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The Sermon of a Statue.

ddenly, in the melancholy place with sculptured king and priest and knight assembled, called us. Then, with kindly gold head was laid a hand that You little stranger, come," the verger "And hear the sermon" "No," the child

There in the Corner of the Poets holding His cap with pretty reverence, as still
As any of that company, he said, folding
His arms: "But let that canon wait." of want to stay here with these marble

"If they could preach I'd listen!" Ah, they Another thought. It pleased the boy to

In the pale presence of the peerless man Who pointed to his text with moveless with blue-eyed wonder, he (but do you know him?) has a post at the door.

know him. Ay, and all the world know

Among the many poets the one only; in that high head the stained gloom was In those fixed eyes the look of gods was his feet, to whom his hand gave Lay, dust and ashes, shining through his

From that stone page, right careless of ters of a faithless age! he read

How the great globe would vanish like a that it inhabit. * . . And Then well e but one word, and that-Vanity?

JUMPING TO A CONCLUSION.

The tumulus of Chadbury Hill was a standing testimony to the good taste of prehistoric man. Situated in one of the "Jest so as much an eye for effect as any enterrising owner of a public house "with a summet of the earth-mound the gaze traveled over an unopposed range of ty, "till I makes up my mind if it's cornfields, meadows, woodlands, gleamamlets, long wind-swept reaches of down encircled afar off by the agure cineture of the ocean. Civilizairch, it had escaped the eye of the legs," bringing those appe miles around were the farmhouse at the with the queer little scratches on it foot of the hill and a little cottage nest- when I peel away the dirt."

ling in the hollow. Harriet Johnson and Helen Goring, aside for the use of the summer boarddingy London suburb. The former lable. latter who was spending her vacation from the tumulus?" at Chalbury, was a teacher at a neighand ologies of the day, holding advanced views after Darwin and Spencer, and on evolution and the environment, and the survival of the fittest; an inconcelast of the idols and superstitions of an vocabulary. effete past-with starry blue eyes, fringed by dense black lashes, a delicate brook. She was totally devoid of the with that bone," emphatically, romance with which her friend brimfor sentiment to the old, not to the fair reader who dropped the sympathetic | polite finger to his forelock, "The Corsair," and the half-pay on which a widow and bone. Was it possible? Did that simple

genteel cottage in Clifton. ng snow-storms and indriving rain tor-August day it seemed the most desirable and the level country beneath bathed in and her shady hat on a campstool bemagnificent panorama unrolled at her feet. Miss Harriet was not lost in one of her impossible day dreams of panion, in an antiquarian ecstasy up and round the barrow, had wandered down the farther side where the little chipped with her geological hammer, botanist's regard, however cerulean a capacious red tub, the multifarious thought suddenly chilled her enthusiasm as now seen in the fierce light of the clothes that will eventually join their to zero. He will lay a superior claim, to zero. He will lay a superior claim, downs and away from the dusky dominates on the line at the back of the He certainly will not relinquish such a

house, where they flung particolored streamers in the high west wind. "Can you oblige me with a glass of

As the woman, with a preliminary wipe on her apron of her soapy arms, girl standing on the threshold allowed pulously clean little room. It wandered from the ruddy pot of balsam in the

opposite wall of the childhood of the brute force on the other. royal family, where H. R. H. the Prince reached a broken discolored old bone, with several irregular markings thereon, lying on a shelf of the overhanging fireplace. The science that "would peep and botanize upon its mother's grave could not, of course, resist the opportunity of investigating further.

"May I look at that, if you please?" At this the patriarchal Arcadian hobbled up with amazing cerlerity from his

"Sartainly, Miss, sartainly. Betsy, you go along and fetch the lady the wa-ater, d'ye hear? There be a sight of money bid for that bit of bone, I do assure you, Miss. Look well at it, lady, it's worth it. At least so says the young man as came here this morning. think a power of it"-the cackle at the brance changing into a groan as he stretched upward to the chimney shelf "Roomatics, Miss!" in apologetic explanation as he handed down the bone. "It's my legs, Miss. I'd be a young man if it was na for my legs, They've got old for the rest of me. be as gay a young spark as any o' them if it was na for my legs," looking down with melancholy pride at those offending members.

"Yes?" faintly. As she turned that broken fragment of an animal's horn over in her hand, her heart, after the first sudden stoppage, beat with the sickening haste of a great emotion. "Did I understand you to say thatthat the gentleman wished to buy this

"Jest so Miss. At first he axed n ovhest spots in the south of England, it one' 'arf crown, then another 'arf demonstrated to future ages that he had crown, then 'arf a sovereign. But na, na, says I. If it be of such vally I ain't going to part with it to the first bidder. commanding corner position," On the I knows what doe to myself and it.

worth my whiles to let it go." "From whence did you get it?" "You big mound, jest after them lot who come in vans had left"-so in this tion, as represented by the ubiquitous irreverent bean-feaster fashion descristeam engine, and smart red brick bing the respected members of a learned Queen Anne villas and grasping lodging antiquarian society in their handsome house keepers, had not as yet, penetranicking public. No blackened to the front, much to Miss Goring's ence of Arry and his Dunah, 'out for a it to me and breaks it open with my The only human habitations for sticks, and I finds this bit of a bone

"Are you sure that these carvingsscratches, I mean," hastily correcting the two ladies who occupied one of the cosey hav window sitting rooms set covered it? Are you sure, quite, quite sure?" breathlessly, yet with the eduers at the farm, had hitherto lodged cational tone of the high school very together in the stuffy apartments of a perceptible in each well articulated syl-"Can you give me your sacred was an elderly art student whose pic- word of honor that, to the best of your tures had not, as yet, been accepted by belief, no one could possibly have aught but he stingiest of dealers. The touched that bone before you took it

"Ain't I sure, Miss? Ain't I speakin boring high school. Miss Goring was a gospel truth? Well, here I swears on young woman well versed in all the isms | the book," bringing his right hand down with a hearty thump on the well worn cover of an adjacent Bible, "that no one equally advanced opinions as to the ulti- could have laid so much as a little finger nate destiny of her sex. An authority on this 'ere bone afore I fetched it out of you mound, or toomlee as the gentry calls ' promptly and proudly enriching his

"Thank you," almost inaudibly, Well, I will come again and have complexion like a dog rose, and auburn another talk about it. In the mean hair, streaked with multitudinous gold | time don't let any one, no matter what threads like the twisted sunbeams in a they say or promise, induce you to part

"You can depend on me, Miss. med over. Nowadays one must look rayther think that 'ere young gent won't get the inner side of Jeremiah children of the iron age of science. The | Muggins-which is me, Miss," lifting a

Mechanically bestowing a small silver "The Fire Worshippers," has for a de- coin in Mr. Muggin's outstretched scendant a tractical young person who palm, and utterly oblivious of the glass prefers a treatise on sanitary laws to the of water coming from the well at the nest lyric that was ever penned. For back, Helen left the cottage. Thirst, the rest, Helen Goring was a good, hard- heat, fatigue, all physical sensations working girl who sent liberal instal- were lost in the tremendous tumult ments of her slender salary to augment evoked by the sight of that old scratched children through the fire to Moloch.

three little boys subsisted in a shabby- old peasant indeed hold for the present In the winter, Chadbury Hill, swept obtain for the future, a perfectly unique Goring family to know-even in the comby the hurricane from the sea, by blind- specimen of the carvings of prehistoric parative solitude of the workhouse to man? A figure etched by a sharp flintlate to a degree. But on this majestic of the prehistoric oxen slaughtered at unrivalled relic of the newer Stone Age. the chieftain's funeral feast, whose body of places, with swift lights and shadows had laid under the harrow at the top of Mr. Muggins." chasing each other over its thymy slopes | Chadbury Hill! A portrait of primitive a yellow glory. After settling herself Doubtless so depicted during a pause in quet. A severely archaic sketch, mainly vainly endeavored to portray a portion consisting of straight and horizontal vain for another bid. The auction was splendid pictures (as yet undrawn) that represented somewhat disproporaccepted by a grateful Academy (as yet tionately large hands; a circle for a face and blinding sunshine seemed one fantacion). Meanwhile her young complete the property of th and a slit for a mouth. What was that | sealding tears. much-lauded prize, the drawing of the der of the hill. She had tapped and of the Dordogne, to this? The first formulated forerunner of the frieze of the Parthenon, the glories of the Renaisscene in the notebook, between whose pages she carefully pressed a rare mountain plant, ignoring the nodding bare bells as constructed. Poor prehistoric artist soul, bells as comparatively unworthy of a pent, darkened, striving, after its own her latest plaything! What cruel fate was maimed fashion, to give utterance to a it that caused him to wrest this apple of Presently she awakened to divmer impulse than the brutal every- discord from her? the fact that her excursion under the day life of his fellows, the feasting, the hot August sun had rendered her ex- hunting, the slaying! What would not accompanied him as he strode rapidly cessively thirsty. The cottage pictur- the members of that archaeological asso- back, esquely delightful to an artist's eye, ciation who pottered around and above a quick sigh as he gained the summit of with its steep thatched roof and whitewashed washed specified and archieloging archielogical mind full of the wattled huts of a matchless antiquarian treasure? Oh! garded it with a tender smile of exultprimitive epoch merely the ulitarian the rapture of reading a lengthy paper ant possession. Presently, shading his these are of fewer occurrences than advantage of possibly affording her a drink of water. A venerable peasant whose with all the of open-mouth gray beards with all the

young gent who bid for it?" The ghastly

splendid opportunity of distinguishing himself without a keen struggle. Well-say, 20,000 years ago? Could there be plucking up her spirits she ought to be any likelihood that £7 odd of an indiable to circumvent him with her wo-man's wit. Men have been so wont to tending his habits, was but a beginner talk about woman's wit in the kindly, patronizing tone they descant on animal's instinct, that it was high time into the sea? But then why should a her gaze to rove absently over the scru- they should learn what a formidable they should learn what a formidable single old laborer in a little primitive, weapon it was. This was, in reality, a out-of-the-way nook like Chadbury porheroic duel between the sexes. Knowl- tray a figure concerning whose scientific small diamond panned window to a fine edge, enlightenment, perseverance on robust colored picture traced on the the one side; tradition, intolerance and Here his foot striking against a property of the control of the

Next morning Helen was up betimes of Wales was represented playing with and out. In an incredibly short time ment. Then he halted. He stopped, an orange setter the precise hue of the she had gained the casket of her treaslate Prince Consort's waistcoat till it ures, the homestead of the Mugginses, what? As she opened the little wicket gate, she heard voices high in discussion, one of toric man in his own hand. which made her heart sink with a sense of baffled despair. It was her rival's.

> Museum is stocked with infinitely superior specimens-are you aware that knife. your reprehensible conduct in thus purloining this article has rendered you liable to the penalties reserved for pilferers?" His unknown listener, as ignorant as the chopfallen Jeremiah of the precise form of the law, quailed inwardly at this new feature of the case. am not at all certain, either, that if this illegal proceeding of yours came to light you would be permitted the option of a spite of his age. But I haint meanin' fine. One month's imprisonment doesn't harm sir, I haint, indeed. I didn't sound pretty, eh, Mr. Muggins? How think the ould bone on the chimbley came this bone into your possession? mother stirs the porridge with was By stealing. I presume the consent of the lord of the manor to open the barrow did not extend to an humble unsci- father Jeremiah Muggins, eh?" entific individual like yourself. Why has it remained a secret for so long? Muggins, sir. And the schoolteacher, Through your natural fear of detection he says'—the unquenchable pride of prevent me from handing both you and

it over to indignant justice? Nothing.' "Mr. Muggins, don't listen to him!" ried Helen, swiftly entering the shady tile kitchen. "It's nothing of the kind, And even if it was," incoherently, "he has made himself a party to the fraud, as he himself wished at first to purchase

it from you." At this the stranger wheeled round, Two handsome young people now confronted each other like a couple of hungry dogs snarling over a bone.

"You must recollect Mr. Muggins, continued the girl, still addressing that venerable personage, and ignoring his companion, "that you solemnly promised me on no account whatever to part with it till I had seen you again. I have now made up my mind that I will give you whatever you may reasonably demand. I came here to-day with the strict intention of buying it."

"Are you aware, Miss Goring-I be lieve it is Miss Goring of the farm I house keepers, had not as yet, penetra-ted to Chadbury. Though visited du-ted to Chadbury. Though visited du-ting summer by an eminent archæolo-gical body intent on ransacking and gical body intent on ransacking and gical body intent on ransacking and two-norse waggonetics. I two-norse waggonetics, the down for a little, being a tridle blown. I be short-triand you have just accused me of?" As gical body intent on ransacking and the semonth of the hill and sat me down for a little, being a tridle blown. I be short-triand you have just accused me of?" As winded, Miss. I stretched out my old his gaze continued to rest on the lovely flushed face below him, involuntarily durf, no croken ginger beer bottles, or gadding cocks and straying papers and scattered orange per betrayed the preshis voice softened. It was hardly posthe isolation of a studious boyhood, to suppress a strong desire that this pretty girl would transfer some of the strange absorbing interest in prehistoric man to one particular descendant of the 19th

"Yes, Mr. Muggins, I am prepared to give you as much as 15 shillings for it," "In that case," rapidly rejoined Mr. Carrol, turning to Jeremiah, "I, in my turn am equally ready to advance a

"And I," triumphantly, "one pound ten." The little hoard of seven gold pieces almost exclusively reserved, with one exception, for the use of the widow's family at Clifton, will be somewhat lessened by such a proceeding However, in the cause of science should Helen Goring object to wearing a threeyear old bonnet during the ensuing winter? The boys shall have their warm coats as usual.

"Two pounds," "Two pounds ten," 'Three pounds.' "Three pounds, ten," desperately. "Four pounds." "Four pounds, ten," chokingly,

"Five pounds," briskly, "Six-six pounds?" with a a catch in her breath like a sob,

"Six pounds, ten." "Seven pounds?" It was all gone now! The last shining sovereign of the savings that represented so many small selfdenials and pinchings and privations had vanished forever. Farewell to win-ter mantles and thick little overcoats and small new bonnets; to the residue that with careful management might have paid a portion of the taxes of the house at Clifton! She felt like one of those mother's of old who passed their Shivering, ragged, destitute, reduced to a state of genteel pauperism, still of course what Helen Goring was determined to it must be of inestimable advantage to the which they may eventually come-that headed instrument on the horn of one they are the joint possession of a perfectly

The aged peasant, whose bleared eyes man of the newer stone age by himself, twinkled with a benevolent joy at the utter "darkness" of the whole business the hideous riot of his blood-stained banthe ensuing twelvemonths, waited in strokes, yet with a certain rude force in at an end. With high head but falterthe upright attitude, with two out- ing step, Miss Goring marched out of spread arms, terminating in five lines the cottage. The little garden and bare that represented somewhat dispropor-

The victor in this keen, brief contest mammoth on its own tusk by that stood irresolutely looking after her, Landseer of remoter days, the caveman Somehow, for the moment, two big blue

These novel disquieting thoughts drink of water. A venerable peasant whose white locks strayed in patriarchal fashion on an arcad an and antiquatted smock frock, sat on a three-legged stool in the doorway basking in the sun.

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Legning his strayed in patriarchal fashion on an arcad an antiquatted swith all the world renowned alphabet after the world renowned it more intently; then with increasing eagerness and paling lips. Was there are world windlest a world renowned it more intently; then with increasing eagerness and paling lips. Was there are world windlest a last with all the of open-mouth graybeards with all the it more intently; then with increasing eagerness and paling lips. Was there are world with all the of open-mouth graybeards with all the of open-mouth graybeards with all the it more intently; then with increasing eagerness and paling lips. Was there are world with a last open and the control of the control open and the Leaning his arms on his crutches, he surveyed the young lady with a smile of handed down to posterity as a scientific been "cooked" for the occasion, The encouraging benevolence. In the dim benefactor of the human race! But "the horn was indubitably that of the prehis-

Here his foot striking against a pros-trate stone arrested his attention. Absently he gazed down at the impedi-

A fac simile of the portrait of Prehis "Great heaven!" he exclaimed, tragically aloud, like a stage hero, "Am I

"Are you aware, Mr. Muggins, that, leaving out the comparative worthlessness of the thing—the Natural History and explosively aware of the presence of a small spectator with a big clasp-At the stern voice the small spectator

began to whisper.

ing, I haint,"
"Is this your work, too?" exhibiting his seven-pounds bargain as he spoke. "Please, sir," with renewed sobbing, "grandfayther said he'd leather me if I old. Grandfayther be mortal strong in

"Please, sir, I haint a' doing' noth-

worth so much." "Nor I, either," grimly, Grand-

and ultimate punishment. What is to genius struggling with terror-"he'd says, I've a fine taste for figger drawin'. It's all out of my own head and naught

"I believe you, Look here, Master Tommy, I conclude either schoolmaster or parson has taught you where liars go "Yes, sir," doubling up a fist into each eye. "Hellen, fire and briu.stone,

"Exactly," unscrupulously adopting for his own ends a theological doctrine

about which he entertained decided opinions, "Precisely, Hell, fire and brimstone-without the treacle, with which. I dare say, you are best acquaint-Well, if at the present moment, Master Muggins, you are not telling me the truth "But I be, sir, I be," protested the

meant for grandfeyther hisself, and it's Choicer fruit should be put into all out of my own head and naught else, and the schoolmaster, he says, I've a fine taste for figger drawin', and it's should be taken that the boxes bave no in a breath, the family resem his respected progenitor very strong in the puckered, wizen, astute visage, "Not quite, my man. On the schole, the acquaintance of the Moggins enton-

rage is a leetle too expensive a luxury | should be put in a box. for a man of moderate means to indulge Off with you! and confound you, and your father, and your figure-drawings, and your sixpence?" Mr. Carroll was alone. Tommy had

campered down the declivity, fearsome of whatever contingent this tremendous day might yet have held in store for Mr. Carroll was alone: vowing audible and incoherent vengeance. "The old rascal! The humbugging

old villain! To be trie ed in such a manner by such a one! If it were not rule, do not understand the merest de-that his age protects him, I would—. tails of doing business. that his age protects him, I would-, Certainty he will not escape scot free. Certainly I shall not sit down tamely and grin and bear! What a stupendous Yet to be the scarified subject of nice little stinging paragraphs in the daily press garnished by caustic allusions to Mr. Pickwick and his little antiquarian

At this feature of the case he arrested his downward race back to the cottage. As he slowly retraced his steps, his keen eyes caught the flutter of a white gown far in advance. Suddenly, hastily, and heedless of sunstroke, this impetuous young man ran quickly down he steep slope in the direction of the retreating skirt. In five minutes he had gained, a trifle breathless, the side

"Miss Goring!" baring his handsome young head, "Allow me to present to you with a perfectly unique specimen of

the Early Age-" "And do you think I would take as a gift what was mine by right, if there had been a shadow of justice in the whole transaction?" After darting one indignant glance up at him, the girl moved hurriedly on with averted eyes. "Of the early age," with imperturba-ble good humor, "of Master Tommy Muggins, grandson of our mutual friend

Jeremiah, who, with the ancestral penknife has achieved a capital portraitmore after Gillray, perhaps, than Du Maurier—of that venerable imposter. Miss Goring, we have both been duped. We have both suffered. We are companious in misfortune. Areadia has got the better of science in an affair that, serves. I was a guest at her table seven ponds ten thrown away notwith-standing, I cannot regret, as it has been

There must surely have bee some Goring struggled in vain to preserve the place of conglectal immobility of her countenance, verting into an edible conserve. "Miss Goring," as he perceived this break, "need we be enemies any longer? took them while green before the seeds

impulsively outstretched palm—"cannot minutes to soften them, and then rub-we shake the hand of friendship over bed them through a sieve to free them surprised, off her guard for a moment, a pound of sugar to each pound of the

study of Prof. Francis Carroll, F. R. S., It was really a good preserve. F. S. A., etc., and proves of immense benefit on those occasions when his giand wild grapes, which is larger than ardent temperament is apt to overcome his soberer judgment. It also plays the part of peacemaker

n the few differences that must inevitably ensue between that rising young scientist and his wife, nee ally opposed opinions make up their to enter matrimony together,

—A San Jose, Cal., wife recently gave her husband \$500 on condition that he should leave the state, MAMMA-"Do you know the ten mandments; my

Little Bess-"Yes, mamma," "Well, repeat them." "I can't, mamma. I don't know them by heart. I only know them when WORK FOR WOMEN.

An Easy Way of Earning a Little Spending Money.

"The tide of popular taste or capiled appears to be setting in again in favor of dried fruit instead of the exclusively canned or preserved article, 'remarked a dealer of fine goods of this sort. "The knowledge of the proper meth-

lar in this country since self-sealing cans were invented. Good dried fruit, wever, is far better than poor canned cuit. The manner of preserving it in this way fell into disuse because it was done in a careless and improper way. It was dried so slowly that it became ough and required hours of soaking before it was fit to cook. In this maner it was well-nigh robbed of its flavor ad then reduced to utter insipidity by ing stewing.

"It is necessary to use well-ripened fruit for drying. The inferior fruit can canned or preserved and be rendered alatable, A well-dried peach is far superior to a common canned one. They should be cut in halves and laid, cut side up, on cheese-cloth, without utting one piece on top of another, in ne sunny place out of doors,

"A woolen frame similiar to those used in dairies for milk is a good thing tor drying fruit. The cheese-cl th can is iming in it by hooks on nails at the sides. Clean, white mosquitto netting shoeld be laid over the fruit, and it should be carried into the house at eight to prevent its acquiring dampness

"In those countries from which we aport the choicest dried fruits even the round and rocks are so covered with rying fruit that it is difficult to move without stepping on it. As for the roofs they are completely hidden with it. "No other evaporators but the sun

and air should be used for fine fruit. No wormy fruit should ever be dried, for one piece will spoil many pounds, "The only good way to dry apples is peel, core and quarter them or cut them into eighths. The old-fashioned way of stringing them is good. They ould be dried in the open air. They can be hung, if put on strings on the boughs of the trees where they grow If not strung they should be spread like peaches on cheese cloth, "Plums are decidedly the best when

dried with the stones in and stems on. hen the stones are removed the cut sides should be filled with sugar, and when they are half dry they should be pressed for two or three hours with sobbing Tommy. "Why, grandfeyther blates and a weight to flatten them. he'd a leather me if he knew. I did it with grandfeyther's big knife, and it's and kept in some cool, dry place. seasoned pine boxes in layers, with thin illa paper between them.

us smell, as the fruit will be im-Fancy fruits for dessert should be up in the foreign style in the cases the hite-wood boxes, with fine white more than one or two pounds

"I don't see why there is not a great field for woman who wish to earn their living in canning, preserving and drying fruit. If they would pattern after the way in which the finest goods in the market are put up, and make their prices to correspond, there would be few merchants who would object to handling home-made preserved and dried fruit, The trouble is not that women can't learn to preserve or dry fruit such as the market demands, but that they, as a

"Private customers as a rule would pay better than the trade costom, but there is no reason why the American knave-and what a fool! Incredible! market couldn't be largely supplied with home prepared fruits. If the thousands of women all over the land who want something to do in their own homes whereby they can earn money would turn their attention to this or kindred work, eminently feminine, they would ben fit themselves and better goods would be obtained.

"Other food besides fruit could b better prepared for the market under the direction of women than men, even in factories. The very best catsup obtainable, for instance, is put up in a factory owned by a woman. She began by supplying private customers. Her eatsun commands the highest price of

any in the market. "One enterprising lady that I knew of who was thrown rather suddenly on her own resources with two little children to care for, prepared a quantity of preserves, canned and dried fruit, jellies and pickels, hired a light wagon and drove around every day from house to house till she sold her goods. The next season she had as many orders as she could fill.

"By the way, I saw a marmalade, or preserve, down in the southern part of this State that was not only a novelty, but good. It was made by a little wo man who is sane on all other subjects but literally demented in the matter of preserved fruits. She has a cellar made like an old-time "spring-house cellar," detached from the house for her prenight last spring. You'll be astonished givness." when I tell you that the different kinds the means of introducing me to Miss of anned and preserved fruit she served on that occasion by actual count numbered seventeen. Among them was thing infectious in the boyish smile this marmalade. It was prepared from with which she was regarded, for Miss the wild grape, which the average

The little woman told me that she Cannot we," advancing to her with hardened, scalded them for two or three our mistakes?" And Helen, softened, from the stems and seeds. She allowed ook it.

The Muggins bone now reposes in the sirup before putting in the grape pulp.

> "I've learned since that the New E ours, is prepared in a somewhat similar "There's very few kinds of fruit tha women couldn't turn into salable articles if they went about it right,"

A SEAT OR NO FARE.

Rights and Obligations of Passengers as Defined by Law. member of the Rochester bar, telling what the legal status of a person is when aboard a train, says: The first thing you set about is to

nized rule that it is a part of the con-

tract of carriage to provide a proper

seat for every passenger, and if the company fails to do this there is a breach of the contract on its part,-13 Hun. (N. Y.,) 70,36 Wis., 450, But observe carefully what your pro-cedure should be in order to comply

with the law, in case no seat is furnished you. It has been held that you may decline to surrender your ticket

until seated. "Everybody knows that," says a reader. Not too fast. It has been further held that you cannot remain on the train and still keep your ticket. You cannot ride standing; you must get off the first suitable opportu-53 Mo. 317.

And if you do get off because a scat is not furnished you, you may retain your ticket, and you have an action for breach of contract.—Id.

Until the suitable opportunity to get off is presented you are, of course, entitled to remain aboard, and may stand in the aisle or ride on the platform .-It is your sovereign right, also, to go

into the drawing-room car in search of a seat if there are none vacant in the ordinary coaches, -76 N. Y., 402. Nor are you bound to ask the con ductor for a seat, or to exert your own manual force, in removing some piggish pa senger's baggage, before going into a drawing-room or palace car in search of a seat,-Id.

If you should exercise your right to go into a drawing-room car, the con-ductor will likely demand the extra fare from you. You may justly refuse to pay it, and if ejected for non-pay ent, you may sue for an assault .- Id It has been held that a railway company may set apart a "ladies' car," and exclude others therefrom. - 70 N. Y.

13 Hun. (N. Y.), 70. Anyone who takes umbrage because

further duties which are incumbent and dangerous. The mother also fights upon you. It is said that the seat is for desperately in defense of her young, to admit air and light, and if you stt had, a few years ago, quite a band of -56 Pa. Sa., 294.

But if, for instance, the train was bers of the company.

you to put your arm or head out of the shred of clothing by the horns and window, and you would do so at your sharp hoofs of the infuriated beasts. peril. 16 Barb. (N. Y.), 113. of law, compelled to remain in your another climbed a tree, and the other

were so you might die of thirst. L. Rt., the lot and fought the elk hand-to-hand snow on the mountain; the weather jury to say whether you are negligent men, by striking the elk with the pitchfrom one car to another, following the them to give away slowly and sullenly, previous records. direction of a trainman, who tells you

there are vacant seats in a rear car-37 And whether it is negligence to stand While very young they are left by the New South Wales, up in the aisle and look for a seat has mother in supposed security hidder been left for a jury also.—121 Mass.,

Forced into Falsehood.

He climbed three pairs of stairs to get to an insurance office on Griswold his eyes. He lies without a motion. street; and as he came face to face with and if you pick him up he is as limp as the occupant he said:

"I believe you are Mr. Blank?" Yes, sir. 'You came down on a Michigan avenue car about half-past eight o'clock this morning?"

"I did, sir, So did I. We were all talking about the earthquake. I stated to the occupants of the car, and you were one, that the shock jarred all the glass chandeliers in my residence and threw down a bust of Patrick Henry which stood on ters a shrill scream, resembling more a bracket.

'I remember your statement very stopped dead still, and that a \$100 mirin my parlor was cracked across,"

'Yes, you did," Well, sir, I have come up to tell you that I live in a rented house and have none of the articles mentioned. I burn kerosene in two old lamps in place of glass chandeliers, If Patrick Henry busts were selling for a dime apiece couldn't buy one, and the only ormolu clock I have came from the dollar store. The \$100 mirror was all in my

"What on earth possessed you to tell such a story?" "Well, you were all bragging about the earthquake and how your pianos danced around and your silverware rat-I felt that I must lie or be degraded in your estimation. I deeply regret my tled and your \$500 vases fell down, and weakness and have come to beg for for-

"I'll forgive you."

"Thanks! After this, if a cyclone oc curs, or we have a flood or earthquake, be careful about the statement you Some even tapped for admittance. It make in a crowd. You don't know to what you may drive innocent men." He went away with his hat in his hand, and the others fell into a deep revere and failed to hear the knock of the man who wanted a quarter to help him reach Sandusky and his dying wife.

Care of the Eyes.

For the care of the eyes, the following rules are laid down by a noted oculist: Keep a shade on your lamp or gasburner. Avoid all sudden changes between

light and darkness. Never begin to read, write or sew for safety. everal minutes after coming from them, and nearly all canaries. They larkness to light.

on cloudy days. Never read or sew directly in front of the light, window or door.

It is best to let the light fall from above obliquely over the left shoulder.

window, Do not use the eyesight by light so scant that it requires an effort to dis- of bird seed, and shelter was given to find a seat. Now, it is a well recog- criminate. The moment you are instinctively were found,

prompted to rub your eyes, that moment stop using them.

If the eyelids are glued together on

Interesting Sketch of a Graceful and Fast Disappearing Animal.

THE AMERICAN ELK.

I have at intervals during the last ten years had ample opportunity for studying the American elk, or wapiti deer. I have seen them in great numbers in the Rocky Mountains, where, in 1871, I captured one that dressed weighed 800 pounds, the largest elk of which I have seen any authentic acsixty-three feeding on the mountain side near Long's Peak. This species of the deer family is larger than all others, excepting the moose, and is taller than the average horse. His antiers are solid, very long, and have numerous prongs. I have stood on the head of an elk-after he was shot of course-and found the tips of the antlers extending over my head. In color he is a yellowbrown, with white buttocks. His head is finely formed, and, altogether, this is Lake, a graceful and magnificent beast of the forest. His track in the snow is about the size of a two-year-old heifer. His home was formerly in every part of the United States, excepting, perhaps, the Carolinas and Florala. He prefers the woodlands or the mountains, and only inhabits the prairie from force of cir

cumstances. The last elk in Illinois was seen near the present city of Peoria about fifty years ago. A band was seen and one of them shot two years ago within a few miles of where I now write-Linn county, Iowa. They are ordinary coaches, and there are vacant at this time quite numerous on the tion in selecting persons to put there. Idaho, seats in the ladies' car, the servants of Yellowstone river, Montana, and in and differs from all other venison, It

they are left, when the employes exer- is said to be more nutritious than any cise this discretion, in selecting, have other known meat. From experience an action for breach of contract of carwith about half the amount which Supposing you have got a seat at last, would be required of bacon or beef. it would be well to bear in mind some The bucks are at certain seasons vicious the passenger to sit in and the window Judge J. D. Caton, late of Ottawa, Ill., with your elbow or arm in or out of the elk in a wood lot inclosed by a high window, you do so at your own peril. fence, and posted a placard warning persons of the danger within. Three And yet the courts will not compel men passing on foot thought they would you to sit bolt upright, as though your show that they could go through that body was of cast iron, and to keep your lot, and that they were not afraid of feet of lumber during the coming win-elbow from protruding the smallest anybody's elk. When about half way ter. fraction of an inch outside the window; across the melosure they were discov if there was no apparent danger,-17 ered and attacked, first by the leader, an old buck, and then by other mempassing through a switch yard, and if struggle ensued, the men fighting for you saw switch or signal posts flying by, life, and the eik in a perfect rage. The it would be manifestly dangerous for men were literally stripped of every One man, by dodging among the trees, However, you are not, as a matter managed to escape over the fence, seat from the beginning of your journey was killed. The man who escaped over until you arrive at your destination or the fence gave the alarm, when a party the destination of the train. If that of Judge Caton's workmen went into season say there never was so little 2: Q. B., 161.

And it is a question to be left for a was fierce and terrible. At length the —A pigeon owner.

> when the lifeless man was carried out. The fawns are the cutest and most eceptive little creatures imaginable, away in the grass and leaves and it is astonishing how perfectly they are in this way concealed. In this condition the little fellow affects death better than any other creature I know of except the possum. In fact, you would think him quite dead only he forgets to shut a stocking, the legs and head hang down without a single muscle being moved, but the big bright eyes are sparkling all the time. If you lay him Jown, however, and step a few paces away he is up and off like an arrow calling at every jump with a desperate queal for his mother. It is then best to have in your hands a trusty rifle or

be near a tree. When hard pressed by a horseman or dogs in their native haunts the elk ut the whistling of a steam thrasher than anything else. Generally they are easily frightened in a wild state, and when "And I added that my ormolu clock one takes alarm he instantly communicates it to the others, when they all dash away on a long trot or rack, car- been outside the limits of his little dorying with exquisite grace their antlers

high in the air. Pilgrims of the Air.

At the time of the great fire in Chi cago some years ago, a very pretty incident happened. A fam ly I ving near the lake shore had a large number of pet birds. They | ad added to their parlor a long, narrow room, with glass | 000. windows reaching from ceiling to floor, for the pleasure of these feathered friends. People often stopped to see the pretty creatures fluttering about to hear their songs, or watch them as th y bathed. At daybreak the house

a cloud of fluttering wings moved wearily up the street. Presently these homeless ones caught sight of their happy cousins in the beautiful glass the smelt is caught and dried by the ouse. It gave them fresh courage. Indians of the Pacific coast, who use it was a pitiful plea for rest and food, bright light. from these, doubtless, their kinsfolk and acquaintances.

The ladies of the house without delay shut off the home-birds into what might be called their back parlor. But through the glass door they could see all that went on. With eager eyes they noted Then, opening a every movement. window, they stepped aside, that the tired travelers might feel free to enter. Ready to drop from fatigue and hunger, they went in. Some would have faller but for hands held out in welcome, They could not at once eat or bathe, They lay panting, grateful for rest and

There were, perhaps, twenty of had joined each other by the way, in Never read by twilight, moonlight, or this pathetic search for protecting lov and care. When these tender wayfarers had rested and eaten supper, the home birds -and there were nearly fifty of them-

the eyes shall open on the light of a cheerful, nay, even tender welcome they gave. Fortunately there was a goodly store these plumy guesta until other homes

The thickness of the earth's crust believed by Monsieur Faye, the French the speediest dilutant in the world; then earth's heat has always radiated more wash your eyes and face in warm water.

NEWS IN BRIEF

-Wheeling, W. Va., has begun the use of natural gas.

-There is a female drummer doing Southern Oregon.

-The postmaster is about the only one price dealer. -Female garroters are numerous in

the City of Mexico. -At a point off southeastern Florida the water is 19,176 feet deep.

-Salmon bring eighty-five cents each at the California canneries.

-The order of Foresters has a membership of 647,077 in this country. -Some editors swear to the circulation of their papers; others swear at it.

-The discovery of a well of kerosene oil is reported near Greenwood, N. C. -Catholics have invaded Mormondom, and will erect a college at Salt

-Drinking water sells from ten to fifteen cents per barrel at Sardonia,

-All yarns to the contrary notwithstanding, the sea serpent is not yet a seen serpent.

-The present popularity of the chest-

nut belle ought to give the red-headed girl a chance. Castle Garden officials say that the

Mermon immigration has fallen off to 1200 or 1500. -Mrs. General Custer is now devot-

ng herself to writing the biography of her gallant husband. -The production of quicksilver in California has dropped to the lowest

point in many years. -In a convict camp in Georgia there are eighty-six negro convicts, of whom thirty-five are preachers.

-Six skeletons of very large size were recently exhumed from an Indian nound near Alameda, Cal. -The raisin crop tributary to Riverside, Cal., will aggregate 200,000 boxes valued at \$400,000, or \$400 an acre.

-A singer named Limburger is atracting some attention in Germany. He ought to have a very strong voice. -The lumbermen at Fairfield, Me., xpects to cut upward of 25,000,000

-The Brooklyn Insane Asylum is overcrowded. The number of inmates during the past year has aggregated 4215 -An Indian runner recently travel-

distance of seventy-five miles in seven neurs. -Seven green ibises were brought to San Diego, Cal., lately. The birds are seldom seen in the vicinity except in

ed from the Clipp mine to Yuma, Cal.,

-All travelers to Mount Hood this -A pigeon owned in Brooklyn, N.

Y., made the flight from Montgomery, if, while looking for a seat, you pass forks behind the foreshoulders, forced Ala., 875 miles, in ten days, besting all -Twelve thousand diamonds, some of them weighing six carats, have been taken from the new diamond drifts in

> -Secretary Whitney is charged with wearing a \$2 cont and trousers almost transparent, while at work in the naval office in the summer -The population of New York city

doubled itself every 17 years between 1820 and 1880, and is now increasing at the rate of 75,000 per year. - In one year the people of this cour try use about 150,000,000 steel pens. If

placed in line the pens would reach from New York to Liverpool. -C. P. Huntington, the millionaire, is baving built at the home of his child hood, Litchfield, Conn., a Gothic chapel for the Unitarians of that place.

-United States Senator Mitchell, of Pennsylvania, was recently made a grandfather. A few days after Mrs. Mitchell presented him with a son. -The cost of running the railroads of America with steam power is \$502,-

000,000 a year, one-twentieth of the cost if carried on by men and horses. -The King of Portugal is enjoying a holiday in central Europe. He has not minion before for the last twenty years,

visiting London, is said to offend the tastes of the Britishers by wearing fashionable and antiquated gare -The wealthlest colored man in the United States is said to be Tonie Lufon a French quadroon of New Orleans whose fortune is estimated at \$1.100.

-The King of Portugal, who is now

-They have a rug at Cottage City. N. J., made in the year 69i, or 1195 years ago. It is a pretty old relic, and was obtained from the Mosque of -Ibuis XIV had a suit of clothes woven of silk from a spider's thread,

glossy and brilliant than that from the as candles, it burning with a clear

which was of a golden color and more

-The Pennsylvania rathroad, which has been the largest coal consumer in the country, using 6000 tons daily, is going to try natural gas upon its Pittsburg division.

-An entire village in Derbyshire was put up at auction lately, but did not change hands. The highest bld was £7000, while the buildings alone had cost £7500. -P. H. Wood and a large setter dog were upset while in a rowboat at Onon

ed on Wood's shoulders and drowned him by persistently ducking his head under water. -James Garner, an English rallway porter, whose wages were nineteen shillings per week, has just died, leav-

dago lake, New York. The dog climb-

ing \$20,000 as the result of accumulated tips from passengers. -The home of the late Sir Moses bove obliquely over the left shoulder, fluttered briskly in with hearty greet. Monteflore, at Ramsgate, was bequeath-Never sleep so that on first awakening tugs. It was charming to see what ed to his nephew, Mr. Sebag-Monteflore who has expended \$60,000

beautifying it. -A threatening storm cloud alarmed the worshippers at a colored camp meeting at Green Camp, Ohio, recently and in their harry to get away thirty two buggles were totally wrecked.

-Santa Rosa (Cal.) Chinamen make waking up do not forcibly open them, but apply saliva with the finger—it is than beneath continents, because the that city. One afternoon recently the faniter found no less than sixteen of them asleep in the various rooms.