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thinks," she said in a calm, even tone,

onies of his creed and the sublime truths of Christ's code. He was in-deed the spiritual rather of his people. No wonder Rene's scowling expression changed to one of abject self concern when the priest's name was suddenly connected with his mood. The content sional loomed up betere the eyes of his conscience and his knees smote togeth-

er, spiritually if not physically "Now," said Alice brusqueity, but while sweet and gentle firmness, go to your flancee, go to pretty and good Adrienna, and ask her to be your partenaire. Refresh your conscience with a noble draft of duty and make that dear with law of the good with the constitution of the constitution little girl overflow with Joy. Go, Ren

de Ronville."

Rene felt his soul cowering, even sinking, but he tairly maintained good face, and went a without saying another.

ing another word.
"Ciel, ciel, how beautiful she is!" he thought, as he walked along the nar-row street in the dreamy sunshine. But she is not for me, not for me.' ditty, something about "La belle Jean-

Days passed, and at last the time of

a lively racket of clashing voices and rhythmical feet. When the Roussillon party arrived it attracted condensed attention. Its importance, naturally of the greatest in the assembled popular mind, was enhanced—as mathematicians would say, to the nth power—by the gown of Alice. It was resplendent indeed in the simle, unaccustomed eyes upon which it asked with a buff silken glory. Matrons stared at it, maidens gazed with fascinated and jealous vision, men young and old let their eyes take full liberty. It was as if a queen, arrayed in a robe of state, had entered that dingy log edifice, an apparition of dazdancers swung together and stopped in

The Butler Book Bindery. of resplendency, appeared quite uncondelight upon Rene's strong arm, felt the stir of excitement and wondered what was the matter, being too short to see over the heads of those around her.

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ALICE of OLD VINCENNES

into which there swept a powerfu

anger, like a breath of flame. He recol-

It was as if a queen had entered.

lected how Alice had refused to wea

that dress when he had asked her, and

now she had it on. Moreover, there she stood beside Lieutenant Beverley, hold-

ing his arm, looking up into his face smiling, speaking to him.

"Oh, it's nothing," he presently an swered rather fretfully. Then he

stooped, lowered his voice and added: "It's Mile. Roussillon all dressed up

like a bride or something. She's got on

"How beautiful she must look!" cried

Rene put a hand on each side of her

slender waist and lifted her high, so that her pretty head rose above the

crowding people. Alice chanced to turn her face that way just then and saw

the unconventional performance. He

eyes met those of Adrienne and she gave a nod of smiling recognition. It

was but another demonstration of his

loudly for the dancers to take their

places. Oncle Jazon attacked his fiddle

with startling energy. Those who were

not to dance formed a compact double

thing but an exhilaration stirred to its utmost by Oncle Jazon's music. When

their dance was ended they followed the others of their set out into the open

air while a fresh stream of eager dancers poured in. Beverley insisted upon wrapping Alice in her mantle of un-

fire, but walked back and forth, chat

ting until their turn to dance should

some again, pausing frequently to ex

change pleasantries with some of the people. Curiously enough both of them

people. Curiously enough bond or them had forgotten the fact that other young men would be sure to ask Alice for a dance and that more than one pretty

creole lass was rightfully expecting

giddy turn with the stalwa t and hand-

some Lieutenant Beverley.

Renc de Renville before long broke
rudely into their setfish dream and led

Alice into the house. This reminder Beverley of his social duty; wherefore

lost sight of the floating buff gown, the

face, which formed, indeed, the cente

could again secure Alice for a dance and he found it annoying him atro

clously to see her smile sweetly of

some buckskin clad lout who looked like an Indian and danced like a Pari-

sian. He did not greatly enjoy mos

of his partners; they could not appea to any side of his nature just then

Not that he at all times stood too much on his aristocratic traditions, or lacked

the virile traits common to vigorou

present was somehow an absolute bar to a democratic freedom of the sort de-

manded by the occasion. He met

Father Beret and passed a few pleas

ant words with him.
"They have honored your flag, my

son, I am glad to see," the priest said, pointing with a smile to where, in one

corner, the banner that bore Alice's

It was some time before Beverley

of attraction for all eyes.

Ance. Nor was Bever-

eeing little Adrienne Bourcier. made a rush and secured her at a swoop from the must of a scrambling circle of mutually hindered young men.

in front, the taller in the rear. Alice and Barorlov were soon in the whirl of the dance, forgetful of every

a buff silk dress that M. Rous mother had in France."

the girl. "I wish I could see ber.

"I think you might tell me what has

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CHAPTER VII. THE MAYOR'S PARTY.

ELM was a good officer in many respects, and his patriotism was of the best; but he liked jolly company, a glass of something strong and a large share of ease. Detroit lay many miles northeastward across the wilderness, and the English, he thought, would scarcely come so far to attack his little post, especially now that most of the Indians in the intervening country had declared in favor of the Americans. Recently, too, the weather had been favoring him by changing from wet to dry, so that the upper Wabash and its soon be very difficult to navigate with

Very little was done to repair the stockade and dilapidated remnant of a blockhouse. There were no sufficient barracks, a mere shed in one angle serving for quarters, and the old can-non could not have been used to any effect in case of attack. As for the garrison, it was a nominal quantity, made up mostly of men who preferred nunting and fishing to the merest pretense of military duty.

Gaspard Roussillon assumed to know everything about Indian affairs and the condition of the English at Detroit. His optimistic eloquence lulled Helm to a very pleasant sense of security. Beverley was not so easy to satisfy, but his suggestions regarding military discipline and a vigorous prosecution happened," said Adrienne, pouting and of repairs to the blockhouse and stockade were treated with dilatory genialithing, and you won't tell me." ty by his superior officer. The soft wonder of a perfect Indian summer glorified land, river and sky. Why not dream and bask? Why not drink ex-hilarating toddies?

Meantime the entertainment to be given by Gaspard Roussillon occupied everybody's imagination to an unusual extent. Rene de Ronville, remember ing but not heeding the doubtful suc cess of his former attempt, went long beforehand to claim Alice as his partenaire, but she flatly refused him, once more reminding him of his obliga-tions to little Adrienne Bourcier. He would not be convinced.
"You are bound to me," he said. "You

promised before, you know, and the party was but put off. I hold you to it.
You are my partenaire and I am yours; that all this stir and crowding to see you can't deny that."

"No, you are not my partenaire," she firmly said, then added lightly, "Feu mon partenaire, you are dead and buried as my partner at that dance."

He glower of in silence for a few moments, then said:

nents, then said:
"It is Lieutenant Beverley, I sup-She gave him a quick, contemptuous

of her tantalizing smiles. "Do you imagine that?" she demand-"Imagine It! I know it." he said

with a hot flush. "Have I no sense?"
"Precious little," she replied with a and then ask him what he

her face growing serious.

There was,an awkward silence spot. He was nothing if not a devout Catholic, and his conscience rooted itself in what good Father Beret had

Father Beret was the humble, self effacing, never tiring agent of good in his community. He preached in a ten-

"Allons, ma petite!" he cried, quite in the gay tone of the occasion, and swung her lightly along with him.

It was like an easie dancing with a "Now," said Alice brusquely, but with linet, or a giant with a fairy, when the big Beutenant led out la petite Adrienne, as everybody called her. The honor of Beverley's attention sat unppreciated on Adriances mind, for a ter thoughts with with the cyes to gard Relie and

absorbed in his partner's behalf

ette, qu' a brise mon cœur."

he great event arrived. It was a crosty night, clear, sparkling with stars, a keen breath cutting down from the northwest. M. Roussillon, Mme. Roussillon, Alice and Lieutenant Beverley went together to the river house, whither they had been preceded by almost the entire population of Vinside, the crowd proving too great for the building's capacity, as there had to be ample space for the dancers. Merry groups hovered around the flaming logs, while within the house a fiddle sang its simple and ravishing tunes. Everybody talked and laughed; it was

name was effectively draped.

Beverley had not noticed it before and when he presently got possession of Alice he asked her to tell him the story of how she planted it on the fort, although he had heard it to the last detail from Father Beret just a ment ago. They stood together under its folds while she naively sketched the turesquely disagreeable interview with the story of the Indian's race with th stolen dame jeanne of brandy under his arm on that memorable night and the by Father Beret and her after she and confusion. But she, fortified by a while they stood there. Now and again a youth came to claim her, but she

tiptoeing and tugging at her compar

Rene was gazing in dumb admiration

in the company began to suggest adjournment. In the open lamps suspended here and there the oil was running low, and the rag wicks sputtered and winked with their yellow flames. "Well," said M. Roussillon, coming to where Alice and Beverley stood in-sulated and isolated by their great delight in each other's company, "it's time to go home."

Beverley looked at his watch. It was

a quarter to three! Alice also looked at the watch, and saw engraved and enameled on its massive case the Beverley crest, but she did not know what it meant. There was something of the sort in the back of her locket, she remembered with sat-

Just then there was a peculiar stir in Where was the commandant? arear had something important for

roice about the English getting ready for a descent upon the Wabash valley. This broke the charm which thralled him and sent through his nerves the bracing shock that only a soldier can feel when a hint of coming battle reaches him. Alice saw the flash in his face.

Where is Captain Helm? I must see him immediately. Excuse me," he said, abruptly turning away and looking over the heads of the people. "You-der he is; I must go to him." The coureur de bois, Adolphe Dutrem-

ble by name, was just from the head waters of the Wabash. He was speak-ing to Helm when Beverley came up. M. Roussillon followed close upon the ieutenant's heels, as eager as he to know what the message amounted to; but Helm took the coureur aside, mo-tioning Beverley to join them. M. Roussillon included himself in the con-

After all it was but the gossip of ed, still the purport was startling in large force. He was probably now on his way to the portage of the Wabash with a flotilla of batteaux, some companies of disciplined soldiers, artillery and a strong body of Indians. Helm listened attentively to Dutrem

tioned him with laconic directness. "Send Mr. Jazon to me," he said to M. Roussillon, as if speaking to a serv-The master Frenchman went prompt

ly, recognizing Captain Helm's right to sommand, and sympathizing with his unpleasant military predicament if the news should prove true. Oncle Jazon came in a minute, his

didle and bow clamped under his arm, to receive a verbal commission, which sent him with some scouts of his own choosing forthwith to the Wabash portage, or far enough to ascertain what the English commander was doing. After the conference deverley made haste to join Alice, but he found that she had gone home. "A fix we'll be in if Hamilton

omes down here with a good force," said Helm. Beverley was young, energetic, bellicose, and to him everything seemed possible; he believed in vigilance, discipline, activity, dash; he had a great faith in the efficacy of enthusics. personal popularity. He bowed and waved a vast hand. But the master of ceremonies called

"We must organize these French-men," he said. "They will make good as, a body. There's no time to be lost, but we have time enough in which to do a great deal before Hamilton can

the English with open arms. I knew 'em. They're good heartest, polite and all that; they'll hurrah for the sag-that's easy enough—but put 'em over the resu to the test and they'll join in with the course there are a few exceptions. There's Jazon, he's all right, and I have faith in Bosseron, and Legrace,

"Is much of a blowhard," Helm tates-rupted, with a laugh. "Parks laud, but his biting disposition is probably not

"He and Father Beret control the Beverley "Yes, and such a population!

While joining in Captain Helm's laugh at the expense of Vincennes, mental reservation in favor of Alice. His heart was full of her She had With a wonderful, haunting song. And yet, in his pride-and it was not a false pride, but rather a noble regard for his birthright—he vaguely realized how far she was from him, how impossible.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

An Execution Under Indian Laws. ulprit, and he was condemned to law. On the day of the execution hi coffin had been placed on two chairs under a big oak tree, which still stands in the old courthouse yard in Cowets He requested them to let him see the coffin, and he stood by its side, gaze sadly into it and said it was all right. coffin. He took his seat, pulled off his boots and said he was ready. Captain Childers, the sheriff, pinned a small blue ribbon on the lapel of Davis' vest over the heart. The prisoner viewed all this with composure and unconcern. Two men, one with a double barreled shotgun and the other with a Spencer rifle, took their places mand was given, ready, aim, fire! Both shots were simultaneous. The blue ribbon was hit, a convulsive tremor and poor Daniel Davis was no more Old men wept, and many were the tears that were shed for this poor ful blood Indian who had taken the life of his erring brother-in-law.-Coweta

ancholy Rufus Choate said, "a book is when a book is attacked and even de nounced its destiny of fame is only confirmed, as the vivacious and cheery daring author to help on his latest pub lication suggested that he could only purgatorius. Yet if a book is to be mately rest on the author, even as the brilliant Lady Eastlake complained she was tired and begged to rest novelists: "Things are written now to awhile, smiling so graciously upon each one that his rebuff thrilled him as if it are read as often as they deserve. A small house of great beauty. One is a book in old times took five years to write and was read 500 times by 500 summer bed, the other for winter. The summer bed is hand carved and inlaid had been the most flattering gift of ten-der partiality, while at the same time people. Now it is written in three with ivory and bone figures and landsuspected that it was all for Beverpeople. Now it is written in three months and read once by 500,000 people. That's the proper proportion."—
Thomas Wentworth Higginson in Atlantic.

The wood. The bed and furniture are of carved bamboo. The bed consists of the wood. Helm in his most jovial mood was It was late when fathers and mothers

FOR THE TEST

Jerseys at the World's Fair Are Expected to Show That They Are Superior to All Other Breeds.

at the World's Fair at St. Louis to repmonths' grind on a day's notice.

W. R. Spann of the Burr Oak Jerse the flagging crowd. Some one had arrived, a coureur de bois from the north, and he was thorough in his work. He and he was thorough in his work. He passed a week on the Exposition grounds, and much of the time was spent in and around the Jersey cattle Beverley heard a remark in a startled barn, and the condition of each individual of the herd of forty cows was definitely ascertained.

Never was more intelligent and careful treatment lavished on animals. No athlete was ever better trained for a contest requiring the development of speed, skill and endurance than has been this herd of Jerseys. When it is known that this herd is to compete with selected herds of Holsteins, Short-horns, Brown Swiss and Devons, and the herd making the best score for the production of butter, milk and chees is to establish the standing of the various breeds, the importance of the cows being in perfect condition may

For a solid year the Jerseys have been in constant training. Twenty five cows will participate in the con test. Cows were selected from the best herds in the United States.
Dr. J. J. Richardson, president of the American Jersey Cattle Club, un der whose auspices this entry is made, toured Europe and visited the famed the extreme. Governor Hamilton, so the story ran, had been organizing a nated. He was seeking the best cows Isle of Jersey, where the breed origibut returned satisfied that Europe could show no cows that were better

than those bred in America.

Though only twenty-five cows will participate in the test, forty cows were selected. They were assembled at Jerseyville, Ill., a year ago. This is near St. Louis, and the cattle have be-come acclimated. Last December they were removed to St. Louis. The cows are the property of individual members of the club and are loaned for the term of the test. C. T. Graves, a breeder at Maitland, Mo., was selected as the superintendent to have charge of the cattle, and he has been highly complimented by Dr. Richardson and Inspector Spann for the wonderfully fine condition in which he has placed the

A series of model dairy barns have been built for the breeds competing in the test. The barns are octagonal in form, and are so arranged that the cows are in the center and a wide promenade permits visitors to pass around and view the cows as they

stand in their stalls. The milking and feeding are to be done in plain view of the public, and representatives of the various herds will at all times have access to all the barns to see that no sharp practices

The test not only consists in showing the amount of butter, milk and duction is taken into consideration. Every ounce of food given each cow is weighed and carefully recorded. When the cows are milked, the milk is con-

over the result of the present test. He demonstrated their superiority over all other breeds when placed in competi-tion, and this time they will show to better advantage than ever. Not only is the Jersey milk richer in butter fat than the milk of any other breed, says

"We are going to make all other breeds take to the woods after this test," said Mr. Graves, "A few days ago I was testing some of our Jersey milk, and my hands were all sticky and greasy from the enormous amo of butter fat the milk contained: Von Heyne, who is in charge of the milk for me to test. Of course, from a commercial standpoint, there was no comparison between the milk, but it was a pleasure to test his milk, for when I got through there was no grease on my hands. After this I will have a bucket of Holstein milk round handy to wash my hands in after testing our own rich Je The test begins May 16 and contin-

Unique California Map. A unique exhibit at the World's Fair nia. It is a large map, so colored as to show the character of the various soils of the state. It gives a clear idea of the ties that cannot be cultivated are shown the Sierras, the lava beds and the desert. The map indicates the location of the cultivable portions of the nountains and Mohave plateau and nature of the foothills and valleys of that wonderful state.

CURIOUS THINGS FROM CHINA The Most Magnificent Beds Ever See World's Fair Exhibit.

The Chinese exhibit at the World's

of furniture are a part of this wonder ful display. The carving and inlaying marvelous skill of the Chinese. Models included in this interesting exhibit show the homes and home life of the Chinese, their weddings and funerals, Chinese tea house, restaurant and shop, Chinese weaving an some of the beautiful silks and wear-ing apparel of the Chinese and their methods of manufacturing them.

is the sleeping apartment, there is a couch with coverings of gauzy silks.

The winter bed is still more elaborate. It consists of three compartments. The first contains four chairs, a ten poy and a chest of drawers. This is the sitting apartment. The second is the dressing room, and the third is the sleeping apartment, or the couch itself. The furniture is of rosewood inlaid with ivory carving of birds, flowers and trees. The couch is covered with silks

laid with ivory figures.

A table and dish made of highly polished ash, with exquisitely carved bamboo figures inlaid, are shown. The work is so artistically done that each article seems to have been made of

one piece of wood.

There is also a large display of Chinese lanterns made of silk, gauze and other light material and some made of beads artistically arranged with gluss centers. The silk and gauze are beautifully hand painted.

There are models of some of the

great Chinese temples, theaters and arches, showing elaborate carving in wood and ivory and two large elephant tusks exquisitely carved.

WHARFAGE FREE AT ST. LOUIS

ter Craft at World's Fair City. Free wharfage will be given to al oats landing at St. Louis during the leary of the Exposition and Joseph P. Whyte, harbor and wharf commissioner of St. Louis, have decided on the locations assigned to the various kinds

Yachts, steam launches and all boats propelled by their own power have been assigned wharf space between Choteau avenue and Biddle street. These streets, running east and west, form the boundary lines for the central business district of the city.

House bozts have been assigned wharf space north of Biddle street and south of Choteau avenue.

Sf. Louis has a river front of twen-ty miles. The Broadway line of the Transit company parallels the river from the city limits on the north to Jefferson Barracks on the south. At ao point are the cars more than five plocks from the Mississippi river. The World's Fair may be reached for one fare by transferring to any of the eight lines that cross Broadway and reach the Exposition grounds.

No charge will be made for wharf-

age. Application for space should be made to the harbor and wharf commissioner at the City Hall, on Twelfth street, between Market street and Clark avenue. THE WINTER OF 1861.

The winter of 1861 was noted for being one of the coldest, and, in fact, it was the coldest one, in the century. The coldest day of the winter was Fri-

"Your theory is excellent, lieutenant, but the practice of it won't be worth much," Helm replied with perfect good nature. "I'd like to see you organize these parly voos. There ain't a dozen of 'em that wouldn't accept the English with open arms. I know the content of the English with open arms. I know the content of th similar test at Chicago during the Co-lumbian Exposition and carried off tered 40 to 50 below zero in Androscog-gin, and in Aroostook county it was

Vanalhaven took a horse and sleigh and, together with the Hon. Martin Kiff, who was the representative to the legislature from Vinalhaven, cruised from Vinalhaven to North Haven, then to Saddle Island, then to Camden and thence across country to Augusta, where he left Kiff and returned to Vismallest of the standard breeds, and he asserts that they consume less feed. They assimilate their food, and it is converted into milk and butter and is not used in building up and sugarable.

GRINNING MATCHES. An Accepted Form of Sport In Early English Days. That grinning matches were an ac-cepted form of sport in early English nouncing a gold ring to be grinned for heath, in Warwickshire, which appear ed in the Post-Boy of Sept. 11 and 17, 1711, supplemented by the suggestion that all the country fellows within ten miles of the Swan should grin an hour or two in their glasses every morning extraordinary competition.

Addison gives a detailed account of one of these "co troversies of faces," telling us that the audience unanimous

produced several new grins of his own faces for many years together over his this: "At the very first grin he cast every human feature out of his counte-nance; at the second he simulated the bass viol and at the fifth a pair of nut crackers." Addison adds that a comely wench, whom he had wooed in vain for with his grins that she married him the following week, the cobbler using the prize as his wedding ring.

In Cuba there has never apparently been any dearth of face powder even among the lowliest. The Cuban wom-

enteen," considers powder a more neces-sary article of the toilet than soap and

water and utterly indispensable to her

attractiveness, which it is her absolute duty to preserve. All classes of the community are devoted to the powder

puff, from the little six-year-old orphan in the asylum to the lady of high de-

Fair is filled with pleasing surprise Some of the most magnificent article

magnificent Chinese beds, each

Hydrogen forms a part of marly all

ed with carbon. The growing plant is provided with roots spread out in the moist earth, while the part which is above-ground is provided with leaves that come in contact with a great quantity of air. By some myster of the finest texture and in gaudy colof the finest texture and in gaudy cor-ors. The sleeping compartments are lighted with Chinese lanterns of silk hung at the outer entrance, while the light enters through gauze panels, hand painted and in forms of rosewood inpainted and in forms of rosewood inatmosphere. The roots take up water, and it flows up through the trunk of the tree, while at the same time the carbonic acid gas of the atmosphere is lecomposed, the oxygen set free and seen that in both cases oxygen is set free, and the hydrogen of the water is combined with the carbon of the atmosphere, forming a true hydrocarbon, which in many cases constitutes the

greater part of the weight of the plant.
The fibrous material so formed is
generally known as cellulose. Pure cotton and paper pulp made from wood are examples of pure cellulose. If cel-lulose is plunged into strong nitric acid the hydrogen is displaced by what are known as "nitrogen groups"—that is, oxygen in chemical combination with nitrogen enters the substance, decom-posing it and driving out the hydrogen and supplanting it. The action of the nitric acid upon the cellulose produces water, which reduces the strength of the acid, and to avoid this a considera-ble quantity of very strong sulphuric acid is mixed with the nitric acid. This absorbs the water as fast as it is formed, keeping the nitric acid, as one might say, in a dry state. When cotton has been nitrated in this way and then very carefully washed for many hours to deprive it of every trace of its acid and dried, it becomes gun cutton, chemically known as trinitrocellulose. If, however, the acids are weak, then collodion cotton is produced, which is known to chemistry as dinitrocellu-lose. It is only trinitrocellulose, how-

ever, that is employed in the manufacture of high explosives. But cellulose is by no means the only material that can be nitrated. There are, in fact, hundreds of materials which may be thus converted into exwhich may be thus converted into ex-plosives, and all are nitrated in prac-tically the same manner—namely, by being dropped into strong nitric acid. When glycerin, which is the sugar of known of explosives. Nitroglycerin and gun cotton form the basis of a great number of smokeless powders. When carbonic acid (phenol) is ni-trated, it is called trinitrophenol, or pierie acid. But pierie acid was made

more than a century ago from indigo. It crystallizes in brilliant yellow scales, and it dyes all animal tissue an in-tensely brilliant yellow. It was used many years in the arts as a dyeing agent before its true character as an explosive was known. Picric acid is indeed a very peculiar substance. Al-though one of the most violent explo-sives known, it is one of the safest. If thrown into a white not furnace, it day, Feb. 25, and is known as cold Friday. There had been a heavy storm of light, fine snow. It cleared off cold, and the wind blew a perfect the copen air, it burns with a yellow, ful. The air was filled with snow so the open air, but if confined in a strong thick one could see only a rod or two receptacle and ignited by a strong fulreceptacle and ignited by a strong ful-minating charge it detonates with terrific violence, reducing the receptacle into fine fragments.—Harper's Weekly.

Beaver Dam Brook the settlement was made. This brook name, and it has always been known It is to be hoped that the present stringent law, which makes it illegal to tee on the harbor was covered with kill beaver at any time, may be in-akaters.—Lewiston Journal. able animal, but such results can hard-

ly be expected.-Maine Woods. Vandyke, who was a pupil of Ru-bens, had much pride in his own work, as is shown in the following tale: The to paint a picture for them, and when it was done and they saw it the canons called him a "dauber" and went away man then and had no redress, but afte awhile some critics passed upon the picture and declared it to be wonderful. The canons were sorry for their commission for two more pictures. ut Vandyke was on his dignity, and he sent them word that there were plenty of "daubers" in their own place without calling upon those of Ant-

One day a gentleman gave half a crown to a "deaf and dumb" beggar, who, quite taken off his guard by such al munificence, exclaimed: "Bless

"Hello!" said the gentleman. "I thought you were dear and dumb."
"So I was, sir," replied the beggar, "but your extraordinary generosity, shock-to the system that it has restored my speech and hearing. Bless you again, sir, a thousand times."—

UNDER THE ROSE.

The Term Which Stands as the Sym-Sir T. Browne, in his "Inquirles Into Vulgar Errors," dated 1646, says of the old phrase sub rosa, "The expression is endable, if the rose from any naturall propertie may be the symbole of silence," and goes on to quote some Latin lines which represent the rose-bud folded in its sheath as an emblem

gree. In any Cuban school teachers and pupils are alike unsparingly pow-dered, and a powder box is to be found observed "in society and compotation from the ancient custome in Symposi-acke meetings to wear chaplets of roses in every desk and as likely as not keep-ing company with the chalk used for the blackboard. about their heads."

Others derive the expression from the fable that Cupid gave a rose to Har-pocrates, the god of silence, as a bribe pocrates, the god of silence, as a bribe to prevent the disclosure of the amours men bave noticed the face of the "man There are many records of rose

guests that words spoken in convivial

in the moon. But, besides this, many other objects are supposed to be visible. The dark markings on the surface are pounding rice. In India they are said to resemble a rabbit. To the Persians It is said that in 1526 roses conse they seem like the earth's oceans and continents reflected in a mirror.