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HER TREACHEROUS FRIEND. The parties to that tripartite interview were very differently affected by

its immediate results.

To the adjutant it was both a humiliating surprise and a wounding puzzle. Despite the assurance of Mrs. Zenith he felt that the objections to Zenith he felt that the objections to the engagement were due at least in some measure to distrust of himself. After serious thought he determined to wed at once lest the family influence should over-weigh the present wish of Miss Stella. He had no doubt that she would now consent to elope. Miss stella was quite satisfied that the scene had occurred. It dispelled any little doubt she might theretofore have entertained as to the firmness of her hold upon the adjutant or her ability to control him. It was, too, a very substantial victory for her in the family warfare so strongly waged

very substantial victory for her in the family warfare so strongly waged against her. Better than all else, she saw that the result would be her speedy marriage.

Mrs. Zenith was greatly unsettled by

spring patterns, the kind sults. To her it was evident that she had utterly failed to separate the two. that has snap and art in it.

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We did not doubt that Miss Stella would elope rather than submit to coercion, and the bare idea of such a possibility distressed and horrified her. That was precisely what some of the Gossips and Chiefs of the Scandal Bureau had predicted; what they unanimously and devoutly hoped for. Such a catastrophe would be insupportable. The more she thought about it the more sincerely she repented her precipitancy. How to prevent the elopement that she felt was impending was the disturbing question upon which she

disturbing question upon which she now called Miss Zenith to consult. now called Miss Zenith to consult.

The consultation resulted in nothing satisfactory until it was interrupted by the entrance of Miss Letson, a friend residing at Barton. To her they confided their dilemma, desiring her advice. She suggested that time was important; that if Miss Stella could be prevented from meeting or communicating with the adjutant for a day or two, satisfactory means might be devised for effecting their object.

After much consideration it was agreed that Miss Stella should be in-

time to be by some means frustrated by Miss Letson, so that the appointed meeting fixed for the afternoon must fail.

Miss Stella came in and when Miss

from the train on her arrival at Mi-

awoke Miss Letson was up and reading She looked at her watch and found that it was stopped. She was much that it was stopped. She was much surprised, being unable to account for its failure as she knew it to be in good order and she never forgot to wind it. She glanced at the clock on the mantel and regulating her watch by that, started it. The watch had been stopped by Miss Letson, who had also turned the clock back.

The Letson residence was but a block from the station and it was easy.

block from the station and it was easy to reach the train if one started as the to reach the train it one started as the train pulled in.

The morning was pleasant and the young ladies spent the greater part of it in the yard. Looking at her watch Miss Stella climbed out of a hammock in which she was lazily swinging and

'It is nearly time for the train. I must get ready to go."
"Stella, do wait till to-morrow."
"Not for the world, this time."

"You are too bad: you don't care s Do stop?"

"I think a great deal of you, dear, but I would not stay till to-morrow for

"But why not? It's just a nasty little notion of yours; you are always so headstrong when you set out to do anything. Please stop over?"
"I would stay if I might; but it is impossible; it is not a whim; I would not miss that train for all of the great fortunes of all the millionaires of the

world, past and present."

Before she reached the door the train appeared at the station and she realized that her watch was inaccurate. She did not hesitate, but started toward the station, saying to Miss Letson. son:
"Oh, dear! I must not miss that train! I will send for my wraps again.

You can say good-bye to your folks for me. Come along, hurry!" She hurried along at such rapid gait Miss Letson could not keep up her. Reaching the ticket window she called for a ticket to Minersvale

and thrust her hand into her pocket. Her purse was missing! The engine bell rang; the engine gave two short, "All aboard!"
The agent looked out through his Ittle square window, held up the bit of blue and white pasteboard and said:

"Eighty cents, please? You'd better nurry, Miss, the train is moving; it is wenty minutes late."
"Oh, dear! I have left my purse at Mr. Letson's! Let me have the ticket graph to them to let you have the price of it? I am Stella Zenith of Minersvale; my father is Captain Ewan Zenith." and as soon as I get home I will tele

Gainst the rules! Very sorry to deny you so small a favor; but I can't oblige you. 'Nother train to-morrow, you know."

"But I have an engagement at home that I must keep this evening." "Don't see how you can, Miss; train's She was defeated. Not outgeneral-ed, but betrayed. She was beaten only by treachery and theft.

VIII.

UPON THE BLEAK HILLSIDE.

When Miss Stella walked out of the when Miss Stella warked out of the station and met Miss Letson on the platform she did not recognize her, for her own eyes were filled with tears that shut off her sight. She heard the rumble and clatter of the departing train but she could not see it. Miss Miss Stella was determined to set

Miss Stella was determined to set out for home in a buggy or on horse-back, but the one livery stable in town had not a horse left in its stalls and the two young ladies visited every per-son in the village who was the owner son in the village who was the owner of a horse and not one could be se-cured. With one consent the people all made excuses and the effort to pro-cure either horse or conveyance proved fruitless. Miss Stella announced her purpose to go home on foot. Every argument was used to dissuade her but she refused to listen to their arguments or to regard their pleas.

It was nearly three o'clock when they returned to the Letson home at the conclusion of their search for a horse. Junely was awaiting them and

the conclusion of their search for a horse. Lunch was awaiting them and they were very tired. They went to the table but Miss Stella had no appe-tite and found the bare thought of food repulsive. Still, she ate something, realizing that for the journey she was

ire something long before I reach "Do be persuaded to wait till to-mor-row," Miss Letson pleaded again, be-ing thoroughly sorry for her treachery, now that she saw its results. ow that she saw its results.

"It is of no use to urge me; I would not remain till to-morrow for all the wealth in the world."

"But you will kill yourself if you undertake to walk all the way to Minersvale this afternoon. It will be deal before you seach there you will

dark before you reach there; you will die on the way. Do listen to reas Stella!" "I don't want to listen to reason. I will not listen to reason or to anything else that you may urge against my determination. I shall not kill my-

must reach Minersvale to-night."
"You are too determined!" "I have an engagement for this aft-"I have an engagement for this afternoon which I could not, upon any consideration be induced to forego,"
"The engagement will be broken before you get five miles on your way."
"The attempt to fulfill it will absolve me. Besides, I know where to reach

him and I shall send a message imme diately upon my arrival."

She bade her hostess good-bye and started upon her long walk. The road lay over unimproved hills, barren of trees, thick with brush. It is a desolate country, the dreariness of which is unrelieved by farms or habitations, save a few wretched huts at long and irregular intervals. From the infrequency of its use the road was then lit-

two, satisfactory means might be devised for effecting their object.

After much consideration it was agreed that Miss Stella should be induced to accompany Miss Letson to Barton with the understanding that she should return by the noon train the following day, her return at that the following day, her return at that time to be by some means frustrated time to be by some means frustrated full of horror. A girl of less determined. full of horror. A giri of less determination would have fainted a score of times. It was only by resolute exercise of her mental command of herself that she conquered her terror. Often unfamiliar, unexpected sounds startled urged her mother not to approve it.

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The visit was a pleasant one, and
Miss Stella thought it a fortunate cir-

cumstance, as it would obviate any trouble she might otherwise have encountered in keeping her appointment stop and stand as rigid as a statue until she conquered her alarms. She stumbled over roots and sticks trouble she might otherwise have encountered in keeping her appointment to meet the adjutant at the Morton's, since she could go thither directly until she was bruised and sore and alnost forced to sit down and give up in espair to her weakness and terror. heeks: and she felt for the scars with

cheeks; and sae left for the scars with her trembling fingers.

The road became more and more ob-scure and at length she realized that she had followed a lateral branch and was lost. Without the faintest idea how far she was astray she turned yet she had not found the main road Disheartened, discouraged, she strug gled on, suffering mentally and phys cally every instant and every step She was sure that she had covered an other mile, and then she discovere

hat she was entirely off the road She sought in every direction but was up to sobs and the violence of her ery. After half an hour her courage revived; she was somewhat rested and felt something stronger and again she sought for the road. She could no longer see the ground

sufficiently to pick her steps. Her clothes were in shreds; her feet were pruised and torn, her limbs were wounded and sore and bleeding; she was weak and lame and at length her ras weak and name and at length her error became so great that she scarcey knew any longer what she sought
f why she toiled onward through the
arkness.

As she descended a hill she stepped

nto the burrow of some animal and tell to the ground with such violence that she was stunned by the shock and was at first unable to rise. When she was able to get up she found that she was severely and seriously injured. Her foot, ankle and limb were much wollen. The pain steadily increased. fer suffering became so intense that elirium ensued and kindly rendered er unconscious of her terrible con-

Alone, in the darkness of a mooness night, upon the bleak hillside, rippled, delirious, she saw, far off onder, a light moving up and down, nere and there, disappearing, reappear-ng and she sang in a soft, clear and steady voice, through the tones of

which could be traced the echoes of "A mansion in heaven we see,
"And a light in the window for thee;
"A mansion in heaven we see,
"And a light in the window for thee; Then on, perseveringly on, broth-

Till from conflict and suffering Bright angels now beckon you over There's a light in the window for thee.

"And a light in the window for thee: 'A mansion in heaven we see, 'And a light in the window for thee."

AT SUNRISE.

Miss Stella remained delirious all Miss Stella remained delirious all through the night.

When she became conscious of her surroundings the sun was shining upon her. She slowly recalled her wanderings and her terrors and then comprehended her position.

With extreme and laborious difficulty in excreme and laborious difficulties are supported by the strength of the support of the s thence looked about, hoping to see some one to whom she could appeal for assistance; or some habitation but the effort was useless; she could

but the effort was useless; she could not even stand without grasping a sturdy bush for support. Forced to abandon her efforts to walk, she sat upon the ground and carefully examined her injured limb which was greatly swollen. ficulty she removed the shoe and stock-ing and found that the ankle was dis-located; and she feared that she had also sustained a fracture of the knee, though the inflammation was so extensive and the pain so acute, so diffused and so equal at all points that she could not determine with certainty. Having considerably relieved her pain by releasing the foot and limb from the pressure of the shoe and hoslery; she ate the fruit she had brought from Letson's, hoping that it would impart a little strength. Remember-ing that persons suffering from sprains ter, she again crawled upon the rock to look about her, hoping to discover spring or streamlet within her reach. This time, from her observatory she saw what had before escaped her obsaw what has before see aget her on-servation; a stone hut with an odd-looking door, covered with scraps of iron. So distinct, so plainly visible, so conspicuous was the structure that she could not comprehend how it was possible for her to have failed to see it before. Indeed, so impossible did it before. Indeed, so impossible did it seem to overlook the hut that she felt a superstitious doubt about its reality and feared that she was again becoming delirious. Inspection con-vinced her of its substantial character

and she said aloud: "No one lives there now; but some the has lived there or stopped there work and if I can each the door I where help can be found. Surely there

THE SARCO! HAGUS. The soldiers at Minersvale were daily and nightly called upon to arrest deserters from the Union armies.

The term deserter was applied by law alike to volunteers who fied from the front in violation of their eplistment obligations, and to such drafted men as refused to report to the provost marshal in obedience to his orders.

Last, the prophet said:

"Nay, ye seek not the virgin; you are not the wise men from the East."

Well you are quite correct; we are not exactly on a scoul in search of a virgin; we seek a creature of a virgin; we seek a creature of a virgin; we seek a creature of a virgin; and we are not wise enough always to find the lurking place of many of him. The soldiers at Minersvale were daily

It was not always an easy matter to place of many of him. on the contrary all possible aid, information, food, shelter and concealment were given to the deserters.

Here and there was found a loyal man; but detestation of the provost marshal was too nearly universal to make it safe for such as might be invoked in the rest of your name?"

"You have the physical appearance of a stalwart and robust voice! What is the rest of your name?"

"I am that prophet spoken of by the on the contrary all possible aid, in-formation, food, shelter and conceal-

Some of the contrivances for con-One plan became so common that it became wholly useless. The deserter would shave clean, put on a night gown and nightcap and retire to the bed of some woman or girl of the household, relying upon the delicacy of the soldiers to prevent discovery.

There was one young man at Jermyn for whom search was made almost daily for weeks, as there was positive information of his presence in the house. Every search was fruitless, One plan became so common that it

the house. Every search was fruitless, save as each renewed effort afforded always been mistaken for a hogshead of bran. The blade penetrated six inches of bran and stuck upright in a board. Cleats had been nailed to the inside of the vessel, upon those a lid was placed; below the lid, scores of very small holes were bored from within-a work of tremendous and tedious labor! These holes,, imperceptible from without, in the darkness of the cellar, afforded ventilation for the deserter, who, upon alarm, jumped into the hogshead, when a member of the family would adjust the lid and empty upon it a bag of bran which was kept there for that purpose, ready

that if they had been looking for a truant boy they probably would have considered it useless to search there for him. After many visits to the house a soldier chanced to observe that the door was ed hard against the wooden button by which it was secured, and with some effort he succeeded in opening it. There drawn up in a cramped and con-

trained position was the object of heir search! Crawling out, the de-"Are you hungry, that you rummage woman's cupboard?" At Minersvale a man was rolled in a big carpet and evaded discovery for ong carpet and evaded discovery for nearly a month, though search was made three or four times every week. At Minersvale another deserter suc-cessfully escaped for a long time by being buried under a lot of onions kept in a garret and was discovered at last

only because one foot was exposed by his own movement. Troops frequently scoured the hills On the day that the adjutant had om town they came upon an odd structure which at once interested them. It was a long, low hut; its thick walls and arched roof all built of heavy stones. There was no window. The door was clad in a promis-cuous patchwork of iron that had the

"That looks like a promising hiding place for skulkers," the lieutenant in mmand said.

"No danger of a deserter finding narters there; I have heard of the ace," said the gossip of the company; man who always acquired the comete local history and traditions of a mmand said. ace at which the troops camped for

nce of having been gathered

m different scrap heaps at different

"Why not?" "Which Prophet?"
"John the Baptist."
"I thought that his head was struck ff. some centuries since, by order of eneral Herod, to please a pretty bal-

"He is a crazy old fellow who be-

I'd as soon dwell in a sarcophagus."

The troops having reached the sar-

dered a search within.

A trooper struck repeated heavy blows upon the mailed door with his sabre without eliciting response. No latch knob lock or hinge was visible;

A cloak-like garment hung from his choulders reaching almost to his sabre without eliciting response. No latch, knob, lock or hinge was visible; therefore, if they secured entrance they must first break down the door. It was determined to do that, for experience had taught them to suspect every habitation, house, hut and other structure as a place which was liable structure as a place which was liable and the structure as a place which was liable was tied to the gridle by a small Bible was tied to the gridle by a small to be used to conceal a deserter, if it afforded space into which a man might chain such as is used for

avoid the catapult; too late for the liv-ing machine to halt—and was struck

"Carry him to the open air!"

JOHN THE BAPTIST.

The Prophet was carried outside. Examination disclosed nothing more serious than a severe brulse on one shoulder, another on one side and a greater one on the breast of the unconscious

one on the breast of the unconscious man.

The assailants poured water from their canteens upon the head; face, neck and contusions of the unoffending victim of their violence and in ten minutes he revived. Opening his eyes he said:

"Have your come from the Fast to New York for the nurses of event." their canteens upon the head; face, neck and contusions of the unoffend-

"Yes; is the virgia within?"

where help can be found. Surely there is water near that queer old hut! Homer, dear, I wish that you were here with your gallant steed; you should bear me away to—to the altar."

Descending from the rock she picked and a stick and tried to use it as a proper with the protruding brows were overgrown with forests of shaggy bristles as white as his hair and beard, impacting an appearance of savage ferce-rearting an appearance of savage ferce-rear

looking at him intently and minutely inspecting his features. When he

It was not always an easy matter to effect the capture of determined delinquents of either class. Facilities for escape and concealment were amplified by a popular inasposition to afford information to the troops, while on the contrary all possible aid, in-

clined to aid that officer or the forcest sissisting him to do them any service.

"I am that prophet spoken of by the holy authors as John the Baptist. I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness; I am he that came to Jordan some of the contrivances for con-and cried: Behold the Lamb of God cealing deserters were ingenious and "When were you resurrected? The reporters don't seem to have got onto

> were decapitated by order of Herod, the commander-in-chief or secretary mistake of the scribes or of the trans-

> apostles and evangels. He who was beheaded was mine uncie, my father's that you were not the victim, however.

pleasant?"
"I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, saying. 'Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his path straight!' I stood before the Master when he prophesied the end of the world and he looked upon me and said: was kept there for that purpose, ready
for instant use, and the emptied bag
was concealed in the bran as the deserter was concealed beneath it.

At Archbald the middle shelf of an
old-fashloned corner cupboard was reworld to prepare it for His first coming, old-fashloned corner cupboard was removed and the compartment thus enlarged was utilized as a place of concealment which proved effectual for a long time. No one ever thought of searching a small corner cupboard for a man. Indeed, so small did it look that if they had been looking for a true they had been looking for the look of the look of

one crying in the wilderness, say-ing, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his path straight." Do you expect him very soon?

The time is ripe! I await the com-ng of the virgin who shall bring forth he Son, the Lamb of God who having aken away the sin of the world as I late the redeemed in the twinkling of an eye and to condemn and banish the shall baptize you with fire and with the Holy Ghost! Behold He cometh and all His holy hosts with Him; like clouds mounted upon swift winds! the earth shall tremble and the de shall rise and the heavens rejoice; and His people shall sing glad hallelujahs, and the trees shall clap their hands and declare His praise; and the little hills shall skip like lambs. Woe, woe, in that day; woe to them that believe not and are not baptized! 'I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, saying, 'Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make his path straight!"

ere any deserters harboring within ed when the angel rolled away the

"They may have crawled into the The Prophet's curious habitation was

XII.

tant called at the Morton's and for hours waited in anxiety for Miss Stel-

Weary with waiting, fearful that

MISS ZENITH TELLS A LIE.

"d as soon dwell in a sarcophagus."

The troops having reached the sarophagus, as they now called it, halted
it the door and the commandant oriered a search within.

A trooper struck repeated bears

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afforded space into which a man might crawl.

A heavy log was found and six files of soldiers were dismounted and ordered to take the log upon their shoulder and assault the door. Having his men in place the lieutenant commanded: the go so suddenly? What is her New

guick, charge!"

The living machine dashed its inanimate head at the mailed door which at that instant opened inward and allowed egress to an old man who stepped to the threshold—too late to stepped to the threshold to stepped to the threshold—too late to stepped to the threshold to stepped to the threshol writes. The visit is one long promised but it was not just now expected to

> whom his affianced had gone he returned to his quarters in camp.
> That Miss Stella had gone to New
> York he did not doubt and he was worried by her apparent neglect to write to him before her departure, even though it was so hurried and unpreditated. He remembered that she ad spoken of an anti- pated visit to

information and finding it impossible to elicit the name of the relatives to

department commander, to proceed to New York for the purpose of execut-ing verbal orders to be communicated to him by Colonel Boyden, this method being frequently resorted to to evade a record of leave of absence, when offi-cers desired to visit any place for private purposes. Accompanying this or-der came one for the detachment to move to Scranton.

Thus, at the hour that Miss Stella left Barton, the adjutant started to New York, and the detachment marched out of Minersvale toward Scranton,
So little did the adjutant doubt that
Miss Zenith had told him the truth
that he never thought of consulting
Miss Morton but proceeded to New

York without communicating with her. He communicated with no one, except the Colonel of the regiment who was at Scranton and Captain Welter, who commanded the detachment at Minersvale; thus leaving everybody in Mi-nersvale under the impression that he had departed with the troops. He reached the metropolis in the night and before he retired procured a city directory and made a list of all those named Wills whose ad-dresses were found in that volume. He intended to call upon them, one after another, and to say to each that he had just arrived from Minersvale and carried a mes-sage for Miss Stella Zenith, lately arrived in the city to visit relatives whose name he knew to be Wills, but whose address he had lost. He had no doubt that by this method of search he would succeed in finding his affianced very easily. As soon as he

found her, they would be married, if he could gain her consent.

Having thus fixed his plan of campaign, he prepared and sent to each will receive an important Mes she will send her address to Adjutant Homer at the Gilsey House."

London Guyed Her. Mrs. Kilpatrick, a well-known American cyclist, upon her return from a reeent visit in London, said:

"It is impossible for a woman to
ride comfortably in London unless said
keeps to the parks. Rude boys, men
and women stand on the sidewalk and lators, then it was a mistake of the

and women stand on the sidewalk and shout all sorts of outrageous things as you pass. They cry out 'You ought to be ashamed, 'You are a disgrace to the country,' 'You are no lady.'

Mr. Kilpatrick and I rode down town one day, I wore a skirt only six inches from the ground. When a rain come on I dismouated and took my come on I dismounted and took my wheel under an awning to wait until wheel under an awning to wait until the shower was over. Somehow I lost Charley in the crowd. Over 500 people gathered to look at me. They blocked the pavement and actually stopped the traffic in the street. I called a paliceman to protect me, and he said, 'You've no business to be down here on a wasel dressed that way, and he stepped back in the crowd. This was enough for the mob. crowd. This was enough for the mob They began to guy me and I again called the policeman. This time he asked me how one or two policemen. could disperse such a crowd, less than two minutes to scatter them and if they could not do it alone they would call for help. Then I tried to make my way into the street to a cab and the men and women poked umbrellas and canes at my wheel, trying to break the spokes. I was almost killed by a wagon, and the drivers of the first two cabs that passed said they were engaged. The third had a man were engaged. The third had a main in it, but he saw my predicament, jumped out and told me to get in. As he lifted my wheel up, the mob tried to pull it out, and he raised his cane and threatened to strike the next man who dared to touch it. They followed the cab for two blocks, yelling like savages, and in the heart of London."

The great value of the Shetland pony with hardiness and surprising strength with hardiness and surprising strength for so small an animal. These desirable qualities are the result of long breeding in a hilly, rocky country, where pasture is scarce and the weather often severe. These last facts lessen the size, so that the animal may more easily conform to its surroundings. The strength of the limbs is also increased by the labor needed to climbills in which its native home abounds. Bred on lower and level and, with abundant feed, the Shetland land, with abundant feed, the Shetland land, with abundant reed, the Shethand pony increases in size, and also loses some of the shagginess of mane, tall and fetlocks which are its distinctive characteristics. Even in Shetland, as the foreign demand for ponies make re valuable, the tendency is them more valuable, while growing better feed and care. This increases size and per-haps lessens hardiness. But this last is a quality only gained through heavy of young animals, which pershed under the old method of manage ished under the old method of management, leaving only the most hardy to survive. But if even in Shetland the conditions which created the Shetland pony are disappearing, it may be just as well to have this breed become re nearly the size that average hors The Shetland was always, outside its native home, a breed for fancy use rather than for either work

A certain medical specialist was very much in the habit of using a notebook to assist his memory. In the course of time his aged father died. The worthy doctor attended the funeral as chief nourner with due solemnity. At the close he was observed to draw out a 'Mem .: Bury father.'

COURAGEOUS HINDUS.

They Fenriessly Attack Wild Animals

and Behar are wonderfully courageous, and the bravest deed that I ever wit nessed says a writer in Gentleman's Magazine, was performed in the coolest manner possible by two of my own domestic servants. One morning, while a mad jackal rushed through the grounds and went under a raised go-down, which was close to the bungalow. I left the veranda for my gun, and on my return I discovered two of my servants armed with hog spears creeping under the godown until they came within striking distance of the jackal, when they quickly transfixed him with their spears. The offer of a bank check on the Bank of England would not have induced me to act in the way that these brave fellows did. An old mihtar (sweeper), a man of the lowest caste in my service, who was nearly bent double with age, was the smartest hand at killing a venomous snake that I ever knew. The old felow used to sit up at night in the fowl house for the purpose of destroying the cobras that came after the eggs; and one morning before dawn I stepped into the veranda of my bungalow in time to see him pulling a karait out of a hole with one hand, which grasped the reptile's tail, while in the other hand was held a stick, which promptly descended on the karit's head as soon as it appeared in view. It was all done sery neatly and smartly, and as quietly as if the old man had been crushing a

RID A TOWN OF RATS

beetle.

Nobody has seen or heard of a rat says the New York Sun. In July when and everybody was in a panic over their destructive work, a coasting schooner came there for wood, and the captain sold Ben Wardell a receipt for killing the animals. For a week or two Wardell went from house to house selling a yellowish gray powder, which he offered to give away if it failed to destroy the pests. Then the rats began to die. Their bodies were found in outouses and cellars and in ditches by the oadside. The smell was bad for a me, but the rats were gone and not one has been seen since. The compo-ition of the powder remained a secret entil Wardell enlarged his business and began to sell it in other towns. The Castine druggist was naturally anxious to know what killed the rats, and made ote of the articles which Wardell bought. He never asked for any kind of poison, but the drug vender believed that he purchased more calcine plaster than any ordinary man had need of using. He mentioned it to Wardell one lay, and the secret was out. The ratkilling powder was composed of Indian meal and calcine plaster in equal parts. The rats ate the mixture for the meal it thirst. The water caused the mass to harden in the stomachs of the rats, after which their digestive functions ceased to operate and the rats starved

MILK, BEER AND SUGAR.

The Diet on Which a Russian Has Lived for Twenty Years. who has fasted for 20 years, his sole daily diet during that time consisting of six pints of milk, three pints of beer and half a pound of Demerara sugar. His name, says the New York Times, is Morris Fox. He is an excelsays the New York wealthy, intelligent and wide-awake hospital they vainly tried to cure him he traveled to Konigsberg, when the sugar, milk and beer. He adopted their prescription and soon regained normal health. For 20 years no solid

food has passed his mouth. For the first time in history Queen lictoria has held a reception for some of her sailors. The affair took place at Osborne house after the return of the and after the ship reached Portsmout 24 officers and 284 men were presented to the queen personally.

After a Long Fight. At last, after a quarter of a century, are seems to be a disposition among British legislators to give the deceased wife's sister bill a real chance. It is stated that it will be taken up and passed at the next session of parlia-ment, thus taking away from the Britpassed at the next session of pa

tands the orders given him and carries Profitable Russian Busines The manufacture of steel rails has een so profitable in Russia that rall rolling mills have paid from 60 to 70 per

ploys a horse instead of a dog to keep the herd together. The horse under-

Woodpeckers Are Industrious Woodpeckers in California will carry corns 30 miles to store in their nests.

Cautious.
Bertha—Do you believe in love at Edith-I believe there are persons one more likely to love before she has had time to get acquainted with them than afterwards.—Bosten Transcript.

ur plates to-day. Mr. Bilkins-Did she assign any rea Ohio State Journal. The Right Man.

Didn't Finish Her Work

"I know the man has started the imssion that I'm an idiot, and I'm gog to kill him," roared Chappie, Don't. Suicide is so vulgar," said Cynicus.-Harlem Life. Cause and Effect. She-Mrs. Boozeford says her heart

is full to-night. A Petty Sin.

Geraldine-Well, I think it would be forgiven in your case.- N. Y. Truth.

"Who is this?"
"He is a crazy old fellow who believes himself to be John the Baptist.
He goes about preaching and is fed by the charitable. Everybody knows him hereabouts, from Kingston 'O'
"Stella went to New York last night with a relative and will not return for an indefinite time."
"With whom did she go? Why did 337 S. Main St., Butler ty, in excruciating pain, she drew herself, crawling, to the top of a huge Letson was moved by her distress and