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Queer Demand of a Testy Old Virginian Upon His Next-Door Neighbor.

There lives in the old, fashionable quarter of Georgetown, across the Rock Creek bridge from Washington, D. C., a member of an old Virginia family. He is a man of high professional attainments, but of testy and irritable temper, says the Chicago Tribune. His next-door neighbor is a refined man, noted for the eccentricity of his habits. Between the two there has always existed anything but a friendly feeling, and they are continually doing all in their power to annoy and harass each other. One night recently during a serious storm the major's chimney was blown down. Crash went the bricks through the roof of the judge's house, and thence down through floor after floor, carrying havoc in their course. The man of law was in no good humor as he contemplated the destruction and what made matters worse it was the major's chimney which had occasioned the wreck. His mind was actively engaged in devising some process by which he could get satisfaction from his arch enemy, when a note arrived from the latter, couched in the following language: "Send me back my bricks immediately, or I will put the matter into the hands of an attorney."

### Why She Was Mad.

One morning, in kindergarten, a wee mite of womanhood had been trying to attract the teacher by every resource of which she was capable, without directly saying she had something to tell. Finally, the young girl went over and sat beside her, whereupon little Rachel founced her skirts, puchered up her forehead, and, clenching her hand, exclaimed: "Oh, dear, but I'm mad." The teacher was surprised, for Rachel had seemed to be laboring under a delightful secret. "And why is little Miss Sunshine angry?" asked the instructor. "Well, everybody was mad at our house this morning. Mamma scolded Sister Jane, and auntie scolded mamma, and papa said: 'O dar, and left the table, so I guess I can be cross, too.'"—Motherhood.

### Amateur Farmer—Mr. Green, there seems to be something serious the matter with the horse I bought of you yesterday. He coughs and wheezes distressingly, and I think, perhaps, he is windbroken. What would you advise me to do?"

Horse Dealer (promptly)—Sell him as quickly as you can, jes' like I did—Tit-Bits.

### Came To an Ounce.

Laura—I hear Lulu fainted while shopping the other day.

Lillie—Yes; fainted right on the street.

"What in the world did they do?"

"Carried her into a store."

"Threw water on her, I suppose?"

"No; it wasn't necessary; it was a millinery store they happened to carry her into."—Yonkers Statesman.

### Beginning to Doubt.

"Do you believe in the study of the dead languages?"

"I used to be devoted to the classics," answered the thoughtful-looking man. "But I have lately begun to wonder whether it wasn't a mistake to spend so much time on Latin and Greek, instead of studying slang, so that we may be able to clearly understand the conversation of our contemporaneous fellow man."—Washington Star.

### Perfectly Absurd.

Ethel—That detestable Mrs. Brown said that I looked 30!

Maud—How perfectly absurd!

Ethel (elated)—Frankly, now, how old do you really think I look?

Maud—About 40.—Tit-Bits.

### Shirt Waists.

Henry—Are you partial to shirt waists?

David (absent-mindedly)—It depends upon what kind of young woman is inside of them.—Boston Transcript.

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## TRIOLETS OF TRIFLERS.

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She laughed in her heart at the way He played with him there by the sea: She toyed with him there by the sea: And laughed in her heart at the way He would pine when she answered him.

When she turned a deaf ear to his plea— She laughed in her heart at the way She played with him there by the sea.

He thought that he toyed with her heart As they lolled out there by the sea: He led her from other spots: And he thought that he toyed with her heart.

As he flirted with all of his art— Ah, how they were fooled, he and she, Each toying away with a heart!

That was worthless—but there by the sea.—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

## THE MESSAGE FROM MANILA.

By F. H. Lancaster.

A FEW days after Gen. Funston had distinguished himself and before Aguinaldo had taken the oath a thoughtful student of human nature would, among the many strolling couples on the old wall at Manila, have noticed particularly two subalterns, evidently on furlough. That one was bored, and the other bothered, the student would have readily understood, for while the fair man smoked with a sullen indifference his companion puffed on impatiently for a few moments, only to forget his cigar entirely when he again pondered over his sweetheart's letter: "If you can get him to do something desperate and daring for her sake and then write home about it you will win my eternal gratitude, as you have already won my love. For now that these rumors of oil being struck on this barren land have begun to circulate around here, I honestly believe she is just crank enough to throw him over as soon as he comes home. Her idea is that he ought to be free to do better—as though he could! You know what a combination of fire and ice he is. In fact, dear boy, unless you and I can do something



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Quick there will be two lives turned down."

"Please take it!" he groaned inwardly. "What desperate thing for woman's sake can a man do in this sleepy place?"

His companion stopped listlessly, and Ford turned to look at him.

"What's up, Cranmere?"

"We are going east in three weeks."

"Yes; I know."

"Poorer than we came out."

"Serving your country isn't a big-paying business."

"Duck the country! I came out here in hopes of finding an opening. The Philippines offer such splendid opportunities—to a man with money. My word to it, Ford, I've a good mind to desert and turn gold prospector."

"A fellow was talking to me about gold the other day," Ford replied, absently.

"Who was it?" Cranmere asked, quickly.

"A fellow with a history," Ford returned, slowly. "A hundred and some odd years ago, before Vargo made tobacco a government monopoly, this man's grandfather was one of the rich men of Luzon. It seems he lived in one of the districts that had to go on growing tobacco whether it paid or not. It didn't pay. The family got poorer and poorer until when Mantal inherited the fragment of the fortune he moved north to Botany in despair—went to raising horses. That didn't pay, either; then he tried pearl fishing. Now he has come back to Luzon with an alluring gold story."

"That's what I want to hear about. I believe there is gold in Luzon."

"I don't. Not in paying quantities. If there had been, Spain would have found it out a hundred years ago."

"What is this man's yarn?" Cranmere persisted.

"You see that?" Ford asked, pointing to a haze of smoke to the southwest of the men.

"Yes; some volcano."

"It is the volcano Tsal, only 550 feet high, and it stands on an island in the Lake Bombon. It is about this lake that my friend Mantal spins his yarn. The lake he claims was once the site of an immense volcano that was blown out bodily in a eruption."

"I've heard that story often," Cranmere commented, impatiently.

"So have I. And that its waters used to be salt?"

"Yes. Where does the gold come in?"

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"A blind fish! That means a good deal. Does he expect to try his experiments alone?"

"No; he is looking for some American fool enough to go with him. He is afraid to trust the natives."

"I'm his man!"

"You?"

"I believe there is something in it." "Death, most likely."

"You will send that fellow Mantal to me to-night?"

"See here, Cranmere, this is the craziest scheme ever started. That lake is a hundred fathoms deep and covers a hundred square miles."

"He was a pearl fisher," Cranmere continued, without noticing his friend's interruption, "and I dare say still has his diving rig. We would need a boat, but that can be managed. It is no use kicking. Ford, I'm going to give this thing a trial. I tell you, man, rather than ask that little girl to wait another six months for me I'd go to the infernal regions if there was a chance of making enough by the trip to get married on."

Ford's jaws snapped upon a vigorous protest. He could write to Lucy to-night. A beastly two weeks, but when he came back everybody would be talking of it.

"There is Mantal now. I'll send him to you," he muttered. "Good luck, old man."

They shook hands warmly, and the next day it was reported that Corporal Cranmere had gone to a neighboring village to spend his furlough.

Ford, writing to his sweetheart certain passages to be read aloud, drew a vivid description of the desperate undertaking. "He told me once," he concluded, "that for the sake of getting enough together to be married on he would cheerfully make a trip to hades. Well, he has struck something worse than hades this trip. Whoever his girl is, she must be almost as lovable as somebody else—she's awfully gone on her. Poor fellow, I hope he will come back alive, now that his land promises so well."

"And I hope," he muttered, as he posted the letter, "that she will be so scared and miserable for the next six weeks she'll learn some sense. I've no patience with a girl that can't be satisfied when a man has told her that he loves her. Hysterics he hanged. I'm glad Lucy doesn't go in for that sort of thing, dear, sensible little soul that she is!"

This was how it happened that when Corporal Cranmere, none the worse for his wild goose chase to Lake Bombon and the long homeward voyage that had followed close upon it, dashed into the private parlor of a San Francisco hotel and found a worn-looking girl with big eyes and white cheeks, who had no high-frown profers of freedom to make. Only an eager whisper that she was glad, so glad he had not been killed in that horrid volcano.

"Never mind, sweetheart," he said, soothingly, "the Philippines are not so bad. But Texas is the place for you. Isn't it?"

"Wherever you are, dear boy," she answered, contentedly.

Management.

"Don't you think you lose patience with your husband on rather slight provocation?" said the near relative.

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