

LEFT UNDONE. It isn't the thing you do, dear...

THE SILVER BULLET.

In 1869 Lawrence Nutting was a United States Marshal in the southern district of Virginia. The State was at that time fairly overrun with outlaws of all classes.

money only. Not so widely different, you may say, from all the world, except that my search was without the pale of the law. And now the end has come...

and sank panting into it. The Marshal resumed his seat at the desk. "You are the Governor's man, I reckon?" said the woman, after a pause...

HOW TO WIN A HUSBAND

A NOTED WOMAN PLAINLY POINTS THE WAY.

Late of Things of Interest to Marriageable Maidens—The Widow of Spurgeon—Woman's Greatest Charm—Ever Changing Fashions, Etc.

Directions from "The Duchess."



To win a husband one must possess the power to make herself agreeable to the opposite sex, writes "The Duchess." She is a most learned what she has to say...

MAKING A THERMOMETER.

It Is Done Quietly but with Great Accuracy by Accomplished Workers.

The making of a thermometer may be either a delicate scientific operation or one of the simplest tasks of the skilled mechanic, according to the sort of thermometer made...

AN INNOCENT ABROAD.

A countryman from New Jersey missed his pocket-book.

"Why don't you apply to the police," suggested a city friend, to whom he complained. "Do you think they stole it?" was the innocent response...

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Envelopes were first used in 1839. —Fish, it is said, are fond of music. —Auresthesia was discovered in 1844. —The Franciscans arrived in England in 1224. —Shad are used as money in many of the North Sea islands. —There are altogether 670 members of the British House of Commons. —A Philadelphia [Penna.] crank wears his hair in a long plait down his back. —In California hogs that weigh 800 to 850 pounds are becoming common nowadays. —Prussia's income from the cultivated public domain is about \$4,000,000 annually. —An estimate of the annual value of wax and honey in the United States is the amount of \$10,000,000. —A Macedonian gold coin dating from about 230 B. C. was found at Bergamo, in France, recently. —Vandalism at Shakespeare's house in Stratford, England, has recently been a specialty with visitors. —Among other expensive improvements going up in Chicago, Ill., is a library building to cost \$1,750,000. —A tenor at the opera in Geneva, Switzerland, who was hissed profusely at home, thus stopping the performance. —Tiger bones are some of the queer things in the commerce of China. They are used in medicine, being accounted a kind of tonic. —The blossom of the plant from which coffee is obtained is white. It grows to the height of ten feet, and the fruit is of a bright red color. —Dr. Henry C. Follos, who lives almost within sight of Hartford, Conn., trapped twenty foxes, six minks, and several coon during the month of December. —There is to be a new Prussian throne. Frederick I. had one, but Napoleon took it off and melted it, and there are only now two small chairs of small value. —A wild goose recently flew against a big electric light post in Alameda, Cal., with such force as not only to break the glass but to bend the brass rods that supported it. —Steel cables for the bodies of those who die suddenly on shipboard are being carried on many of the transatlantic liners. The remains are placed in them and hermetically sealed. —Eight veterans of Waterloo still survive in France, and there are a dozen other old soldiers, mostly centenarians, alive, who fought under the great Napoleon. —Boston, Mass., is considering three plans for a new City Hall. One would cost \$1,000,000, another \$2,400,000, while the present structure could be enlarged for \$1,400,000. —There are 7000 native students in colleges and 40,000 pupils in schools of various grades in foreign lands. These schools are all under the care of missionaries and teachers of the American Board. —The first telegraphic instrument was successfully operated by F. B. Morse, the inventor, in 1833, though the utility was not demonstrated to the world until 1842. —Almost any place in the Sahara desert one can find glass ticks, or tubes from one to three feet in length, caused by lightning striking the pure sand and instantly converting it into that fragile substance. —The La Plata was discovered by Juan Diaz de Solis in 1516, who took possession of the country for the crown of Spain. Buenos Ayres was founded by Don Pedro de Mendoza, who became governor in 1535. —It is recorded that in the time of King William II. there occurred in England a wonderful shower of stars, which "seemed to fall from foreign lands heaven. An eye-witness seeing where an aerolite fell, cast water upon it, which was raised in steam with a great noise of boiling." —One of the earliest accounts of star-showers is that which relates how in 472, the sky at Constantinople, Turkey, appeared to be alive with flying stars and meteors. In some Eastern annals we read that in October, 1302, "the stars appeared as if they were upon the sky. They flew about like grasshoppers, and were dispersed from left to right." —The three tallest trees in the world so far as known, are said to be a sequoia near Stockton, Cal., 325 feet in height, and two eucalyptuses in Victoria, Australia, estimated to be 435 and 430 feet high respectively. —Misfortunes did not come singly to William McHenry, a traveling salesman from Lima, Ohio. When he arrived in Cleveland recently four telegrams were received in quick succession, each announcing the death of a brother. The four children died within an hour from diphtheria. —There is a carving knife and fork in New York which is the largest set in the world. The knife is 2 feet long and the fork is 7 1/2 feet. The handles are made out of elephant's tusks and are worth \$300. Together the implements are valued at \$1500 and weigh 3.20 pounds. —The St. Lawrence river is the only absolutely floodless river in the world. Its greatest variation, caused by drought or deluge, never exceeds a foot. —The islands of Lake Nicaragua, Central America, are rich in idyllic pottery, especially the southwest side of the slopes of the mountains. This island was evidently the cemetery for all the region around, who worshipped the flaming cone as the god of fire. —A "razzle dazzer" was one of the nuisances placed in the complaint against a place of amusement in the old Cross Bones Burial Yard, near London, England. The "razzle dazzer" was a contrivance intended to make people experience the motion of the waves at sea, and the screams of the razzle dazzers were heard for blocks. —A local reporter on the Chico (Cal.) Chronicle-Zeppel got into trouble by making a wrong heading over a marriage notice. The groom's name was Avery and the bride was a Miss Small. The heading was set up "A Very Small Wedding." The groom, who is a muscular young rancher, is now looking for the reporter, who is absent from home on a vacation. —For forty days after an Egyptian Khedive's death food is served with coffee and cigarettes to all who visit the tomb.

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Doctor di Ploma—Great goodness, De Long! Are you still in the city? Didn't I tell you a month ago you would have to go South or die? You look worse than ever.

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"Perhaps the most extraordinary case of absence of mind ever related is one recorded of an intoxicated man who applied late at night at the Paris tongue where the bodies of the unknown dead are placed. "What do you want?" asked the keeper. "I'm looking for me," said the intoxicated man. "What do you mean?" "Why, you see, I haven't been home for five nights and I didn't know what had become of myself and I didn't know but I might find myself here."—Youth's Companion.

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