards?"

"They eat innumerable insects," the minister triumphantly replied. " All right; but of what use are the in

"The insects? Why er-they serve as food for the lizards."

"Why, you must be blind not to see line of the Northern Pacific railroad his that they serve as food for the snakes." alone 7,856 tons, or nearly 800 cars of "Of course I see that, but that only bones. These bones were bre

dear sir," the minister added, "It is not at that time worth \$24 a ton on the mar-"Go this morning!" said Mrs. Caxton, in surprise. "Well, I don't care. You slowly, when we think of man's narrow-average a little over \$6 a ton in freight

# It is a Curious Fact

At the end of the long lane she and Dr.

Sarsaparills now, when it will do you the Cure." Sold by G. W. Benford & Son.

Santon had stopped in their walk the most good. It is really wonderful for night before, and a few flowers he had purifying and enriching the blood, creat- Some one comes forward with the ing an appetite, and giving a healthy tone theory that cigarette smoking tends to to the whole system. Be sure to get softening the brain. This is not exactly Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is peculiar to right, but softening of the brain tends to itself.

tion of feeling she stopped the horse, sprang out of the buggy, and took up the limp, still fragrant things. Then her mouth. Sold by Geo. W. Benford & Son.

The Young Man who Showed Off

The other day a young man about twenty years of age accompanied by a girl two or three years younger, reached the city by a Bay City train, and after oking around for a few hours returned to the depot and bought some sandwitches for lunch. The fellow was heard bragging a good deal as to what he had done and could do, and cities he had visited, and by-and-by he walked up to the depot policeman and handed him four fivecent cigars, and said: "That's my girl in there."

"She just thinks her eyes of me." "I've never had a chance to show her

how I'd die for her if necessary, and it seems to me we might put up a little job "Well, suppose me and her walk out to

want to marry me within a week. Girls Not long after Mrs. Caxton was aston. of her age just dote on heroes, you know." "Yes, they do."

"Well, you help me. You pick out some chap around here and tell him what "Lea and I are engaged, and I have I'm up to, and I won't mind standing the begged her not to leave home just at pres- treats for all hands. When I rush in on him he'd better run."

Five minutes later the girl stood on the wharf alone. A fellow big enough to pitch a barrel of flour over a freight car approached in a careless way and observ-

"Fine day, miss?" Yes, sir." "Nice giew of the Canada shore?"

"Yes, indeed." "May I offer you some peppermint

Just then the young man came rushing down. When he came withinten feet of the pair he cried out . "Villain! take your leave or I'll toss

you into the river!" "Oh, I guess not," carelessly replied the

this young girl from your clutches!" "Don't bust any buttons off, my young

ed the natives. The atmospheric changes to or wilt. He rushed at the big chap are sometimes attributed to the existence with arm upraised and heroism in his of the Suez Canal and of the Sweet Wa- eye, and the next minute he was picked ter Canal, and are naturally causing a com- up and tossed over among a lot of green plete revolution in the construction of hides as carefully as if he had been glass. ouses and mode of life. The entire Then the big man raised his cap to the roofs have had to be rendered water tight, girl, smiled sweetly as he bowed and fireplaces and stoves installed in all the scraped his foot and he was out of sight before the young man recovered suffi-

"Minnie, did I kill him?', "No. Henry."

"Thank heaven that I am not guilty A much more serious result however, is of murder! Let him beware, however. the growing unhealthiness of the place. Another time I may not be able to re-

### Hard to Construe.

"Look here," said the brekeman, stirrof plateau formed by some sixty feet of ing up the sleeping passenger, who was tritus of all kinds. Potsherds, wicker- dozing the miles away while a forbidding work, cinder, scraps of metal, bits of tile, looking dog slumbered quietly at his feet. and heaven only knows what else be- "Look here, that dog can't ride in this

> "I know he can't," muttered the pas-"But he can't ride any longer," shout-

"Course not," said the passenger, half altered all this. The heavy rain, which opening his eyes in sleepy interest, "fullfalls day after day during the winter grown dog; never be any longer than he

"But he can't ride any more," said the "No," replied the passenger, opening served rising up from the ground, and his eyes wide, "he seems to be getting all shrouding the city to which, strange to the ride the old train can give him now." "But, roared the brakeman, he won't

"Can't bet on that," said the passenger, substance which saps and literally dozing away again; "Queer dog; owned him six years, and never can tell one minute what he will do the next."

"But he mustn't ride in here," shrieked "Course he mustn't," sleepily said the of Saracenic Art will have disappeared, passenger, "Wife says every day he and very serious fears are entertained mustn't come into the house, and he just

"Well, by thunder!" roared the brake Basilica, if so it may be termed, of the man, "he's got to get out of here!"

"That's what book-keeper says at the office," wearily groaned the sleepy passenger, "and he sleeps under the desk It is the duty of every person who has when he isn't scratching for rats under wonderful qualities be known to their Then the brakeman got mad and went

friends in curing Consumption, severe to the conductor. "There's a man in Coughs, Croup, Asthma, Pneumonia, and here got a dog with him," he said, "and in fact all throat and lung diseases. No I can't make him budge out of the car

amptive, at least to try one bottle, as out the imperative mood of all the verbs 80,000 dozen bottles were sold last year, in the grammar on me before I got mad ported. Such a medicine as the German to sleep. Let him alone. He gets off at Syrup cannot be too widely known. Ask the next station, and I'm going to run !

# Buffalo Bones.

A few years ago when buffaloes were more plentiful on the great Western plains than they are to-day or ever will be again, they were ruthlessly slaughtered by un-sportsmean-like hunters, who gained the name of "skin-strippers," since their only motive in slaving the beasts was to secure their hides. There was always a great and steady demand for buffalo robes, and the "skin-strippers" found their occupation profitable as it was wanton and unjustifiable. It is hardly un necessary to say that the business of skinning buffaloes could not prove profitable be possible for the enterprising "skinstrippers" to sweep down upon enormous herds of these noble, though ungainly creatures and slaughter them by the

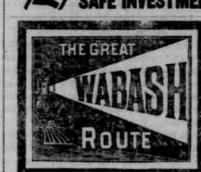
score, leaving their skin-denuded carcasses to rot upon the plains, or furnish food for the wolves and covotes. Realizing this fact, the "skin-strippers" have taken up a new and less exciting occupation, and are now known as "bone-hunt-

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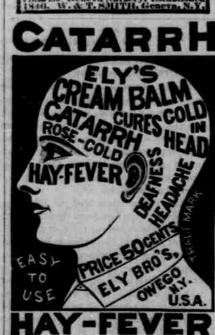
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he would squat outside my grated door, and tell me where to place his bets In a few days I had all his ready cash, Then he sold a mule and lost that. It is too tedious to tell in detail, but head by head his stock all vanished. Then he put up his watch and chain and a suit of clothes. I won them and made him poke them through the grates. In a week my cell looked like a country store. I had boots, hams, a pair of scales and the sheriff's office stationery a barrel of flour, a saddle and a feather bed. At last he came in and said:

"John, I'll tell what I'll do, You have won everything I can move, except the kids and the old woman, and now I'll play you a game of seven-up for all I have lost agaist your liberty." "It's a go."

tell you it was exciting. It was neck or nothing with me, and you could hear the old sheriff breathe clear over in the next lot. We got six apiece and it came my deal. I turned up a "That puts you out," said the sheriff

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If water fowls scream more than usual and plunge into the water, there will be

If the leaves of the trees move without If fish bite more readily and gambol

If sheep and goats spring about in the meadows and fight more than usual, expect rain. If peacock and guinea fowls scream and

noise than usual, there will be rain, If horses stretch out their necks and sniff the air and assemble in the corner of a field with their heads to the leeward,

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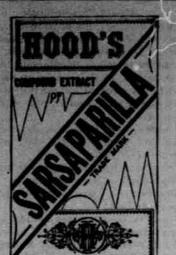
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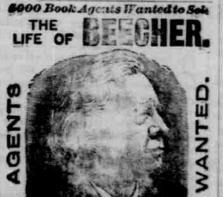
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