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me by the arm.

o-night!"

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side,

at the cross-roads."

nencement.

clothes.

him?'

BE GENTLE, HUSBAND.

Be gentle, husband, to thy wife, For seldom dost thou see The trials which do daily rise To try her love for the Speak not to her an unkind word; She is tay darling wife; Let no murmuring tone be heard, No angry look, nor strife.

Be gentle, loving, kind and true; Trials w ll surely rise; Speak kindly always to thy wife; Thon hist, perchance, a prize. Oh, husband, bear and do not chide; She, too, is tempted here. On thy fand bosom let her hide Her every anxious fear.

for him."

fair.

Though she may be sorely tried, And often sigh for breath, Oh, do not, by an angry took, Incline her down to death ! None are perfect here below, In this brief world of strife; Then, all thy love on her bestow, Regentle to thy wife.

A HOSPITAL BOMANCE.

It is the height of the London seasor and we are in the thick of it-at least, os far in as we can well manage to push arselves. That is to say, we have taken a house in a good neighborhood, and have induced a titled country acquaintance to introduce us at Court, and now and then to appear at our overcrowded receptions for a few minare they like? Are they very ill ?" utes, on her way to some more fashionable entertainment; for there is no private patients down-stairs are young that tea is ready. doubt about it-we are not in the highest circle, our friends are not the crem la creme, though very charming and well-connected people in their way, let fever, and the latter is very ill. My he sits beside me on the seat which, Auut has managed indeed lately to add next-door neighbor, who arrived only though somewhat worm-eaten and to her visiting list a Baronet, two Countesses, and a Marquis, in addition to the friends who introduced us. The Barname pleases the romance of eighteen, ily in my room one wet day. The Marquis is better known at Newmarket than at St. James's, is rather the discription takes my fancy; and I market than at St. James's, is rather shaky in the morning, after a fashion which is suggestive of potations over-night, and his language is more or less garnished with slang. But then he is has been in the Zulu campaign and has him." a Marquis, and the pains taken to se- been wounded there, I think of him as cure his society and that of the out-at- a hero. elbows Countesses are worthy of a bet- I long, as I say, to see him. I do so ter cause. However, my aunt is con- all too soon. The evening of the sectent, and talks of her aristocratic ond day draws to a close, and the nightnurse looks sad and worried, for the

schoolboy down-stairs is very ill indeed. Upon this happy state of things a derboit has fallen. I am iil, and and she can scarcely leave him, and the Doctor, having been called in pro- Major McDonald is restless and uneasy. After a time, I fall into a doze-how inces the ailment scarlet fever. Nothing to be alarmed about, my

dear madam," he says blandly -- "only a I am not alone. Some one is sitting by never go ?" I ask myself. slight attack ; we shall have the young the fire, which is blazing brightly, and

when this borrid fever will spread through the house, and we knife in his hand, for I see the glitter see hat for months !"

but, if you wish it-"" that which I have given him. I have it pout ; he is making fun of me. He still, and hope that when I am in my rises, looks at his watch, and says-"I do wish it. This young lady's coffin it will be laid upon my breast. friends would not approve of the other "I expect a visitor again to-day,

plan at all." And so I am half led, half carried along stone passages, up a flight of stairs and deposited in a chamber where a fire is burning brightly. ""The save back of the stairs and deposited in a chamber where a fire is burning brightly. ""The save back of the sav

"This room was intended for another comes forward, and with him a man but it sounds like "darling," and my patient, whom we expect this evening." says Doctor Browne; "but I shall give weak and languid now, would in full angry; but I am not. His touch has orders to have the next one prepared vigor be the ideal of a soldier and a made me glow with momentary happi-

"Major McDonald-Miss Rose Mor-"Major McDonald-Miss Rose Mor-I am soon in bed, Doctor Traill I am soon in bed, boctor train comes to say good bye, promising to see me soon; and I am left aione. I cry and laugh by turns, now overcome by my exceeding loneiiness, now struck by something alsurd about the whole af-

ward. Major McDonald, who is sit- ing her sixty years, her snow-white hair The new patient arrives, and I won- ting beside me, now bends forward. -the most beautiful woman I have der vaguely who he is. I am restless, "Miss Morley, "he says earnestiy, "I ever seen. But she is not Major McDonmiserable, feverish, and the Doctor or- have to thank you deeply for the cour- ald's wife ; her years, her striking likeders me a draught, whereupon 1 sleep heavily, and awake somewhat refreshed. My case is a very mild one, as I have not ask your pardon; for I have it "Mother, this is Miss Rose Morley."

My case is a very mild one, as I have said, so there is nothing for it but to he in bed and take fever diet—to he till I What does he mean? Is my rosebud What does he mean? Is my rosebud my name. The lady takes both my my name. The lady takes both my am weary of the wooden wainscotting, next to his heart, as his is next to mine? hands, and looks at me long and inquirthe pale blue painted walls. To relieve It cannot be, I am only a silly girl of ingly. Did I not know that Major the monotony, I begin to chatter to the eighteen, and he is thirty-six, and a gal-McDonald was already married, I nurses; if one has any latent love of lant soldier, above all such sentiment, should think that it was the look that gossip in one's nature-and what wo- I blush and falter something stupid, and a woman casts on her who she believes man has not ?-life in a hospital will we enter into conversation. How dif-develop it. holds in her hands the key of her son's happiness. Apparently the scrutiny is "Who are my fellow sufferers ? What silly Baronet, and from that of the favorable, for she draws me towards

re they like? Are they very ill?" "horsy" Marquis ! I live in fairy-land, her, kissing my brow. The caress from which the nurse rouses me, to say touches me, and I cling to her. "Poor little girl !" she says. "Poor I see no more of Major McDonald little motherless girl ! Ronald tells me

other a schoolboy ; they both have scar- that day ; but on the next and the next that you are to be sent away alone when let fever, and the latter is very ill. My he sits beside me on the seat which, you leave here." "Yes," I answer sadly, last evening, is more interesting. He brittle, seems to me, since he is there, afraid to have me."

"I have a better plan than that to

is an officer, Major Ronald McDonald glorious enough to be a resting-place "I have a better plan than that to by name, is middle-aged and single, and for demi-gods. How I hate the wet propose. I want you to come with us to onet is rather weak and silly, but is, I has been a fortnight in London, and is days which come now and then, and on Dinard, where we are going for change believe, sans reproche, is not bad-look- ill of scarlet fever. The nurse adds which I cannot see him ! How I dread of air for my son." How fondly and believe, sans reproduc, is not ball dokt. In the is tall, and must be very hand-ing, and has a good property. He is regarded in the household as the treas-some when in health, as even the redness free from infection, and shall be com-I have a little claim on you, my dear, regarded in the household as the treas-ure trove of my eldest cousin Louise. Some when in neutrings even the redness the rom intection, and shall be com-the Countesses are rather out-at-elbows, and one of them is a little doubtful. He holds possession of my mind. His hot been able entirely to disfigure him. He holds possession of my mind. His her posses the romance of aichtean is a neutron of mine-Rose Dairymple-married a "No visitors," says the Doctor, com-bridesmaids."

"My grandmother's name was Dal-

"Ah, I thought so! But, after 1 married, we lost sight of each other, as A great surging comes into my head, I went out to India. I am glad to see blindness before my eyes. "Mrs. McDonald !" I say, in surprise. you, my dear; it reminds me of my youth. And you have a look of Rose There is a mischievous twinkle in the about your eyes. I shall write to your to sleep. That night I followed his rate. aunt about your visit to us." example. "She is a beautiful woman," he says; Soon afterwards Mrs, McDonald rises without a dream-a dream in which I and it is only natural she should come to leave, and her son escorts her as far felt a rough grip on my arm, and was to see him, is it not ?" "Oh. yes !"-and I laugh idiotically as he is allowed, and then retnrns to me. "How beautiful she is," I ery enthu-siastically, "and how kind !" Then, with forced gasety, I add, "We shall be and talk so gaily that the Doctor stays long I know not; but, when I awake, for what to me seems hours, "Will he

a nice li'tle partie carree abroad-you, your wife, your mother, and I." He rises at last, runs down the stairs, ight attack; we shall have the young the new, which is on ang of guide by and in the rest of the gas is turned full on. The figure and I hear him whistling "Nancy Lee" as he crosses the lower corridor. I rise "I am not married, Miss Morley," he $\frac{1}{1000}$ for the form of e one of our party. contemptible "Fool. idiot. weak, Worse and worse! The quiet affection of a married couple would have been endurable; but the fooling of betrothed lovers would drive me mad. He looks at me long and meaningly. fever, the face is that of a brave man fancy which will pass away when I new and a good one. Delirium gleams in leave this place, and have other things heart is not his to bestow? Without doubt it is so ; and yet I cannot refuse And yet, and yet I know it is no fancy, to go with them. I am powerless. I "Alone, alone," he mutters, "amongst but the love which can never pass away those fiendish Zulus, and my sword while earth shall hold me. And he My aunt is only too delighted to get he was a married man. He even told rid of me. So in ten days' time I am at Dinard with my new friends. Mrs. said it was on the board containing his McDonald, who is not very strong, sits description. True, I was a fool! a good deal on the beach of the French Heaven, my courage does not fail me took a fancy to him from the first night I saw him ; but it was only fancy, and he fauned it into love. His voice softnow amongst the deep lanes, now along ened when he spoke to me, his eyes the cliffs; but, though three weeks pas lighted when he looked at me. Oh. away, there is no sign of the fiancee; and I am happy-wildly, childishly, frantically happy. It is bliss to me to cruel, cruel 1 Well, I shall despise him ; and I take a kind of fierce pleasure in thinking hear his voice, to see his face, to walk how I shall show him that I do. by his side ; the mere touch of his hand It is fine the next day, and I go out in as he helps me over a rough piece of the afternoon. I resolve to be dignified ground sends a thrill of rapture through -at least, so far as my five feet two, my me, "I have heard from Anna," says Mrs. slender figure, and childish appearance undred a year; but, oh, how poor I You must be very young. Only a little will allow me-and I saunter down the McDonald one morning to her son. "She am in that love which makes earth's drummer! Have courage, my boy! I walk slowly with my head in the air. It can come to us soon." "Ah, that is pleasant !" he answers, is all thrown away so far as Major McDonald is concerned, for he is not with a beaming face, and, turning to there, and, notwithstanding my contempt for him, my silly heart sinks. and my favorite cousin, one of the best At last he comes striding down the women the world holds," path, with eager eyes and outstretched "Here she is at last !" I moan to myself. "I cannot bear it; I must go home. I shall just wait to see her, and hands. "I am glad to see you again," he says warmly. "How dull you must have then go. Aunt Margaret cannot be been vesterday !" afraid of me now." Major McDonald and I take our walk "Oh, not at all !" 1 answer frigidly. almost in silence to-day. I am nervous, distraite; fool that I am, I cannot over-ged in between the blankets and was "Doctor Browne sat with me for a long time, and was so agreeable"-this with come my feelings ! What must he appressement. "I am glad," he says ; but somehow think of me? "Snall we turn ?" I say, after a time. e does not look so. "I had a very wel-"Snall we turn ?" I say, and a going He agrees; but, instead of going come visitor, who stayed nearly all came again. back, we stand facing seawards. day ;" and he smiles, 'Yes ; I heard your wife was with up at last and meet his eyes, which have an expression in them which has often I been there of late, I tremble, flush, He flushes, and looks bewildered. suppose he is surprised that I have dis-covered his treachery. look down, and say, in my nervousn just what I ought not. "When is your fancee coming ?" "Was it not pleasant to see my wife?" ask, with a forced laugh which sinks into a feeble giggle, whilst I dig holes in the ground with the point of my parand he laughs as he says it. "It is strange," I say coldly, "that she allowed you to be brought here, and never came to see you before." "My fancee !" he says, in blank "But "Very," he answers drity. you see she was in Naples; still it was amazer nt. "Yes, Anna," I answer. "Are you not engaged to her? You told me the remiss on her part--very. You would not act so, would you ?- and he smiles young lady who was to be your wife would be with you abroad." down on me. Is he enjoying my misery ? Hateful "Anna is fifty-five," he says, laugh-"I fear I have made a great fool of myself. I thought I was in Africa. I am so sorry;" and he turns away deject-icdy. "I dan't know "I answer reck-lessly. "I dare say I should get very tired of my husband, and should be India when I was a child. And the young lady I hope to make my wife is very glad to get him out of the way for

quite still. In a moment Ben broke out in one of his wildest laughs. I was in a hurry to reach home. No "Well he said, "how now? Will you

wonder, for it was the wildest night I had ever known in all my hfe, and the mare?" mare? country over which I took my way as But hardly had the words escaped his ad as country roads in general. Conlips, when a shrick broke on the air, equently I was walking at a great rate, and a woman's voice, plainly coming bag of sawdust, the common receftawith the collar of my rough coat over my ears and comforter tied over my soft from the interior of the cottage, cried:

"Help! help! help?" hat and under my chin, to keep it on "Ben," said I "we are wanted at the and protect my ears, when suddenly a cross-roads," and then understanding man stood full in my path and caught each other, without more words we made our way to the window, through "Hullo!" said he, "you're just in time; you are wanted at the cross roads draped the panes, but through it we which a light shone. A muslin curtain helpless old men in their sleep for the

saw an awful sight The voice was that of a ruffian. An old man lay on the floor, and failed him at the last moment and he I fancied myself attacked by a highover him bent a ruffian, clutching his fled from the scene of the murder

ray-man. I stood quite still, and strove throat and holding a pistol to his ear, fore his task was accomplished and had o show him by my manner that I was while another man grasped the shriek- to return to complete his hideous work. able to protect myself. "What the deuce am I wanted at the nightdress-with such long golden hair of romantic interest among the poplua cross-roads for?" said I. "Unless I as belonged to the girl of my vision. tion of the capital usually only accord-

emanding my money or my life, the nan answered in an altered tone: "Beg pardon, I made a mistake.

thought it was my brother, and I wanted to frighten him. Bad night, sir?" gle; indeed, I could not, if I would. "Very," said I,

"You don't know the time sir?" he "It was seven when I left the train at

"L," I said. "Thank ye, sir," said the man. admitted, as we shook each other by

be worth the trouble. But after all, had saved some few thousand dollars I thought, probably he spoke the truth. for his old age, and living more plainly ceal his real name, and gave, as his than he need have done, had given rise A man may have such a voice without being a highwayman, no doubt. So I to the rumor, and so brought the burgwent homeward and soon found myself lars to the cross-roads in the hope of under shelter, and partaking of a warm booty.

and savory supper. My mother was there and my brother Ben. Ben was a great strapping fellow who could beat any other boy of his ers without a flavor of romance, I will age for miles around, if it came to tell them that she became in after years, The high standing of Laguerre, Campi's wrestling or boxing, and a good-natu- not my wife, but the wife, or my darred boy as ever lived; a boy always to ling brother Ben.

It was so real, so palpable, that when can tell within a mile or so just how became broad awake I actually be- fast we are running." "You can, ch?" lieved that some one was in the room; the man who intended robbery or vio-have it down fine, ch? Now, I'll just

and by some of his criminal associates,

Crime in Paris Recently "Monsieur de Paris," as -There are 1.750 languages or diathe Paris populace nicknamed the exe-

atmosphere of a great city.

It was not the circumstances of the

of the free-masonry of crime.

The Batter and the Mald.

She came, carrying an unlighted lamp. Striking the batter which lay

which broke the lamp and diluted the

batter with kerosene. Cries of "Mur-

der ! Fire ! Police !" resounded through

Rushing into the kitchen he slipped,

rolled over a few times, and when quiet

was finally restored the twain stood

looking at each other in mule chagrin,

both covered with kerosene and the

A MISERLY, unkempt old man, who

had been sick for some time, called on

toms, asked what he should do, "Well,

sir, you must take a cold bath every

doctor, I ain't able to walk down town;

it after I'm gone. Good day!"

" "What! wash all over every morning." "What! wash all over every day?" "Yes." "Will I due if I don't

"Well,

will you go and get a preacher and 1488 inspectors, 3482 sergants and 28,-

undertaker? I'll go home and get ready 381 constables, while the Scottish force

to see them. You may send your bill has 32 chief constables, 110 superin-to my administrator and he will settle tendents, 176 inspectors, 350 sergants

a doctor and after telling his symp-

the house, and the gentles an who had caused all the trouble came running

with his revolver in his hand.

lects spoken on this globe. rutioner, pulled a peg out of a piece of --Silkworms were taken into Europe frame-work that supported a triangular piece of steel and there fell into the

NEWS IN BRIEF.

from India in the sixth century. -London milkmen and newsboys use tricycles in their daily rounds.

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cle of such offerings, the bleeding -A Vermont man has a parrot that head of one of the greatest scouncan recite nearly half the twenty-third drels that ever throve in the poisonous

The mo- psalm. tive of the crime for which he suff-red -Switzerland, by a recently published was a mean one. He murdered two return, has 1002 hotels with 58,137 beds.

sake of money. He lacked the com--The origin of borrowing money on mon courage of the buleteer ; his nerve pledges is referred to Perugia, Italy, about 1162. he

-Over fourteen million dollars are invested in the manufacture of gas in Massachusetts.

-Germany has increased its beet crop in ten years from 3,000,000 to S,-500,000 tons.

-The Princess Louise of Wales is seventeen, but will not be presented at court this year.

-Rhode Island savings banks have \$52, 460, 205 entrusted to their care by for the sake of their paltrey savings; Troppmann, who murdered the whole 120,482 depositors.

family of Knicks, eight in all, without -Munkvesy, the great Hungarian painter has been made a baron by the emperor of Austria.

-London now receives from italy flowers as fresh as if they had been cut case, who chopped the victim into mionly an hour before.

-Stanley says the Congo valley, Africa, has a dense and enterprising population of 40,000,000.

crime that lent a peculiar interest to -A machine that makes seventy-two the criminal in Campi's case. What pretzels a minute is said to be run by made the public take an interest in him a Lancaster county man.

was the fact that he managed to con--California is at present producing not far from \$18,000,000 of gold and reason for so doing, the fact that he silver bullion annually.

had a brother, who belonged to the honorable profession of arms and wore -Michigan now has 2 075 insame people in its asylums an increase of 162 the uniform of a French officer in a over the same time last year

line regiment, whose agony and shame at seeing one of his own name die a -Half the sugar consumed last year felon's death would drive him to dein the United Kingdom was made, it

spair and ruin the prospects of his life. is said, from European beets. -Michigan is credited with mising lawyer, forbids the supposition that one-half of the total supply of pepper-

mint, or about 75,000 pounds a year. -The woods of the Uni ed States are estimated to cover 390,000,000 acres,

or sixteen per cent. of the total area. -It is said 6000 boys and 2000 girls under ten years of age are employed in

Chicago factories in violation of haw, -Mr. Irving sailed for England recently. The receipts during his Ameri-can engagement have been over \$400,-

000. -When fifty four people dine at the human heart there sometimes filters a White house the number of wineglasses on the table is 378, or seven for each person.

-In Sweden, it is said, there is a law hood of an unaided man being able to taking away the right of suffrage from

-Mrs. Dubuys, of Pass Christian,

But instead of producing a pistol and lattices and crushed it in, and we grapfoes ware upon them. But we were strong men, and inspired the aid of an accomplice; the skilful by the cries of the helpless old man poisoner, La Pommerage, a physician

"Good-night," said L

The old man was not a miser but he appearance that I was too poor a man

mother and me, though he had exercised his right to vote in one Presidential

election. When supper was over, and we had chatted for an hour, we went up stairs to, ether. The moment Ben's head touched the pillow he always went as the train whizzed along at a lively But I did not sieep long roused by a cry in my ears:

"Wuke up! you are wanted at the cross roads."

lence. But when I had arisen, and lit my lamp. The room was empty, ex-number of seconds it takes us to run cept myself and Ben, who has been drunk three number of seconds it takes us to run Nrz. Duburg of Para Christian the door; it | can. Is it a go?" The It was a go. was locked. 1 went to the window; money was put up in another drumthe rush of rain against the panes was mer's hands, and he took out his watch and stood op in the aisle so neither of the enormity of his crime, he made an all I heard. I even went across the passage to my mother's room. She was awake; there had been no unusual sound, she was sure.

ing girl by the arm-a girl in floating But he succeeded in exciting a degree choose it will be a hard matter to get Not a moment was to be wasted. Ben to those who have earned a reputa-thouse it will be a hard matter to get not a moment was to be wasted. Ben to those who have earned a reputa-tion in its criminal annals by wholesale slaughter, such as that of Dumallard, pled the ruffians before they knew who enticed a great number of servant whence the attack came or how many girls to his house and murdered them

I did not intend to describe the strug-

and the terrified girl, we soon had one of the villians bound and the other ly-scholar, or the murderer in the Fualdes

iug prostrate on the floor. Then Ben started for assistance, and nute pieces while music was being before morning both were in jail. Ben played to drown the noise.

If his object had been robbery, prob-ably he had decided from my rough cross-roa is."

The girl, a beautiful creature of seventeen, was his grandcaughter, and as no story is acceptable to the lady read-

To The Very Second.

the speed. I've got it down so fine I

compassion and cheat the guillotine.

But the murderer's attitude in court was extremely theatrical and the cheap eloquence of the heroes of boulevard melodrama was always in his mouth. In

phed the other. "Thirty miles! ain't going less than a mile a minute." "You are away off. We are not going

twenty years, and you can't fool me on

In Troppmann's case the unlikeli-

Campi's story was a device to excite "We are running very fast now, ain" "At least 30 miles a hour," re-We

we?" said a drummer to his companion

brother's reputation the idea was a a bit taster than 35 miles a houg at the noble one and shows that even in the outside. I've been riding on trains for darkest depths of the most degraded ray of purer light to reveal the universal kinship of mankind.

his cell he gave vent to fits of savage passion, like a wild beast. Yet if it be true, and it no doubt is, that he condemned himself to silence to save a

Bob

He is not worth regretting," I venture, "if he could forget her in so short

You know nothing about it, child ! sels my aunt, "These people of rank have so many temptations. I have tried so hard to make up a nice little circle, and, now that I have done so, it is too had to have everything spoiled. I must the air. say it is very inconsiderate of you Rose, I shall get you a nurse, but I cannot risk the precious health of my children now, or his life might be poisoned by an by going in and out to you myself. So she too takes her departure; and

am left alone. I twist and writhe in bed. What am

I to do-how endure this trouble? I distress?' have no home, poor little desolate waif that I am ! I have been my aunt's ward ed. I am not a Zulu, but an English until within the last few months, when, soldier." being eighteen, I ceased, by the terms of my father's will, to be a minor. I it tenderly. am not poor in money, for I have five and lie down by my dead mother's size, you to a place of safety, if possible; if and trouble no one any longer !

to town, the housemaid had measles, back, his arm upraised to strike. and was sent to the Fever Hospital. Why should not I go there-not to a No sooner thought than acted on. I it at once to Doctor Traill. He is fortunately at home, and comes immediately.

'What is it, my dear ?" inquires th hope ?

me He looks surprised.

You must see that I am in the way here," I continue hurriedly-"that my aunt is afraid I shall infect the household, or, at any rate, shut her out from sweet-faced woman with golden hair, society. It is not my fault !" And I begin to sob.

fancy my father's might have doneheart ! the father whom, save in my dreams,

Power. Our part is to suffer in patience and in hope,"

Doctor, Could you not manage it for me? Telegraph or something-please do. I shall go mad if I stay here

you consulted her ?" "Oh, no! She will pretend to be annoyed; but she will be glad-I know she will. And, Doctor, ask them, please, trition sends out for a bouquet, which

"No, no," he answers ; "we sha'n" want that in your present stage. You can infect nobody. My carriage is at the door. I shall send one of your serno more about it. Evening comes ; and, few things for you-your worst, rememcheered by the Doctor's assertion that ber. I shall drive in the meantime to nothing of the kind can happen again, the nearest post-office, and send the telegram, and come back and take you as a special night-nurse has been as-

I know he can ill spare the time -- the ers to the last, 1 fall asleep, and. undistime that means money-and I am very grateful to him for his ready help. In due time we arrive at the hospi-

I do not see Major McDonald again tal, and want in the head-nurse's sittingtoom. The resident doctor comes,p ro nounces my case to be, as Dr. Traill says, one of mild scarlet fever.but adds the unpleasing intelligence that there is no private room vacant on the women's side, and that I must go into a nurse and the doctors do I hear any news of him. I preserve his flowers ward. But Doctor Traill puts in his as long as it is possible ; and, when they

looks lonelier. They do not all go, though, for I keep a rosebnd similar to with a twinkle in his eye. where she could go ?"

shall be tabooed for ever so long-when of the steel. Involuntarily I move mean-spirited wretch, to love a man t will quite spoil Louise's prospects- slightly, and he starts to his feet. What whom I have known only a fortnight for Sir Robert was going to propose-I know he was-and now he will not with unshorn beard and the redness of him !" I say fiercely. "It is only a

Doctor's eye.

his eyes and gives strength to his up- to occupy me." lifted arm, which grasps the knife.

broken ; but I shall not die unavenged!" he had no right to act as he did, since He springs to my bedside, his arm raised, and the cruel steel glittering in the Doctor he was single, and the nurse They tell me that I am brave. Thank

one a student at King's College, the

undving regret ! I speak softly-"Major McDonald ?"

"Who calls ?" he cries. "That is an English voice? Is there any one in

"Yes," I answer. "I am ill, wound-He takes my hand in his and looks at

"How small and delicate !" he says true riches ! Would that I might die, shall not forsako you, and shall carry

not, we can die together. But hark ! Suddenly a bright thought flashes Here is the foe in full force !"-and he through my brain. When first we came stands near the door, his head thrown I know who is about to enter-it is the head night-nurse, who has heard ward of course, but to a private room ? the sounds in my room, and is coming

up-and, unless I can turn him away scribble a hasty note, ring the bell, and her fate is sealed, for he has in him for desire the servant who answers to take the moment the strength of twenty

> I call out feebly-"You are wrong ! That is the ambu

lance nurse; you would not harm her old gentleman kindly. "Not worse, I There, there is the foe !" and I point to the corner where my dressing gown

No, Doctor ; but I want you to help is lying, presenting somewhat the shape of a human figure. He dashes at it with a deep vengeful

cry, and the knife pierces it with such force that it snaps in two, leaving the point buried in the wood-work beneath. The head night-nurse now enters, a

whom all the patients love. Dear nurse Branscombe? How thankful I am 'My dear, my dear"-and the kindly old face smiles down on me as 1 could that the cruel knife did not seek her

Major McDonald turns ; the sight of never saw-"you must not fret. the nurse's face recalls his wandering These things are ruled by a Higher mind. He passes his hand over hi brow and looks bewildered, his strength

"I want to go to the Fever Hospital,

The next day I am worse, more fever 'But what will your aunt say ? Have ish, and Major McDonald is beyond measure distressed. He recollects last night's scene vaguely, and in his con-

to send the ambulance." the nurse bring me, with his compli ments-also a tiny note, feebly written imploring me to forgive him, and to send him even a leaf in token thereof. I select a rosebud. I am too weak to Vants to help you to dress and put up a write now, and beg that he will think

> nere ?** signed to Major McDonald, I compose me in some place." myself, and, looking at my sweet flow-"She will go with you ?"

a time."

with crushing dignity.

turbed by anything, awake next morning refreshed.

for three weeks ; nor do I hear much mere child !" about him, as, soon after, a private room on the women's side of the hospital becoming vacant, I am carried over ; so that only from the head night as possible.

are thrown away, somehow the room "Have you no room on the men's side

"I do not like putting ladies there;

with my mother and me now. Good Heaven, what a child you are to have A pained look comes into his face. "You don't mean it ?" he says earn tood me !" And then there is silence. I have estly. "You are not a 'girl of the period'

dug a hole deep enough for a robin's -I cannot believe it." "Yes, I am," I cry fiercely. "I could of care for any one much-unless in-"Rose"—the voice is low and thrillnot care for any one much

deed he were rich and titled; and then I should love only les beaux yeaux de sa cassatte. I don't believe in sentiment." Hose "--the voice is low and thril-ing-"Rose, I am neither rich nor titled; but I love you !" His eyes are full of intense longing.

his arms are stretched out yearningly We walk in silence, and sit down towards me. Perhaps it would be silence. At last he asksmaidenly, more dignified to hold back "Where do you go when you leave

coyly; but I don't-I simply fly into them with unseemly haste. He sees "I don't quite know," I say drearily. nothing wrong about it however, for he "My aunt says she will take rooms for olds me close to his breast, as though

he could never bear to let me go. "My one love-my darling !" he mut

"No, I must go alone-at least, I shall have only a maid." "Go alone? How old are you? Ob, Ah, how good, how precious it is to hear such words-to me, who have been nobody's darling since the dreary day, evenuse my rudeness, but you seem

A child ! Is that how he regards me ? far back in my desolate childhe draw myself up, so as to look as tall when my fair young mother died ! I draw myself up, so as to look as tall "I am eighteen years, four months

-Monterey, Mexico, uses beans for three weeks, and two days old," I say, money since the nickel has become defunct. "And how many hours ?" asks.

-New York contains more than 169 alldings each above 80 feet in height. I feel inclined to cry, and my lips

Only a dream born of my meeting the strange man in the road, I felt had mile post whizzed past the window the awakened me. I went to bed and fell referee cried. "Now!"

asleep again. Again I was awakened The contestants looked out of the by the same words, this time shrieked window at the line of wire fence and in my ear by an unearthly volce: procession of fast disappearing tele "Wake up, wake up. Yos are wantraps poles. "Time!" cried the drammer in the ai-le as the next mile post ed at the cross-roads. I was on my feet once more, a bathing-place, and sends her son and caught Ben's hand as he came over to-myself for a daily walk. We ramble ward my bed. showed humself one fleeting instant.

"What ails you?" he cried. they were to write out the number of seconds they guessed and hand the pa- of execution. But the most curious "Nothing." said I. "Did you hear per to the referee. The man who "had voice?" down fine" did this very promptly, Ine person who wrote the the by name, not know Troppmann, except by name. "Your's," said Ben, "yelling woke me up; you fairly frightened me." "Ben," said I, "wait till I light a but the one who started the conversation was slow. He had some figuring "Ben,

lamp; I heard another voice. There to do with his lead pencil. be someone in the house or out-There was considerable excitement mong the lookers-on, and several side So 1 again lit the lamp, but we bets were made, In a few moments the drummer had completed his calcusearched in vain. "Nightmare," said Ben, when I told lations, and the referee announced: "Charley puts it at one minute and forhim my story. "Ben," said I, "what is there at th ty seconds. Bob makes it one minute ross-roads?" and twenty-five seconds. The actual "One little house, beside two oak time by the watch was one minute trees and a fence. An old man lives and twenty-four seconds, The man who "had it done here-a rich man, and a bit of a miser, | wins." fine" but missed it by fifteen seconds and lost his money took his defeat in they say. His granddaughter keeps house for him."

"Ben, that fellow may have meant good humor, but begged Bob totell him harm to them. I may be wanted at the how he had worked it. "I haan't ought to give it away," said cross-roads." Bob, "'cause il've been makin' about excitement, such an orgie of blood, "Brother," said Ben, "go to sleep. You had a nightmare," and Ben plun-\$15 a with it all winter. I usually hit it

to the second, but this time I forgot that murdered his aged mistress, was con-I'd had only one drink this morning." "What has drinks got to with it, I'd like snoring again. demned to death, the Emperior to I also, in ten minutes, slept as soundavoid a repetition of such scenes, to know "" "Why, you see, it takes at ly as before, but the awakening soon commuted his sentence to imprisonment for life. least four drinks to settle my pulse down

so I can rely on it to the very second." I opened my eyes to see a girl standing at the foot of my bed. A girl in The Confiding Public white robes, with golden hair all about

her shoulders, who rung her hands and Two or three weeks ago a pedestrian cried, "Oh, wake up, you are wanted who was passing a house on Riopello street, Detroit, heard the sounds of a This time I started out of bed, bathe errific struggle going on, and as he gentlemen was prowling around the in a cold perspiration. I trembled like a leaf. I had no doubt that I had relooked in at the front door a boy about 12 years of age, who sat in the hall, ceived supernatural warning.

quietly observed: "Ben!" I cried; "Ben, for the third "It's only the old folks having a little time I have been told that I am wanted row, stranger" "Do they have em' often?" asked the at the cross-roads, and I am going.

And I began to dress myself as speed man. ily as possible, listening the while to

"Almost every day," the storm raging wilder and wilder "If I were in your place I'd stand at

than at any other period since its comthe door here and charge ten cents admission fee. It's worth the money to Ben remonstrated with me in vain. see a family riot like this, and you over the kitchen floor, and was waiting might as well make a few dollars as to patiently for the servant girl to come At last he also began to huddle on his

let the chance slip. The boy said he would think of it "If you have gone mad I must go and the pedestrian waited until the man had choked the woman as black as a der her and she came down with a crash with you and take care of you," he said. "But fancy another man going out in a storm like this to the crossplum and then passed on. Yesterday roads because a nightmare caused him he chanced that way again, and there

to do so, and what would you think of was another row going on, and the same boy sat on the door-step. "I'll see the show," said the man as he pulled out his vallet. "Has my ad-ut in robe de nuit and bare feet, but "I said nothing. All I could have answered would have been:

"I am compelled to go; I must go. vice profited you?" dare not refufe, whatever may be "Stranger, I can't take your money," dare not refufe, whatever may be thought of me." replied the lad. In ten minutes we were splashing

"Why?" "Because I'm a square boy. For a week or so every fight in there was as through the mud and rain along the road. It was perfectly dark; now and

then a red star in the distance told us square as a dice and worth the price of premonitory symptoms of buckwheat able after 1449, when Charles VIL, admission, but as soon as a crowd be- cakes. that a lamp was beaming through the rain in some cottage window, but gan to come and the gate money began otherwise we would not have been con- to run up to eighty or ninety cents, dad scious of our proximity to any habita- and man began to hippodrome on the tion whatever. At last nearing the public. That blood on his nose was put spot where the road from S—crosses there half an hour ago, and many the road to P—, we were indeed in black eye is three weeks, old. They want me to stand in with them and de there half an hour ago, and mam's They

The house which abbatted on the very angle of the roads, called in fa-the best man win or quit the business, ceive the public, but I can't do it. Let do it?" "You certainly will." miliar parlance the Cross Roads, was is my motto. Pass on, stranger, for this the only one for some distance in either is a put up job to guil the confiding direction, and certainly on such a night public."

we were not likely to meet any travel--The beet-root sugar manufacture

All was quiet as the grave. We stood is being overdone in Germany. type of criminals. It was during the is the owner of one of the loveliest road Second Empire, and notwithstanding gardens in Mississippi.

-The feat of transmitting two telethe wagerers could see his tickee. The application to the Garde des Sceaux for graph messages along a wire at one pussengers who had overheard the con-versation gathered around to see how was refused, but the Empress Eugenie Guil, an Austrian, in 1853. the commutation of his sentence. It time was first accomplished by Doctor

versation gathered around to see how received a bundle of letters, written in the bet would come out. As a white the fine handwriting of a woman, ad- Colgate, of New London, recently dressed to a Madame Braig, who kept brought home 1100 barrels of sea elea small tayern in the Rue Grange-Batphant oil from Desolation Island. eliere. The writer pretended to possess

-The calico and printed goods made information showing that Troppmann in Lowell, Mass., in 1882 would twice could not have committed the crime by encircle the earth at the equator, and himself, and that if a trustworthy perthen all would not be used to do son were sent to a certain address

-The first tame cattle were brought to America by Columbus in 1490. They It was a simple device to obtain a stav were first imported into Virginia in 1607 and into Massachusetts in 1624.

part of the whole transaction was that -The Romans introduced cock-figatthe person who wrote the letters did ing into England. It was forbidden by Edward III., Henry VIII, and smwell, and by Queen Victoria in She was a criminal like himself and the interest she took in him was purely 1849.

a professional one. It was an instance -Dogs in Tennessee, it has been calculated, number 3000, cost \$3,000. Troppmann hoped against hope until 000 a year to keep, and prevent the the fatal day of his execution, Monraising of 2,000,000 sheep whose mutton and wool would be worth \$5 000.000. sieur Claude, the Prefect of Police,

asked him on the scatfold to reveal the -The dress of the different orders of names of his accomplices, if he had monks is the same as that of the lowany. Troppmann repeated "I cannot" est orders of the population at the time again and again. When the executionthe orders were founded.

er's assistants tried to put his head in -Michigan contributes as her block its proper position under the axe all the to the Washington monument a piece violence of that wild-heart nature asof polished mass copper, tweaty-two inches long by six thick and a for The ravings of the mob around the width. scaffold on the Place de la Roquette in

-A New London whaler has killed January, 1870, baffle description. Such the largest whale ever caught. It yielded 168 barrels of oil and 2,500 pounds of whalebone. It was killed in Lathouvers, the footman who had Cumberland Iniet.

-Having lost his nose a Norwegian residing on Greenwhich street, N.Y., advertised for the same the other day. It is made of silver, with steel spring. fastenings.

-Stamford, Conn., has living within its limits eighty persons over S0 years of age. Twelve are over 94 years old, At a boarding-house on the east side the list being headed by ex-United of Rochester, at midnight, an elderly States Senator Truman Sm ith.

-A few days ago the Washington pantry for some edible, and, in coming Monument had reached a height of 410 through the dark kitchen, overturned a pan of batter which the landlady had feet. The total height of the shaft will be 555 feet, which will make it the intended to convert into buckwheat highest monument in the world.

cakes for the matutinal meal. Instead of striking a light and repairing his da--A Georgia gentleman whose son mage, he quickly hied him back to the spent from \$40 to \$50 in a "gin palace" privacy of his own room. As the hours at Pore's Hill, Thomasville, recently rolled on toward morning the deadly bought out the bartender's license as a batter got in its little work to perfecbusiness investment. tion. The viscid material spread itself

-The Baltimore Fire Commis

and dominoes.

in territory.

\$3,142.

feathers.

have forbidden the playing of cards in

fire engine-houses of that city, even for

amusement, but allow checkers, chesa

 $-\Lambda$ single cattle ranch in Texas, at

the head of Red River, is said to con-

tain nearly 25,000 acres more than the

entire State of Rhode Island contains

-The mines of the Black Hills, in

Dakota, have mined and milled, 1,512,-

37 tons of good ore, yielding \$10,434,-

116, an average of only \$5.78 per ton,

making a profit and paying in dividenda

-The first hats were made in Paris

by a Swiss in 1404, and became fashion-

making a triumphant entry into Rousn,

wore a red veivet but with a plume of

-A reduction of 20 per cent. in their

charges is reported to have resulted

from a convention of Japanese inn-

keepers, held some time ago, the de-

crease being based upon a fall in the

-The police force of England and

Wales consists of 682 superintendents,

prices of necessaries of life.

and 3267 constables.

