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Once more, love, we cest where the emerald sea Encaks into music along the wild shore, music the same, love?-It filled ye sud me, When we greeted the breeze and the billo

Twas then the white sails, and two hearts Mattling grown hills from the crests of the deep.

older a little, love, watching them flock-Now copples that kies the old yellow sand mere's see how they laugh, where the weed-hanging

Press Pants for the wave in the quivering air: Press How the thic swell — cas the glean of the gold. Crowing you force, made the sea overbold?

We do not forget those moments that gave Jay to our hearts on the shore we love best: Here, 'went the bine of God's sky and the ^c bloomed to the mountainous crest b a might) all the stars in the sky, is bloop red—twas you, love, and I

"NOT DEAD BUT SLEEPETH."

There are some seasons when the graveyard seems peculiarly beautiful. then hushed twilight wings her noiseless way from heaven to wrap the temples of the dead in her soft, transparent drapery-or the pleasant moon ights up the mossed graves, making mminous the white sculptured marble -if is sweet to march up the shaded aisles of the slam'yous city, and muse upon the holy diamories of the departiest.

The stars burn with histre peculiar to summer skies. A clear, mild atmosphere gave a refreshing elacticity to 1 wandered along I searcely knew where, and found my wif, after a leisure walk, near the oldfashioned burial ground at Dallston Fails. I was a happy man; for having that day received a diploma, 1 was really and professionally an M. D.

What directed my steps to the rural barving ground I cannot now tell, but I believed at the time (I was romantic and an enthusiast then; that some mysterious agency shaped my course. # 1 drew near the rustic gate was open. The walks glittered in the strong yellow light; the shadows leaned down from the trees and frescoed the smooth gravel with quaint tracery. the hads and flowers, grouped in dark masses upon the gently curved mounds (I knew they were buds and flowers, for their fragrance betraved them). seemed whispering in their silent language to the beautiful dead below In my youth I was fond of symbolizing. Every inanimate thing had its type in some ideal of oriental fancy. This evening I felt particularly poeti-My imagination was as fertileyes, I thought as fertile as Milton's, if ny thoughts were not as grand or my images sublime.

I sauntered carelessly along the side where a hawthorn hedge twined its trembled, until tears and sobs choked firm tendrils together, dragging my cane after me, and musing in a careless

shudder as I think of it-contemplated | grave clothes! She must not see them self-destruction. But I called philoso--must never know of this ! phy, nay, something higher, holier to The girl sighed, shivered-then. my aid-religion; and in time I bewith a wild, unnatural burst of laughcame soothed, if not comforted; that ter, roused herself from her stupor.

came to her relief. All was right now.

She followed me into the next room,

fined the delicate wrists, unloosened

sought her bed for pleasant slumber.

And now, the most terrible excite

ment over, I breathed freely. And yet

another important task remained to be

accomplished. By my orders the poor husband had been briefly informed

that the ceremony would be detained a

moment. He was so distracted with

his goief that all news was alike to

im. They led him where they liked.

entry; so deadened were all his senses

he had not heard the confusion.

is torn up by the roots."

dead, but sleepeth.' "

into trances?-and"-

mock me!"

teeth. His eyes glittered.

occurred to me.

is, after I knew May was irrevocably Then, as suddenly, a flood of tears Two months passed. I dremed myself sufficiently fortified with good untied the white satin ribbon that con resolutions to return once more to my chosen place of residence. It was the linen bands on her breast, so that

high noon when I drove up the prin- by the time the young bride opened cipal street. A carriage dashed by me her eyes she was lying as if she had a light vehicle. In another moment it had turned; and Frederick, May's husband, was abreast. I involuntarily drew in my horse. My friend's face denoted anguish intense and concentrated.

"For God's sake, Dr. Lane, my early friend, do not stop till you reach Mrs. Kendall's! My May lies theresick-dying !" he gasped.

How ashy pale he was! My face blanched. I felt a singular tremor. He sat in a little room just across the He dashed ahead, neither speaking; and in fifteen minutes I stood by the

ouch of the young bride. That was an awful hour. At its close I pressed beside him. He glanced up but once her white eyelids over her dull, glazed eyes. Ah, heaven! thought I, kneeling with an aching heart, can such beauty be dead? And still, for all, there was triumph in the feeling-triumph until I beheld the awful grief of the bereaved husband-saw the big tell how sweet it is to bring blessings drops bead like blood his pale, broad forehead-almost forced him from the sponding. inanimate body to which he hung with wound his neck, "my dear fellow." the grasp of despair, clasping her to

his bosom-kissing the white lips, the whiter cheeks, even the gold locks that lay damp and uncurled over her shoulders.

And when I left that house of mourning, was it not strange the calmness I felt settling over my spirits? Could this thought, even in the faintest tracery, pass through my mind at such a time? "Well, she is not mine; and neither is she his. I am glad that, as she could not be mine only, none but death can claim her now." I fear, had conscience rightly applied her torch, she might have read nose scathing words written on the

rimson portals of my heart. The next day I went over to be pr ent at the funeral service, and still I felt that sorrowful happiness. Poor Frederick was at times raving, then stupid with his great grief. The mourners assembled; the beautiful dead lay robed in satin in her coffin; already the large parlor was filled with weeping friends. I took my station at the head of the corpse. With unutterable tenderness, yet without a tear, I gazed upon that heavenly countenance. It looked not like stern death, but soft

nelpless and smiling slumber. They were all her young companions present, village maidens, robed in white, whose silvery your precious May is saved !" voices joined in a simple funeral song But, O1 how those voices wavered

Another second and I was in hi arms, he dancing deliriously round with me. out their music, and one mournful, "God;bless you! God bless you!" heart-rending wail sounded through "Oh, it is too beautiful, too good! My dear God how I thank thee!" And call it square." he lifted his streaming eyes heavenward. "Let me see her," he continued. locking my arm in his. "I will be calm-very calm. And, doctor," he exclaimed, "if at any time my life will ouy you a precious boon, it is yours." He did not dream, poor fellow, that e had been my rival. The mother hung over her child, the husband bent over his bride, full of thankegivings. She, with her blue eyes moving languidly, but fondly from one to the other, whispered: "I Was it fancy? I thought the dear am better, stronger. I shall soon be features grew dim. My sight was well again. I have been ill so long. failing, or-1 bent closer to the corpse; Frederick kissed her white brow i reply, and smothered his sobs in the again. God of mercyl God of comsillow. And then I left them, a happassion! what sent a wild shock pier being-a better man!" through my frame, and struck my May and her husband still live, brain as with a wand of fire? I reeled. fond, beautiful pair, even now. I fell almost upon the coffin. There I am an old bachelor; but have the satisfaction of knowing I rescued her I loved from the grave. Austrian Opinion of American Women American women, if they are not ilways beautiful, at least know how to nake themselves appear so. Nowhere have I ever seen so many beautiful wo-nen as in America, including even old women with white hair. The native American girl, especially if of English or Scotch descent, is large and slender, generally blonde, with regular features and remarkably small hands and feet. The complexion is often pale; rarely do they have the fresh color of a Vien nese girl. The most beautiful girl l have ever come across in my life I saw in a New York store. She was an American of Spanish descent, of a lit-I dare not recall some of my emoerally dazzling beauty, such as I had never before encountered in life or on canvas. The happiest marriages set me, and whispered me to let the are those of American men to German dark grave claim her, if I might not. women. The perspiration welled up from

NOVEMBER. All tennis outfits, flannel suits And yachting costumes gay, The straw hat, blazer, yellow boot

Have now been put away. Upon the lawn are seen no more

Young men and maidens fair, And where is heard old ocean's roar, The stormy beach is bare.

Deserted are the haunts of old Where Summer's winds were tame, Yet Cupid never minds the cold, He gets there just the same.

FUN

Briggs-"Ah, I see you are out with our overcost?" Griggs-"Yes, I just took it out." Tailor-"Is there any way that I car ability.

get you to pay this bill, sir?"

Travers—"Certainly. Lend me the "ash." "Lave you any paper collars?" he asked, as he sidled into the store on tiptoe. I went in, closed the door and stood

then buried his face in his hands with an unearthly moan that went to my "Certainly, sir," replied the affable very soul. Oh, such joy, such pure clerk. "Will one be enough? How exquisite joy as flooded my whole be s everything in East St. Louis?" ing as I felt what a heaven I should Visitor-The portrait is very fine, soon awake him to! Only angels can

out you seem to have devoted more to the wayworn and hope to the de ime to the hands than the face. Artist-That's so. You see th "Frederick," said I, placing my arm ands pay over the money

Guest-Waiter, bring me a cup of "Don't try to comfort me, doctor," offee. his broken voice responded ; "my heart Waiter-How will you have it, sir

reak or strong? What should I next say? A though "I'd like it weak, but not week after ext. Hurry it up."

"Do you remember what Christ said Friend-I see you are squandering about the little maid? 'She is no our money in all manner of dissipa-

My peculiar accent, my intonation struck him instantly. He shook sud-Fast Boy-Yes, Fm a little fresh denly and raised his trembling hands, out I'll get ripe after awhile. Yes, like pears get ripe-in the straw while a strange expression shot over

his face. There were tears in my A man who was deeply in debt was eyes, but I smiled broad through them ick unto death. at the same time; I tried to command

"Ah," he sighed, "if I could only my voice, as I stammered, "Did you live until I had paid off my debts." -did you ever hear of people falling "Humph!" sneered the doctor, He sprang to his feet, clinched my

you?' hands, breathed hard through his shut Customer (in tea store tasting the

"What!" he cried, comprehending the hopeful faces looking in upon us "dead?-in a trance?-laid out?buried?-alive-alive!-Great God!

Do you tell me she lives?-my May?who gasped in my arms?-lay cold on this bosom? Oh, have mercy !-- don't centleman to a friend who was suffer-He staggered against me, almo ing from too much whiskey.

"No, I'm all broke up. I'm mighty "Frederick," I cried, tears raining alad now I drank plenty whiskey when down my cheeks, "She lives! she lives! ow," was the response.

called on you half a dozen times about,

and this is my last visit, sir !" -"That's right, charge a dollar a visit and we'll no

THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION OF the ground when walking. I, however, GIRLS. CYCLING. Cycling, as an amnsement for ladies

and girls, has, it is true, scarcely made the progress into public favor which its votaries predicted. Possibly it is for ither garters or suspenders. The but-tons should be placed back and front, one or all of the following reasons: That tricycling is at the best somewhat s they get in the way if placed any heavy work for all who are not quite strong. 2. That for one of a family. where else. cycling is a somewhat expensive pas-time. 3. That, for want of a suitable

dress and machine, few ladies look well when riding. 4. That, till comparatively recently, cycle manufacturers have paid but slight attention to the requirements of women in the matter of machines specially constructed to meet their needs in weight and suit-

The first and fourth reasons, which

and convenient pattern can now be obtained from most of the leading makers, all of which devote attention to the

needs of ladies. Manufacturers are at last recognizing that, should bieyeling be made possible for ladies and become there is another vast field popular,

opened for their enterprise. Whether it be bicycling or tricycling for which one "goes in," it should be a recognized fact that the amusement a recognized het that the unusement requires a suitable costume equally with riding, shooting, bathing, or gym-nastics. Half the opposition to ladies and girls indulging in this excellent amusement, which has one great ad-vatage over many other pastimes, in that is one provide the state of sum. that it can be pursued winter or sum-

mer, spring or autumn, provided the weather be but reasonably fine, arises no doubt from the fact that nine-tenths of the women and girls one sees

"wheeling," either from their unsuit-able attire, their want of knowledge, or from their looking ill at ease, act as potent arguments against the prac-

Firstly, then, let me deal with the subject of dress, which has exercised the minds of most ladies who have bluntly, "you want to live forever, do taken up cycling, as well as many who have not. Of course, the following remarks are intended for those who wish to pursue the sport as they would horsetea)—I don't like his tea. It tastes like hay. Exasperated Clerk—I don't know,

sir, whether it does or not. I'm not such a donkey as to know how hay tastes. "You are not looking well," said a "You are not looking well," said a a really sensible costume has at length been evolved, which is neither open to the objections of the one advocated by the "advanced school," who would had a chance, for I couldn't do it have put ladies and girls who cycle into frilled knickerbockers, a blouse, and a skirt the length of that worn in Tailor (calling on Doctor)—"Here is this bill of six dollars that I have

three-wheelers, said:

which was in reality the "Bloomer" dress redivieus. aking recently to a young lady

"Of course, I like horses, but I also

like my bicycle, and now use it a good

deal. You see one does not have to

one has learnt the art of mounting,

which any girl will do speedily if shoonly makes up her mind to it. On

can have such delightful trips. I take

my paints or camera, and a little luncheon basket, and with a lady friend

who also rides, we go for an impromptu

picnic, or a sketching expedition." What machine should 1 recommend

for a lady? Well, the one I ride my

self, a Referee, is as good as any; but nearly every good make has a suitable

see no reason why girls who are accua-tomed to making their own dresses shoul i not make all except, perhaps, Upon a mountain height, far from the sea, I found a shell, And to my listening car this ionely thing Ever a song of occan seemed to sing.— Ever a tale of occan seemed to tell. the knickerbockers. 1 always wear warm, long stockings, which, by a lit-ile patent of my own, I arrange to but-ton at the on at the front and back (just above (1) to the knickberbockers, by this

And, as the shell upon a mountain height Sang of the sea. So do I ever, leagnes and leagues away, So do I ever, wondering when I may,— Sing, O my home, sing, O my home of thee. cans doing away with the necessity of Bugene Field

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

HOME.

"Low heeled shoes and a Tam o In consideration of the comfort, hap Shanter cap, that can be made to act as piness and prosperity of those dependent shade for the eyes, complete the cosint apon her management, it is just as inme, which I have found wear excelement in the housekeeper conduct ently if made of a good habit cloth, per domestic affairs on good business with narrow braid trimming. I may principles, as that men in commercial mention that my lady friend has found life do. She should not only keep a that the cheaper varieties of tweeds strict and well systemized account of and serges of well-known manufactur- all receipts and expenditures and balers, such, for instance, as Egerton ance the account at the close of the Burnett's, answer and wear admir year, but she should also, at that time follow the example of all successfu

ably. For those who feel disinclined to icalers, and take an account of stock pend a sum sufficient to fit themselvee This should be done that she may at in such a costume as that which not only know what supplies are on I have just described, a very nice cy-band, but the condition they are in, in order to renovate and replenish ombinations, a pair of loose knicker- them.

ockers, which any dressmaker could The old Scotch proverb which nake, a loose blouse bodice, and a skirt, slares that "Husband's canna thrive made full and plain. Mrs. Behren's unless their wives let them," is certain-"Omni" dress is said to be excellent iy true. But many a husband's succes for the purpose. is made unnocessarily difficult, or im-Many mothers would, I think, allow perilled, by reason-not of his wife's

their daughters to indulge in what is intentional extravagance, but from ig undoubtedly a splendid form of exer- norance regarding his resources and ise, could they but see them properly the amount they can afford to devote a attired in a dress such as that described, household expenses. And what is of and mounted on a suitable machine. far greater consequence, the happiness Of course no girl or woman should at of many a husband and wife is wrecked temp cycling who is delicate, or suffer- by reason of extravagant or nuneces ing from any complaint which would be aggrevated by the vibration of the masary parsimoniousness in househo ement. For those who are strong and There are husbands and husbands; a healthy, however, there is scarcely a there are wives and wives. There are better variety of physical recreation o husbands that from a mistaken sense of a similar nature. kindness, shield their wives from all C. H.

EMPRESS OF AUSTRIA'S THE VILLA AT CORFU.

generous that they encourage extrava Of recent years the Empress of Austria has spent part of the winter in the island of Corfu, and during her soavaracious and niggardly that a fair journ occupied a modest villa, situated n an eminence near Gastouri, a small almost unendurable; and husbands who village far-famed for its beautiful surthink every woman is incapable of wisely expending money no matter in roundings and the pure Greek type of its inhabitants. In the spring of 1889 the Empress decided to have a palace what position of life they are placed. There are wives so ignorant, inex-perienced, thoughtless and selfish that in classical style erected on the same site, and commissioned Chevalier Raffacto Carito, a Neapolitan architect, to draw up the plans and to superintend the construction. Exterior and intersuch isolated cases by no means waror of the palace were to be decorated rant any sweeping assertions, and there are enough husbands who gladly ac-knowledge their indebtedness to their in Pompeian fashion. The Empress named her palace "Achilleion" perhaps n allusion to the dismal end of her wive's co-operation and counsel for

whatever material success they have only son, who, like Achilles, was cut off in the prime of youth. In the atrium, or entrance hall, stands a proach.

atrium, or entrance hall, stands a marble group, representing Achille-dying, and mural paintings record the principal events in the life of the Greek hero. Terrace gardens extene Greek hero. Terrace for the stately structured

BY BELEN WBITNEY CLARK.

It's very hard to stand out here, When all the girls and boys Are dancing round the Christmas tree. With lots of fun and noise. One rough of Nature, so they say, Makes all the world akin: And yet they haven't had the grace To ask the Snow Man in:

I've heard them talk of Santa Claus And all that he would bring : The spinning tops, and balls and sleds. And all that sort of thing. I shared their hopes, yet in their joy I have no lot or pirt: I s'pose, because 'Im inde of snow, They think I have no heart!

I wonder, now, if S inta Claus Will chance to think of me? If I could get my stockings off, I'd hvag them on a tree: And then, perhaps, the good old Sa Would spy them dauging there. And from his treasures deign to leave The poor Snow Man a share!

Golden Days

NEWS IN BRIEF

-There are 2050 generals in the British army. -A \$750,000 tunnel is to be constructed at Leadville.

The Labor party polls 68,000 votes in New South Wales Iron is to be made at Chattanooga by

an electrical process. -Over 1000 compositors are out of

employment in London

-Nebraska is to send an exhibition car through the country.

-Buffalo has forty-eight public choots and 155 churches.

-Kansas City is to be entirely lighted by a \$100 000 plant.

-A new railroad is to built between Chicago and Omaha.

-Over 2,000 men at work on the Chicago World's Fair Park.

-Log cutters on the west branch of knowledge of financial affairs and allow the Susquehanna are organizing.

them to only be burdeaed with their -Williamsporte, Pa., will saw 270,own personal expenditures; (indeed, I 000,000 feet of logs this year. have one friend, an exceptionally broad

and liberal-minded man who selects his -American Car Company, capital wife's gowns and bonnets) husbands so \$100,000, is to start at St. Louis.

-Mansion House street, London, is gance in their wives; others so selfia raversed by 23 000 vehicles daily. and lacking in a sense of justice, so

-The Chinese reckon this to be year minded, generous wife's life is made ,910,341,

> -A doctor says that one person in nine is left-handed.

-The Thames (London) police force consists of 200 men

-On the average a boy costs a parent their husbands may well place a low estimate on their financial ability. But about \$200 a year until twenty years of aga.

> -Apple trees set out eighty years ago in New Haven, Conn., bore excelient ruit last fall

-The President of the Swiss Republic receives but \$3000 per year.

-The necktie of the new Pennstatue in Philadelphia is to weigh 300 pounds -A new hotel is building at Mackinaw Mich., for the use of hay-fever suf-

ferers alone.

Suddenly I paused. I leaned the room.

by a huge, hoary elm, and closed my At last the boary headed man of eyes, as the magic breathing of a flute, skilfully touched, floated through my God arose to pray. Never heard I a petition so mournfully tender, so simdreaming brain. As I look back it ple, so powerful. How gently he seems to me that that was the most spoke of her youth and goodness; the blessed hour of my existence, for, circumstances under which God was pleased to call her, just, as it were, mingling with that plaintive melody, came a gentle face, with sparkling standing on the threshold of her happy eyes, screne brow and cheeks just life, and looking toward the rose rimsoned enough to resemble two pale colored future!

flushing the purest snow. I loved that sweet May Loved! Forgetting my never once moved from that holy rose leaves flushing the purest snow. O, how I loved that sweet May Kendall1 God, Hidolized her, and egotist that I face. was, fancied that my unspoken pas-

sion was returned. But I will not linger. In those few moments I was pouring may very soul's depth and fer- I drew back, wiped my eyes, looked vor into the heart that I fondly Imagined as youth will sometimeswas in a sort of spiritual presence, aver beside me.

My reverie was broken by the approach of a stranger, and a light, silwas a moisture on the glass-moisture very laugh shot out the music of the that, when I applied my sleeve, would flute, for it was so like my love, May's not come off-moisture upon the inside of the glass. - so ringing, so joyons.

Presently, as a fine, manly form As was customary every face was drew nearer, I recognized the features bowed toward the earth in prayer. What must I do? There were fearof one who had been my college mate two years ago. I would have sprung ful risks to run. My knees tremble& forward to meet him. His name was and knocked together; my heart beat trembling on my lips when a sight against my side till my body rocked arrested my attention that chilled my ike a pendulum. The voice of the blood and made my teeth chatter with pastor whistled in my ear. Each moa sudden freezing fear. The two had ment was an hour; and yet-the concome almost beside me and there flict-the horrible temptation warring stopped charmed with the sylvan spot. with my better nature came again. It was awful!-awful! If I kept my The lady held her hat by the strings, one arm was passed confidingly through silence she was still the bride of death that of her companion, and when she and as much mine as another's; if 1 turned her beaming face around tospoke she was again the wife of my ward me (1 was concealed by the rival. shadow) I recognized, in the full dood

an infant.

dead!"

words.

Now was my time

gasped. "Call the sexton in! Now,

For

not

man, off with the coffin lid!

I rather shricked thas said the

The change that came over

of the moonlight _ May Kendall ! of the moonlight May Kendall1 tions now. I could not have been my-i I do not like, even at this late day, to self when that fiendish temptation bereview the feelings that shook my frame when I heard them murmur such words of tenderness to each other In subdued and happy tones. A deathevery pore, but the agony was passed. I could neve .hrettied the old pastor ly faintness came over me as I gathared from their own lips the knowledge that they were betrothed; and, when that passed away, a fieree revenge sent the blood boiling through my veins. I could have leaped upon him, and demanded my May, my love, leaf. without whom life would be a curse,

and the world a dread, dead blank. But then by what right could 1 call her mine? True, she had been most kind to me, but never more than maidenly modesty might warrant t ward the most intimate friend. Now I knew -God forgive me for the rage that tugged at my heart-strings as I thorgat | of it !- why she had talked to Fred- What were my reelings as he passed crick O, fool that I was not to com- n.o.1 Next moment the sobbing mother prehend before! She had smiled on me because I was his college matebecause I had ever some sweet repollection to tell, some comely virtue of

his to praise; and blinded by my own God's sake, deay not! She is fondness, I fancied she loved me. How I stood there, weak, passionate and panting with the violence of my emotions, even till I learned the day when the wedding would take place, i know not, for every navy, in | my body second changed to an in-trument of heen torture. Fortunately, them back-the hard after screw fell they div not pass me, but retraced their steps; and I, bending low with almost breaking heart, slowly left the T'easant hope and fear. graveyard, now only a valley of dry bones to me, and walked toward my

In my arms I bore the fair creature to dwelling, too wretched to think deliberately, or feel all the crushing I saw her only sister-a girl of sixweight of disappointment. The next day, before sonrise, I was

on my way to a neighboring city. I her eyes fixed and frightfully glaring. Was in a strange tumult, that I knew I seized her by the arm, but she stirred I seized her by the arm, but she stirred not but might prove fatal to mo. I was ready for almost any desperate "Unless you help me, Marie, she will feed, and had be fleed, and had, more than once-J really die! Quick! come, cut off her sumption.

A Good Cat Story.

A good cat-and-several-kittens story that he did not cease, yet I feared for omes from the Wheeling postoflice the life e the posr husband should he seems that when the stamp clerk know the truth too soddenly. There opened the safe in his department was a tingling from my head to my about 7 o'clock Monday morning, a cat tingers' ends. I shook like an aspen that has lived around the building for a long time stepped out and began to

"Amen !" O, how I thanked God stretch herself. She had been in the for that sound! I clung to the coffin safe since Sunday morning at 10 for one moment, weak and helpless as o'clock, about 21 hours, and as the compartment she occupied was air-

The chief mourners were called first, tight she had the air therein pretty that they might be stared the shock of well worked over and it was getting somewhat stale. The cat had evident beholding the dear one borne out before their eyes. The poor husband y gotten lonesome during its confine tottered cut, supported on each side. ment and was rather scarce of amusements to pass the time away, for when he clerk went to take out some stamps he found four small kittens snuggled "Quick! friends! neighbors!"

together in the safe. The Mikado.

The real Mikado of Japan is thus

described by in English traveler who saw him recently on the Shindbaya, a race course at Tokio: "He sat with

that as table in front of him, covered with a scriby! Many swooned away-a crowd rushed to the coffin-I pressed rich silk cloth. He is a dark complexioned man, with more stubbly black them back-the hand of the underhair about his face than is generally worn by the Japanese. The Mikado rattling to the floor-my head beat does not generally show himself in dull and heavy with the excitement of public, but he is very fond of horse racing.' The coffin top was thrown aside.

Have Too Many Sick People.

a couch. As I returned for a moment, The secretary of the California state board of health, Dr. G. Tyrrell, in his teen-standing as it riveted to the annual report vigorously protests against the immigration of diseased loor, her checks horlow and ghastly, persons, especially of consumptives, to the state. He says there is great not. 1 shook her rudely, saying: danger of contagion from COB

Hammerstein-"I understand there vas quite a run on clothing in Baxtet of thirty or forty miles. I was able to gain some value'de information. treet this morning?" Tackheimer-"So help me

but you are right! Some one snatched first-hand suit off one of Cohen's prize dummies. The whole street was n the chase." Young Cleverton from New York

wait for one's steed to be either groomed or saddled, and it will stand as been invited by Miss Calumet of a whole day if necessary. It is much less fatiguing to ride than a tricycle, Chicago to a whist party. Miss Calumet—Mr. Cleverton, yo

will have me for a partner, and will and it is quite easy to use, really, when you not remove your collar before we one has learnt the art of mounting, segin? I am sure you will be much nore comfortable

"This cloth" said the tailor. "is very durable, but, I will tell you frankly, it has one fault. The texture is loose that it catches everything." "That settles it," replied the cu tomer. "Make me a suit of it, and 1 will wear it to the races. If it catches anything there I shall be satisfied."

ladies' machine on the market now-a-days. The ladies' Quadrant, which my friend rides, is a beautiful little Baxter (who has been out all night to office boy) - "Here, James, ge achine. "Dress!" Oh, that question of dress around to my house and ask my As you know, I began cycling when left school-at seventeen, and at first for a clean pair of cuffs." (An hour later) "Well, why didn't you get thought that an ordinary skirt might them? What did my wife say?" do, but after I had ruined two or three James-"She said she'd give vo good frocks I found out my mistake. plenty of cuffs when you came home.' soon came to the conclusion that

St. Louis Man-"I will bet you girl who values either her appearance or her health ought not to attempt a new suit the Fair will be held in St ride of any distance in her ordinary clothes. Then I tried my ordinary riding habit, but this though more sat-Louis New York Man-"Where is the sui

to be made?' St. Louis Man-"In St. Louis

ourse. New York Man-"I must . the bet.

Wife-"You shabby man! There's a big hole in your trousers. I should certainly think you would get a new pair and look decent."

Husband (two hours later, display ing new trousers)-"What do you think of these? Ten dollays." Wife (crying)-"That's just like now wear. rou, when you knew I wanted a new aonnet.

Professor (to a student who had on in the lecture hall a loud cravat instead of a white one)-These loud cravate are becoming very fashionable. seems. Student-Yes, Professor; that's so

Professor (severely)-But they are not worn in the presence of gentlemen. Student (somewhat confused)-No. Professor; they never are. "George," she said, as she lay quiv

ering in his tightly clasped arms, "what was that noise I heard?" "Nothing of importance, Gladys

darling," he answered. "A slight rip in my coat, that was all." And then as the sound of two beating hearts slowly filled the room and floated out through the back door, she murmured softly: "George, dear, you couldn't make that coat rip a little more, could vou? One of the Board of Education, go

ing his rounds as an amateur, put the following question to a scholar in a country school. "How do you parse, 'Mary milked

the cow'?" Pupil-"Cow is a noun, feminine gender, singular number, third person,

and stauds for Mary." "Stands for Mary !" exclaimed he of the Board; "how do you make that out? "Because," added the intelligent

pupil, "if the cow didn't stand for Mary, how could Mary milk her?"

to the sea, and command the most ene lingness and capacity in each to fulfill Wiss S., who, though she also rides on hanting views in the island, with the their respective duties. horseback, when she is at h me in the country, uses her bicycle a great deal, and, indeed, thinks very little of a run Albanian coast in the foreground, and The best method of arranging finan

the snowclad mountains of Epirus on cial matters, one which insures entire the horizon. Beautiful trees of dark freedom from domestic cases to the foliage and a gorgeous flora form a husband, and self-respect and valuable striking contrast with the marble knowledge to the wife, and is rapidly Miss S., who has ridden several types statues, placed on the balustrades and gaining in popular favor, is that of givof machines, both two-wheelers and in the grounds. In the most pictur- ing the latter a weekly or monthly lowance and living strictly within sque spot of the park the Empress is

ing to creet a monument to Heinrich it. cine, her favorite poet. The villa The amount of this should of course "Achilleion" is now completed, and the Express Elizabeth has resided there since Sept. 21, leaving it only a walks to different places in the island, wherever historical remains, a Greek continues of the natives attract of the contract.

ber. But very few of her en-tourage are allowed to accompany the plan and there are many strong arher on these exentsions. Indoors she guments in its favor. pends much of her time in studying It teaches women business methods

effect a decided saving.

omizing

But the inexperienced, irresolute w

Decided savings can also be made

tions by buying at wholesale of job-

NEVER to tire, never to grow cold; to

It is said of more than half the men

OUR opinions are not our own,

not only dare not contradict him, but

but

always-that is duty.

Madonna.

he modern Greek langnage, which she to be careful and shrewd buyers and to speaks already fairly well, one of her attake advantage of any depression in endants being a native from Gastouri, the market; it takes them out into the with whom she can converse in her fresh air and sunshine away from their mother tongue. daily round of petty, carking cares and it gives them that sense of inde

A POEM FOR CHILDREN. BY C. C. MOORE.

to a cash system of making purchase Twas the night before Christmas, when all or to run a monthly account. Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse the former is considered to be, though it is a question which every house keeper must be a law unto herself-as care, hopes that St. Ni holas soon would be there: The children were nestled all snug in their it is greatly dependent upon her good judgment and resoluteness. All exheds. While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads: And maxima in her kerchief, and I in my cap, itad just settled our brains for a long winter's periencel buyers know that dealers will at times sell certain lines of goods with which they are overstocked, or as a means of inducing other trade nap-When out on the lawn there arose such a chat at cost or nearly so. There are also the semi-annual "Clearance Sales" ter, sprang from my bed to see what was the when all remnants, slightly solled or in

ther lady, the regular C.T.C. costum ave a lustre of mid-day to objects below ;

pear, But a miniature sleigh and eight tiny rela rough and tumble work; but-perhap

and he whistled, and should, and called the

by name; and should, and called them Now Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen' n, Come!! on, Cupid! On, Donder and Bitt-zen!

Of what does it consist? Well, first of all I wear next to my skin a silk and zen! o the top of the porch, to the top of the wall ow dish away! dish away, dash away all?" s dry leaves that before the wild hurricanwool combination garment, tight-fitting and high at the neck, with half long sleeves. Of course, I vary the thick

fly. then they meet with an obstacle, mount t ness according to the weather. It is a sky. e, up to the housetop, the coursers they flew, wav.

great mistake, both from a health point of view as well as that of comfort to With the sleighful of toys-and St. Nicholas wear one's ordinary linen undercloth-

And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof ing. When I began to ride I dfd so, and I suffered for my indiscretion. At he prancing and rawing of each little hoof. S I drew in my head, and was turning aroun own the chimney St. Nicholas came with the end of the first long ride I ever took I could have wrung the moisture bound.

life than if they had been conducted in He was dressed all in fur from his head to his a careless extravagant manner-and foot, And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes the commencement of every month witnessed a scene as the bills of the

and soot: A bundle of toys he had flung on his back, And he looked like a pedlar just openin butcher, the baker and the candlepack. His eyes how they twinkled! His dumples how stick maker were presented.

sust-low in front and high at the back, laced sufficiently tightly to clasp

merry! His clock's were like roses, his nose like a cherry; His droll bille mouth was drawn up like a my figure firmly without injurious ressure, and giving me a maximum of apport. Over these I usually wear a

bow, And the beard on his chin was as white as the be patient, sympathetic, tender; to look for the budding flower and the snow. The stamp of a pipe he held tight in his teeth, A d the smoke, it encircled his head like?

A different smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly.
That smook, when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump-a right folly old

that they resemble Napoleon; it is said He was enumy and pump-a right joby one off: And I langhed when I saw him, in spite of my self. A wink of his eye, and and a twist of his head, Soon cave me to know I had nothing to dread. He spoke not a word, but went straight to i is of more than half the women that they have Madonna like faces. Still, there was only one Napoleon and only one

work, And filled all the stockings; then turned with

a jerk. And taying his finger aside of his nose, And giving a nod, up the chinney he He sprang to his sleigh, to his team whistle, He spring to his sleigh, to his team gave a we dare harly disbelieve him to his whistle. And away they all flew, like the down of a face. A lie boldly uttered has the thistle: But Leard him exclaim, ere they drove out effect of truth for the instant. But I heard him exclam, ere they drove out

MIRTH is the sweet wine of human "Merry Christmes to all, and to all a good

-About S COO matter are distributed by postal clerks in the country yearly.

-It would require 1000 horses to cart away the amount of soot which fails in London each month

-A colt with horns a foot long is owned by a farmer named Kavanaugh, in Seriven County, Ga.

-In the city of Berlin, with a popu ation of 1 315,600 there are but 26,800 dwelling houses,

-From the American aloe tree is ade thread, ropes, cables, paper, clothing, soap, sugar and brandy

-In Fiji, the Friendly Islands, Samoa Britlan, 100,0 0 natives wor and New ship in Methodist churches.

-Trains loaded with geese arrive daily at Berlin from Russia. Ten thousand came recently on a single train.

-A spoon for measuring medicine, by which a dose can be administered without spilling, has been invented.

-Three women, now over eighty years of age, are living within a stone's throw of each other near Norwich, Conu., who have each been struck by lightning at various times.

pendence which is so dear to every woman's heart. There are different opinions as to - Among the delicacies to be obtain ed at a Japanese railroad station are sliced lotus roots, roots of large burdock, whether it is wisest to adhere strictly lily buibs, shoots of ginger, pickle green plums and the like Usually

> -In Australia, where deadly snake abound, it has been discovered that strychnia is almost an infailible cure for their bites. The antidote acts quickly, snake poison slowly. All phy sicians use it.

-It is estimated that the treasure ving idle in India in the shape of hoards of ornaments amounts to \$1. 250,000,000. A competent authority c deulates that in Amrista city alon any way undesirable goods are dis-posed of at prices far below the usual h re are jewels to the value of \$10,000, 000.

ones. Then if one has good judgment, the purchase money or credit, she can -A Concord (N. H.) mule, fiding its neck swollen by some affection that it couldn't reach the ground to feed standing, laid down, and after eating man is led to buy what she would not all the grass within reach on one side if compelled to pay cash, and the latrolled over and finished its meal on the ter is her only sufa method of econother.

-A careful investigator has ascen tained, after a long series of intersesting in kitchen sapplies, dry goods and noexperiments, that the mosquito's taste for human blood is an acquired bers. Buying dry goods out of season one.

is another economical plan, and when -From Arcola to Waterloo Napoleon there are several children, hats and had 19 horses killed under him. They shoes can be purchased in the same were for the most part white or gray horses, for which the Emperor had an Of course no great savings will be especial fondness. effected by following any of these

-The Suivation Army in England is systems, but during the course of a year they will aggregate a snug little insuring the lives of its members, upon sum, and give you a decidedly happier the theory that the profits therefrom will assist the campaign both in this country and elsewhere.

> -The apple crop of New Jersey this season is the largest on record, and the quality of the fruit is excellent. The pear crop of the State is also very large and its quality unusually good.

In computing a man's age Chinamer dways reckon two years back from the day when he celebrated his first birthday; or, in other words, as though he opening heart; to hope always, to love were a year old at the time of his birth.

-There are now in this country ter Episcopal clergymen who can minister to the deaf and dumb, and four of these are themselves deaf mutes. In this country about 40,000 persons are totally deaf and there are about one-half a many in Great Britain. in the power of sympathy. If a per-son tells us a palpable falsehood, we

-A floating Island in Sandanga Pond, which is about a mile in length near Jacksonvile, Vt., coversabout one third of the surface and 18 about two feet in thickness. It bears cranberries, and it drifts from one part of the pone to another, according to the direction of the wind

ribbed silk, or silk and wool snugly fitting vest. Then short, tight-fitting knickerbockers, reaching to and buttoning just above the knee. Experi-ence has taught me that such a length is the ideal one for comfort, and that a tight-fiting garment is preferable in many ways to a loose one, or any form of "divided" skirt, which, if worn without an outer skirt, is neither desirable nor picturesque, and if worn under an ordinary dress is a far more clumsy and cumbersome form of dual garment than is at all necessary. wear no peticoats, except in very cold weather, and then only one-a warm

from my chemise, and the result was,

of course, a thorough chill, which laid

ne up for several weeks. Next to the

sombinations I wear my stays-riding

ones, with the hips cut away and a short

linsey. My knickerbockers, as well as my skirt and bodice, are made by the tallor who makes my riding habits. The skirt is made so that it just clears

isfactory was uncomfortable, at least the tronsers were-never wear tronsers

when cycling-as they "dragged frightfully across the knees. Then matter. Away to the window I flew like a flash, Fore open the shutters, and threw up the say the moon, on the breast of the new-fall tried, on the recommendation of an-

which war very comfortable, and quite all that one could desire for every day

deer, With a bitle, old driver, so lively and quick. I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick. More rapid than eigles, his coursers the am fastidions-it was not pretty enough for me, so Miss G. and I put

our heads together, and our brains to work, and designed the costnme we

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