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The city of New York, the population of which is now beyond 2,000,000, must within a very few years, predict the New York Sun, be the second city in the world.

One very novel feature of the new suffrage law which was recently wrested from the Belgian Parliament by the uprising of the working class is the bestowal of a double vote upon every man who is married, or who has attained the age of thirty-five.

A curious exodus has been for some years and is still going on from Canada to the United States. The descendants of Revolutionary Tories and sympathizers with Great Britain in the war of 1812-14 are emigrating to the State of New York and to the Northern New England States in large numbers.

Among the most beautiful charities of New York, remarks the Independent, is an estate of about 184 acres ten miles north of the city, left by the late Robert B. Minturn as the seat of a number of buildings crowded out of the city itself.

The Sultan of Turkey has, it is said, got the notion into his head that he must have a world's fair at Constantinople in 1894. It is to be hoped, observes the New York World, that the civilized Nations of Europe will frown severely upon the scheme.

The inventor of the bullet proof uniform, Herr Dove, in Mannheim, who only a few months ago refused to fill an American order for a single bullet proof overcoat, for which garment the American offered \$250, has had the misfortune of accumulating small debts as fast as newspaper notoriety, and the other day all his personal property, including his furniture and the evening dress suit which he bought to wear at a hoped for audience with the Kaiser, was sold at auction.

The following table shows the armies of Europe on a war footing in 1869 and 1892:

Table with 3 columns: Country, 1869, 1892. Rows include France, Germany, Russia, Austria, Italy, England, Spain, Turkey, Switzerland, Sweden-Norway, Belgium, Portugal, Denmark, Holland, Montenegro, Greece, Roumania, Serbia.

WHERE HELEN SITS.

Where Helen sits, the darkness is so deep, No golden sunbeam strikes athwart the gloom! No mother's smile, no glance of loving eyes, Lightens the shadow of that lonely room.

BARBARA'S ESCAPE.

BY HELEN FOREST GRAY.

BARBARA was actually engaged! It is a strange sort of feeling, and yet it isn't unpleasant.

Barbara Esmond stood in the middle of the room, one slender hand poised by its forefinger on the table, the other holding back the jetty tresses from her pure, low brow.

"I wish I had a mother to go to, or a loving, tender, elder sister," Barbara, restlessly, "I sorely want to be loved like I should love the man I intend to make my husband."

Barbara was like a newly-caged bird, restless, fluttering against the invisible bars of her prisoned existence; captured with her own tools, yet half disposed to break away into the solitude and independence once more.

Barbara dropped the insulting letter with a sparkle in her blue eyes, a curve to her lip, which were wondrously eloquent, and as it lay on the carpet she ground it down into the deep purple pile with her contemptuous foot.

stress, one Pauline Delatour, because the child has a glorious voice and can't afford to have it cultivated, a wish you could hear Pauline rave about her benefactor. I think her enthusiasm would satisfy even your true lover's ear.

Harry Milbrook had sat down his chocolate cup, and was staring with glassy eyes at Mr. Kenward.

"No, nothing!" "Dyspepsia, eh?" "No, I tell you I'm well enough. Harry had made a mistake—a mistake that was likely to be fatal to his brilliant matrimonial aspirations.

A Thrilling Adventure. Ezra Thomas, a prospector of Shasta County (where he is known as the "Mountain Boy"), had an exciting adventure on Sunday last in the neighborhood of Taylor's.

"No, you don't," Miss Barbara Esmond, he muttered to himself with a bitter, sarcastic smile wreathing his lips. "I am not quite such a fool as that, thank goodness."

"And the piano, too, that you sent here. Oh, Miss Esmond, one of heaven's angels could hardly be more generous!"

Dried Flies From Mexico. "No matter what it may be, if an article brings a fair price I deal in it," said a commission merchant to a writer in the Western Magazine.

The first posts. The first posts are said to have originated in the regular couriers established by Cyrus about 550 B. C., who erected posthousess throughout the Kingdom of Persia.

Found Hoing Profitable. As J. M. Cook, formerly of Woodland, but who is now farming on the ranch of W. M. McGriff, about one mile below Knights Landing, was engaged in hoeing potatoes, says the Woodland (Cal.) Democrat, he unearthed a half dollar, and after a short while he uncovered another coin of like denomination.

Living Over a Volcano. China is populated so thickly that hundreds of thousands of people live all the year round in house-boats. Japan is not so overcrowded as China, but it is populated so thickly that about twenty thousand persons live in the crater of Aso San, a volcano about thirty miles distant from the city of Kumamoto.

MARKETING FARM PRODUCE

LOADED FARM WAGONS CARRIED TO NEW YORK ON TRAINS.

How the Long Island Farmer Gets His Truck to Town for the Early Morning Trade.

LONG ISLAND farmers who bring fresh country produce to town each morning and offer it for sale on the big west side plaza called Gansevoort Market do not, as is generally supposed, drive their teams all the way in from their farms.

Nowadays the North Shore farmer loads his truck wagon the evening before and goes to bed. He gets up before the sky has yet shown signs of dawn, hitches up his horses and drives to the nearest railroad station.

The train at length comes puffing and rumbling along and stops beside the platform. It consists of a dozen or two broad flat cars and a caboose or an old and shabby passenger car.

When the wagon is secured the farmer takes his horses into one of the box cars and puts them in stalls which are built in the car and plentifully strewn with straw.

Every one knows the pretty, light and graceful chairs and other articles of furniture made from rattan, but every one does not know that the extremely tough and flexible wood called rattan is that of the climbing palm tree.

Curious Growth of Rattan. China is populated so thickly that hundreds of thousands of people live all the year round in house-boats. Japan is not so overcrowded as China, but it is populated so thickly that about twenty thousand persons live in the crater of Aso San, a volcano about thirty miles distant from the city of Kumamoto.

Always Sweep Under the Mat. A story is told of a poor servant girl, who once was moody and strange, who asked for admission to the fold of the church.

Humor of the Day. Many a man is sunstruck trying to make hay while the sun shines. When a man is generous to a fault, it is never one of his wife's.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.