

The charm of love is its telling, the telling that goes with the giving; The charm of deed is its doing, the charm of life is its living; The soul of the thing is the thought; the charm of the act is the actor; The soul of the fact is its truth, and the Now is its principal factor.

The Madness of Prince Max.

By Albert W. Tolman.

"The costliest horse I ever ran a curry-comb over was Prince Max," said the city liveryman. "In those days I had charge of one of the largest private stables in New England. Twenty men took orders from me; and the values of some of the animals under my care ran into five figures."

comfortable car had tried him sorely, and this sudden, unseen, furious outburst capped the climax. With eyes bulging glassily, he cowered in the furthest corner. But the worst was over. We were passing out of range. A few scattered parting shots, and the crowd transferred its compliments to the next car. I tried to soothe the stallion, but he stood sweat-beaded, shivering as with the ague.

"Imagine, then, our surprise and consternation, the second day in July, when I got a wire that the Prince had been sold; worse still, he must start for New York the next day. His car was in the repair shop, and that very morning his groom had set out for Buffalo, with another horse. But orders were orders, and must be obeyed."

"We stopped. From in front I could hear the buffers coming together—clank! rattle! bang! The engine had been reversed. Slowly we trundled back. Were we to receive another hail of torpedoes? But all was quiet. Apparently the boys had exhausted their ammunition. We stopped again, directly across the street. Outside rose confused voices. It made me uneasy. What fresh mischief was hatching now? I soon found out.

"I engaged the best box car obtainable at such short notice, and arranged to accompany Max myself, partly because I disliked to trust him with an inexperienced man, partly because I wanted to see as much of him as possible before saying good-by. At 5 o'clock the next afternoon we were switched into a long freight, and rolled away southward.

"Then without warning, right beneath us, came a crash that seemed to lift the car from the track! The boys had put a giant carriage on the rail. This completed the mischief begun by the torpedoes.

"Wasn't it hot that first night! I got but little sleep. Max, unharmed, roared restlessly round his narrow, unfamiliar quarters, now and then pushing his soft muzzle into my face. Every half-hour, so at least it seemed to me, whenever I dozed off, the brakeman would clump along overhead, whistling. 'Way down upon the Swanee River,' or some equally cheerful tune. He was fond of music, that brakeman. But he wore unnecessarily heavy shoes.

"I jumped to the right, and shooting by me, he crashed against the end of the car. His head grazed my shoulder; his teeth snapped close to my left ear. My foot struck a metal water-pail, still half-full. I picked it up, and as he turned, gave him the contents squarely in the face. Sobered, he retreated, dripping, into the opposite corner.

"After midnight every town was exploding with patriotism in honor of the Fourth. With dawn the atmosphere became sweltering. Our car, freshly painted green, appeared to draw the heat. Noon came and went. Our general course was south; and the western sun, streaming through the wooden grate, checked the straw with light. Sometimes the hot rays fell on me, sometimes on Max. At last I shut the door. This improved matters a little, although it made the air very close.

"A tiger is lamblike compared with a mad horse. If Max was really going crazy, I was in fearful peril. The pail was the nearest apology to a weapon. Worst of all, I was hopelessly trapped, with one door closed tight, and both barred by gratings which it would require some time to remove. Meanwhile one snap of the stallion's powerful jaws or a single stroke from a steel-shod hoof might seal my fate.

"The Prince was extremely sensitive to discomfort. His restlessness and his rolling eyes showed that his nerves were on edge. I am sure we both were thankful when the sun dropped below the horizon.

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"The track crossed the principal street at right angles; and here a crowd of boys, supplied with torpedoes were peppering the train from engine to caboose. They were on the western side, so that I could not see them; but what a shout they set up at the sight of our brilliantly painted car!

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hammock and flopped it over my left arm—and not an instant too soon. "Rousing with a start, Max screamed ferociously, and plunged toward me. He reared on his hind legs, a little more, and I should have been crushed under his hoofs. But again his skull collided with the ceiling, and he was hurled upon the straw. Before he could rise I flung myself on his neck, realizing that the critical moment had come, and began to wind the hammock folds round and round his head and jaws. It was no time for mistake or miscalculation. I worked hard, for I knew how much was at stake.

"His hoofs beat a mad tattoo upon the floor. His gnashing teeth splattered me with foam-flecks as he champed and tore at the stout hemp. Its windings were growing looser; a few more wrenches, and they would be off. "Hope was slipping from me, when his muscles suddenly relaxed, and his head dropped forward. The stupor had come on again; I should never have a better opportunity. Letting go the ends of the hammock, I pulled out my penknife, ran my fingers along a vein which I could feel swelling in his neck, and punctured it with the tip of the smallest blade. The hot blood came streaming out and formed a little pool on the floor of the car.

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Recent study of the structure of the celebrated cedar of Lebanon is regarded as proving that it has come from the same general stock as the pine, and that it represents the most primitive form of the Abietinae subgroup of cone-bearing trees. The great geological age of the Cedrus family has long been known, and now it has been shown that the wood of the cedar root possesses vestiges of the peripheral resin canals, which are a characteristic mark of the pines, whereas the cedars are characterized by a median canal.—Youth's Companion.

QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

In the United States, out of every 10,000 marriages there are 700 divorces. In Canada, out of the same number of marriages the divorces are but four.

In our great civil war there were used 12,000 tons of powder and 42,000 tons of lead. With these supplies about 95,000 men were killed on the spot, or wounded, so that they died.

The finest grapes for the table are grown under glass in Belgium. In the busy metropolitan suburb of Hoezlerdt, near Brussels, there is a whole district covered with glass. It is one of the shows of the country to sight-seers.

Following a wager with a friend a London pawnbroker exposed for sale in his shop window for five days a hundred-guinea (\$500) diamond, which he priced at 2 shillings 3 pence (56 cents). The article found no purchaser and the wager was won by the pawnbroker.

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Hats, as the term is understood today, were first made by a Swiss at Paris in the year 1404. Before that time the usual head covering was some kind of hood. It is true that, as a rule, the ancients went bareheaded. The Greeks and Romans found but little use for any kind of headgear except on gala occasions and in war time.

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There have been several gray squirrels about the premises of H. K. Morrell, in Gardiner, all winter, and the other day Mrs. Morrell was the witness of a curious act of one of them. He was in a maple tree, and gnawed off some of the bark on the upper side of a limb. When the sap had commenced to run and was gathering in drops on the lower side of the limb, the squirrel reached down and drank it. How he knew it was sap in the maple, and that it is time for it to run, does not appear, but it is evident that he did know both that the maple was the sap tree and that it was time for the sap.—Kennebec Journal.



The Canadian Government has granted a bonus on all electrically smelted ore treated in the Dominion. Steel has been successfully made in this manner at Niagara Falls and at Sault Ste. Marie.

An optician finds that a person occupied in writing all day has, as a rule, stronger vision in the left. Writing with the right hand and his arm resting on the table, his left eye is nearer his work and its vision is more concentrated. This expert says that our race will never become so short-sighted as the German while football, tennis, hockey, etc., are encouraged in our public schools.

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By the use of concrete a very tall lighthouse was constructed in a very short period of time at the Point De La Coubre, at the mouth of the Giroude River, in France. The building is 225 feet high and about thirty-five feet in diameter at the base. It was finished in nine months after the commencement of the work, and cost \$90,000. The haste was owing to the fact that the sea had threatened to wash away the old structure, which was not so high, and somewhat nearer the water.

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Apple Prices by the Dozen.

Buying apples by the dozen, \$1 or more for twelve of them, is a commonplace to-day. Twenty years ago it was a proceeding seldom heard of, and even ten years ago it was considered a transaction in finance so high that only those who found their necessities among the luxuries thought of being a purchaser at such terms. And it is not one kind alone that has this price put upon it. There are many—seven, or possibly more—that bring this figure, which is no longer considered fancy, and the supply of them creating a demand, there are plenty of buyers to take them home. The case invites speculation as to whether an orchard for these apples of gold alone is not a better paying proposition, after all, than a hen farm.—Boston Transcript.

Chaleur Bay's "Fire-Ship."

According to Prof. W. F. Ganong, the traditional "fire-ship" of the Chaleur Bay, New Brunswick, appearing usually before a storm, has a basis of fact. It is a hemispherical light, with the flat side toward the water, glowing sometimes without much change of form, but at other times rising into slender, moving columns, in which an excited imagination might recognize the flaming rigging of a ship. The general explanation offered is that this object is a manifestation of St. Elmo's fire, an electrical phenomenon; but the reason for its appearing only on or near the Chaleur Bay is not known.—Youth's Companion.

A Pleasant Relief.

John Burroughs was talking about the increased interest that the world now takes in nature and her works and ways. "A modern girl from New York," he said, "would not be apt to say as I heard a girl say thirty years ago as she looked at a multitude of tadpoles in a pond: 'Oh, look at the tadpoles! And to think that some day every one of these horrid wriggling things will be a beautiful butterfly.'"—Southwestern Book.

Peril of Success.

Perhaps the saddest thing about the study of these old writers is that Horace and Juvenal and Tacitus were no false prophets, and the great empire fell through the curse of success and the vices of a materialized civilization.—Margaret W. Nevinston, in Fortnightly Review.

Missouri Editor Explains.

Owing to the fact that we write our editorials on Tuesday evening, and were called home by the urgent illness of our rabbit dog, our editorial column this week is shorter than ordinary.—Osark Republican.

The largest cigars come from the Philippine Islands, some of them being eighteen inches in length.

FINANCE AND TRADE REVIEW

DUN'S WEEKLY SUMMARY

Seasonable Weather Makes Summer Trade Good—Firmers Tone in Cotton Goods.

Encouraging reports are received from leading commercial centers. The volume of business is exceptionally heavy for the season. Stocks are depleted by the usual clearance sales providing more prompt payments and greater confidence in the future. Numerous buyers in large cities are preparing for an active fall trade, now that the agricultural outlook is less uncertain. Clothing manufacturers report much new business and few cancellations.

Dullness in the pig iron market is not unusual at this time of the year, but there is no reduction in output and no evidence that furnace owners are seeking business at lower prices. At some of the steel mills there is also more or less seasonal absence of new contracts, but specifications are large on old orders. Plants that must stop for repairs do not remain idle any longer than necessary.

The most definite evidence that the situation is perfectly sound is the absence of pressure to find business even at concessions in prices. Thus far the iron and steel market has avoided this weak tone that is so significant. On the contrary, producers are confident that such delayed business will appear when the crops are secured. Still more postponed work only waits for a normal money market. A small tonnage of structural shapes was placed during the last week and another lake vessel provided considerable trade in plate.

A firmer tone has appeared in the primary market for cotton goods, manufacturers securing without difficulty the prices asked. Though a few lines are distinctly quiet, there is more evidence of satisfactory business than at any time for several weeks. Although prices are considered high, it is felt that there is much to warrant further advances, so that buyers feel justified in operating freely, even for remote deliveries.

Advices from jobbers indicate that advance business for fall has largely exceeded anticipations. There is much anxiety regarding the ability of the mills to make shipments according to specifications.

Little export trade is accomplished, but the Chinese market has improved.

MARKETS.

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Table with columns for Commodity and Price (Union Stock Yards, Pittsburg).

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ALARM CLOCK.

An alarm clock in the kitchen is a great time and labor saver. When you put a roast or a baking in the oven or vegetables on to cook, set the alarm for the time they will need your attention mind and go about something else. It will save the trouble of watching the clock or running every few minutes to see if the article is cooked. Best of all, it will prevent burning, as one is apt to forget her cooking after leaving the kitchen and becoming interested in something else.—New York World.

BUSINESS CARDS.

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DR. B. E. HOOVER, DENTIST, Resident Dentist, in the Hoover building Main street. Gentleness in operating.

DR. L. L. MEANS, DENTIST, Office on second floor of the First National bank building, Main street.

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PROMINENT PEOPLE.

The King and Queen were warmly welcomed by the crowd at the races at Leopardstown, Ireland. Admiral Yamamoto and staff had luncheon with Gen. Frederick D. Grant on Governor's Island, N. Y. President Fallieres, of France, was shot at twice by Leon Maille, of the Naval Reserves, but was not harmed. Senator Latimer, of South Carolina, would settle the Eastern question by giving the Philippines to the Japanese. John D. Rockefeller celebrated his sixty-eighth birthday by watching the Olympic Cup golf tournament at Cleveland. H. J. Heinz, of Pittsburg, who has made a fortune of \$20,000,000, started on the road to wealth by peddling tomato catsup. Caruso has been decorated with the Victoria Order by King Edward, whose sympathy was excited by the monkey-house incident. John W. Riddle is the only bachelor among the American ambassadors. He is popular at the Czar's court and speaks Russian fluently. Thomas Wightman, pioneer glass manufacturer, of Pittsburg, has been in active business for three-quarters of a century, and now, at the age of ninety, is to be found in his office every day. When Lieutenant-General Arthur MacArthur shall be retired by the operation of law within the next eighteen months, Major-General Leonard Wood will be the ranking officer of the army for sixteen years, barring accidents. Senor Don Ramon Pina, Spain's new envoy to the United States, is by all accounts a very interesting personality. Only forty-seven years of age, a bachelor, a diplomat of nearly thirty years' experience in both hemispheres, and a linguist of unusual attainments. A Demonstration Requested. A Scotchman went to London for a holiday. Walking along one of the streets he noticed a baldheaded chemist standing at his shop door and inquired if he had any hair restorer. "Yes, sir," said the chemist, "step inside, please. There's an article I can highly recommend. Testimonials from great men who have used it, it makes the hair grow in twenty-four hours." "Aweel," said the Scot, "ye can gie the top of your head a bit rub wi't, and I'll look back the morn and see if ye're tellin' the truth."—Ladies' Home Journal. Many bears that hibernate dig into a hillside to find a nest, but for a mild winter they are likely to roll up in some shallow excavation or a hollow tree.