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DARBY AND JOAN. When Darby saw the soft ng sun, He as ung his scythe and home he run. Sat down, drauk of his quart. and said, " My work is done !'," retorted Joan, " 'My work is done !'," retorted Joan, " 'My work is done !' your constant tone But helpless women never can say for work is done till judgment day. Young men can sleep all night, but we Must toil." "Whose fau t.is that !" quoth he, ' I know your meaning," Jean replied " But sir, my tongue shall not be tied, I will go on, and let you know What work poor women have to do F rst in the morning, though we fe Sick as drunkards whon they reel,-Yes fisel such pains in back hoad As would confine you men to bed, We ply the brash, we wield the broot We air the beds, and right the room The cows must be milked-and then We get the breakfast for the men. Ere this is done with whimpering cries, And bristling hair the children rise ; They must be dressed and dosed with rue, At early dawn, e e Phonbus rose, Old Joan resumed her tals of wee-When Da by thus-" I'll end the strife, When Da by thus..... I'll end the strike Be you the man and I the wife ; Take you the scythe and mow, while I Will all your blasted cares surply." "Content," quoth Joan, "give me my stint;" This Darby did and out she went. Old Darby rose and seiz.d the broom And whirled the dirt about the room ; Which having done, he scarce know how He hi d to mi k the brindto cow; The brindte cow whished round her tall In Daryb's eyes and kicked the pail; An paryon eyes and Ricked the pail; The clower perplexes with g ief and pain Sween he'd new, rity to mlik again; Wh n turning round in sad smaže, He saw his cottage in a blaze— For as he changed to hugh the room For as he chanced to brush the room In careless haste he fired the broom The fire at last subsided, he swore The broom and his actionlet, is shown The broom and his headld meet no more; Pres ed by misf. stude and perplexed Darhy prepared for breakfast text. But what to get he scarcely know-The bread was sprnt and the butter too, Hi-hands bedau ed with paste and flour Old D rby labored for a half an hour, But luckless frig: t ! thou could not make, The br ad take form of lost or cake. As overv door wide optu stood As every door whee open stood, In pushed the sow i. quest of food ; And stumbling onwards, with her snou Overset the churn—the cream ran out, And Darby turned, the sow to beat, The slipp ry cr. au betray, d his fost; He caught the bread trough in his fall, And down came Darby, troogh and all. The children wakened by the clatter, Start up the cry : " Oh I what's the matt Old J wlor barked, and Tabby mewed, And hopless Darby cried aloud, Roturn my Jean as heretofore, I'll play the housewife part no more Since now by ad expe. lence taught Compared to thine my work is naught, Hencef, rth, as business calls, I'll take, tent the plough, the sey he, the r And never more transgress the line, Our fates are marked while thou art mine Then, Joan, return as heredofore, J'll vex your honest of ut no more : HOW A CROSS HUSBAND W. OURED. I was a model husbaud in a dream, Where things are not exactly what they seen

sister, and buried her pink face in Eve-" All, and everything I require ?" lyn's neck. " Yes all and everything you require "Don't scold me, my Evy, please, confound it all " know I have been naughty to tease Luke Wisely deaf to the muttered sequel Mrs. Darcy opened the door, and Mr. "You have spoke nothing but the Darcy walked out, looking right over th truth," said Evelyn, quickly, "Clara, top of her shining brown hair. sometimes I wonder how I can endure Suddenly a little detaining hand the daily cross of my hushand's temper.' put on his coat sleeve. "Temper I" said Clara, with a toss of " Luke, dear ?" " Well ?" her chesnut brown hair. "And the poor dear-fellow hasn't the least idea how dis-"Won't you give me a kiss ?" And Mrs. Darcy burst out crying or agreeable he makes himself." "Only this morning," said Evelyn; "h er husband's shoulder. unished Freddy with unrelenting sever "Well," ejaoulated the puzzled Luke ity for a fit of ill humor which he himself if you are n't the greatest enigma gohas duplicated within the last half hour.' A kiss? Yes a half a dozen of ng. "Evelyn," said Clara, gravely, "do them if you want them, you kind little you suppose he is beyond the power of turnkey. Do n't cry pet, I'm not a bit cure?" angry with you, although I suppose that "I hope not; but what can I do? Shut I ought to be." him up as he shut up little Freddy?" "And may I let Freddy out ?" Evelyn's merry, irresistible laugh was "Yes, on the same terms that papa wa checked by the arch, peculiar expression released. Evelyn, was I very intolerain Clara's blue eyes. "The remedy needs_to_be_something "If you had n't been, I should n't short and sharp," said Clara "and the have ventured on such a violent-reme-A moral man, to skeptice be it known: The wif- he loved and cho.ished wis-his own And for the tort I saw the husband-walt, dark closet system combines both requisites.' "Did I make you very unhappy ?" "Nonsenso !" laughed Mrs. Darcy, With horse and chaise five minutes at the gale " Very !" Wh is Jane put on things; nor spoke one som Or bitter word, th-ugh waiting half an hour F.r dinner; and like patic ce on a throne, Ho did n't swear to find a button gone. rising from the breakfast table in obedi-And the gush of warm sparkling tear ence to her husband's peremptory sumsupplied a dictionary of words. nons from above stairs Luke Darcy buttoned up his overcoat Luke was standing in front of his bu-This human nature story well illusput on his hat, shouldered an umbrella, reau drawer, flinging shirts, collars, cwa- and went on the Applegate will case, trated perverted tempor, and shows how vats, and stockings recklessly upon the in one case it was subdued without remusing as he went upon the new state of room floor. course to corporal punishment. divorce fairs that had "I'd like to know where my silk hand or suicide. onsideration. kerchiefs are, Mrs. Darcy," he fumed " Beldam let loose ! Pandemonium in "By Jove," he ejaculated, "that lit "Such a state as my bureau is in is en rehellion | Chaos turned wrongside out. tle wife is a bold women and a plucky ough to drive a man crazy!" What is the reason a man cannot be allowed to sleep in the morning without I think," said Evelyn, hopelessly stopin the fire place were lighted in the same And then he burst out laughing on the about my ears? Children crying, doors ping to pick up a few of the scattered wav. It is more than probable that he left articles. "You were at the bureau last, slamming-I will know the reason of his stock of bad temper in the law buildanother occasion, was most charming. Luke. It is your over fault !" all this uproar." ing that day, for Evelyn and Clara never Mr. Luke Darcy shut the door of his "My fault-of course it's my fault ! saw any more of it, and Freddy is daily snarled Luke, giving Mrs. Darcy's poo sand silvery like rays. Then, again, bedroom with considerable emphasis, getting the best of the peppery element dle a kick that sent it howling to its misaud went straight to the breakfast parn his infantile disposition tress. "Anything but a woman's refort ---ing and recriminating tongue. Mrs. Dar-All was bright and quiet in the pleas-THE RUSSIAN ICE PALACE. cy, I wont endure it any longer !" tily marked by the white feathery flakes ant-Bedlam was n't located just there, and Mr. Darcy went stormingly up the HE GLITTERING TOY HOUSE BUILT FOR "Neither will I !" said Evelyn, resoof a soft even down, more pure than that lutely advancing, as her husband plunged stairs to the nursery. THE PRINCESS ANNE OF RUSSIA. of the ice on which they fell. " Ah ! the field of battle was reached at into the closet for his business coat, and From Putnam's Magazin Through the long winter of St., Peterslast, Mrs. Darcy sat in a chair trying to promptly shutting and locking the door ourg, from January to the equinoctial The purest and most transparent ice 'I think I have endured it quite long quiet the screams of an eight months old of the Neva was chosen for the quarry ; days of March, the icy wonder stood on baby scion of the house of Darcy, while enough- and here is an end of it !" large blocks were then cut and squared the banks of the Neva. Before April it a rosy boy of five lay on his back: kick-"Mrs. Darcy opened the door !" said by rule and compass, then carved with had vanished, and disappeared again, in ing and crying in an ungovernable fit of Luke, scarcely able to credit the evidence. the bosom of the stream from whence it ornamental designs, as carefully and childish passion. of his own senses. skillfully as if they had been marble. Af-"Mrs. Darcy !" enunciated Luke " I shall do no such thing." said Mrs er they had been cut and carved with with a loud an omnious precision, "may I Darcy, composedly, beginning to rearthe greatest accuracy, each block was The Cardiff Giant, which created such inquire what all this means ? do you range shirts, stockings, and flannel wrapraised by erane and pully, At the very sonsation last fall, which many scien know that breakfast is waiting ?" pers in their appropriate receptacles. tifle men declared was of great antiquity moment of lowering it to its destined "I know Luke-I know," said poor "Mrs. Darcy," roared Luke at a feve position, a small quantity of water was and one of the wonders of the past, turns perplexed, Mrs. Darcy, striving vainly heat of impotent rage, "what on earth thrown on the block below. The precise out to be a grand humbug. It was gotto lift the struggling child up by one do you mean?" quantity of water was regulated as if it ten up in 1868, by H. B. Morton and Geo arm. "Come Freddy go up and get "I mean to keep you in that clothes was so much mortar ; if too, much was Hull, who employed a sculptor to chisel washed." press, Mr. Darcy, until you have made used the symmetry of the work would it out of a large block of gypsum, at; be injured. As the water froze the Chicago, and afterwards had it buried. "No-o-o-o !" roared Master Freddy, up your mind to' come out in a more performing a brisk tatto on the carpet uniable frame of mind." different rows of blocks became so closewhere it was found, near Cardiff, Nev There was a dull silence of full sixty ly connected together that when comwith his heels, and clawing at the air at York. The intention of the originators seconds in the closet, then a sudden outa furious rate. pleted, the whole building became one was to beat Barnum at his own game-Like an avenging vulture Mr. Darcy ourst of vocal wrath. compact mass, looking as if it had been but it turned out a failure in a pecuniary pounced on his son and heir, carrying "Mrs. Darcy, open the door, this inchissled entire from one icy mound. The view. . The following opinions of scien stant, madam !" But Evelyn went on humming a sancy him to the closet and turned the key on dimensions of the building was not very tifle men show how little their judgment his screams. large. The front was 50 feet in length, can be relied on, especially in such matlittle air and arranging her clothes. "Now sir you can cry it out at your simple in character, and divided into "Do you hear me ?" ters: eisure. Evelyn, the nurse is waiting General Leavenworth said of it? "It compartments by pilasters. In six of "Yes, I hear you." for the baby. We'll go down to breakhas the marks of the ages stamped upon these compartments were large windows "Will you obey me?" fast." the framework of which were painted to every limb and feature in a manner "Not until you have solemnly prom " But Luke," liesitated Mrs. Darcy, which no art can imitate." imitate green marble. The ice took the sed me to put some sort of control on " you won't leave Freddy there !" Woolworth and Hall decided in favor o paint perfectly? The panes were thin that temper of yours ; not until you pledge "It's temper that's at the bottom sheets of ice beautifully smooth, and al- its antiquity. Professor Ward, of Royourself hereafter to treat your wife as a these demonstrations, and I'll conquer so as transparent as the most costly of chester University, was bewildered by ady should be treated ; not as a menial." that temper or know the reason why. It glass. The central division projected so the spectacle it presented, and suggest ought to have been checked long ago but "I won't." as to form a doorway, surmounted by a that "all one's feelings persuade to ac "No? Then in that case I hope you you are so ridiculously indulgent." Roman arch and appropriate architectu- | copt it as a real hnman being, once indon't find the atmosphere at all oppress "But if he'll only say he is sorry, sunct with life and activity, now a noble ral ornaments. On each side of the door Luke ?" ive there." corpse." Professor Olmstead . said : stood a statue of ice, on a high pedestal. Mr. Dracy tapped sharply at the pan-Another sixty seconds of dead silence. As a work of art the Cardiff statue is and in front was an approach of several then a sudden min of heels and hands steps. This apparent door was in realinois of the door. perhaps a better embodiment of the in-" Are you sorry for your naughtiness tellectual and physical power of a rockty, however, but another and a large young man?" A fresh outburst of screams and a "Let me out, I say, Mrs., Darcy ! hurling Titan than any Italy possesses window on a level with the floor. An or Madam, how dare you perpetrate this | nament balustrade surmounted the front, Rov. Mr. Calthrop said that in the an newal of a tatto was the answer. ionsterous audacity?" cient world only the Greek School of with an architectural ornament rising in "I am sure he is sorry, Luke,"pleaded " My dear Luke, how strongly you do the centre above the doorway on either Art was canable of such a perfect reprohis mother, but. Mr. Darcy shook his romind mo of Freddy. You see there is side of it. The roof was sloping, and duction of the human form. Dr. Boyn nothing I have so little tolerence for as a marked in lines, to represent tiles ; there ton did not think the statue was 800 "Entire submission is the only thing bad tempor. It ought to have been were also chimneys, all of ice. The checked long ago, only you know I'm so height of the building was 21 feet; its I will listen to," he said shortly." Evelyn with a dewy moisture shadow ridiculously indulgent. depth was 18 feet. ing her eyelids, and a dull ache at her Mr. Darcy winched a little at the fa. But the palace itself was not the only heart, followed her liege lord down to miliar sound of his own words. wonder ; the accessories were complete Tap1 tap1 tap1 came softly on the and all so much frost work. A hand the breakfast table. A tall, blue eyed young lady with door. Mrs. Darcy composedly opened it some balustrade, apparently of marble and saw her husband's little office boy. with statues and architectural orna bright chestnut hair, and cheeks like a "Please, ma'am, there's some gentle- ments, completely surrounded the pal velvet rose, was at the table, by name man at the office in a great hurry to see ace, being 87 feet, in length, and 88 in Clara Pruyn, by liniage Mrs. Darcy's Mr. Darcy. It's about the Applegate width, inclosing a sort of garden, or sister. She opened her blue eyes very will case." wide as the two entered the room a court, with two handsome gateways in Mrs. Darcy hesitated an instant ; there therear. It was through these gate " Good gracious, Evy, what's the matwas a triumphant rustle in the closet and ways that the building was approached: "Nothing." answered Luke tartly. her determination was taken, Orange trees, nearly as high as the build-"Something is the matter, though," "Tell the gentleman that your master ing, "bearing fruits, and flowers, with said Clara, shrewdly. "What is it Eve- has a bad headache, and won't be down birds on the branches, also adorned the lyn, has Luke one of his tantrums ?".

town this morning."

Luke sat down his coffee cup with a Luke [gnashed] his teeth audibly, as leaf and bird all being delicately chisoled oon as the closing of the door admon sharp click. ished him that he might do so with safety. " You have very peculiar expressions, Mrs. Darcy, do you presume to inte Miss Pruyn." "Very true ones," said Miss Clara, sau fere with a transaction of business that vitally important, ma'am?" Evelyn smiled in spite of herself.e Mrs. Darcy nonchalantly took up the " It's only Freddy who feels a little little opera air where she had left it, letross, and-" ting the soft-flowing words ripple music "A little cross !" interrupted the inally off her tongue. lignant husband. "I tell you, Evelyn, "Evelyn, dear." "What is it, Luke ?" she asked mildly. it is quite time it was checked. Oh, that parrot ! what an eternal screeching he " Please let me out, my dear, this may keeps up ! Mary, take that bird into the be a joke to you, but-" "I assure you, Luke, it's nothing of the kitchen, or I shall be tempted to wring his neck. What does all these eggs kind ; it is the soberest of serious -matters to me. It is a question as to wheth-Évelyn? Mr. Darcy gave his egg, shell and all, or my future life shall be happy or mis vindictive throw upon the grate. rable." "And the plates are as cold as a stone There was a third interval of silence "Evelyn," said Luke in a subdued when I've implored again and again that oice, " will you open the door ?" they might be warmed. Well, I shall at no breakfast this morning." " On one condition, only." "And what is that ?" "Whom will you punish most?" de " Ah ! ah !" thought the little lieuten nanded Miss Clara. Luke pushed his chair back with a ant general, "he is beginning to enterengence, and took up his stand with thin terms of capitulation, is he ?" "On his back to the fire. ondition,... she added aloud, . " that you "Please, sir," said the servant, depre break yourself of the habit of speaking atingly advancing, "the gas bill-the sharply and crossly to me, and on every nan says would you settle it while-" ccasion keep your temper." "No !" roared Luke, tempesiuously " My temper, indeed," sputtered "Tell the man to go about his business Luke I have no small change this morning.' " Just your temper," returned his vife, " Will you promise ?" Mary retreated precipitately; Clara aised her long, brown eyelashes. Never, madam." "Do you know, Luke," she said de-murely, "I think you would feel better Mrs. Darcy took up a pair of hose that equired mending, and prepared to leave ty cannons, and the mortars throw their f you would do just as Freddy does-lie the apartment. As the door creaked on | shells high up in the air. Yes, real fire lat down on the floor and kick up your ts hinges, however, a voice came shrilly heels against the carpet for a while." rough the opposite keyhole. " Mrs. Darcy, Evelyn, wife-" Luke gave his mischievous sister-in law a glance that ought certainly to have 'Yes.? unnihilated her, and walked out of the "You are going down stairs to leave coom, closing the door behind him with me in this place ?' a bang that would bear no false interpre-" I am." tation. Then Clara came round to her "Well-look here-I promise."

We talked, and talked, and talked

eers say. I was determined to find

obscure answers-and I was determined

"Now, you never would guess what I

"No, don't believe I could, to save me.

"Ha, ha ! I knew you, could n't. My

ecturing receipts for last spring and this

vinter were fourteen thousand, seven

hundred and fifty dollars. What do you

"Why, it is amazing-perfectly amaz-

ing. I will make a note of it. And you

think of that ?!!

out of the same magic marble as the palace itself. The front approach was guarded by six cannons regularly turned and bored : they stood before the balustrades, three on each side of the doorway. There were also of ice. They were of the calibre which usually receives a charge of three pounds of powder. In addition to ness before, but I was very glad to see these cannons there was a large size mortar, on each side of the entrance, of a size prepared for shells of 80 pounds. particular to say, and yet I felt that peo In advance of these mortars stood two neatly carved pedestals or dolphins. To coeping house must be conversation the left of this pedestal stood an elephant, as large as life ; on his back was a man in Persian dress, with two similar saked him if he was opening his shop icy figures, one bearing a lance stood our neighborhood. near the elephant. Thus it was that He said he was. [I did not wish the approach of the Magic Palace was appear ignorant, but I had hoped h guarded by other magic wonders. ould mention what he had for sale.] Such was the aspect of the famous pal-I ventured to ask him "how wa

ace of ice, when, early in the winter, the ade?" and he said "So-so." Impress and her court came to admire t. The effect was most brilliant. The we liked his house as well as any other, palace itself shone like one vast gem or we would give him our custom. opal, so perfect was the transparency, and so peculiar the blue tint of the fal ric. Every part of the building, the selves to it-said he never saw anybody dolphins, the elephant, every leaf, flowwho would go off and hunt up another er, and bird, sye the very cannon were man in his line after trading with him glittering with the ever changing brilliancy of the many colored prism, with its That sounded pretty complacent, but rimson, green, golden lights.

As the Empress approached wonders increased. A salute was fired from the honest enough. actly, but gradually we appeared to melt and smoke issued from the magical ardown and run together, conversationally tillery, and at the same time the magic speaking, and then everything went elephant threw up a spray of water as along as comfortably as clockwork. high as the roof of the palace. The enchanted portal opened and the at least I did: And we laughed, and Empress entered a vestibule, whence aplaughed, and laughed-at least he did. peared a lofty room on either side. In But all the time, I had my presence of the drawing room stood a table apparently marble, supporting a handsome ness turned on, "full head," as the enclock, whose icy wheels daintily cut, ap

eared beneath the transparent case out all about his business in spite of his. Large statues filled the corners of the ooms. Bettees and sofas, handsomely I would have it out of him without his carved, stood on either side, nor were suspecting what I was at. 1 meant to chairs, foot stools, and other smaller trap him with a deep, deep ruse. I would pieces of furniture wanting. The sleeping tell him all about my own business, and oom, or what appeared as such. on the he would naturally so warm to me during opposite side of the vestibule, was even this seductive burst of confidence, that bro luxuriantly furnished. There was he would forget himself and tell me all grand state bedstead, with its approabout his affairs before he suspected priate pillows, bed, counterpane, and what I was about. I thought to myself, bove all, finely woven curtains appamy son, you little know what an old fox rently lace 1 There was a dressing tayou are dealing with. I said : ble with its mirror and many knickknacks, jars, and bottles, for powder and made lecturing this winter and last perfumes, with cups and boxes for trinkspring ?" ets. The table was supported by pretty little carryatides. On the right was an elegantly carved mantle piece, and or thousand dollars maybe ? But, no-no he hearth were laid logs of wood ready to kindle ! Here and there wreaths of sir, I know you could n't have made that much: Say seventeen hundred, maybe?" lowers hung in icy festoons.

By night the enchantment appear still greater." All the windows were illuminated, with colored transparencies and nothing could exceed the beautiful effects of the light, which filled not only the windows but all the transparent walls of the building itself, with a dolicate, pearly glow, even more beautiful than

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ay even this was n't all ?" "Ah ! Why, bless you, there was m the opal tint by day. The elephant was noome from the Buffalo Express for four now seen sporting a stream of burning onths-about-about, well, what should naptha, a fire like spray, high in the air. you say to about eight thousand dollars, while a man concealed in the hollow for instance?" dy of the animal, by blowing pipes succeeded in imitating the real roar of

A MYSTERIOUS VISIT. times his actual income to keep from swearing to a lie. I looked for a loop-BY MARK TWAIN. From the Buffale Exp hole, but there did not appear to be any.

The first notice that was taken of me Inquiry No. 1 covered my case as generwhen I "settled down," recently, was by ously and as amply as an umbrella could gentleman who said he was an assess cover an ant hill : "What were your profits in 1869, from and connected with the United State Internal Revenue Dopartment. I said I any trade, business, or vocation, wherev had never heard of his branch of busier carried on ?"

And that inquiry was backed up by him, all the same-would he sit down? thirteen others of an equally searchipg He sat down. I did not know anything nature, the most modest of which re quired information as to whether I had ple who have arrived at the dignity o ommitted any burglary, or highway robbery, or by any arson or other secre must be easy and sociable in company. source of emolument, had acquired prop-So in default of anything else to say, I erty which was not enumerated in my tatement of income as set opposite to inquiry No. 1. than in after life. It was plain that that stranger had or

abled me to make an ass of myself. It was very, very plain, and I went out and hired another artist. By working on my vanity the stranger had seduced me int declaring an income of \$214,000. By can form no idea of the cruelty she in- there is that withholdeth, and yet tend-I then said we would drop in, and i law, \$1,000 of this was exempt from income tax-the only relief I could see, she toys with his first deep, pure, clingand it was only a drop in the ocean He said he thought we would like his ing affections, only to make him a sac stablishment well enough to confine our-At the legal five per cent., I must pay rifice to her heartless coquetry. Nor over to the government the appalling sum | loes she realise what the consequences of ten thousand six hundred and fifty may be to herself.

dollars, income tax. [I may remark, in this place, that

lid not do it.] woman, particularly when her retty I am acquainted with a very opulent peauty is associated with intellect and arring that natural expression of vilornate accomplishments; but the larger an, whose house is a palace, whose talainy which we all have, the man looked ble is regal, whose outlays are ener- portion soon learn to estimate the dismous, yet a man who has no income, as I do not know how it came about, expensers of these coquetries at their I have often noticed by the revenue reroper worth-they despise while they turns ; and to him I went for advice in profess to love.

my distress. He took my dreadful exhi-She acquires a name and a fame as an bition of receipts, he put on his glasses, ccomplished flirt. The brand is indelihe took his pen, and presto ! I was a pau bly stamped upon her brow, and go per ! It was the neatest thing that ever whither she will she is pointed at, spoken was. He did it simply by deftly maniof, contemned, ridiculed. Though she pulating the bill of "DEDUCTIONS." He may elicit the pity of a charitable few, mind about me-I had my native shrewd- | set down my "State, national, and munthe hearts of the many are steeled

icipal taxes" at so much ; my "losses by ship tech, ine, ect," at so much ; my against her for evermore The female flirt is seldom troubled "losses on sales of real estate"-"on live with remorse, and as seldom mends her stock sold"-on" payments for rent of ways. Coquetry becomes a passion with homestead"-on "repairs, improveher, and the habit, like the feeling of ments, interest"-on "previously taxed jealousy, grows by what it feeds upon. salary as an officer of the United States In the course of time it ripens into a disarmy, navy. revenue service," and other ease, and her own cruel heart is made things. He got astonishing "deducthe victim ; its tender instincts are destions" out of each and every one of them. troyed; its general impulses withered, by And when he was done he handed me the cankering poison. Time flits by, the paper, and I saw at a glance, that and youth, and innocence, and happiness during the year 1869 my income, in the pass away with it. Forced into a realway of profits, has been one thousand izing sense of the position she occupies two hundred and fifty dollars and fifty in society, she entertains serious thoughts ente.of matrimony. She has too much pride,

"Now," said he, " the thousand dolif she can ordain it otherwise, to live and lars is exempt by law. What you want die an old maid ; and seeks to entangle to do is to swear this document in, some one of her male acquaintances into Lot me see, let me see. About two and pay tax on the two hundred and thousand dollars marks 2. But no affity dollars." a matrimonial alliance. Well versed in all the arts of dissimulation sho succeeds

While he was making this speech his at last in captivating some unsuspecting ittle boy Willy lifted a two dollar greennoodle, who, like herself, is gifted with back out of his vest pocket and vanished more self conceit than brains, and eventu ally marries, for money, a position in society, or from unavoidable necessity. with it, and he would bet anything that if any stranger was to call on that little boy to-morrow he would make a false As a married woman she launches into return of his income every species of extravagance, plunges Do you," said I, "do you always

into the vortex of fashionable dissipawork up the 'deductions' after this tion, and for a brief season becomes a fashion in your case, sir ?" dazzling centre of female attraction. "WellI; should say so! If it weren't

Meanwhile her wedded victim has been for those eleven saving clauses under the weaned from any little affection he may head of 'deductions,' I should be beghave entertained for her. The scales gared every year to support this hateful have fallen from his eyes, and with them and wicked, this extortionate and ty- the personal charms that lured him to

lowed to take this sweeping ipss dizit for and healthy growth in material wealth wears." 'I do not say to him what I am gnanted we are necessarily forced to the and Christian civilization. now telling you ; but I feel it all, and am onclusion that the majority is largely As before shown, we had on the thirtialmost resolved the next time he invites in favor of the former. And, by the eth of June, 1868, about 1,400,000,000 me-if he does again-to go to all this same process of reasoning, we are acres unsold. How insignificant in view extravagance. But so much show in a public place

equally impelled to place the female flirt of this imperial domain, are 100,000 acres n the latter category. The woman flirt granted in aid of other great lines and does not suit my taste; and then I do is a veritable devil. At however early railways, and canals, needed for the full not wish to be one to frighten my friends an age she may commence her career of development of our great natural resourfrom that holiest and best of earthly redeception-and her whole artificial life ces, and for the establishment of lines of from girlhood to the grave is but a living iron steamships that shall make our comlied when she has glutted her insatiable merce whiten every sea, and the power appetite and desorted her victim, she in- and enterprise of the United States be variably leaves a subtle poison in her acknowledged in every part of the world, trail. In practising her arts in early -not for conquest and oppression, but for maidenhood this poison, as deadly as the enlightenment, for liberty, and Christia venom of the rattlesnake, rankles deep-

civilization. est, and its effects are more enduring Guard these grand donations to the people, for great enterprises, for rail-Many a youth merges into manhood ways, canals, steamship lines, and telewith a seared heart, his manly, trusting graphs, with every precaution to procure nature blighted and grown callous to the their use for the public good, and the finer feelings from being jilted by a old proverb will be vindicated : "There have lost a valued friend. "Died?"

heartless young flirt. She thinks not, is that scattereth, and yet maketh rich ; No; that were not so hard. But he has flicts upon her unsuspecting victim as eth to poverty." TRUE STORY OF ROBINSON

eeming preference shown them by a

CRUSOE. Alexander Selkirk, a Fifeshire ma Most young men feel flattored at the

bred up to the sea, started off about the for the comforts and joys of home." begin ning of the last century on a voyage to America, half commercial an half piratical, in a way much in fashio in those days. Captain Stradling, the that a generous father now lavishes upon commander of the ship, having taken me. But no; he is proud. His wife some offense against Selkirk, put him on must not work. She must be a lady, shore on the uninhabited island of Juan dress and be gay ; and until he can af Fernandez, with one day's food, a sea ford this he will steel his heart against hest, clothes, bedding, a little tobacco; a few books and nautical instruments,

a few books and nautical instruments, some powder and ball, a gun, knife, ax, think of this? Do not expect to comand a kettle or boiler. Thus was the mence life as our fathers leave off. Only lonely Scot, on a September day in 1704, left to shift for himself, on an island about eighteen miles long by six broad the things of this life, and yet with asand at least four hundred miles distant pirations beyond. Be willing to give up from the nearest mainland (the Pacific your own extravagances; and be proud coast of South America.) When he ro- of her not for "the outward adoring of covered from the first feeling of dismay putting on apparel, but for the ornaand despondency, he set to work and ment of a meek and quiet spirit." Be built two huts of pimonto wood, one as not ashamed to be called poor. Care not kitchen; he roofed them with long for the world's opinion, but only for her rass, and by degrees gave them a warm whom your heart loves. And so the ining of goat skins. Btrips of the blessing of wife and children shall be same kind of wood supplied him with yours; and in the atmosphere of home fire and light, burning very clear, and emitting an agreeable, fragrant odor. that is pure and good and noble. His chief food was boiled goats' flesh

and crawfish, seasoned with pimento fruit, but sadly in need of a little sait of which he had none save the brackish bitter salt of sea water. When his lothes were worn out he made goat tkin cle in the Philadelphia Ledger, viz: He garments, using a nail for a needle, and narrow strips of bark or skin for thread As for shoes, he soon learned to do without them altogether. Many cats and pillering propensities. He was a sailor goats were found on the island ; the forner helped to scare away the rats, which at first were very troublesom ; while the goats served him as playfellows and as a his conversion was under an engagement supply of food. While his ammunition lasted, he shot down the goats ; when it was exhausted, he caught them by running; and so expert did he become, that he could run down any of them. Once he fell over a precipice while thus engaged, and only escaped destruction by is deeply intoresting. It occurred sudfalling on the animal on the beach be- denly, at religious service held at Astlow. During his stay on the island, he ley's Theatre, near Westminister Bridge,

lations, the married life. One thing more. We often hear young nensay, "All that a girl wants is money; if a man has not that, he may pass 'on. Very true of some girls; but is it not the reverse as often true? These showy girls, whose parents spend their all to narry them off, are taken ; while the true parents, who wish their daughters to be chosen for their real worth, and so con ceal the possession of wealth, find for them a poor market. I feel this subject keenly myself, for I

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gone; and to his last look I think I saw a resolve to bury the love which he dare not speak. A few hints thrown out convinced me that he felt his business success would not warrant the luxury of a wife. And so he will go on in the lone-

liness of hotel life, while his heart yearns Oh ! if I could have told him that he is more to me than gold'; and that with his love I should be happy without much

choose a wife with tastes congenial to your own; a happy spirit; prudent for your own character shall expand into all

NED WRIGHT.

This person, a reformed London thief. s thus spoken of in an interesting arti-.was once a rowdy of the lowest class. He was a thief and a pickpocket, and served several terms in different prisons for his in the Royal Navy, and was flogged for desertion. He was also a professional brize fighter, and at the same time of to fight. The first act of his after the change of heart came over him was to throw up his engagement, which so exasperated his backers and trainers that he narrowly escaped ill treatment. The account Wright gives of his conversion appropriated five hundred goats to food about six years ago, but it is fair to give

much of the credit of it to the influence

his conversion he forsook his old haunte

treme of poverty. On the last day his

wife had divided her remaining piece of

hard, dry bread between their two child-

ren, and they were sitting opposite to

each other, contemplating their future in

blank despair. The thought occurred

to Wright to go out and steal; but his

wife encouraged him to hold out against

the tomptation, saying, "A crust with

Christ was better than the whole world

without Him." Her faith was rewarded

almost on the instant, for a friend called

with the good news that he had got

work for him. Ned turned to it like a

man, and, to use his own words, "he

has never wanted for a pound since."

But he has done more, for he has tried

to restore to industry and a good life the

poor outcasts with whom he formerly

years old, but did think it was the work of the early Jesuit Fathers of this country, who are known to have frequented he Onondaga valley from 220 to 250 years ago. when I came to a hard place. An eastern editor says that a man in New York got himseif into trouble by marrying two wives. A western editor replied, that a good many men had done. he same thing by marrying one. A northern editor says that quite a number. four foolscap 'pages of fine print of hisacausintancesfound trouble enough by barely promising ' to marry, without going any further in the second فالم وكالم الم الم الم الم

court and garden-trees; flowers, fruit;

tions, I may remark, gotten up with such marvelous ingenuity that the oldest man in the world couldn't under stand what the most of them were driv-

"Say ! Why I should say I should like This gentleman stands away up am to see myself rolling in just such another the animal. Within the palace, the icy the very best of the solid men of Buffalo. candles smeared with naptha, were cean of affluence. Eight thousand ! I the men of royal weight, of commercial will make a note of it. Why, man !--lighted, without melting, and the icy logs aud on the top of this I am to understand

aud on the top of this I am to any in the that you had still more income?" "Ha-ha-ha ! why you are only in the suburbs of it, so to speak. There's my book, "The 'Innocents abroad"—price after fraud, and villainy after villainy, it well you do not should be be binding. A beautiful moonlight view, on still from the crystal like character of the palace and its garden, reflecting a: thoufresh falls of snow gave a new charm to self respect was gone forever. ing March 15, 1870. we've sold .95,000 the spectacle, as every architectural orcopies of that book ! . It is nearly \$400ament, every twig, and leaf, was dain-00, my son. I get half." "The suffering Moses ! I'll set that

lown. Fourteen-seven-fifty-eight-two undred. Total, say-well upon my for the present, talk little, and wear fire son of her example, and throw, the veil word, the grand total is about two bui dred and thirteen or fourteen thousand its irrevocably. dollars. Is that possible ?"

"Possible 1 if there's any mistake is the other way. Two hundred and THE PROFESSIONAL FLIRT. fourteen thousand dollars, cash, is my Coquetry is born of vanity. The del ncome this year if I know how to c

eterious influence of this unpardonable Then the gentleman got up to go." human weakness, though perhaps not ame over me most uncomfortably that apparent at the time of its exercise, comes naybe I had made my revelations for back, like chickens, to roost in after othing, besides being flattered int years. stretching them considerably by the

stranger's astonished acclamations. But shapes. With some it is perceptible in no; at the last moment the gentleman an overweaning love of admiration; in or more than 2,837,852 square miles anded me a large envelope, and said it others, in a handsome face, an inordinate Thère have been granted, out of this ontained his advertisement; and I love of self, a fine figure, a faultless vast domain, for sundry purposes, as would find out all about his business in it; and that he would be happy to have in an over estimate of natural endow my custom-would, in fact, be proud to ments. have the custom of a man of such prodigious income ; and that he used to hink there were several wealthy men in Buffalo, but when he had come to trade with them he found that they had barely enough to live on ; and it had been such weary, weary age since he had seen a

ich man face to face, and talked with him, and touched him with his hands that he could barely refrain from en bracing me-in fact would esteem it a great favor if I would let him embrace

ront away.

ook and said :

This so pleased me that I did not try to resist, but allowed this simple hearted stranger to throw his arms about me and to weep a few tranquilizing tear lown the back of my neck. Then he As soon as he was gone, I opened his in either, the trade they pursue is as des-As soon as no was going a sponen mis in some, see unmanly (or unwomanly) for four minutes. I then called up the and unu tural.

A male flirt, though a worthy object "Hold me while I faint. Let Maria of contempt and ridicule, can do but arn the batter-cakes." little harm in the circle wherein. By and by, when I came to, I sent prompted by an insufferable self conceit own to the rum mill on the corner and

hired an artist by the week to sit up nights and curse that stranger, and give the female heart. The natural shrewd no a lift occasionally in the day tim Ah, what a miscreant he was ! His advertisement" was nothing in the into the meshes she avoids the danger world but a wicked tax return-a string of impertinent questions about my pri vate affairs occupying the best part of and the baffled spider seeks his proy elsewhere. -quo

A female flirt is a daugerous object at all times, in all societies, and with all men. Lord Byron contended that all to people them, and supplied them with women where either angels or devils, churches and schools, colleges and uni-

his destiny. False hair, teeth, bust, id clothing, and set free another five undred after marking them on the ears. of his wife, who seems to have been a figure, and a false heart, inspire him (Thirty years afterward, when Anson's true friend to him, and to have adhered with loathing and disgust. Mutual rerew landed on the island, the first goat to him with unshaken constancy. After crimination follows, and if there are they shot was one of those which Selkirk integrity, of unimpeachable social spot- children, they; too, are made particihad thus marked.) When his knife was and companions and was without work vorn out, he forged others from old iron for thirteen weeks during which time pops. Thus did the lonely man pass bis wife and children suffered the exfour years and four months; when, in February, 1709, he was rescued by a vossel commanded by Captain Wooden Rog ers. Although he had some difficulty in eturning to the use of his speech, and be arrainged for judgment before th But what of it? It is nothing more Mighty Judge of all mankind. What

in reconciling himself to the ship's prothan thousands of the highest and rich- are the thoughts, the feelings, the re visions and usages, he gradually becan itted to act as mate to the ship in which est, and proudest, and courted men in grets, the stings of conscience that afflict he returned to England in 1711. America do every year. And so I do n't | that dying soul? The hand of death is care. I am not ashamed. I shall simply upon her ; let us then profit by the let Such was the true story of Alexander selkirk. from which Dofoe elaborated proof gloves least I fall into certain hab- of charity over all that is left of the the "Adventures of Robinson Crusoe, and in which, it will be seen, there were no Indians and no man Friday.

----GETTING MARRIED. THEIR EXTENT AND VALUE. GIRL'S EXPLANATION OF THE DIFF Few have any just conception of the CULTIES.

associated. He has, boldly gone among A great deal is said and written now them and give them the history of his days of the reasons why young mon are own degradation and of his escape from afraid to marry. The most frequent of it, pointing out the way which is open to these is, that the girls of this genera them all alike, and Firging upon tion are too extravagant. them the fact that they would be better Now I am a girl ; and from my stand-

off in a pecuniary way, as well as a point see some things which older and moral one, by turning to honest labor. perhaps wiser heads have failed to notice. His latest scheme has been to hire a Dear brothers and friends, let me tell large room, which was formerly used for you how it seems to me. a penny theatre, in the very heart of the That we are extravagant I admit. But worst thieves' district in the south of who makes us so? Did it never occur London, and to invite a select number to you that this outlay in dress is to of convicted thieves, male and female, please the gentlemen? And does it not to a supper, consisting of pea soup and please you? Is not the girl who makes

bread, and to preach to and exhort a fine show most sought after? Of them. Two of these singular entertaincourse, there are exceptions-girls who ments have been given the first to the lo'not care most of all for dress, and men men, the second to the women, and on who in their admiration of ladies look at the whole, the meetings have been orsomething beyond this. But, after all. derly, although, perhaps, no very great is it not the most common remark, "Is impression was produced on the audience. she not stylish ?" "What a fine ap-The peculiarity of the scone was that pearance that girl- makes." And so i none but those who had been actually pleases their vanity to be the escort of convicted of and punished for theft were such attractive ones. admitted, and all policomen were care-For myself, I dress rather plainly. fully excluded. But visitors were ad-Perhaps I could better afford to put on

mitted into the gallery, and it may be this style than many who assume it. But auestioned whether this was a wise thing; my taste does not so lead me; and then, it may have prevented the outspoken too. knowing the sins which love of dress manifestion of feeling which, neverthe will drive women to, I try in an humble ess, many found difficulty in restraining. way to set a better example. ----

Besides, I want my gentlemen friends " Now my little boys and girls," said a to feel that one girl, and, if they will teacher, I want you to be very quiet,--but see it, hundreds besides, do not care solvery quiet that you can hear a pir fer dress for themselves. . Ambitious pa In a minute all was silent; when a

men admire it ; and so often they appear little boy shricked out, " Lat her drop ! frivolous, while really their thought far beyond. And let me tell you how I The Union Pacific trains took west in

am tried sometime. To save the expense egular morning train, on March 16, 885 passengers from the trains which have bonnet and walking suit. Now, my been snow bound in Iowa. The number friend sits beside me and should be think. was so great they were obliged to send ing. "This is a sonsible girl. Sho out two trains, the first consisting of comes to hear the music. I can afford to three passenger coaches, mail and exbring her several times for what a carpross, and two. of Pullman's elegant ringo would cost once for these butterfly drawing room cars and dining car; the second had four coaches, three baggage Ah, no, he does not look so far as that ; cars, and two sleeping cars. Busin

but, whether he means the comparison or for a while looked very lively about the not, calls my attention to the most gayly Ninth street depot. - Omaha Herald attired young ladies, saying admiringly What is the best stimulant for the

1A little, bog at Fort Laramie has ing at questions too, that were calcu- and that thay never occupied any me. versities, railroads, caula and tele "How becomingly that lady is drossed." trupped \$500 worth of furs this winter. Tated to make w man report about four dium status in social life." If we are al-"How becomingly that lady is drossed." - hare? The grayhound.

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And yet, this more than royal bounty of the Government has not destroyed the public domain thus given ; but, like the pared books of the Sybil, the remain ng public domain, by this liberal policy of giving away, has become more valua le than the whole was before. It has been a donation that has enriched the donor : and more than anything beside. n connection with our free government. has made us a rich, populous and pros

erons nation.

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vastness of the public domain of the United States. The whole, prior to the Alaska purchase, embraced In mon, it exhibits itself in various be Rus ian purchase rand total ...

moustache, a diamond breast pin, and in follows: to purche-ore and homostcud set

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In women, it is displayed in articles of dress, in personal charms, a pretty foot, a tapor waist, a good voice for the

admiration, love, esteem, and when Achieved, to trifle with the objects by whom they are profusely lavished. Domestic education, early training, pernicious associations, habits, &c., have much to do in giving birth to and in feed ing this passion for flirting. Yet, looked upon by many as a fashionable foible. if t exercised to too great an extent

From the Turf, Field, and Farm

piano. &c., and a restless desire to win

they are too frequently made the cove for the most disastrous and venal offence In the social circle we look in vain for

in excuse for the habitual or "profes sional flirt," whother the wrotched being

In round numbers, 500,000,000 acres have been surveyed, and more than 400,000,000 have been disposed of, and yet | rents desire, it, and shortsighted, young there remained, on the thirtieth of June,

his airs and graces are brought into 1869, 1,405,860,678 acros unsold, or more play, to excite an evanescent flutter in than 2,195,000 square miles. Since that time, large grants have been made, in ness of a woman's perception prevents aid of the magnificent system of Pacific of a carriage for the opera, I don my lace as from being drawn like a doomed fly railways and other purposes, perhaps to into a spidor's web. The moment the the extent of 100,000,000 acres. This finds that she is about to be entangled great and beneficent policy of the Gov ernment has bound with bands, stronger by winging her course to safer quarters; than iron the whole Republic. It has opened and is opening vast regions for

ettlement in the interior of our contihental empire, prepared highways for