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# FIRST WOMAN IN DEAD CITY. Story of a Chicago Girl Who Explored St. Pierre's Ruins.

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dozen or so correspondents, artists and explorers who had been dodgand exploren-ing volcationes on two islance reck should feel that they were the aly passengers aboard, and that ev-arybody should love them for the dan-gers they had passed. There is no doubt about it, some were a triffe "brash," and there was much talk about eruptions, pillars of steam, mountains of ashes, rivers of mud and cities of ruins. They had not been aboard a day, and had not yet got well "shaken down" with the other passen-gers. may-faced little woman of gente with a billowing all make billowing all structed the stat. A some the billowing all structed the stat. They had not been the zone of safety ran just beyond on the creat of Morne d'Orange. But there was nothing left of life in L'Anse. Chateaux, lodges, walks and walls were blended in one gray ruin. The that that had opened to the stat that dopened to the the the stat that dopened to the stat that again and put off the stat to embark again and put off

personal experiences of half a dozen men who had just "been through the

flowed in a Bermuda chair nearby, and his five feet (circumferentially) of wind-tanned seaman quivered all over in silent mirth.

comedy, Wherefore those mirthful body-

"Young man," he said, slowly, "some of these boys have gone full steam ahead without looking at the chart or

t inought I did, and respectfully withdrew. That afternoon I cast an-chor by the deck-chair of the sunny-faced woman in white and said gently

the roof of the back porch, as I heard the young man from Indiana call it this morning."

And so, on the hurricane deck of the Madiana homeward bound from Barba-does, in the shadow of the cloud-crested peaks of the Dominican Moun-tains, I heard the story of the first back filled how her to the cot stood a created peaks of the Dominican Monn-tains, I heard the story of the first half-filled bowl of grue, with a spoon woman to visit the desolation of the buried city at Martinique, and the only woman 'yet, so far as I know. "When the news of the catastrophe

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was perhaps natural that the ozen or so correspondents, artists nd explorers who had been dodg-ig volcanices on two islands for should feel that they were the passengers aboard, and that ev-dy should love them for the data was a solution of the transformation of t

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men who had just "been through the ruins of St. Pierre," murmuring from time to time, "How very interesting." It was the Bluenose skipper who first gave me the hint. I thought I saw a proceeded toward the chateau, lay proceeded toward the chateau, lay

taking soundings. There are other hookers than the Madiana bumping the sad sea waves. Do you fall over-board?"

faced woman in white and said gently, but firmly: "I should like very much to know what you saw, and how you felt, in the ruins of the dead St. Pierre." here single article of the further wall, with a little extension running out from the head, like the base of an L. On the She laughed. "Well, let's go up on cot lay a negro woman, in an attitude

woman yet, so far as I know. "Lying on the floor beside the cot "When the news of the catastrophe reached us at St. Kitts," said the voman in white. "my husband, Dr. Joseph Haven, who represents the united States on that island, announced his intention of going to Mar- fallen down while at play and gone to

sleep. "The mother had evidently had her turnity. I the same effect. He didn't tention to the same effect. He didn't cot to smoke, with the children pursues into the face of it. Her commander about the floor. They were not into the face of it. Her commander and other officers and men of the used and the harbor of Fort de France on weight and mercifully as by a light. The harbor of Fort de France on concellation of the pole of the pole of the pole of the tent of the solution of the pole in the harbor of Fort de France on Friday night. "On Saturday morning we went ashore and wandered through Fort de

"All Saturday showers of fine ash fell from time to time over the town. They came in gusts, blinding our eyes

"Passing over the stone bridge over the rivulet, we made our way toward the city. The road was strewn with bodies. On some of them the clothing had not been burned; other bodies were charred so as to be unrecogniz-able as human forms. In one place we saw the bodies of a man and a We saw the bodies of a min and a horse lying in the roadway before a gate. One of the man's legs was thrown partly over the horse, as if he had been in the act of mounting to flee when both man and steed were

decided to embark again and put off to our little steamer. "This took some time, and the as-

again and put off again and put off artifle steamer. "This took some time, and the as-proceeded toward the chateau, have proceeded toward the chateau, have and his five feet (circumferentially) of ind-tained seaman quivered all over silent mirth. "The joke, O worthy mariner," I other gray, charred forms. I couldn't silent mirth. "The joke, O worthy mariner," I oth, skifring his fanks, "give me the horrifying, but in the presence of hum dreds, thousands of them, the impres-sion is too general; it is so much as the benumb the sensation of particular and hotividual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me have waves. Do you fall over ""Pelee's wrath had been freakfut is shed, but here before us, a hundred individual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me at the time as so many ashen mounds lineividual horror. They seemed to me have waves. Do you fall over "" ought I did, and ""."

"For a moment or two the Potomac headed away from the shore. We had been lying very close to her and could see all that went on aboard. Then a

see all that went on aboard. Then a blg fellow, rushed on deck, jumbed to the pilot house, there was a clanging of belis, and the little tug began to swing her nose shoreward again. "At that instant the siren of the Indefatigable emitted the most blood- wear has been stripped from an animal deratigable emitted the most blood, weir his been stripped from a difficult curdling shrick I have ever heard, or ever hope to hear. I nearly jumped overboard. Then the big warship dashed for the open sea. It was for all the world like the flight of a great minus quantity, they become yellow in living monster suddenly and badly wounded—the siren cry of pain, and the precipitate rush for safety.

the precipitate rush for safety. "Then, the grandest sight of all-that made my patriotic soul forget for a moment our terrible peril. The black pall had come down so that we couldn't see the air.

ouldn't see the city. "Right into the inky wave of blackness, this Stygian pit, plunged the ittle Potomac, like an intrepid soul charging alone all the forces of sheel. One instant we saw her silhouetted against the velvet wall, the next she was swallowed up in its awful gloom. It was full speed ahead, not away from the peril for the Potomac, but into the face of it. Her commander

"Dr. Barbe's fine chateau we found in ruins almost complete. Broken walls the sunlight again."—New York Sun.

## The Drop of a Penny.

Have you ever noticed the interest and streaking our faces. I kept up an umbrella most of the time in an effort to shield myself, but the ashes sifted down the back of my neck just the same. I had used umbrellas for many sorts of purposes, but never thought. I would use one to protect myself from a storm of ashes from a voleano. The astorm of ashes from a voleano. The barbadoes, had been at school at the streets looked like ghosts fn a fog. The statue of the Empress Jos-ephine was completely draped in jhe ghostly mantle. "We had intended going down the that it was unsafe. I spent the day in visiting the hospitals, "On Monday morning at 6 o'clock we went aboard a tiny steamboat which Dr. Haven had chartered. There were about thalf a dozen in the party. "On the day before the form. "The mark the aboard a tiny steamboat which Dr. Haven had chartered. There were about half a dozen in the party. "On the day before the form. "The mark the care hore. "On the day before the form. "The mark the care hore. "On the day before the form. "The mark the care hore. "The the care have turned from him his own are sure to go back to the short that a dozen in the party. and streaking our faces. I kept up an and streaking our faces. I kept up an umbrella most of the time in an effort to shield myself, but the ashes sifted down the back of my neck just the runs of the estate of M. Leon Marie

WHEN FURRED AND FEATHERED But no sooner does its fancy lightly turn to thoughts of love than it dons CREATURES CHANGE ATTIRF.

Dress in Accordance With Their Age-Costume Depends on Climate-Thick Wraps of Winter Give Way to Something Cooler.

It seems almost a pity that it did not occur to Herr Teufelsdrockh, when he enriched the empire of thought by his famous "Philosophy of Clothes,' add a few remarks on the summer garb of animals; fcr in the reasons which lead so many furred and feathred creatures to change their attire nce at least in every year the learned rofessor might have found ample ma-erial for deep musing. Many of these animals, of course,

erely moult throwing off the old coat for no other purpose than to put on a new one. In some cases they do it by degrees, as every one knows who has enjoyed a ride in a dog cart behind a white peny. In others the change is more rapid. Witness the annual peel-ing of sheep which are never shorn. But no matter how long the toilet may last in such cases, the fashion never

Other creatures dress in accordance with their age. They seem to hold strongly that costumes suited to juve-niles are out of place in the case of adults. So lion cubs are brindled like tabby cats, and cygnets are clothed in tain sea birds are even more particu-lar, for their young are called upon to wear four successive changes of rai ment, equally different from one an other and from the plumage which de notes maturity. This last plan must be a great convenience to parents who find it difficult to remember the ages of their offspring. They have only to glance at the feathers of the little ones

in order to know. Far more frequently, however, the summer change of costume depends upon climate. The thick wraps of winter have to give way to something

cooler and lighter; so the ermine, to wards the middle of spring, is meta-morphosed into a stoat, and remains a stoat until the latter part of autumn It is hard to realize that the costly fur which marks the judicial dignity which peers of high degree are proud t included by every gamekeeper in his list of "vermin." Yet such is in truth the temperature for months together is a minus quantity, they become yellow in

weeks later, the muzzle and tip of the tail alone excepted, while in spring and early summer they pass again through yellow back into reddish

Arctic foxes follow their examplepartly, perhaps, for the sake warmth, dark clothes being better ductors of heat than light ones of the same thickness and quality. In winter they are as white as the driven snow itself, but in summer they become gray, or brown, or smoky blue, according to their individual idiosyncrasies Nansen tells us in his "Farthest North' that the Arctic foxes were at times the plague of his life, not only invading his camp by night and carrying off every particle of food which they could find, but repeatedly stealing his ther-mometers. The reason for this larcen-ous behavior baffled the great explorer altogether; he could not under-stand what foxes could possibly want with scientific instruments. But their annual change of attire may explain it. No doubt the animals in question are keenly interested in the variation of temperature, and anxious above all things to know when it is time to think about putting on their summer cloth would be a guide.

Among the birds the most notable change of plumage for climatic rea-sons is that of the ptarmigan. No one looking for the first time upon a ptarmigan in its summer costume, side by side with another in its winter dress, would dream that the two birds were identical. One is ashy gray, mottled and marbled with chestnut and black, the other is perfectly white The reason is that ptarmigans in sumeyes in the car have turned from him his own are sure to go back to the floor in the hope that the truant coin while in winter they sit upon snow. seen. he has gone there is a re-interest among the passengers, The resemblance in xact. You might stare discovery. craft. tion as to the history of the craft. The ground about it was packed, and had no indication of having been disturbed equally unable to discern it upon the that little coin is not lost while there snow. And at the same time the bird is a passenger left, and when the car has the satisfaction of being clothed is empty the conductor takes his turn in accordance with the thermometer. The black headed gull, too is black for many years. The name of the craft, which had evidently been stamped in the metal side, has been cut out. The bottom, near the bow, the only in summer. All through the rest of the year its head and neck are as white as the rest of its body. The change takes place just about the has been stove in by some cause, was evidently the last chapter in the history of the boat.

ANIMALS' SUMMER GARB of spring this bird is one of the most insignificant of the feathered race. a special costume in which to g a-courting. Its bill becomes orange

yellow, instead of brown; the whole of its plumage seems to brighten. A tuft of long feathers grows on either side of the neck, and the throat is swathed in a mass of dense plumes, which a the always gay of hue, but are differently his colored in every individual. Then the bird parades slowly up and down be-fore the particular lady on whom his affections are set. Other gallants, equally desirous to please, do the same, and the natural result is a row. Day after day ruffs meet by dozens to fight, gallants, while the reeves look calmly Plumes are torn and feathers fly, dll half the combatants, perhaps, own themselves worsted. Then the gentle beings for whose sweet sake the battle has been waged bestow themselves up-on the conquerors, and ruff and reeve go happily off together to enter upon the joys of matrimony.

the joys of matrimony. Mallards adopt similar tactics—bar the fighting—when they feel the pangs of the tender passion coming on, but can scarcely be said to play fairly; for no sconer has their gayety of plumage had the desired effect and won for them partners of their joys and sources than they throw off their brilliant garb and appear in the sombr plumage of their mates. One cannot but feel sorry for the ducks, who choose their suitors purely for their good looks, only to find immediately that their beauty is not even skin deep.—The Rev. Theodore Wood, Nat-uralist, in the New York American and Journal.

### Uncommon "Common Jury."

What is known as a "common" jury was empaneled recently in Mr. Justice Bigham's Court. It was really a most

uncommon one. Sixty-two jurymen named Clark, or Clarke, answered to their names in the fifth court of the King's Bench Division. The amazing number of Clarks and

Clarkes caused a loud laugh in court, and by way of selecting just enough a jury the ch "George Clark." the clerk associate called

About twenty of the sixty-two gen-lemen answered to this Christian name, so the associate clerk proceeded a select a few specimens, and a jury as ultimately made up of the follow-

Benjamin Clark, plumber. George Clark, clerk. George Clark, clerk. George Clark, clerk. John Clark, builder

John W. C. Clark, manager Joseph C. Clark, ivory worker. Thomas M. Clark, clerk. George Clarke, stick dresser. Stephen Clarke, furrier. Swan Clarke, builder.

G. H. Clarkson This mass meeting of the Clarks and the Clarkes was generally regarded as being a carefully-prepared joke on the

being a carefully-prepared joke on the part of the Sheriff of Middlesex. The whole panel hailed from the neighborhood of Hackney. The only two remaining jurymen on the panel not named Clark or Clarke were both mamed Coster. Sheriff Payn, at Mansfield, returned Governor Nash's warrant in the Hahn case. The lawyers for the defense then brought another writ of habeas corpus and Hahn was seni to jail until the day get for the hearing. named Coster

In Mr. Justice Grantham's court the other day eleven Browns and one Browning occupied the jury box. Have the Smiths ever made up a whole jury? -London Mail.

## An Old Boat Excavated at St. Louis.

In excavating on the site of the World's Fair in St. Louis, workmen have discovered an old boat, which must have been buried there many years. It is built of zinc and copper from stem to stern, with only here and there a fragment of wood. It has a length of some twenty feet, a depth of

perhaps five feet, and a width of six feet. That it could ever have been used on the River des Peres, excepting in seasons of high water, is thought impossible. It has the appearance of having been made for use on the sea, and is so large and heavy their term. having been made for use on the sea, and is so large and heavy that it can-not be readily associated with the neighborhood in which it now hes. It has been entirely buried, with the ex-ception of a few inches, of the bow, which rose higher than any other point. Its grave was on a high bank close to a bend in the River des Peres Work:

Track-Laying by Machine

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PENSIONS GRANTED.

Killed Saving Boy-Gov. Nash Orator-McKinley's Own-Sell Barracks-Smallpox Spreading.

Among the names added to the pen-sion list during the past week were: John W. Shields, Steubenville, \$6; John F. Morgan, Marietta, \$6; Thos. Sigh, Steubenville, \$6; Levi Beaver, Girard, \$10; Fanak J. Davidson, Por-tage, \$8; George McCord, Wellsville, \$30; John Lee, Sterling, \$12; Peter McGiven, Bellaire, \$10; Ann Kirk, Cambridge, \$20; John McKnight, Oli-vet, \$6; Daniel Ross, Bellaire, \$8; Samuel J. Davidson, Kent, \$8; John J. Coleman, Worley, Station, \$8; Ben-jamin Hawthorne, Cambridge, \$10; Samuel J. Daniel, Lloydsville, \$14; Archibald Cole, Barnesville, \$12; Syl-vester Henry, Hudson, \$16; Caroline K, Beeach, Chatham, \$8; Margaret A, Anderson, Youngstown, \$8; Barnes W. Babcock, Ashtabula, \$6.

Babcock, Ashtabula, \$6. Smallpox is reaching alarming pro-portions in Springfield city and the health officer reports 14 well developed cases, with more than 50 people un-der quarantime. The total expense pertaining to smallpox patients and the maintaining of the quarantime for June reached \$500, and the board of pulklic affairs is becoming concerned in the matter to the extent that all pa-tients hereafter will be taken to the pesthouse. The weather machine worked unfa-

pesthouse. The weather machine worked unfa-vorable to the boys of the old Eighth Ohio, better known as 'McKinley's Own," who closed a two days' reunion at Meyers lake, near Canton, with a military ball. Rain fell the second day, with occasional thunderstorms, and the veterans were obliged to keep close to shelter. The next reunion will be held at Fast Livernool close to shelter. The next will be held at East Liverpool.

will be held at East Liverpool. Two farmers, George F, Langworthy and his son, residing in Weaver, near Toledo, have raised a \$15,000 crop of ginseng on one-third of an acre. The plant is raised in beds each three feet wide and covered with lattice work to give shade. The product is being shipped to China. Governor Nash announced that he had appointed W. B. Crew to fill the vacancy on the Supreme bench caused by Judge Williams' death, and had ap-pointed J. M. McGinnis, of Caldwell county, to succeed Judge Crew on the Common Pleas bench. John Kennedy, aged 60 years, saw

John Kennedy, aged 60 years, saw John Condor, a 13-year-old boy, driving on the track in front of a train. Ken-nedy seized the horse by the bridle as it reached the track and both he and the animal were killed. The boy was badly hurt badly hurt.

The chinchbug has made its appearance in counties numbers in the Springfield section and the growing corn is literally covered with the pest. Farmers are becoming alarmed lest the corn crop be a failure for this reason.

Governor George K. Nash was the principal speaker at the laying of the corner-stone of the First Methodist Episcopal church, at Coshocton. Rev. Dr. Toland is serving his seventh year as pastor of the church.

Twenty shots were exchanged be-tween the crew and passengers of a New Castle-Youngstown electric car, and a party of unruly Italians, who re-fused to pay fare, near New Castle. No one was hurt.

No one was hurt. Secretary of War Root has decided that the Columbus barracks property shall be sold, and a large tract of land, for the purpose of an army post, pur-chased outside, but within easy access, of the dite. of the city.

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Dark clouds were rolling out of nut Pelee as we drew near. We Mont steamed up and down the roadstead in its much further distance from the three or four times, in front of the ruined city. The grim, ghostly desola-at Morne Rouge. The convent was unruined city. The grim, ghostly desola-tion of the scene, as viewed from a touched, while every soul in and about distance, was too much, almost, for my M. Marie's place perished. mental grasp. There was no detail to seize upon. It was a relief even to look at the menacing outpour of steam and had a corps of forty servants. On

and vapor from the volcano. "We went ashore at the extreme southern point of St. Pierre, where a little stream separated the city from the volcave data where a big house party from the society folk of the city. None of the merry guests who drove through the slope of Morne d'Orange, on the ever went out argin. Helfe down the village of L'Anse, that lay under the slope of Morne d'Orange, on the lop of which was the splintered statue of St. Mary the Virgin. The little steamer ran close in shore, and we were landed on the beach by a small were other bodies, some of them lay the body of a man. All about the grounds were landed on the beach by a small were other bodies, some of them lying in heaps. They were charred and un-recognizable. Bodies of horses, cattle weiting. How was I dressed? Oh, I wore just ordinary womankind ciothes, with a short skirt, the 'Rainy Daisy' of the state of the little rivulet lay a work and the weiting. How yas and stout with a short skirt, the 'Rainy Daisy dozen cated, with the skirt you call it in New York, and stout among them. "The Marie chateau was a heap of "The Marie chateau was a heap of the skirt you call it in New York, and stout among them."

#### boots

"At the first step I slumped in ashes to my boot-tops, and after that every-thing was ashes. Great, gray-coated walls, that rose in jagged edges to the first story near where we landed, they told me were the ruins of the rum dis-covered it. In addition to other means of identification this hold was contilleries. "We made our way painfully over seted. Martinique girls do not were the runs, and crossed the ash and mud choked bed of what had been the ing." The ocean travel along the route factions of their soberly tinted mates from the Puget Sound country to Ska- is to strut in brave array before them. The ocean travel along the route factions of their soberly tinted mates which it passes. This device is as a day, these vessels being of 1000 tons and upward. The ocean travel along the route factors of their soberly tinted mates should be first traveler and the first t

newed interest among the passengers, for the stage of "finders keepers" has arrived, and those near the 'spot of disappearance become quite diligent arrived, and those near the spot of disappearance become quite diligent until they are aware they make a entre of attraction. But interest in

bune.

### General Joubert's Joke

A booklet, "The Eleventh Australian Tour," prints a story which was cur-rent in Australia some time ago: When it was announced that Australia was going to send a contingent to the war in South Africa Kruger called General Joubert and said to him: "I see that some people called Australians are coming over; do you know any-thing about them?" "I don't know them," replied Jouber much about

"but I am told on good authority that eleven of them beat all England a year or two ago, so they must be a pretty good lot." "Heavens," said Kruger, "and they say that 5000 of them are coming here."

Sea Travel Along Klondike Re

time the birds desert the seashore for the great inland marshes in which the breed; and the odd thing is that no sort of moult is involved. The feathers slowly darken until they become al most black, and black they remain till

the summer is over; then the dark hue gradually fades and in about a fortnight's time the birds are entirely white once more.

But a far more common reason for of sixteen flat cars loaded with ties and rails. A continuous double line of the latter moves forward over rollers and carries the ties with it. Both rails the summer change of clothing is the desire to look well in the eyes of the opposite sex. This desire is practically restricted to the males, who monopolize all beauty and color of form and ose great idea of winning the af-tions of their soberly tinted mates

by the machinery and placed on the road in front of the train, where they shortly form part of the track over which it passes. This device is said

a bend in the River des Peres. Work-men finding the bow projecting from the ground, had their curiosity argused. Xenia traction line were laid and the Xenia traction car ever run between the two cities made its appearance in Xenia.

the ground, had their curiosity aroused, and called the attention of Chief of Construction Isaac S. Taylor to their discovery. He investigat: d and had a detail put to work uncarthing the No one can offer any sugges- day

Conductor William Shannon, of the Newark & Granville electric road, was badly shocked and burned while man-ipulating the block system on the line.

A cablegram from London, England, says that Helen Zimmerman, of Cin-cinnati, now the Duchess of Manches-ter, is expecting a visit of the stork. and

Governor Nash arrived at Camp Mc-Kinley Monday, and, unless called away by public business proposed to remain in camp for one week.

A new machine for laying railroad tracks is being used in Pennsylvania. It has proved itself capable, with a L. M. Harris, chairman of the com-mittee in charge of the local Elks' Carnival at Springfield, says that no more than \$500 was cleared.

The At Leetoonia the Grafton and Cherry iron works signed the scale of the Molders' union and a strike was sixty the road, and it hauls behind it a train

averted. Prof. G. R. Warman, of Mt. Vernon, Prof. G. K. Warman, of Mt. Vernon, has been chosen principal of the Mc. Connellsville schools. The appointce is a graduate of Kenyon college. John Dull, a Connersville Hungarian, whose wife was murdered six weeks

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whose wife was murdered six weeks ago by a negro burglar, was married to a young Slavish woman at Bellaire. Emma Morley, aged 16, of East Liv-erpool, received internal injuries by failing from an open window while walking in her sleep. Jacob Barcus, aged 9, was fatally wounded near Steubenville by the ac-cidental discharge of a revolver.