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# Captain Brabason

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It is unnecessary to state that Est lost no time in hurrying upstairs with the etter in her hand. She did not go straight wide window sent in the landing, where as plenty of light, and where no was likely to disturb her; and with throbbing heart and trembling fingers she following note from its envelfolded it, held it close to the little diamond panes, and read:

"Bear Mrs. Brabazou-Your letter reeived. I have debated with myself for ic, and have come to the concluon that your views on the subject of the engagement between Esme and me right, and that there must be ad to everything between us. 1 am. s you say, miserably poor. I have no last man in the to ask any sacrifice from a girl 1 cared for. I shall not write to her, nor seek to renew the ties, as you call them, any way. Some richer and some luckfellow will no doubt take my place be-I remain, yours truly, "MILES BRABAZON."

Esme read this through twice, the first time very quickly, the second time very slowly, before she could realize what it meant, and then, leaning her head against the window pane, she closed her eyes and tried to understand that Miles, of his own unced her; that some other luckier and richer fellow than himself was welcome

Miles, that she had believed in: Miles. that was Teddy's friend; that had pretended to have loved her with all his heart and soul; Miles-without a word of regret, in half a dozen cold lines, written a steady, unfaltering hand, and conmessage for her of caher friendship or concern-had calmly broken er engagement and renounced her! was so unexpected, the revulfeeling so hideous and so over ing, that she felt quite stunned; dim ray of hope was extinguish golden dreams turned in an in she left to live for now? Nothing but a blank life stretched out before was gone, and Miles was And she had been building vast castles in the air, all based on his return. no longer concern her; he was nothing to would jeer! How Gussie would triall the thoughts that came crowding to her brain were almost equally agonizing. The idea that Miles had been acting a part, had only cared for the money and not her, was the most stinging and painful of all. Once he had led her to think very differently; but whatever he said then, there was no doubt of his senti

After dinner, when they were alone in the large, empty drawing room, with silent shadowy corners, seated near the fire, one at either side, each with a book, and each with a lamp, Mrs. Brabaze could restrain herself no longer. She glanced over at the bent brown head across the hearth-rug, cleared her throat, laid a new novel upside down on her lap and said one word, a word that meant a good deal; it was a kind of conversationa rocket, the prelude to action, the word "well" that was at once in terrogative, triumphant and authorita

Esme raised her eyes and met her stepmother's derisive, malevolent smile, a smile that she felt like a stinging lash her stepmother's face alight with triumph and athirst for information. She did no speak, but she looked across the hearth vithout lowering her lashes, or a change

Well?" repeated Mrs. Brabazon, reiterating the word in a still louder, more oh, how Esme dreaded the coming dis-

"What is it that you wish to know, Mrs. Brabazon? "I wish to know your opinion of Mile

Brabazon now," she returned, promptly "His letter was to the point, was it not?" watching her companion closely.
"Very much so," replied Esme, quietly.

"My opinion of him-"
"Your opinion of him?" cagerly.

"I shall keep to myself. We are never likely to meet again. All is over between us, as he says, and if it is quite the same to you we will never recur to the subject. I was mistaken-we are all liable to make mistakes—that was all!" As Esme said this her face was ashen white, tears stood in her eyes, and her voice, do as she would, trembled with emotion. You see you might just as well have accepted Craven Hepburn, after all," observed Mrs. Brabazon, impressively. "I do not see that it makes any difference. I do not care for Mr. Hepburn, returned Esme, firmly, "excepting as friend, and nothing would ever make me marry him. I shall never marry anyone

Her voice, as she spoke, was quick and low.

Mrs. Brabazon immediately draped her self, as it were, in a garment of obtrusive incredulity, smiled, poked the fire, cough

d, turned up the lamp, and then remark ed oracularly:
"Every girl who has had a disappoint ment says the same thing; but, if I am

not greatly mistaken, they generally change their minds within six weeks or so, and marry, making very often a far better match, just to show the young man that they think very little about

her opposite neighbor, Mrs. Brabazon picked up her book, and was soon lost to her immediate surroundings in the next of the property of the pr her immediate surroundings in the perusa of an exciting and romantic love story. The next day Esme walked down to the parcel for South Africa; with her own hands she dropped it into the depths of the letter box. It was not every day the Maxton correspondence had such a valuation companion as two diamond earrings, a brooch, and ring, all of the first water, and all bought with the price of three Burmese race ponies. Esme had never worn them since that fatal day last Septimes 1. Septimes 1. Septimes 1. Septimes 2. Se

Esme made a successful struggie to keep up appearances and to show a brave front. She never flinched, never relinquished the strong hold on her self-com-

only one all these years who dared brave her, and you must do it for me; it's the

"Why not speak to her yourself, Flo? you and she have always been friends;

up her mind that she would "speak to was no one to consult. I used to say I'd Esme quite seriously," and opportunity, never let myself go under £3,000 a year; out I'm knocked down a dead bargain, after all. Hatty likes you and Gussie superbly, but she hates Mrs. B. like old

night under her roof." "Meaning this roof?" said Esme, with

"Yes: and as old Clipperton wants to g on; and, of course, you and Mrs. B. be done up a bit; don't you understand?" "This is very short notice, Flo. How ong can you give us?"

"Well, say a week! You see, there' nothing to move but yourselves and you clothes," he drawled, unconcernedly. "I am not so sure of that," shaking h head. "I fancy from what Mrs. B. said one day that she claims a lot of ornaments, silver plate and pictures and

"She be blessed! She had better not le ne see her lay a finger on anything here or I'll set my lawyers at her. She has been playing a very deep game, by all ac counts, and she feathered her nest right

"Oh, Flo, but I should! I'm not at all friends with her, I can tell you; and the way in which she has treated you two girls has been simply abominable, and so everybody says. I shall give her a plece of my mind about it, one of these days. I'm not afraid of her," valiantly.

retired; strange thoughts, and some very sad ones, chasing each other through her brain. So the old home, such as it was, there was no use in prolonging the agony -the sooner if was over the better. She could not bear to think of Hatty Clipperton, of all people, reigning among their household gods; Hatty, with her loud laugh, her slangy ways, her contempt for old-fashioned things and people. She would no doubt store all the Chippendale furniture, the ancestors, and the china, and inaugurate blazing cretonnes and

"And how am I to tell Mrs. Brabazon" and rousing herself with an effort. is quite too fearful to think of. I know

While grass may at times be grown in an orchard, yet a permanent sod will be an injury. It is better to plow the sod under occasionally and grov hoed crops, sowing to grass again. In this manner the ground is made richer and the trees will be benefited by both

Steers are preferred in this country for beef, but in England the butchers pay one cent per pound more for heif-ers, as they give less bone and more choice cuts. A well-bred heifer, however, is worth more for the dairy for beef. No helfers should be are known to possess merit

The waste from the hay mow make The waste from the hay mow makes excellent litter for chickens. The seeds of all kinds of grass when dry are relished by fowls, and when the waste from the mow is thrown on the floor of the poultry house the fowls will industriously work in the litter and find much to consume.

Farmers who keep common the waste 6 pounds. Sheep weighing 300 pounds live weight are numerous

Gooseberries are hardy and largely in demand when in season. They are usually propagated by cuttings, though some prefer layers. They desire rich soil and require careful cultivation. The fruit grows on two-year-old wood and on spurs and buds of older growth. As a rule gooseberries should be closely pruned, the new growth being well cut back.

The seeds of wheat are not destroyed by the cold of winter. Their germina-tion may be suspended, but they will be ready to sprout as soon as the war-mer season sets in. This has been dem-onstrated by subjecting certain seeds to a temperature as low as 190 degrees below sero for four days by the use of

He who speaks without modesty will find it difficult to make his words good. The moral courage that will face ob

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into her cheeks.

ing to look away.

road into mine.

She paused; a sudden flame leaped

"What did he say?" I demanded, try

man," she replied, the point of her par

asol tracing triangles in the dust;

"Ah, there is much virtue in that

"That you ought to settle down,"

continued, tossing her head and rising.

upon my lady. I have her portrait here

in this case. She is the only girl I shall

cause a little qualification does no

harm at even the most exalted mo-

ments. "By the way, she is an acquaint-

ance of yours, too." And pressing the

knees, watched a child trundle a hoop

beside me and put one of the hands I

hope to hold when Death beckons me

"I trust she will make you a good

Too Crude for Her.

son, "you must not support this man

women should not meddle in politica

affairs, but really this is a case in which

exception to the gentleman's language

"What has he said?" she exclaime

'Why, Harry! How can you ask?

look at this account of his speech, re-

ported by a paper that is supporting

ing!' Any person who is responsible

But what eleven does he refer to

"Anincrease of salary!" exclaimed the

pompous manager of a small omnibus

where else.

bus fares."

travagant on what I earn."

"Young man," continued the

ous gentleman, "I have risen from the

ranks. How? By being careful. When

I was young I made money by saving

"Ah, that was in the old days,"

without being collared, however care

Shooting Into a Hallstorn

To break up a hallstorm it is nece

air create a temporary vacuum, which

behind the ball and toward the clouds

When this current of air become

Found by Grave-Diggers.

The grave-diggers who were employ

young man; shoulder bones and small

tion, but completely browned through

age. And at a greater depth skulls

were found, which, like the others,

into mold by the drypess of the soil.

the fortune his aunt left him.

Hixon-Why, I understand he

all in a wheat deal six months ago.

Dixon-So he did; but it has supplied

him with a never-failing topic of con-

ballstorm is destroyed.

s quickly filled by the air rushing in

"My dear, you must be

"No, Harry, said young Mrs. Murchi

"So I shall," I cried, "but it depends

"He said you were an he

able occasion when the jeweler's sation to-day, and he saidglass door swung behind me, and, marching up to the counter, I asked for

"A ring, sir?" said the "What sort of a ring?" "An engagement ring," said I, valor

"What size, sir?" demanded locketing me mentally. "Five and a half," I replied, thinking 'but," I observed, bitterly. of the glove.

"That's rather an unsual size," he re marked, rubbing one eyebrow, ' it's a bangle the lady wants." "I'm not sure that she wants all," I murmured, producing the little ever care for in that way," I added, be-

sandalwood-scented bit of silk;

that is the size, I think." "O-it's the size of the lady's hand," he observed, with mild toleration, unrolling it. "Well, sir, ladies' fingers spring, I handed the casket to her as vary in girth, and it's more usual to fit the lid flew back. She glanced at me them with a piece of cardboard; but curiously, pale now. I, weak about the

we'll do our best." "Now, sir, what do you think of past us. this?" he asked, patronizingly, as he | She utered a little cry, that sank int displayed an opal, changeful as the a sobbing laugh. Then she sat down shifting sun on a misty sea, "It's exactly the lady's size, making allowances, for of course she won't want to wear it down the last dim turning of Life's over 'er glove.'

"Are not opals unlucky?" said I, enwife," she said, gravely, and anybocy deavoring to decipher the price. "O, we don't hold with such supersti- can guess the rest.-Black and White. tion," replied the jeweler loftily, "but they do say one will keep you from

being poisoned." "Then I shall leave it for the nex rich widow," I answered. "But what I have always said that I believe is the cost of this?" I alluded to an emerald

pearls which I already saw glittering I feel that I would not be doing my on the lovellest hand in the world. He duty if I failed to remonstrate agains extracted it with a silent respect he your proposal to work and vote for him borrowed from my eagerness, and No man who uses such language as he made a measurement, while I watched does can be fit to have a hand in the him, my heart beating madly. The size shaping of public affairs." was exactly the same; the price-but that is a detail. I decided upon it. The under a misapprehension, Mr. Murchshopman thanked me perfunctorily, |son insisted. "No one has ever taken and I leaned against the counter, feeling like one who had received a great before. What has he said that you do favor. But when I fumbled in my not approve of?" pocket for the notes, and heard their crisp crackle, my confidence returned. and then, as I watched the splendid thing flashing in its violet bed I belleved I must after all be a rich man, him, too, so it must be true, only I'm unknown to myself, so great was the surprised that the editor didn't gloss unlimited wealth thus it over. Here it is: 'The leven is work-

"I should like a piece of glass on the for such an ungrammatical sentence as inside of the case lid," I observed, care- that must be unfit to hold public office. lessly. "Is it usual?" "That's looking-glass?" queried the dear?"

I nodded. I knew I must be getting

"Well," he remarked, tolerantly, "it's company to a clerk who had just made not exactly usual, but it's a pretty idea that request. "I am afraid, sir, that -'ightens the attraction of the gem, you are too extravagant!" He toyed makes the lady see the present from two points of view." "Hardly an advantage sometimes," I turned his stare boldly. It was the

observed; "but can you do it?" "Well, yes, I should think so," he re plied, condescendingly. "Then get it done, and I'll stand the

racket," I answered, magnificently. When I left the shop I headed straight for Bloomsbury Square, but remembering that she might be just then occupled by domestic duties decided to call later in the day. Even the ring in my pocket gave me no additional courage. and presently I began to think it was not quite royal enough. Edging my way to Regent's Park, I hunted out a the young map, with a knowing wink. quiet spot and sat down to examine it "But with the bell punches and the at leisure. It was glorious still, but present system of inspection, you somehow not so glorious as I could would find you couldn't save six-pence have wished, and I was actually ques-tioning the wisdom of my choice when ful you were." The manager nearly an approaching footfall made me close fainted, and the young man had to seek the case. It was light, though firm, and other employment. the everlasting flint would have worn well beneath it. Something, more of the intellect than of the sense, made me

look up, and I saw her. The sensation of being shot through the heart has not, I believe, received adequate literary expression, those who experience it being usually preoccupied at the exact moment with other matters; but I think I know what it means. "I'm so glad to see you," I cried, "because-I want to restore something you forgot in the restaurant yester—a few

weeks ago." "How kind of you," she said, coming

"O, not at all," I replied; "but I hope you were not inconvenienced. I should have sent it, but I-I didn't." I put my hand in my breast pocket

hurriedly, and extracted my handkerchief, which, in turn, brought to light a sheaf of letters and memoranda I shook out at her feet like a skillful conjurer. Then I tried the other pocket, but va'ely. "It's a glove," I said, weakly, gathering up my belongings; "one of yours, don't you know." "I recollect-I missed it," she

"But the cab went so quickly." pleaded: "ah, do sit down until I find

She did so. I was in a gentle per piration. "Pray, do not take so much trouble she murmured, plaintively. "I have it!" I cried, and extracted the

wisp of silk from my watch pocket, where I had thrust it on leaving the "So kind of you" she observed, tak

"To remind me of that happy day,"

versation ever since. ing it. How He Managed It. "Would you allow me to keep it?" Al. Wright-My wife and I used to "Why?" she answered, quietly, bu juarrel nearly all the time, but now we the voice was low.

replied, shying. Henry Peck-Indeed! How do "Indeed? I am glad that you think manage it? of it as a pleasant one," she said, gra-Al. Wright-I simply make my clously. "Mr. Turnbull was declaiming so med she refuses to speak to me. all the way back in the cab. He seemed He Is Still Figuring on It.

prejudiced against you." He-Yes, I really feel as if I ought to "He may be described as a man who do semething for my country. means well," I observed, severely. "I hope he said something actionable." She-Oh, well, I think you have something for it. He-I don't know when or how. She-Why, you were away in Europe

### Notes of Inventions.

device which gives the man in th A device which gives the man in the railroad signal tower absolute control over the throttle in every train within the limits of his block has been invented by Joseph N. King, of Syracuse, N. Y., formerly a conductor on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western

R. F. Lockwood, of Lyons, N. Y., has R. F. Lockwood, of Lyons, N. Y., has secured a patent on a burial vault, the parts of which are made of clay with interlocking ends, and after they are fitted together a coating of cement makes the whole practically one piece, forming an air-tight and water-proof tomb

According to the Electrician, an in ventor named M. A. Durfour has dis-sovered a method of melting quarts, thereby making it available for many purposes for which glass is at present used. It is Loped to use it as a sub-

the King of Siam, who has been study-ing at the Charterhouse School, in Lon-don, has been recalled to Siam. It is said that he will regret to return to his native country, as he has grown to be very fond of England and the English

The friends of the late William L. Wilson and the alumni of Washington and Lee University (of which institu-tion Mr. Wilson was president have

stronger than the whirling current or Sandwiches that are to be served at an Sandwiches that are is be served at an afternoon tea should not be spread with butter or the filling mixture quite to the e.ge of the bread. This little precaution will prevent their soiling the glove of those who hold them.

Salt is good to scour marble wash stands or basins with, to sweep carpett with (if it be thoroughly brushed out) and to set colors in wash goods. Where strong enough to interfere with it the whirling current is overcome and the ed to dig Mr. Gladstone's grave in Westminster Abbey came upon a lead- and to set colors in wash goods. Where They also found remains of other per

ately disappear.

Bleeding of the Nose.—Spirits of turbentine in a hot saucer will give off fumes which snuffed up the nose often have a good effect in this bleeding. Tyling a string or bandage around the thigh or the arm close to the shoulder, is of service. An excellent remedy, is to have the patient take a hot foot bath. This is not of the best possible measures from bones of the arm in excellent preserva-

## Industrial.

Ane American Tube and Iron Company, the Youngstown, Ohio, plant of the National Tube Company, resumed operations in full after a shut-down of many months. The works employ 400 hands. All cigarmakers belonging to the In-

ternational Union in the factories in the Ybor-Manrara Company and Arguelles Lopes & Brother, at Tampa, went on strike owing to disagreement between this union and the Spanish union, called Resistencia. About 500 people are affected.

# SERMON

Subject: Everyday Religion—It is tood in Business and Politics—The Example of Daniel. Who Was Never Too Busy to Worship God—Advice to Christians.

Washington, D. C.—This discourse of Dr. Talmage is appropriate for all seasons, but especially in these times of ereat agitation. The text is Daniel vi, 16. "Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel and cast him into the den of lions."

Darius was king of Babylon, and the young man Daniel was so much a favorite with him that he made him prime minister, or secretary of state. But no man could gain such a high position without exciting the envy and jealousy of the people. There were demagogues in Babylon who were so appreciative of their own abilities that they were affronted at the elevation of this young man. Old Babylon was affaid of young Babylon. The taller the cedar the more apt it is to be riven of the lightning. These demagogues asked

Private roof gardens are such a success in New York that the large boarding houses find it necessary to adopt them as a regular summer feature.

The natives of Hawaii, be they ever so poor, never steal or beg. These offences are confined almost exclusively to the Portuguese residents of the island.

One of the new things in the jeweler time this season is the introduction of delicately carved ivory into the bits of filigree work, with which women using the to adorn their costumes.

At a street fair in Wichita this fall one of the chief features will be an arch 40 feet high, constructed entirely of apples.

During the present century 400 human lives, \$125,000,000 and 200 ships have been lost in fruitless efforts to find the North Pole.

An Egyptian contemporary says: "Our whole istaind is now girdled with golf courses. All the world is no longer a stage, but a golf links."

Rural mall delivery is progressing in a way to satisfy both the people and the department. In Carroll county, Maryland, every farm house now has adally free mail delivery.

There is considerable money in the lakes in the shape of meat. In the lake the floor of the tribic of the city waken lake the floor of the constitution of the den lakes the shape of meat in the lakes in the shape of meat in the lake of the leaf the lak

the rifts of the rock, and, as the lions ployed and \$2,719,65 capital. Last year's catch was valued at \$1,156,890.

The population of the Berlin suburb Charlottenburg is in a curiously unstable condition. Last year 44,718 of the population of 174,550 left the city and 53,744 from elsewhere took their places.

Personals.

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It is rumored in Europe that Kina Victor Emmanuel of Italy desires to introduce the American Cabinet system in this government, in addition to the European system of the included the collection to the European system of responsible Ministries, and is determined to have a privy council which shall be answerable to him alone. In order not to vicate the Italian Constitution, which makes the Ministry the sovereign's sole official adviser, King Victor will make his new council a sort of "kitchen Cabinet."

The Emperor of Austria has ordered fa full length portrait of himself to be painted in oils, and will present the same to Sir Horace Rumbold, the results of the council as and will present the same to Sir Horace Rumbold, the results of the council as and will present the same to Sir Horace Rumbold, the results of the results of the council as and will present the same to Sir Horace Rumbold, the results and the results of catch a word or two as you pass by them.
"Stuck up," says one. "Got it dishonestsays another. "Will burst soon," a says a third. Every stone in your new house is laid on their hearts. Your horse's hoofs went over their nerves. Every item of your success has been to them an item of discomfiture and despair. Just as soon as in any respect you rise above your fellows, if you are more wise, if you are more influential, you cast a shadow on the prospect of others.

The road to honor and success is within reach of the enemy's guns. Jealousy says, "Stay down or I'll knock you down."
"I do not like you," says the snowflake to the snow-bird. "Why don't you like me?" said the snowbird. "Oh," said the snowflake, "you are going up and I am coming down."

Young merchants, young lawyers, young doctors, young merchants, young lawyers, artists.

doctors, young mechanics, young artists, young farmers, at certain times there are those to sympathize with you, but now that you are becoming a master of your particular occupation or profession, how is it now, young lawyers, young doctors, young artists, young farmers—how is if now, young lawyers, young doctors, young artists, young farmers,—how is it now? The greatest crime that you can commit is the crime of success.

Again, my subject impresses me with the value of decision of character in any department. Daniel knew that if he continued his adherence to the religion of the Lord he would be hurled to the lions.

Lord he would be hurled to the lions, but, having set his compass well, he sailed right on. For the lack of that element of decision of character, so eminent in Daniel, many men are mined for this world, and ruined for the world to come. A great many at forty years of age are not settled in any respect, because A great many at forty years of age are not settled in any respect, because they have not been able to make up their are not settled in any respect, because they have not been able to make up their minds. Perhaps they will go west; perhaps they will go east; perhaps they will not; perhaps they will go north; perhaps they may go south; perhaps they will not; perhaps they may make that investment in real estate or in railroads; perhaps they will not. They are like a steamer that should go out of New York harbor, starting for Glasgow, and the next day should change for Havre de Grace, and the next for Charieston and the next for Boston and the next for Liverpool. These men on the sea of life everlastingly tacking ship and making no headway. Or they are like a man who starts to build a house in the Corinthian style and changes it to Doric, and then completes it in the Ionic, the curse of all styles of architecture. Young man, start right and keep on. Have decision of character. Character is like the goldtinch of Tonquin; it is magnificent while standing firm, but losses all its beauty in flight. How much decision of character in order that these young men may be Christians! Their old associates make sareastic flings at them. They go on excursions and they do not invite them. To y prophesy that he will invite them. To y prophesy that he will give out. They wonder if he is not getting wings. As he passes, they grimace and wink and chuckle and say, "There goes a saint." Oh, young man, have decision of character. You can afford in this matter of religion to be laughed at. What do not care for the scoffs of these men, who

open under their feet, and grim meen-cers push them into it, and eternity comes down hard upon their spirit, and con-science stings, and hopeless rain lifts them up to harl them down, will they laugh then?

chanic on one of the big Westerr. roads, has devised a serpentine bust which he is any is a combination of the principles of boat and locomotive construction. In the same of the same is a combination of the principles of boat and locomotive construction. In the same is a combination of the principles of boat and locomotive construction. In the same is a combination of the principles of boat and locomotive construction. In the same is a combination of the principles of the same is a combination of the principles of his idea.

Zalmon G. Sholes, the loventer of the Reminston Company, are a secondard in the manufacture of a very remarkable machine, which is the company are a secondard in the manufacture of a very remarkable machine, which is the company are mitted over the wire by the Morse system, but it is delivered on a sheet direct from the typewriter without any transcription whatever. This machine does I way with the use of skilled telegraphers, for anyone acquainted with the secondard of a typewriter can send a message just as well and 2s rapidly as the best operator usiting the company are part of the system of the company are provided to the cavern. I hear the system is a company to the private root gardens are such a such that the secondard is the system of the sy Under rational treatment the average yield of a bee hive in Palestine is 100 Daniel receives from these hungry monsters. They fawn around him, they lick fire. Who so busy as Christ? And yet ters. They fawn around him, they lick his hand, they bury his feet in their long who a millionth part as holy? The business in New York that the large board-ing houses find it necessary to adopt his head nillowed on the warm necks of his head nillowed on the warm necks of their being converted. Matthew attending to his custom house duties, the

religion into our politics.

But there are a great many men who are in favor of taking it into national

politics who do not see the importance of taking it into city politics, as though a man were intelligent about the welfare of his neighborhood and had no concern about his own home.

My subject also impresses me with the fact that lions cannot hurt a good man. No man ever got into worse company than Daniel got into when he was thrown into the den. What a rare morsel that fair young m: would have been for the hun-gry monsters! If they had plunged at him, he could not have climbed into a niche beyond the reach of their paw or the snatch of their tooth. They came pleased all around about him, as hunters' hounds at the well known whistle come the snatch of their tooth. They came pleased all around about him, as hunters' hounds at the well known whistle come bounding to his feet. You need not go to Numidia to get many lions. You all have had them after you—the lion of financial distress, the lion of sickness, the lion of persecution. You saw that lion of financial panic putting his mouth down to the earth, and he roared until all the banks and all the insurance companies quaked. With his nostril he scattered the ashes on the domestic hearth. You have ashes on the domestic hearth. You have had trial after trial, misfortune after misfortune, lion after lion, and yet they have never hurt you if you put your trust in God, and they never will hurt you. They and not hurt Daniel, and they cannot They aid not hurt Daniel, and they cannot hurt you. The Persians used to think that spring rain falling into seashells would turn into pearls, and I have to tell you that the tears of sorrow turn into precious gems when they drop into God's bottle. You need be afraid of nothing putting your trust in God. Even death, that monster lion whose den is the world's sepulcher and who puts-his paw down and thousands of millions of the down and thousands of millions of the id ad, cannot affright you. When in old-in times a man was to get the honors of knighthood, he was compelled to go fully armed the night before among the tombs of the dead carrying a sort of spear, and then when the day broke he would come forth, and amid the sound of cornet and great parada he would set. cornet and great parade he would get the honors of knighthood. And so it will be with the Christian in the night before heaven as fully armed with spear and helmet of salvation he will wait and watch through the darkness until the morning dawns, and then he will take the honors of heaven amid that great throng with snowy robes streaming over seas of

A more glorious victory cannot be gained than this; that when the injury begins on his part, the kindness should

From a mere sense of consisten persecutor is bound to show that the fallen man is a villain; otherwise he, the persecutor, is a wretch himself.

He who never ventures will nevcross the sea. Keep your fire under the pot of life or literature. Smoke and prejudice don't improve any diet except to a dis-

eased taste, while your wisdom and with are proved in the chafing dish of public opinion, Remember this—that there is a proper

dignity and proportion to be observed in the performance of every act of

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unconsciousness and gayety that bafiled Mrs. Brabazon and deluded Miss Jane. She was a modern Spartan girl, and yet, outwardly busy in the village, active in the house, smiling and cheerful, inwardly wearing her heart out with aching recollections, a bitter sense of humiliation and unavailing regrets. Pride came to her assistance, and enabled her to bear up nobly in public, to present a cool, nataral, self-possessed appearance to the in quiring optics of Mrs. Brabazon, and the kindly but curious and puzzled ones of Miss Jane, who one day suddenly made

> for once, trod upon the heels of resolve for at that very moment her niece walked into her sitting room, charged with a message from a sick pensioner. "Esme, my dear! you are the very per son I want; I have just been thinking of you," said her aunt. "Thinking of you

> and Miles." Esme colored vividly, and sat down suppose you know?" "Know? I know nothing, my dear;

> and I want to know everything," she reurned, emphatically. "You have not heard, then, what has written?" said her niece, in a hard. strange voice, as if she were repeating vell-learned but difficult lesson. t is all entirely at an end between u-

there is no engagement now. I thought better of you. Come, now-now-I really thought better of you-nay. I think better of you! You are not going to punish him always for his unlucky mistake. Come over here and sit beside ne, my dear, and tell me all about it." "The truth is, then, Aunt Jane, and suppose you ought to know," gulping well." down a huge lump in her throat as sh

the engagement; it was Miles." "What? What do you say?" said Mis Jane, in a low and horrified tone of voice "It is quite true, Aunt Jane, and if you wish you may see his letter; nothing

spoke, "that it was not I who broke off

"His letter breaking it off! I can't be lieve it! He must be mad. Most ex-traordinary-most unaccountable! What loes he mean? Miles is a man of he You have done something, Esme? What?"
"He says-he says," bringing out the words reluctantly, "that he is poor, and was to be broken up at last; and in one no money, and-and-he hopes some richer and luckier fellow will take his place,"

she concluded, her lips quivering; she was ooking at her aunt through a mist of unshed tears. "But this is monstrous!" exclaimed the old lady, suddenly pausing in her walk and surveying her niece fiercely, "and rou-you-are taking it so coolly-so-sounnaturally. Oh, you young people of the present day have no feeling, but I can brilliant chromo-lithographs instead. tell you that it's a dreadful blow to me, a dreadful blow. I would not have be lieved it of Miles. And, as to the money. f I had only known," recommencing her walk, and dropping short, incoherent sen-

tences about "No use to me, now Teddy's gone. The two I liked. Rich, old, child ess woman. Too late now!" Esme gazed at her aunt helplessix, as she took up her dropped stitches and ondered much that she had taken her new so very much to heart.

"I am very greatly upset, Esme. don't know when I've heard anything that has put me out so much." "Then please don't talk of it any Aunt Jane," said Esme, rising and speaking with strange composure. "Come out into the garden and show me your new crocuses; we have none out yet. I'll fetch your bonnet and shawl from the lobby; it

will do you good to take a turn." It was a curious sight to see these two the bent and now infirm old lady, and the tall, slight, upright girl-slowly pacing the gravel walks, arm in arm, in silence. They represented the rising and waning generations, with more than forty years between them; and yet one chord vibrated alike in both their hearts, one identical topic filled their minds-Love. And although, in the case of the elder lady, it was but the old, faded, forgotten story. seen pale and faint through the moonlight of memory, and in the case of the other it was a dreadful, glaring, recent reality that pictured itself in her unhappy mind.

a fellow-feeling united the nunt and niece in a manner that each was sensible of in her inmost soul. Miss Jane now began to understand her niece, and to put anoth er interpretation on her studied placid mien. She was not really cold and callous as she seemed. She felt Miles' de fection, just as she would have felt such a thing herself, sensitively, yet secretly, and the good lady's anger burned hot within her, as she reflected on her ne nhew's conduct; and as she stood on her doorsteps, spectacles on nose, and grave ly watched her favorite niece out through the little white gate, she muttered thrice to herself and Lady Louisa, "Most unac countable, most unaccountable, most un

ccountable!" CHAPTER XXII.

The lives of some families are like a sool in which, without being exactly stag nant, nothing occurs to ruffle the surface of the water from year's end to year's end, and then comes a quick series of tremulous splashes, like naughty boys throwing stones. As regards the Braba zons, Teddy's enlistment was splash num ber one, which was followed by Est

following manner: He arrived, quite unexpectedly, in time for dinner one day. Never before had he

Burmese race ponies. Esme had never worn them since that fatal day last September; but she had often taken them out of their cases and looked at them affectionately. "Why, what can it be?" staring at him

### So after Mrs. Brabazon had gone to rest the young people took possession of two armchairs in front of a fine fire in the "Can't you guess it?" he asked, staring

at her fixedly, and with a conscious, com-placent suffle.

"You are going to be married," she re-

plied, after a pause.
"Right you are. Clever girl! 1 am

going to marry Hatty Clipperton!"
"Hatty Clipperton?" with a little start.
"Yes. An awfully jolly, nice little girl!
Some money! Heaps of go in her! Just
my style down to the ground! I have not
told Gus yet, nor, of course Mrs. B. I want you to break the news to her gent-

"I!" aghast. "My dear Flo, I would not-I could not-I dare not-not for a thousand pounds!"

it would come best from you." "No, no; when you have anything to do you don't like, always get someone else to do it for you, that's my idea. We are to be married in three weeks. Yes, eed, you may well open your mouth but I'm telling you the truth. We have been engaged this two months, and I'm my own master, you know; and there

ots, and swears she shall never spen-

off abroad, he has rather run me in to ge with her back to the light, and then said. | the wedding over; do you see? and we are indifferently: "What is it, Aunt Jane 1 thinking of coming here for the honeywill have to clear out, and let the house

his hearer

ore than an hour after her brother had

she said aloud, brushing away the tears,

shall never sleep a wink to-night. (To be continued.) Field and Farm.

and depend upon wool do not know how specimens of some breeds may be made to reach great weights. A 2-yearmade to reach great weights. A 2-year-old grade Lincoln wether in England was slaughtered, its live weight being 434 pounds. The carcass weighed 304 pounds, the loose fat 34 pounds, the skin, blood and entrails 90 pounds and

in this country.

There is no single food that is perfect or which contains all the desirable elements necessary for production, for which reason corn as an exclusive diet will not give satisfactory results. There is but little lime in wheat or corn, and as lime is essential in the production of bone it is evident that young animals will make but little growth when the larger portion of their food consists of corn or cornmeal. If clover, either green or cured, or skim milk is fed with corn more benefit will be derived from the combination of foods than from grain only.

below zero for four days by the use of liquid air. They were then carefully thawed for two days. When planted every seed sprouted and produced

"O, hardly that!" she answered, laughingly; "but he seems to have changed his opinion lately." (That is all last summer, weren't you? the luncheon bill, thought L) "Your

with his heavy watch chain and looked severely at the young man, who re set phrase on such occasions, and the applicant had beard it all before. He meant to have that rise or-go some "Excuse me, sir," he replied respect ully. "I haven't any chance to be ex-

> a full length portrait of himself to be painted in oils, and will present the same to Sir Horace Rumbold, the re-tiring British Ambassador. Prince Tiloka, the 15-year-old son of of Siam, who has been study-

sary to destroy the revolving or whirling current of air. This can only be lone by an opposing current of air, hence the philosophy of shooting canmaintaining a new professorsi the university. The fund is to be non balls at the hall clouds is plain. The cannon balls passing through the

## **Useful Hints.**

en coffin of some unknown person
They also found remains of other per
without leaving a black mark. Spots of sons of whose burial there is no record, among them a skull very much worn away, but seemingly that of a worn away w

were only kept free from disappearance is one of the best possible measures from its simplicity, and it rarely fails in all ordinary cases to stop the bleeding; another method is to supply a large mustard leaf or mustard plaster to skin over the right side of the body in the situation of the liver.—Babyhood. Dixou-Biffkins seems to be enjoying

# have the most peaceful home you ever

Practice complete relaxation of brain, nerves and body. Use one-half the will force in this as in other things and you are affronted because you will not go to in with them? When the grave cracks life