

'What is it? Candy?"

"I didn't know candy was cooked. I thought it was just made." "How witty you have become since you went to the city!" she retorted,

with a mock bow. "Oh, you have no idea," he replied calmly. "Now you go and get your cake, and when you come back I'll have my spread ready."

May left the room, wondering what on earth was coming. Of course she rather expected a present or souvenir of some kind from him after he had nding with her for som been corresp nonths in as affectionate a vein as she would allow.

After she had left the room Harry stepped out into the hall and took a neat little package from his overcoat pocket. He placed it on the table aft. er unfastening the cord with which it s tied and waited for May. She returned presently with a plate of cake and a tray bearing steaming cups of

"Here is my part of the spread." she "and if you don't like it I am fraid there will be trouble.'

pushed the box toward her. May opened the box with as much curiosity as might be expected from

egg carefully packed in batting. "Why," she exclaimed, "I thought se that laid the golden egg was

"So it was, but this one was laid by

"Oh, and there is poetry on it too! I am afraid that is more than I can

read aloud:

"Will 'show the giver's mind.' Doe that mean that the egg is not more

"It isn't baked at all; it's boiled," he

likely to get into hot water too?"

"I trust not," he replied fervently. "But, say, this cake of yours is simply

compliment it too. But, co to think of it, an egg is something that should always take with a grain

"Not this one." he said eagerly. "This is an especial egg.

see if it is gold all the way through." "Oh, it is better than gold!"

"Now you are purposely misunder-

standing you at all."

stand me, Miss Hartley"-

I can't understand?"

let me see whether you understand of But don't save the egg for breakfast.

"Why shouldn't I care to open egg if it's real gold? I am afraid it is only plated!" she exclaim-

oluntary "Oh!" as soon as she saw what the egg had contained, and, foretting all about her anger, her face dushed with surprise and pleasure. Glancing up at her from the wreck of the egg. Harry saw the change of ex-

He began to laugh and, stepping across the room, picked up the engagemen ring with its flashing solitaire.

"And here is mine," he said as he

an ordinary girl. She found a golden

the goose that I killed long ago!

the great American hen especially for your Easter celebration."

Harry blushed modestly while she

"Try to eat me, and you'll find My contents show the giver's mind."

answered testily. "That means that it has been in hot

water. Does it follow that you are

"I suppose when I cat this egg I'll

of salt.

"Well, I'll have it for breakfast and

"Better? And it is going to show mind, so the poem says. Dear,

dear, I never thought you had such a wonderful mind!"

"On the contrary, I am not under-

"I wish I could make you under

Why, do you find me so stupid that

'No; I simply find you too clever to

fast. Perhaps you wouldn't care to open it at the table with the chilits size. It is the largest fresh water lake on the Aslatic or the European

om 16 to 65 miles in width

ing a spot where the gold leaf It is the inevitable.-Chicago News.

the big Endians and the little Endians A lover's feelings are more soft and sens n are the tender horns of cockled So it is no wonder that their tender

eelings were wounded by this trifle. As Harry rose angrily from the table he accidentally struck figainst it in such a way that the golden egg, which May had put down, started to roll to-

ward the edge, and before either of of one kind to set the fashion for stat ed observances. But Easter had its them noticed what was happening it fell to the floor with a crash. As it did so it burst asunder, and something traditions and there was so little to make the burden of border life agreebounced out that could not help at-tracting attention. As it rolled off into able that every event was seized upon by the young as an excuse for frolick-

corner every turn threw out sparkles prismatic light. May uttered an in-The Easter egg somehow appealed to all people.of whatever lineage. An article of food and commerce, treasured like gold at ordinary times, the egg was encused from fixed duty on

Easter and given over to the carnival n on her face, and the absurdity mob for all kinds of sport. If nothing ' his anger came over him like a flash. more delirious was thought of, there was an egg feast all day, with a menu of fried, boiled, sc:ambled or poached

"If you won't try to eat my Easter eggs at every mea!. Small boys lookd forward to Easter, or "Paas," much Igg." he said, "I'd like a chance to eat my angry words of the last few minthe same as to Fourth of July. They vanted eggs by the hatful, the bas

ketful or the barrelful, and they stole "All right," said May, "and I'll join hem as shimelessly as city urchins

the fuel for bonfires. He looked fair into her laughing even Dyed in various colors, the Easter eggs came from hidden stores for the then took her unresisting hand in his and slipped the ring on her finger. family feast, and when the amusement "Can you understand the giver's

of stealing and dyeing for general use mind now?" he asked. "Yes," she whispered. became too tame the boys also laid by stores for a vagabond feast in the "And do you object to it?" She made woods. Eggs were roasted in ashes

to answer, but it was one of those ases where an inswer in words is enand devoured with the relish that goes tirely superfluous. When he finally de-cided that he "really must go now," he with an opt of doors appetite. To lend further zest to the feast the boys of tooped down to pick up the remains one neighborhood would raid the hid-

of his Easter egg and found that it was den stores of another. If the party for tomorrow. roken fairly in the middle between raided was a ert, there would happen "Y-e-s, and I wish I had a new hat, a scramble as fierce and bloody as a football rush. If the contest was close, There was silence f the big and little ends. "Look!" he exclaimed. "Fate has arbitrated our discussion. The shell has broken just where I had cut the hole

in it to put in the ring." "That's all right," said May saucily. in the long run in this recklessness, for the boys who reveled in an Easter "I wonder where that purp is?" "I accept the decision, but I think we had better have scrambled eggs and omelets for awhile at first."

the remainder of the year. Hoped to Strike the Right One.

"Here are half a dozen prescription people down to their common tastes at As they sto would like to have you fill as soon as ou can," wheezed Rivers.

"I can see they are all for the cure of cold," remarked the druggist, looking "It's this way," explained Rivers. oyous thoughts.

New clothes on Easter Sunday is an ished. "When I had the other cold, I tried all these. One of 'em cured me, but I old custom. An ancient verse runs in bed and floor can't remember now which one it this strain:

## was."-Chicago Tribune.

To Be Considered. "I see that your town has been con sidering the idea of imposing a tax on bachelors." "Yes," answered the young woman,

but we thought it over, and we concluded that the men might be mean nough to take the money to pay it out for what they spend for caramels and

theater tickets."-Washington Star. sway, and woman should imitate the trees and the plants by putting on bon Lake Baikal's greatest distinction is

largest fresh water fresh adornme The maids and swains of Ireland In continent, being 400 miles long and the good old days indulged in what hat!"

they called the "dance of joy" at the dawn of Easter. Happiness is a cure

Before submitting to the inevitable a for evil, and perhaps in the evolution wise man takes pains to ascertain that of creeds and customs the great spring-ti is the inevitable.—Chicago News. tide festival may become again a car-

ing his peculiarities. He never made mor and customs to the celebration of Christmas presents; be never observed Eastertide. Now it is typical of the birthdays; he did not regard Easter as esurrection of our Lord, again of the the proper day to bring out new head bursting forth of spring and to some Mrs. Dubbs had always rebelle gear. folks of lively yet conventional views about the latter, and the time had final ly come when she meant to break out in open defiance. She began long the close of a long season of fasting and denial. Among the pioneers of the

weeks ahead to cut nickels and dimes off the household expenses and lay American border there was little unity of religious faith and often not enough them aside for another purpose, at when at last Easter drew near counted up her savings and found th sum sufficient to buy what her sou craved for. She didn't expect that Dubbs would be pleased, but if sh got out of it without a solemn lectur

she would be more than satisfied. Queerly enough. Mr. Dubbs had no mly come to the conclusion that h needed a new hat, after wearing hi old one for five years, but he so fa went back on his record as to decid to bring it out Easter Sunday. considerable scheming on his part t buy a new "plug" and get it hou left of them except the nails, eyelet deposit the box on the spare bed up and maybe part of the heels." stairs the day before Easter, and, al

though he was home when his new bonnet arrived in its bandbox. was sneaked up stairs into the spa room and left beside his hat witho

his being any the wiser. That evening as Mr. Dubbs was r turning home from the store he found puppy on the doorstep shivering with the cold, and in the goodness of hi heart, for he was good in streaks, he

picked up the pup and carried it in-side. In the goodness of her heart Mrs. Dubbs welcomed and fed the stranger, and, instead of turning it out in the cold world, she let it remain and dyspepsia called pessimism. It tends to rob the working day of its reward.make itself at home. Shortly befor Dr. F. L. Oswald in Success. bedtime Mrs. Dubbs smiled to herself

as she looked over at her husband an said: She-Harry, you said something last typening that made me feel so bad. "John, I do wish I had a new bonn

ce for a time as sh

then ergs raw or ergs burning hot were fired into the faces of the com-batants. Perhaps there was economy ed up and remarked: know that I have to share your love

feast didn't have any appetite for eggs as she looked around. It was a race between them to the In olden times the church gave to Easter a festal coloring by letting the easter a festal coloring by letting the

he close of Leix. Witty stories and the door of the inecdotes were told to arouse the spare room the "paschal laugh." With all nature smiling in spring it was natural that the human heart should open itself to 

had nearly fin-

this strain: At Easter let your clothes be new Or else be sure you will it rue. There were many superstitions about th

new clothes for Easter, and Shake- crown, and minspeare records the custom. Vanity and gled with them change of the seasons may be at the bottom of the modern notion of don. bottom of the modern notion of don- straw and glass bottom of the modern house of the straw and glass ning new gowns and bonnets at Eas-tertide, but it is also a happy and inno-

in the cent way of expressing joyousness. pup had done his 112 - 92 Lent is over, pleasure may resume its best. "My Easter

2-2-0 t!" wailed the wife. "My Easter

- Far et the husband. And that was

carbonic acid gas which they contain hat all nature but itself was grieving My contention is that the upper classe Then it bent low its head and dopne by their habit of constantly imbibin garments of mourning and began to weep. Still it hangs its head in someffervescent beverages, which are solutions of carbonic acid of greater or les ber attire and still each petal sheds a strength, so prepare their mucous tis pearly tear. sues as to make them a favoring host The veronica gets its name from

to the cancerous fungus, if fungus it semblance to the imprint of Christ's be.-London Medical Times. eatures left on St. Veronica's hand kerchief when she pressed from out he throng and wiped the perspiration

first parents. Adam sent Abel to an angel to petition him to show them the

nath back to the garden of Eden. The

ngel gave Abel three seeds and dire

ed him to plant them, saying that from

heir trunks would spring the path to

ost to us by the weakness of the first

The most forlorn looking object in

this world is a man guest around the

PARAGONS OF DUTY.

Droll Legends of Filial Plety as

The Japanese make much of the duty

bsurd. There is a group of such tales

ons of Filial Piety," some of which Ir, Basil Hall Chamberlain collects in

One is the story of the paragon whos

ruel stepmother was very fond of fish

n spite of her harsh treatment he lay

ked on a frozen lake until his body

nelted a hole in the ice. He caugh

two fish that came up to breathe and

other paragon lay incovered at night In order that the mosquitoes should

fasten on him aline and allow his

poor, determined to sacrifice his own child in order to save food to support

parents to slumber undisturbed. Still another, who was extrem

his aged mother. He was rewar

by heaven with the discovery of a v

sel filled with gold, on which the who

fourth gave her father a chance to

tiger which was about to dev

they had an infant son.

family lived happily ever after. A

cape while she clung to the jaws of th

The drollest story of all is of Rova

clothes and sprawl about the floor. His

object was piously to delude his par-

ents, who were more than ninety year

of age, into the idea that they could not be so very old after all, seeing that

shi. This paragon, although sevent

years old, used to dress in baby

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triving for his life. That wouldn't be poetic theme, and he has nothing to

a poetic theme, and he has housing to do with a theme that is not poetic. As a matter of fact the old well and its familiar bucket have been the means of diseasing whole neighborhoods. The microbe is everywhere, and the easiest vehicle for its introduction into the body is perhaps the water we drink. We can't keen the microbe out. We can

THE DANGER OF DISEASE

does not lie in the strength of the microbe but in the weakness of the body. When the blood is impure the microbe has a vantage ground from

which to operate. When the blood is pure disease fails to find a breeding

ground, and the microbe strives in vair ground, and the microbe strives in the healthy

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The Three Meal Habit.

Our three meal habit is a fearful ta: on our working capacity. It trebles the emptation to overeating. Our cham

Her Sorrow.

-What was it, dearest?

veetest girls in all the world.

He-And aren't you, darling?

She-You said I was one of

She-You said "one of the sweetest.

Oh, Harry, to think I should live t

An Old Hand.

"What was the first thing your hus

band said when you got started or

have a smoke.' You know it was the

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nuite a military air about her.

"Excuse me while I go forward and

He-

with another!

Herald.

ria.

your wedding journey

ments.-Chicago News.

aradise. The seeds were planted, and ne tree at least was flourishing at the pions stagger under the weight of hysiological handicap. One-half the me Solomon erected his temple. This functional energy of the system is ditree was cut down to furnish a ridge verted by the exigencies of digestion. No other hygienic mistake has done so pole, but after it was brought in it was found to be too short. Then it was much to make us a generation of dyscast aside and lay waste by the pool of peptics as the custom of after dinner Bethesda until it was taken to work. Its victims, moreover, incur the the cross, which, according to Chris risk of contracting that form of moral anity, will guide us to the paradise