

THE ONLY WAY TO MAKE BUSINESS PAY.

I used to wonder why As smart a man as I Could never make my business succeed...

A HAPPY MISTAKE.

BY ESTHER SERLE KENNELL.

Y name is Bridget Flynn, miss, and I've washed for the Surf House six years.

Only through the summer season, though. The city people begin coming down in June, and seldom stay later than September.

Who was Miss Moore? A blessed young lady, miss, as 't'wixt I set eyes upon. She was here at the shore last year.

The Frenchman was taking the clothes out of the basket as handy as a woman, when all at once he cries out:

"Is she here?" Is Miss Grace Moore at the shore here? he asked, with a look as if he'd look me through.

"Her spell resolved into its original elements, a cunning knowledge of human nature and the arts of the toilet, and I was disenchanted in a month.

Well, then, I somehow understood that he was her lover, and had been unfaithful; and I was right, for in September they went to New York and were married.

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Heaven knows my heart was with my children, but we had to have bread to eat, and there was no one to do a stroke of work but me.

In a minute in comes Miss Moore. She had come to see why her clothes weren't done; but she just commenced speaking, and then stopped, looked around, and came straight to my side.

She was all in white, and she looked like an angel to me then. I hardly knew what she was doing—she was so quiet and quick, and I was so dull with work and want of sleep—before she had off her bonnet and saque, and was sitting beside the bed, bathing the fever away from them children.

Well, that sad-summer was wearing away. I'd got strengthened a bit, and was at my work again, when one day a man came on horseback to my door with a valise of gentleman's linen to be washed.

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A GIRL TAKES FIRST PRIZE.

Miss Jean Nelson, of De Pauw University, took first honors at the oratorical contest of all the colleges of Indiana.

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A PEARL KING FROM TAHITI.

An American Who Formed a Lucky Partnership with a Canibal Potentate.

A slender young man, with a Jewish cast of countenance, stepped up to the Palace Hotel register and signed himself "Samuel Harris, Tahiti."

Harris was educated in the grammar schools of San Francisco and on being graduated went to work at one being and another without much success.

Life on the savage reefs of the Permodus, alternating with the almost as savage life of the Tahitians, was pleasant enough for awhile, but a year ago Harris grew weary of the existence and sighed for a change.

In the meantime the chief's fame has been waning, and Harris is known all through the South Seas as the Pearl King, and most of the traders there think he is the chief of the islands, as the real chief has the astuteness to stay in the background and let Harris conduct his business for him.

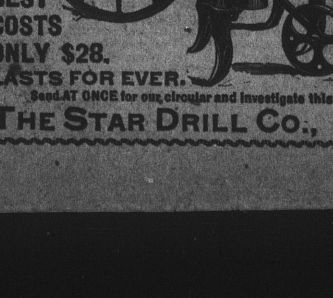
The cleaning of currants is often a laborious task. So many stones, sticks, and refuse matter of various kinds are found in currants that many good housekeepers refuse to use them.

There are indications that curtains are coming back to bonnets. The precursor is a couple of ears formed of straw, from which the strings strit.

Glove garters are a novelty. They are ribbons set with stones and fastening with a clasp. They are worn on the arm to hold long gloves in place.

She—Everything good and beautiful comes from New York. He (from Boston)—Ah, that explains, then, why it is so disagreeable to the visitor who has to endure what remains.—Columbus Post.

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